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Lee still has playoff magic in win over Duncanville

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

IRVING — You may be shocked, but one of the best plays in Midland Lee football history didn't involve Cedric Benson.

That honor goes to one Michael Wynn. His magic toe has star quality. Combine that with Lee coach John Parchman's keen instinct of a winning river boat gambler or the guts of a General Patton and you turn in a play that is a springboard to a 44-9 Class 5A Big School quarterfinal victory. It may be talked about forever in the football coffee shops of West Texas.

Wynn's phenomenal onside kick in the third quarter blew favored No. 6 state ranked Duncanville away. Lee was leading 23-9 after a 51-yard touchdown drive to open the second half, then came the call.

Lee's kicking team, looking very uninterested in what was taking place on the field, suddenly turned with Wynn and approached the ball. Wynn's perfect toe made the ball die on Duncanville's 48-yard line. Wynn, the kicker himself, went the 12 yards and fell on the ball. Lee took that stroke of luck and scored quickly on Jacoby Kendrick's 45-yard TD run for a 30-9 margin. This would be a hole that powerful Duncanville had no shovel to fill.

"Coach (Parchman) told us earlier that if we were up on them, we would try the game breaker," Wynn said. "So, I wasn't surprised when he called the onside kick. The secret is for me to make the ball die about two yards past the 50 and that happened. I just fell on it."

Lee tight end Eric Winston took it as just another play in the Rebel arsenal.

"That's just something you keep in the back of your pocket," he said. "We've worked on it all year."

If Lee doesn't make that play, Dun-

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Lee defensive coordinator Kelvin Ratliff yells instructions to his players during Lee's 44-9 romp over Duncanville Saturday. The Rebel defense allowed only 193 yards of total offense.

U. Frank Williams Jr.
Reporter-Telegram

NewsmakeR 2000

Whc was Midland's top newsmaker in 2000?

Who was the top Midland newsmaker in 2000?

We want you to help us decide.

Many names and faces have come to forefront this past year. They have inspired us. They have fascinated us. In choosing Newsmaker 2000, we have weighed the spirit the individuals have inspired, headlines they have generated and conversations they have sparked. One of our rules is that Newsmaker 2000 must be a current resident of Midland. That's why George W. Bush, a former Midlander, is not among the nominees.

Below are a few of our nominations. Let us know what you think.

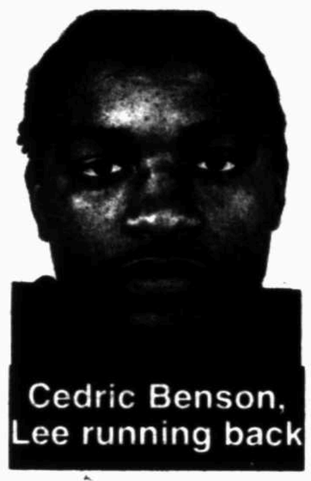
■ **Cedric Benson**

As star running back of the Lee High School Rebels football team, No. 32 has thrilled us with his talent. He has been the powerhouse performer who has helped carry his team to state championships in the past two years. Next year, Benson will be heading to the University of Texas to play football for the Longhorns. Benson has served as an inspiration to both young and old. More than simply a local football hero, Benson has already gained a national reputation as a dazzling star of tomorrow.

■ **Jose Cuevas**

This past year, long-serving Midland City Council member Jose Cuevas bid adieu to city politics. But the busy restaurant owner didn't say good-bye to public service - he redefined it.

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Cedric Benson, Lee running back



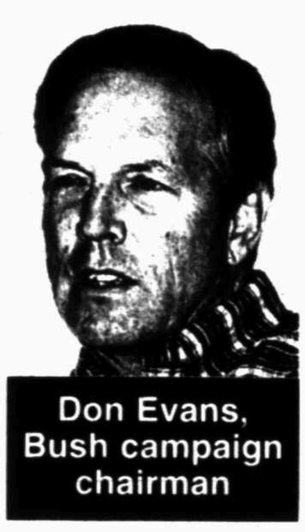
Jose Cuevas, United Way campaign chairman



David Daniel, MC president



David Dutchover, hero



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Bill Morrow commissioners' court judge



Keith Weiser, businessman



Newsmaker 2000 entry

I think Midland's Newsmaker 2000 should be:
- ❑ Cedric Benson
- ❑ Jose Cuevas
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- ❑ Don Evans
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Newsmaker 2000 will be announced in the Jan. 1 edition of the Reporter-Telegram.

Florida court weighs ballot controversy

By Terence Hunt
Associated Press

George W. Bush flatly asserted Saturday, "I'm soon to be the president" and met with GOP congressional leaders as if to prove it. Al Gore sought a recount before a Florida judge as both candidates awaited a U.S. Supreme Court decision that could untangle their election impasse.

All nine Supreme Court justices were at work, a day after hearing arguments in the case. There was no indication when the high court would rule. Florida's Republican-controlled Legislature arranged to meet in special session Wednesday to consider naming a slate of 25 electors for Bush to protect against any court decision erasing his victory.

Despite the legal challenges, Republicans continued to prod the vice president to abandon his challenge. "George W. Bush is rightfully our president-elect," Ohio Gov. Bob Taft said in the GOP's weekly radio address. "We should not prolong a constitutional impasse that could prevent the timely transition of presidential power."

Gore spent a quiet day in Washington, chatting over lunch with actor Tommy Lee Jones, his college roommate and longtime friend. Meanwhile, the vice president's lawyers tried to persuade a judge in Tallahassee to count 14,000 disputed ballots from South Florida. Attorney David Boies said the contested ballots in heavily Democratic Palm Beach and Miami-Dade counties could "place in doubt" Bush's 537-vote victory margin certified by Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris. Gore previously has predicted he would win if all the votes were counted.

Bush's attorneys filed counter motions and said any recount should be expanded to include all votes cast in Volusia and Broward counties, where Gore benefitted from recanvasses shortly after the election.

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At a glance

Associated Press

Developments Saturday in the Florida presidential election recount:

COURTS:

■ A state judge at Tallahassee, Fla., heard testimony on whether canvassers should recount 14,000 disputed ballots from Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties. A lawyer for Al Gore said the vice president could pick up at least 2,000 votes in a hand recount. Texas Gov. George W. Bush's team said additional recounts would violate state law. Bush leads Gore by 537 votes in the state's certified tally.

■ In Washington, Supreme Court justices went behind closed doors to review a Florida ruling that helped Gore cut into Bush's lead. Bush's lawyers argued Friday that Florida's highest court rewrote the law when it gave counties extra time to certify their results.

IN FLORIDA:

■ In Tallahassee, the House majority leader said the Republican-controlled Legislature is poised to hold a special session Wednesday to consider naming the state's 25 electors in case a court overturns Bush's certified victory. The Senate president said, however, that he would not sign a proclamation Monday convening such a session.

■ In Sanford, GOP lawyers questioned a Democratic lawyer, Harry Jacobs, who challenged the validity of 15,000 absentee ballots in Seminole County that were partially filled out by Republican Party representatives. The GOP wants to know if the Gore campaign was behind Jacobs' lawsuit.

ELSEWHERE:

■ In Crawford, Bush had his first face-to-face meeting with Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and House Speaker Dennis Hastert since the election and discussed the economy and next year's agenda with the GOP leaders.

■ While his lawyers were in Tallahassee seeking a hand recount of disputed ballots, Gore spent the day in Washington and had lunch with actor Tommy Lee Jones, his college roommate.

■ In New Mexico, which Gore won by 366 votes, Republicans said a computer error may prompt a challenge. Roosevelt County returns showed that 10 percent of voters failed to cast a ballot in the presidential race. A programming error was later found.

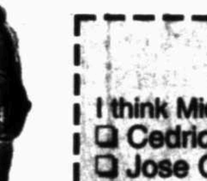
QUOTES:

■ "I'm soon to be the president." — Bush said after meeting with Lott and Hastert.

■ "If I were to rub my finger across it, that could create an indentation and that obviously should not be counted as intention to vote." — Kimball Brace, an election expert called by Gore's lawyers, testifying in a Tallahassee courtroom that simply handling punch card ballots can create dimples.

■ "We have alleged that the certified results reject a number of legal votes and include a number of illegal votes." Gore attorney David Boies, arguing that a hand count was necessary to ensure accurate results.

A look inside



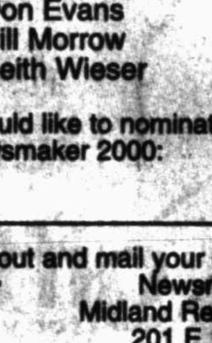
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Gary Ott

Before speaking, it's best to get rid of those stereotypes.

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Off the wire

■ Imagine John Lennon at 60./5A

■ Hillary begins orientation, complete with Secret Service detail./7A

Property-tax revenue flow accelerating

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The rate of ad valorem (property) taxes flowing to the six taxing entities for Fiscal Year 2001 in Midland County is accelerating, though the deadline is two months away.

Property taxes become delinquent on Feb. 1 when they take on interest and penalty charges.

By the first of December, Midland Central Appraisal District Chief Appraiser Ron Stegall estimated, his office had collected 17 percent of the almost $100 million that he is to collect in FY 2001 for the city of Midland, the Midland Independent School District (ISD), Midland College and Midland County Hospital District.

Kathy McCourt Reeves, the Midland County tax assessor-collector who collects taxes for Midland County and the Greenwood ISD, estimated she has garnered about 10 percent of the $14.6 million in property taxes due the county and the Greenwood schools. The county's share is about $12 million, and Greenwood's is about $2.6 million.

"I collect about 98 percent of the current (billing) by end of the fiscal year," Ms. Reeves said. "And with the delinquent collections, I do a 100-plus percent.

"Basically, (almost) everyone pays us in full by the end of January" just before taxes become delinquent, Ms. Reeves said. "I feel pretty fortunate with the staff that I have. And the cooperation of the public makes collections run smoothly."

Tax bills from Stegall and Ms. Reeves were mailed out in October after the six taxing entities had adopted their budgets and set their tax rates.

"We have collected about 17 percent of what was actually billed in the first part of October," Stegall said.

Stegall, who noted that 4 percent of the billing was collected in October, said that about 13 percent was collected in November and estimated 30 percent of the billing would be collected in December toward the end of the federal-income tax period.

By the end of January before taxes become delinquent on Feb. 1, Stegall said about 89 percent to 91 percent of the revenue is in. Most all of the tax revenue is paid by mid-year.

After Jan. 31 of each year, unpaid taxes become delinquent, Stegall noted, and immediately in February take on a 7 percent penalty-and-interest fee which escalates. By July, for example, the late fee increases to 18 percent. In addition to that is a 15 percent fee charged by the delinquent-tax attorney for collection charges.

All told, the 2000 countywide tax levy is projected to generate $114.5 million in revenue as opposed to the $109.89 million generated by the 1999 tax levy, Stegall said.

Funds to be generated by the six taxing entities in FY 2001 vs. FY 2000 funds are: city of Midland, $21.07 million vs. $20.9 million; Midland ISD, $64 million vs. $60.327 million; Midland College, $7.412 million vs. $7.289 million; Midland County Hospital District, $7.416 million vs. $7.148 million; Midland County, $12.019 million vs. $11.791 million and Greenwood ISD, $2.646 million vs. $2.436 million.



AP Photo

Vice presidential candidate Dick Cheney holds a news conference Monday in Washington.

Donors open wallets again and again to aid prolonged election

By Jonathan Salant
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — California venture capitalist E. Floyd Kvamme gave money to George W. Bush's campaign, to the Republican Party and to Bush's Florida recount effort. Already $145,000 lighter, he's ready to dip into his wallet again.

This time, his money will help privately fund Bush's presidential transition while the courts settle who really won the White House.

"So far, the folks feel we've won this thing and we just have to continue supporting him. I haven't seen any sign of a slacking off," Kvamme said.

After a $3 billion campaign that shattered fund-raising records, big donors are being asked to give again to finance the overtime election between Bush and Al Gore.

Are they fatigued from the ongoing solicitations? Not as long as they hold hope their candidate can win.

"I have been working hard for Al Gore to be elected president for at least the last two years," said Alan Solomont, a Boston businessman who is a premiere fund-raiser for the Democrats and a six-figure donor himself.

"In the face of these circumstances, what would I do but step up to the plate not only by contributing but by asking colleagues to do the same," he said.

Added Republican Sam Fox: "I believe George W. Bush won, and yes, of course I will contribute."

Fox, chairman and chief executive officer of the Harbour Group, a Missouri investment company, already raised at least $100,000 for Bush's presidential campaign and contributed $585,000 in unregulated soft money to the GOP.

Political fund-raisers — who typically would take time off after an election — instead are getting new marching orders: Hit the phones! Stamp the envelopes! Send the e-mail!

Bush quickly raised more than $6 million from Republican supporters to fund his legal onslaught in Florida.

And then his staff was instructed to raise another $3.5 million — all in donations of $5,000 or less — to fund Bush's transition while the keys to the government-financed transition office remained locked up.

Fund-raisers say it hasn't been hard — even after an election that saw Bush raise a record $100 million and the Republican party committees hauled in $340 million.

"There is huge energy behind the Bush House," former Republican National Committee chairman Richard Bond said. "People will spare no effort to see him president of the United States."

And they have plenty of money in these good economic times.

Democrats aren't raising money for a transition, but they had no trouble coming up with $3 million quickly to finance Vice President Al Gore's recount effort.

"It requires a certain amount of funds," acknowledged Michael Adler, a Miami-area developer who donated to the recount effort after making $55,500 in campaign contributions. "It's not a question of winning or losing; it's a question of making sure the process goes through what would best for the country."

Herbert Alexander, who has studied the financing of presidential elections for decades, predicts the money won't stop flowing as long as a candidate has a chance to win in court.

WHO'S PRESIDENTIAL?

Cheney in lead with 14 flags in background

By Frank Bruni
N.Y. Times News Service

■ Humor

For weeks now, political analysts have been sketching possible endgames to the 2000 presidential race, focusing on the legal labyrinths and legislative conundrums that lie in wait.

But the scariest possibility is this: One of the presidential or vice presidential candidates may wind up buried by American flags.

Gov. George W. Bush had only two dangling over him when he appeared on television last Sunday, but that was before Old Glory became an overnight growth industry.

By Monday, Vice President Al Gore had a backdrop of at least eight flags, presumably demonstrating that he was far more presidential than Bush.

But Bush's running mate, Dick Cheney, out-flagged them all. At a news conference the same day, there was a total of 14 star-spangled banners to Cheney's left and right, arranged in festive, criss-crossing bouquets. He looked like a chorus girl (well, maybe not) in the middle of a Broadway stage set.

While the profusion of flags quickly became a national joke, it was only the most obvious illustration of the extraordinary degree to which the candidates, as Costello put it, have been "caught in a sort of prop hell" since Election Day.

Not even during the campaign itself was the choreography of their public appearances this carefully considered, this rich with symbolic intent, this rife with encoded messages. And the various scenes and setups in which they have placed themselves over the last three weeks make clear that the candidates are waging a war as theatrical as it is legal and political.

Crave an aura of authority and dignity, of a patriotism that trumps any self-interest? One flag used to do the trick, now it's at least half a dozen. Eager for an even-keeled affect amid the roiling partisan seas? Wear a cowboy hat (Bush) or play touch football on a verdant lawn (Gore). Or go to the movies (Gore and his running mate saw "Men of Honor").

Several political scientists and analysts said it was unlikely that Gore and Bush were leaving any aspect of their public appearances to chance, given the stakes of the battle and the importance of public relations as a weapon. "People do draw cues from symbolic behavior," said Darrell West, a political scientist at Brown University who teaches classes on the way candidates use mass media.

At times, it has been easy to divine what the candidates were trying to say with their props. On the Friday after Election Day, Bush briefly allowed photographs and television tape of his discussion with policy advisers, which had the distinct geometry and visual flavor of a meeting in the Oval Office. He was clearly asserting a claim to the presidency and trying to swathe himself in gravitas.

Gore, saddled with the more aggressive role of contesting that claim, stood against a wall festooned with family photographs. "It was designed to humanize him," West said, "to say he's not just a Machiavellian politician or automaton but a family man."

At other times, the candidates signals have been contradictory, changing day by day. Bush's necktie and suit jacket come and go, and his spaniel, Spot, darts in and out of the frame as the would-be president teeters between images of engagement and disengagement, authority and levity, ever striving for the perfect balance.

Susan Herbst, the chairwoman of the political science department at Northwestern University, said Bush's reticence was clearly a dramatic device. "Part of being a powerful, authoritative person is a strategic use of silence," Herbst said. "Powerful people, people in authority, don't have to talk a lot."

The danger is in seeming too distant, and several political observers said Gore, suddenly ubiquitous on television and talking all the time, may be seeking to capitalize on Bush's seeming detachment.

But the image war has usually proven more oppressively obvious than that, its transparency confirmed by its detection by television comedians. David Letterman, host of CBS' "Late Show," first planted an American flag behind the desk on the set a week and a half ago.

"I'm doing everything I can possible to appear more presidential," Letterman explained to his audience. By Tuesday, the patriotic crop had grown to 12 flags.

It was all a joke, but Paul Costello's equally teasing assessment of the situation suggested that the line between reality and parody can get a little blurry in times of such aggressive symbolism. "I am waiting for the conclusion," he said. "The president-elect stands in front of an American flag as large as a football field and declares, George C. Scott-'Patton'-like, in full military regalia, in an address that preempts 'The West Wing': 'I am your commander in chief!'"

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Presidential transition: the changing of hundreds of guards

By David Sanger
N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON — Very little in this city of power and ego is uglier than a presidential transition. Except, perhaps, a failed transition that condemns a new president to an even uglier first year in office.

But almost everyone, from lame-duck Clintonites to those angling for jobs in the new administration, concedes that a successful first year has nothing to do with how fast one moves into the official transition office, in the old Secret Service headquarters a few blocks from the White House.

Transitions, as one of President Clinton's top aides said recently, "are all about people, about the deals you cut with Congress, about the rhythms of the city." The Clintonites should know, because they got all three wrong eight years ago.

And there is plenty of reason to believe that, whoever emerges as the next president, he will pay a price for the fact that more than a third of the time between election and inauguration has already been frittered away — with both sides play-acting at transitions, but neither side doing much transitioning.

Why are presidential transitions so difficult? It's part the tyranny of numbers (the new administration will have to fill roughly 8,000 positions in all), part the escalating battle for prerogatives between the White House and Congress, part the fine filter of background checks in an era of hypersensitivity to nanny taxes and old indiscretions.

Thomas Donilon, who moved from the Clinton campaign to become Warren Christopher's chief of staff at the State Department, and Norman Ornstein, a scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, noted in a recent article in Foreign Affairs magazine that when John F. Kennedy was elected in 1960, "on average, the 196 top-level executive branch positions requiring Senate confirmation were filled less than two and a half months after the presidential inauguration."

By the time Bill Clinton arrived in Washington, the number of senior positions for the Senate to approve had swelled to 786, and it took an average of nine months to get an appointee approved or rejected. And that was with a Democratic Senate.

Clinton himself acknowledged last summer that the huge mess of his first two years in office was rooted in the fact that he was "not sufficiently sensitive to the way Washington works." More to the point, he took office on Jan. 20, 1993, without having filled many key White House positions. By the time he got around to it, he had used up his honeymoon with the Senate, and with it that body's willingness to rubber stamp presidential appointees.

"It's not so much when you get started that's important, it's really what you have in place on Inauguration Day," one veteran of the Clinton transition said last week, asking for anonymity because he is quietly trying to help Al Gore not to repeat history. "If you concentrate hard on getting a solid infrastructure around the president, then you are much advantaged. If you do it late, and you don't have your staff in place at the times of highest expectations, then you hurt yourself. Mistakes made in that first six months are amplified. First impressions matter."

It was, after all, in his first weeks that Clinton crossed the military's top brass with his "don't ask, don't tell" policy for gays in the armed forces. He spent the next eight years trying to convince the military of his fitness as commander in chief.

Of course, hitting the ground running may prove impossible this time around. The Senate is split down the middle, and one half may well regard the next president as illegitimate. Under such circumstances, all White House nominees are likely to be grilled mercilessly.

With that in mind, Gore enjoys at least one advantage: His staff members already have the highest-level security clearances. Not so for George W. Bush's team. Even Gen. Colin Powell, the likely secretary of state in a Bush Cabinet, and Condoleezza Rice, the odds-on national security adviser, would need new background checks before they got access to the most sensitive nuclear secrets and intelligence intercepts.

"The FBI checks are quick if you have no financial holdings, you have never traveled and you have lived in the same place for 30 years," one aide to Bush said.

And there's always the problem of getting the new chief executive to focus on picking his people. As Kennedy said during his transition, "For the last four years, I spent so much time getting to know people who could help me get elected president that I didn't have any time to get to know people who could help me, after I was elected, to be a good president."

Florida Legislature selected 3 electors in 1868 with Grant

By Bill Kaczor
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Democrats charged that a GOP-controlled Legislature wanted to pick its own slate of electors for fear the Republican candidate would lose Florida.

This familiar scenario actually dates to 1868, when Ulysses S. Grant was the Republican candidate. Republicans in Florida's Reconstruction-era Legislature turned aside Democratic protests and sent three GOP lawmakers to the Electoral College to vote for Grant.

It was the only time in state history that legislators selected Florida's electors, although it could happen again next week.

Most states had abandoned this practice by the time Florida gained statehood in 1845. The only legislature to do so since then was Colorado's in 1876.

The Floridian, a weekly newspaper in Tallahassee, criticized the Legislature's decision to pick Florida's 1868 electors.

"We regard the whole thing as anti-republican, 'unconstitutional, revolutionary, null and void,'" the newspaper editorialized. "It is simply a farce. It is taking from the people the right of deciding an important matter for themselves and leaving to a few men who have constituted themselves sense-keepers of all and singular without so much as saying by your leave."

Present-day Democrats may have similar complaints, but that's about where the analogy ends.

While Florida's 25 electoral votes would decide whether Bush or Democrat Al Gore becomes president, its three votes in 1868 hardly mattered. Grant defeated Democrat Horatio Seymour 214-80 in the Electoral College although the popular vote was much closer — 52.7 percent to 47.3 percent.

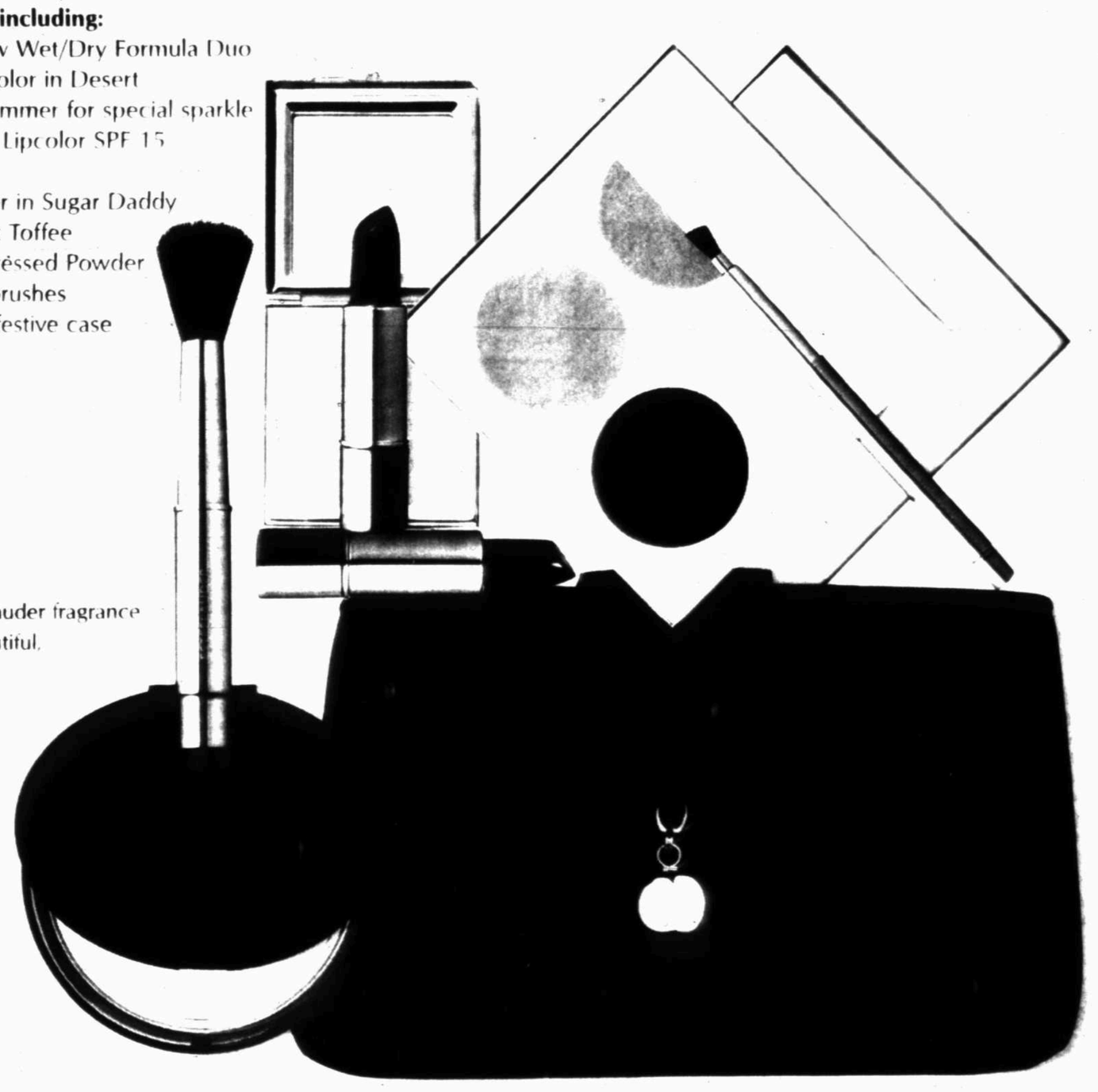
There is another big difference. The 1868 Legislature did not wait until after an election before injecting itself into the presidential race. Lawmakers decided in August there would be no presidential election in Florida that year.

They met again on Nov. 3 and selected Assemblymen James D. Green, of Manatee County, and John W. Butler, of Santa Rosa County, both white, and Sen. Robert Meacham, of Jefferson County, who was black, as electors.

Gov. Harrison Reed, also a Republican, argued that cash-strapped Florida could not afford another election after holding one in May of that year to fill state offices and adopt a new constitution, according to "The Civil War and Reconstruction in Florida," a book published by Columbia University in 1913.

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Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly cloudy	Sunny	Partly cloudy
High 46	High 57	High 55
Low 27	Low 30	Low 30

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a slight chance of morning rain mixed with sleet, according to the National Weather Service at Mid and International Airport.

The day's high temperature is to be in mid-40s.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a low temperature in the upper 20s.

Monday is to be mostly sunny and warmer with a high temperature in the mid-to upper 50s and a low in the 30s.

After an overnight low of 31, Saturday's high temperature was 39 compared with the record high of 80 in 1995. The record low temperature was 17 in 1985.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.05 in.
Rainfall Friday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.05 in.
Total for year	9.38 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.44 in.

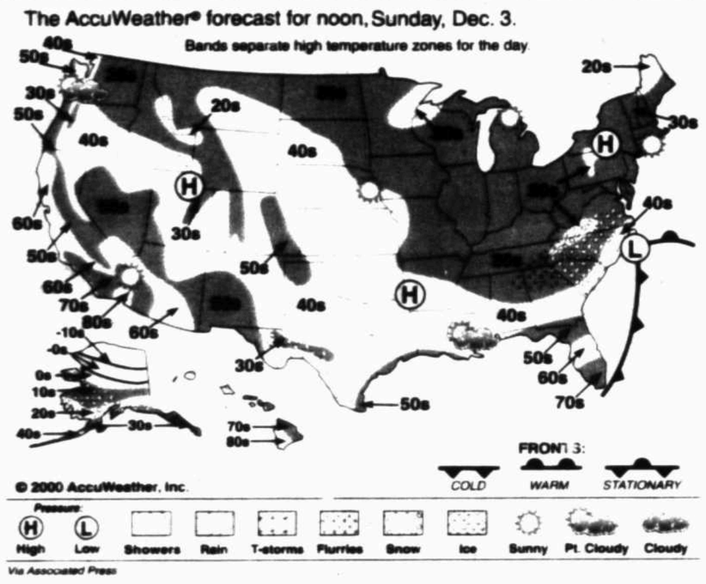
Yesterday's temperatures

High	39
Low	31
Normal high	62
Normal low	34

Sunrise ... 7:33 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:44 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, Dec. 3.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Atlanta	48	43	.06	cdy
Atlantic City	38	23	clr	
Austin	49	34	cdy	
Baltimore	39	30	cdy	
Baton Rouge	53	46	.05	cdy
Billings	45	17	cdy	
Birmingham	57	44	cdy	
Bismarck	28	18	.01	cdy
Boise	41	27	cdy	
Boston	31	25	clr	
Bridgeport	34	24	clr	
Casper	42	16	clr	
Chicago	35	30	clr	
Cincinnati	33	31	clr	
Cleveland	30	28	.03	clr
Daytona Beach	75	49	cdy	
Denver	52	19	clr	
Fargo	21	-3	cdy	
Flint	32	22	clr	
Honolulu	83	69	clr	
Houston	53	41	cdy	
Indianapolis	33	27	clr	
Jackson,Miss	44	38	.09	clr
Las Vegas	64	46	clr	
Memphis	43	40	clr	
Miami Beach	79	68	cdy	
Milwaukee	33	29	.02	cdy
Mpls-St Paul	28	13	clr	
Nashville	41	36	cdy	
New Orleans	56	54	.25	cdy
New York City	36	29	clr	
Oklahoma City	38	35	clr	
Philadelphia	37	28	cdy	
Phoenix	74	54	clr	
Pittsburgh	31	23	clr	
Pueblo	38	11	cdy	
Raleigh-Durham	41	31	.03	sno
Rapid City	32	19	cdy	
Reno	53	25	clr	
Richmond	39	33	sno	
Roanoke	38	37	sno	
Rochester	43	20	.07	clr
Rockford	32	25	clr	
Sacramento	54	35	cdy	
St Louis	33	31	07	clr
Salt Lake City	42	24	clr	
San Angelo	42	33	rn	
San Antonio	52	43	rn	
San Diego	60	54	clr	
San Francisco	58	42	clr	
Santa Fe	38	28	clr	
Savannah	58	42	03	cdy
Seattle	51	43	.22	cdy
Shreveport	49	38	cdy	
Sioux City	29	16	cdy	
Sioux Falls	20	9	cdy	
Tallahassee	61	39	cdy	
Toledo	33	21	clr	
Topeka	39	31	clr	
Tucson	68	51	clr	
Tulsa	43	36	clr	
Tupelo	48	40	cdy	
Waco	44	36	cdy	
Washington,D.C	40	31	cdy	
W Palm Beach	78	66	cdy	





Tree-lighting ceremony

Above: Juan Sanchez huddles in the drizzle with his 3-year-old daughter Gaby while waiting for Santa to arrive at the tree-lighting ceremony in downtown Midland Saturday. Right: The Christmas tree lights up the downtown area.

Photos by Brian Adamcik

ELECTION: Bush meets with Lott, Hastert

(From 1A)

Bush's lawyers also sought to negate a Seminole County lawsuit filed by Democrats to throw out about 15,000 absentee ballots, which would cost Bush a net of 4,797 votes.

Kimball Brace, an election expert called by Gore's side, said a hand count is the "only way of finding out exactly how many votes were cast" for each candidate. Brace, president of Election Data Services, tried to show various ways Floridians intending to vote for Gore could have failed to fully punch their ballots, instead creating impressions called dimples.

Under cross examination by Bush lawyer Phil Beck, Brace acknowledged that indentations could also have resulted simply the handling of the ballots.

"If I were to rub my finger across it, that could create an indentation and that obviously should not be counted as intention to vote," Brace testified. Gore's lawyers also presented testimony from a statistician, Nicolas Hengartner of Yale University.

Saturday's hearing in Leon County Circuit Court stretched over nine hours before being recessed until 9 a.m. Sunday. The day ended with testimony by an expert in rubber and plastics, Richard Grossman, who was called by Bush's attorneys to talk about material used in voting machines.

Bush retreated to his ranch, meeting with House Speaker Dennis Hastert and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott to discuss Republican legislative priorities for the new Congress. The meeting appeared intended to project an aura of inevitability of a Bush presidency, court cases notwithstanding.

'I'm soon to be the insider. I'm soon to be the president.'

— George W. Bush

The governor expressed concern about a "potential slowdown" in the economy, citing concerns about auto sales and rising energy prices. He said he would work with congressional leaders to "prepare a plan that will keep the economy going."

Lott said that he hoped to be able to move on Bush appointments quickly. Lott noted, however, that "in the Senate, we've got a very delicate situation" with a 50-50 split between Republicans and Democrats. Lott joked that Cheney, who could cast the tie breaking vote as vice president, might be needed a lot.

Sitting before the fireplace at his ranch house, Bush unabashedly declared, "I'm soon to be the insider. I'm soon to be the president." He promised to reach out as president to Democratic leaders, saying he already had talked with Sen. John Breaux of Louisiana.

Breaux is among a number of Democrats that Bush advisers have suggested for a Bush administration slot. But Bush said he recognized that "it might put him in an awkward position" to be directly discussing a role for Breaux.

In new polling, a declining majority of the public says it is most important to come to the correct resolution.

A new Newsweek poll found that 52 percent said all reasonable doubts should be removed, down from 72 percent who felt that way immediately after the election. Forty-four percent of those surveyed said it's more important to get matters resolved, compared to 25 percent right after the election.

Twenty-five days after the election, the legal battle inched forward in Florida a day after two setbacks for Gore.

The state Supreme Court on Friday refused to order an immediate hand recount of the 14,000 ballots, sending the case into a hearing that stretched through Saturday. In another decision, the court refused to order a new election in Palm Beach County, rejecting a plea from voters who contested the design of the county's "butterfly ballot."

Forced to argue their case, Gore's lawyers staged a courtroom demonstration of how the election count could be skewered by ballot problems.

Bush attorney Barry Richard said no more recounts should be allowed, calling Gore's request "contrary to the long-standing and clearly established law of the state." He accused the Gore team of trying to get the court to alter the course of the election to reach "a destination that he must arrive at in order to win."

Circuit Judge N. Sanders Sauls, a registered Democrat appointed by a Republican governor, presided over the hearing. He has the power to order a correction to Florida's official results which gave Bush the 537 vote margin.

In Palm Beach County, officials announced a final adjustment to their recount total, reducing Gore's net gain of votes in the recount from 188 to 174. The state has refused to accept those recount numbers because they weren't completed by last Sunday's 5 p.m. deadline.

LEE: Kendrick shocks Duncanville with TD run

(From 1A)

canville's speedy offense just might start a major comeback with very good field position. Parchman, who has gone for a first down on fourth down in his own end of the field before with the Rebels, threw the dice anyway. So, when do you pull out a game breaker from the secret stash?

"When you have that feeling," Parchman chuckled. "It caught them completely by surprise.

"I told the kids we were really going to do it if we had a chance, and they were ready for it. I think they were excited about the opportunity to try it. Besides, Wynn can do magic with the football sometimes. We just simply thought it would work."

Junior fullback Kendrick then made sure the effort wasn't wasted with his 45-yard TD run against a shocked Duncanville defense.

"That play, our 30-Trap, just opened up like the Red Sea," Kendrick said. "I knew I was home free as soon as (offensive lineman) Heath Jones got the middle linebacker. We knew that was all that had to happen on that play and Heath made the block."

With the quarterfinal victory out of the way, Lee is now only two wins away from capturing a third consecutive state championship, something that hasn't been done since Abilene High turned the trick back in the 1950s.

Lee rolls the dice and looks like a dancing ballerina and then gives the ball to Cedric Benson. And El Ced bruises people. Benson had 200 yards rushing for the 17th time in his career and the first back this season to even come close to breaking 200 against the Panthers.

With 17 career 200-plus yard games in his career, it's not that unusual for El Ced to cross that barrier. But maybe, just maybe, this was his best 200 ever. After all, Duncanville is one of the top defensive teams in the state, giving up less than nine points a game this season.

"We knew coming in that the 13th game of the season would be the biggest test for the offensive line this year," said senior center Brad Stovall. "Coach (Parchman) told us that the game plan was to run the football and that it was a test for the offensive line. We did the game plan exactly with five yards at a time and move the chains. We wanted to give Cedric that first hole and then let him punish the DBs (defensive backs). No one has had this many yards against Duncanville this year, so we wanted Cedric to get a lot of yardage. No one has come close to 200 yards rushing against them."

So the game plan worked. The tricks worked. It was magic any way you look at it.

And now that it is done, where does this game rank on Parchman's list of great games?

"Well, it has to rank up there pretty high because they were a ranked team," Parchman said. "You especially like this one because it came against a team that was giving up almost no yards and no points. Who would ever thought this would happen today?"

Defensive end Dwight Washington said, "Everyone was doubting that we could win this game, but it just goes to show you that if you play good football, good things will happen."

And while good things are happening, why not roll the dice once in a while? These Rebels seem to be the very starch of which destiny is made.

NEWSMAKER: Entries must be received by Dec. 26

(From 1A)

As United Way of Midland Campaign Chairman, Cuevas led the organization to its greatest fundraising victory by raising $3.1 million. What's next for Cuevas? Some say he'll run for mayor. Others want to see him in Congress.

■ David Daniel

A quiet building boom continues on the peaceful, grassy campus at Midland College where President David Daniel has been an aggressive fund-raiser. New dormitories and learning facilities have sprung up on campus. Daniel's fund-raising prowess has fueled the establishment of the new Advanced Technology Center in Midland and some envision the facility will be a key building block in Midland's economic future. Daniel is still a few years from retirement age and many speculate that he's still got a couple of tricks up his sleeve.

■ David Dutchover

Lee High School junior David Dutchover made headlines with a single, reflexive act that ended within a matter of seconds. When a lab experiment went awry in an Oct. 10 afternoon chemistry class and flaming shards of glass ignited the clothing and skin of Dutchover and two female classmates, Dutchover became a hero. Before extinguishing the flames on his own body, Dutchover used an emergency fire blanket to smother flames engulfing the body of classmate Teran Nix, saving her life. Following treatment at a burn center in Lubbock, Dutchover is quietly, unassumingly returning to the life he had before. But he admits it'll never be quite the same.

■ Don Evans

As the campaign chairman for the Bush-Cheney presidential campaign, Evans is largely credited as the man who fueled the rich pool of contributions that broke all the records. A longtime Midland friend of George W. Bush, oilman Evans continues as one of Bush's inner circle. In the event the ballot dispute ends with Bush as the victor, it is widely assumed Evans will have a key role in the Bush Administration.

■ Bill Morrow

After a few angry, bitter years of political infighting in Midland County government, Judge Bill Morrow quietly rode in wearing a white hat — and waving a white flag. Peace and harmony has been his message. In 2000, he's made it happen. He quietly backed candidates who rivaled, and ultimately did not defeat, an incumbent sheriff and county attorney, but even that setback didn't detour Morrow from his primary goal. He cleverly devised a plan to give raises to long overdue county employees, but at the same time to keep the burden off Midland County taxpayers. Next year, Morrow looks forward to a possibly friendly court with the arrival of incoming commissioners Josie Ramirez and Jimmy Smith.

■ Keith Weiser

He had carved out a nice comfortable seat with the big oil company, but he gave it up to pursue the traditional Midland dream — independent oil exploration and production. A lesser man might have been tempted to stick it out in a comfortable chair at a comfortable desk, but Weiser's love for Midland and his unstoppable spirit wouldn't allow it. Many Midland charitable organizations have breathed a sigh of relief. Weiser avoids the limelight, but he's a solid citizen who rolls up his sleeves to build a better community. His new company has just started out, but Weiser's shrewd oil-business know-how ought to be a big story in 2001.

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5-8-6

Lotto Texas

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

8-22-24-27-32-49

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

The ticket was worth an estimated $30 million.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $38 million.

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Imagine John Lennon at 60

20 years after murder, Liverpool kid lives on as 'the dead Beatle'

By Larry McShane
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Sitting inside her office at the Dakota apartments, a stone's throw from the spot where her husband was mortally wounded two decades earlier, Yoko Ono considers the question:

Imagine John Lennon at 60?

There's a pause. A long pause.

"I think he was always innovative," she finally says. "I think he would have jumped into the Internet. Also, his music was very funky and punky — the rap kind of thing."

There's a shorter pause, and her voice grows lively.

"You can almost see that John would have done that," she continues. "I'm sure he would have been the first white rapper. Or the second, maybe."

Lennon as Eminem? A bespectacled Lennon downloading MP3s from the Internet? Lennon, gray-haired and gray-bearded, dueting with Fred Durst?

It's pure speculation 20 years after a demented Beatlemaniac killed Lennon with five gunshots on Dec. 8, 1980. It's also something that Ono, who watched in horror as her dying husband collapsed, lives with every day.

He made me laugh

"I miss the laughter, you know?" the 67-year-old widow reflects. "He made me laugh, especially at times when things were very difficult."

To the world at large, John was never the funny Beatle — that title belonged to Ringo. Paul, even at 58, remains the cute Beatle, while George in his English mansion is ever the quiet Beatle.

Lennon, paradoxically, lives on as the dead Beatle — fascinating but forever frozen in time: house-husband, father, reluctant rock star who spent five years watching the wheels go round with his new son, Sean.

This year, when Lennon would have turned 60, his work was ubiquitous. Nine Beatles-related books were introduced in the year 2000 — from the authorized "The Beatles Anthology," to a reissue of Lennon's verse "In His Own Write," to a tome on the Beatles' dalliance with the Maharishi Mahesh Yogi.

A compilation of the Beatles' 27 No. 1 hits, released in time for Christmas shoppers, landed atop the Billboard chart after selling nearly 600,000 copies in its first week.

Ono supervised re-releases of the first and last solo albums of his life, "Plastic Ono Band" and "Double Fantasy." There was even a book from Lennon about Lennon: a 151-page pressing of his revealing 1970 interviews with Rolling Stone founder Jann Wenner. "The dream's over," Lennon warned, 10 years before his death. "And I have personally got to get down to so-called reality."

A visit to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame provides a stark dose of that reality. When the Cleveland facility unveiled a Lennon tribute in October, the first items in the display reinforced his violent absence:

The blood-spattered spectacles that Lennon wore on the night of his murder. And a hospital bag containing his clothes, riddled with bullet holes.

"In John's spirit, it was very important to have a strong message: 'Let's not kill each other any more,'" Ono explains. "John was always trying to send a message about world peace.

"I felt it was appropriate."

Even now, 20 years later, Yoko Ono cannot utter his name. She refers to him only as "that guy."





Above: A large crowd gathers in New York's Central Park to pay final tribute to slain musician John Lennon in this Dec. 14, 1980, file photo. With the 20th anniversary of Lennon's murder approaching, fans of the slain ex-Beatle want city officials to allow an all-night memorial vigil inside the Strawberry Fields section of Central Park.

AP Photos

Demented fan

Mark David Chapman came from Hawaii to Manhattan in search of John Lennon. The chubby, deranged fan settled into a midtown hotel just a 20-block walk from the Dakota.

On the night of his death, Lennon and Ono were headed home from a Manhattan recording studio where they had worked on her "Walking on Thin Ice" single. A white limousine deposited the pair on 72nd Street off Central Park, and they moved toward the Dakota's gated entrance. It was almost 11 p.m., and Chapman was waiting.

Earlier that day, Chapman had greeted Lennon with a copy of the rocker's new "Double Fantasy" album; Lennon signed and dated it. Chapman now clutched a Charter Arms .38 caliber revolver.

Once Lennon passed by, Chapman pumped five hollow-point bullets into his back.

As Lennon lay dying on the sidewalk, Chapman dropped the gun and produced a paperback novel — "The Catcher in the Rye" — from his pocket. He opened the book, and waited for the police.

Nearby, Ono was shaking uncontrollably — a condition that continued for hours.

John Lennon, 40 years old, was dead.

For the generation that grew up with the Beatles, it was the rock-'n'-roll equivalent of 1963's JFK assassination. As on that day in Dallas, people would remember where they heard the news about Lennon.

Over the next few days, Lennon's music blared from boom boxes outside the Dakota as his widow mourned upstairs. A 10-minute "moment of silence" turned Manhattan mute in Lennon's memory; three distraught fans committed suicide.

Lennon's death gave life to his legend. Lennon and Ono's "Double Fantasy" LP climbed to the top of the charts, and "Starting Over" became his biggest single.

Up for parole

Chapman pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 20 years to life. Jailed upstate in Attica, he became a blip on Ono's radar screen until this October, when he came up for parole.

"The parole thing really hit me, and it depressed me," she says. "Especially when that guy was coming out in public, interviewed by many" — she sighs — "by the press. It totally devastated me."

Ono feared for her life, for the life of her son Sean, for the life of John's older son Julian. She feared that Chapman would come after them.

"People would tell me, 'Don't worry.' But you never know," she says.

The parole board turned Chapman down; he becomes eligible again in October 2002.

In Central Park West, fans will gather inside Strawberry Fields — the slice of Central Park named for the Lennon hit — to light candles and sing John's songs.

"Sean and I always put candles on my windowsill, and light them to tell the people, 'We're with you,'" Ono says.

What would he be doing

So imagine John Lennon, on the cusp of Social Security, smoking an unfiltered Gitane and sipping a cup of tea. When Rolling Stone magazine asked a cross-section of musicians what Lennon might be doing now, their answers ran the gamut.

"I think John would be doing some cutting-edge hardcore music," said rocker Lenny Kravitz.

"He would probably love the rap movement," offered Sinead O'Connor, who was just 12 when Lennon died.

Lennon, during his 1970 interview with Wenner, was asked to conjure his vision of the Liverpool kid at age 64. It included Yoko, and made no mention of Paul, George or Ringo. He was far from the craziness of Manhattan.

"I hope we're a nice old couple living off the coast of Ireland or something like that," he offered, "looking back at our scrapbooks of madness."

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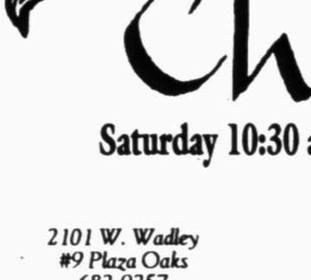
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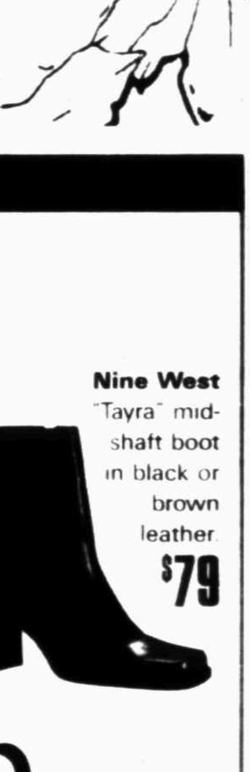
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Consumers turning wary of economy after long spree

By David Leonhardt
N.Y. Times News Service

Americans are buying less jewelry and fewer homes than they did a year ago. Personal computers are gathering dust on warehouse shelves. Sales of airplane tickets and minivans have flattened in recent weeks.

Just as the country has entered the most important shopping season of the year, consumers are holding back, reacting to a lower stock market and higher energy costs and interest rates. At the moment, the prospects for next year do not seem much better. The enthusiasm of American consumers for spending and borrowing, which has sustained the economy whenever it seemed to falter over the last decade, now appears to be at its lowest point in perhaps five years, economists say.

Of course, those five years have been among the strongest in history, analysts say, and the economy continues to grow today at a rate that would have seemed healthy at many other times during the last three decades. Most economists still believe the United States is unlikely to enter a recession in the next 12 months, even if the odds have risen lately.

THE ECONOMY, said Bruce Steinberg, the chief economist at Merrill Lynch, has gone "from great to good, or maybe great to OK."

The shift has happened more quickly than most analysts expected, however, and it has been particularly evident in the last week. For the second consecutive month, consumers said they were less confident about the future of the economy, the Conference Board reported Tuesday. The number of workers filing new claims for unemployment benefits rose 5 percent in just one week, the government said Thursday. The Standard & Poor's 500-stock index hit a 52-week low last week, as did the Nasdaq composite index, which has lost almost half of its value since March. Consumer debt has reached its highest level in at least 20 years, according to one measure.

All of this comes on top of the third quarter, when economic growth was less than half that of the prior three months.

"We're seeing a deterioration in economic growth that is much sharper than expected," said Jerry Jasinowski, president of the National Association of Manufacturers.

AT THE heart of the deterioration is a newfound hesitance among many consumers. That skittishness is of particular concern because the other pillar of the 10-year economic expansion — business investment in new plants and equipment — has also weakened.

The first consumers to change their behavior were lower- and middle-income Americans, who have been most affected by the rise in energy costs over the last year and a half, economists said.

"I've definitely had more expenses this year," said Karen Guerette, a single mother and resident of Aurora, Colo., who was shopping with a friend at a Denver mall last week. Both were looking for bargains. Guerette's friend, June McClain, ended up choosing a set of linens that was on sale and perfume for her 25-year-old daughter that came with a free gift.

"I am probably spending less this Christmas than I did last year," McClain, a baker, said. "You have to do a lot of comparison shopping."

In recent months, the spending slowdown has begun spreading to wealthier consumers, many of whom have watched their soaring stock portfolios lose momentum and start falling this year.

High-end housing prices in some cities are leveling off or even starting to fall. In New York, Manhattan apartment costs continued to rocket upward in the first six months of the year, but seem not to have changed much since the spring, say real estate agents. And on the West Side of Los Angeles, fewer homes have recently sold for between $500,000 and $2 million than in the past, said Tom Dunlap, a branch manager for Prudential John Aaroe, a Beverly Hills brokerage.

"PEOPLE ARE looking very closely at values," Dunlap said.

As a result, many companies, in a wide variety of industries, are expecting significantly slower growth in the coming months. "We have seen a slowdown," said Kim Shreckengost, a vice president in Home Depot's office of the chief executive. For Home Depot, the slowdown began in the third quarter — when sales in existing stores rose 4 percent, compared with a 10 percent gain a year earlier — and has continued in recent weeks. The average customer purchase has not slipped, Shreckengost added, but fewer people are making it to the cash register.

Across Corporate America, the story is similar: by traditional standards, sales remain strong, but recently they have fallen more quickly than executives had expected. For example, with fewer people buying minivans and the growth of sport-utility vehicles slowing, auto sales fell 3.5 percent last month, when compared with a year earlier, carmakers said Friday. But 2001 will still likely be one of the best in the industry's history, said Emily Kolinsky, an economist at Ford Motor Co.

The number of people boarding airplanes has stopped growing in recent months, and over the last three months airlines have halted a string of fare increases for leisure travelers, raising prices only on corporate fares. Still, the percentage of seats filled this year will be higher than in any year since 1947, said Michael Linenberg, an analyst at Merrill Lynch.

AND HOME sales are likely to decline this year for the first time since 1995, but almost 50 percent more people will have bought houses in 2000 than did in 1992, said Mark Vitner, an economist at First Union in Charlotte, N.C.

To be sure, many consumers say they continue to feel flush because of the smart wage increases of the last four years and long-term stock market gains.

Jeffrey Rand, 51, a building contractor in South Burlington, Vt., said he bought a full-sized truck two months ago, upgrading from a smaller version, largely because he remains confident that his income will stay near its current level. "I'm a little nervous" about the recent economic news, said Rand, shopping last week at a mall in Boston, "but it hasn't dramatically affected my mood yet."

John Watkins, a 33-year-old computer programmer from Arlington, Texas, who was shopping in the same mall, said his stock holdings had dropped about 40 percent this year, but that he had not changed his buying habits. His investment portfolio is still up, he said. And, he added, "I'm not planning on doing anything with that money for 20 or 30 years."

Still, economists say a moderation of consumer spending had to happen at some point because higher costs have left many people with less disposable income than in the past.

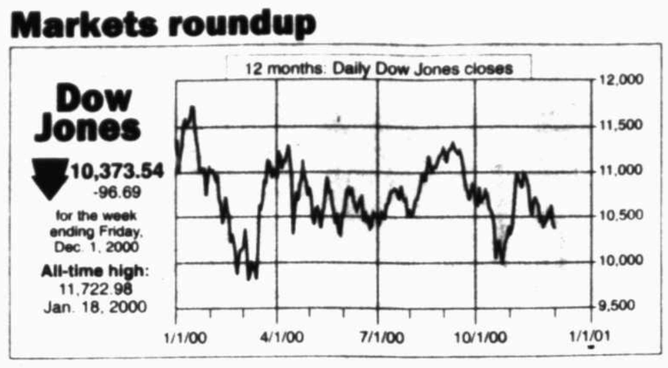
Since the middle of 1999, gas prices have jumped almost 50 percent, health care costs are up and the Federal Reserve, hoping to slow the economy, has raised interest rates six times.

FOR MUCH of the last 18 months, the added expenses failed to curtail shopping, as consumers took out more debt and dipped into their savings. In the third quarter, the average minimum monthly payment that Americans owed on their debt reached its highest level since 1987. Americans also spent more money than they earned during the quarter, something that never occurred in the 1980s or 1990s, according to Economy.com, a consulting firm in West Chester, Pa.

Now people seem to be reacting. In recent weeks, sales of personal computers have actually fallen below their level a year ago; Gateway said its revenue over the recent Thanksgiving holiday was almost one-third lower than during the same weekend in 1999.

Overall, Americans' consumption of products and services was virtually flat in October, after increasing rapidly over the summer.

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Hillary begins orientation, complete with Secret Service detail

WASHINGTON (AP) — The senator-elect from New York reports for freshman orientation this week. With her own Secret Service detail. And the president as her date for a formal dinner Tuesday.

Hillary Rodham Clinton stands out even in a Senate class that includes Jon Corzine, who spent a record $65 million to win a seat in New Jersey, and Missouri's Jean Carnahan, whose husband, Democratic Gov. Mel Carnahan, died in a plane crash weeks before the election but still defeated Republican incumbent John Ashcroft.

"She'll be there for orientation just like any other freshman senator," Clinton spokesman Howard Wolfson said. "I guess there will be a few cameras around, too," he added with a chuckle.

After 16 months on a candidate on the campaign trail in New York, Clinton has resumed the high-profile public duties of a first lady since her Nov. 7 victory over GOP Rep. Rick Lazio.

She traveled to Vietnam with the president, welcomed the Christmas tree to the White House and released a new book on White House history. Interviews Clinton has given in recent weeks have detailed the exact shade of deep-sapphire blue chosen for the White House Blue Room.



AP Photo

A secret service agent watches the crowd as first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton leaves a Senate campaign stop in Buffalo, N.Y., in this Oct. 13 file photo. Senator-elect Clinton, who reports to freshman orientation Tuesday, will be the first member of Congress who could have Secret Service protection for her entire tenure.

Nonetheless, aides say Clinton also has been busily preparing for her new job.

Last week she paid a courtesy call on Sen. Robert Byrd, something of a ritual for new Democratic members. The West Virginia Democrat, elected in 1958, is considered the chamber's foremost constitutional scholar and its in-house historian.

Clinton's attendance at "Senate School" on Tuesday and Wednesday will mark her public arrival on Capitol Hill as successor to retiring Democratic Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan.

After eight years in the White House, where she was considered the most politically active first lady since Eleanor Roosevelt, Clinton is familiar with the workings of Washington. After all, it was the Republican-controlled Congress that scuttled the health care plan she championed early in her husband's first term.

She joins 10 other senators-elect in a whirlwind of nuts-and-bolts seminars, ranging from how to set up an office to the rules of the Senate. They will join for class photos and a tour of the tangle of Senate passageways and hideaway offices. Byrd will conduct a tutorial on the Senate's history.

On Tuesday night Clinton will attend the formal dinner at the Supreme Court Building with the president as her date.

One issue that remains unclear is how the first lady's Secret Service protection will work once she is in the Senate.

Clinton, like other former first ladies, is entitled to Secret Service protection for life. The Secret Service regularly guards members of Congress running for president and vice president, and has on occasion protected individual members — Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., for example — for limited periods, Secret Service spokesman Marc Connolly said.

But Clinton will be the first member of Congress who could have Secret Service protection for her entire tenure in the Senate, he said.

"It is unique," Connolly said.

The Secret Service has discussed the situation with the Senate Sergeant at Arms and the Capitol Police, but Connolly declined to elaborate.

Like all new senators, Clinton is eager to find out her committee assignments. She has expressed interest in the Finance, Appropriations, Education and Foreign Relations committees. Those assignments are not expected to be made until January.

The Senate's Democratic leader, Tom Daschle of South Dakota, will determine where Clinton ends up, but a potential 50-50 split in the Senate could muddle the process. Republicans do not seem in a rush to do her any favors.

"She'll be one of 100 co-equals. She'll have to get used to that," Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said after Clinton's election.

For now, Clinton's most immediate concerns appear to be the rather mundane details of getting her office ready and hiring staff with her $2.8 million annual budget. Aides say her transition office and New York City campaign office have received hundreds of resumes.

When it comes to office space, she is trading in the West Wing of the White House for temporary digs until early spring when she is assigned a permanent office.

On the Net:
Hillary Rodham Clinton site:
http://www.senate.gov/senators/clinton.html

Clinton wants lawmakers to make education top priority

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawmakers returning to the Capital this week for a lame-duck session should make passage of the almost $40 billion education budget their first priority, President Clinton said Saturday.

"It is very important that we get right back to business and fulfill our responsibility to give our children a world-class education," Clinton said in his weekly radio address, broadcast live from the Oval Office before an invited audience of educators and supporters.

Bipartisan bargainers agreed last month to a record $7.9 billion increase in education spending — 20 percent above last year — that was later rejected by House GOP leaders.

Democrats are battling for specific funds to hire new teachers and repair crumbling schools. Republicans are seeking to give states the option of spending that money on other programs such as special education and reading lessons.

"The Republican Congress has increased education spending by 50 percent over the past four years. The question is not about funding, it's about who controls the funding, and Republicans want more education dollars to go to classrooms, not to Washington bureaucrats," John Feehery, spokesman for House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., said Saturday.

Clinton said that Congress is returning "still time to get the job done. Congress should pass the education budget as its first order of business. Fortunately, we're already standing on common ground."

Vital federal investments are needed to replace and repair crumbling schools, operate after school programs, hire new teachers, reduce class size, improve teacher training, turn around failing schools and expand the Head Start program for preschoolers, Clinton said.

Also included in the education budget are increases in Pell Grant college scholarships for needy students, and tutoring and counseling to help prepare low-income students for college.

A Department of Education report he released claimed California alone could lose almost $715 million in new education dollars if Congress fails to approve the proposed $7.9 billion spending increase.

"Now is not the time to walk away from the agreement we made, especially so close to the finish line," the president said.

Clinton complained that Congress decided to recess to permit members to campaign for re-election before finishing the education budget.

"The holiday season is a perfect time to reflect on the values that unite us — our children and their education," Clinton said. "Let us join together two parties and one country to give our children the school, the teachers and the futures they deserve."

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He added, "A lot is at stake here — the condition of our schools, the quality of our teachers, most important, the education of our children."

Education Secretary Richard Riley said both candidates for president — Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore — campaigned on "a strong pro-education agenda."

"So it makes no sense to put aside a budget agreement that keeps American education moving forward," Riley told reporters on Friday.

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Amish asking lawmakers for exemptions from child-labor laws

GAP, Pa. (AP) — A community known for insulating itself from the outside world is reaching out to lawmakers in an effort to preserve a centuries-old tradition of having children work.

On Friday, about 25 Amish leaders met at a fire station with Rep. Joseph Pitts and Sen. Arlen Specter, Pennsylvania Republicans who support legislation that would allow Amish youths to work in limited, supervised settings.

The Amish leaders are seeking an exemption to federal child-labor protection laws barring teen-agers from working in sawmills and woodworking shops. They have pushed for the change in recent years since the Labor Department began fining some of their businesses thousands of dollars for employing youths.

The Amish leaders told Pitts and Specter they believe existing laws threaten their religious and work values.

The Amish at the meeting declined to comment, but the lawmakers said one man who owns a leather shop said he was fined $8,000 because his 13-year-old daughter was caught working the cash register in his store.

"We do not want children running dangerous machinery," Pitts said after the meeting. "This is about allowing youth to complete their classroom educations ... and to continue their educations as their fathers did — as trade apprentices."

Under Amish tradition, youngsters were supposed to work in apprenticeship settings after the eighth grade. For years that didn't conflict with federal law, because the Amish community's livelihood was rooted in agriculture, and farms are exempt from child labor laws.

But with the growing costs of farming in the last decade, many families have turned to woodworking and other small trades.

Federal labor laws prohibit children younger than 16 from working in manufacturing operations and children younger than 18 from working in other hazardous occupations.

Legislation proposed by Pitts would let teen-agers work in those settings but would also require additional anti-noise and safety features, including barriers to protect against flying debris.

Pitts' measure has passed the House twice in recent years but has failed each time in the Senate. The Department of Labor has long been opposed to such measures.

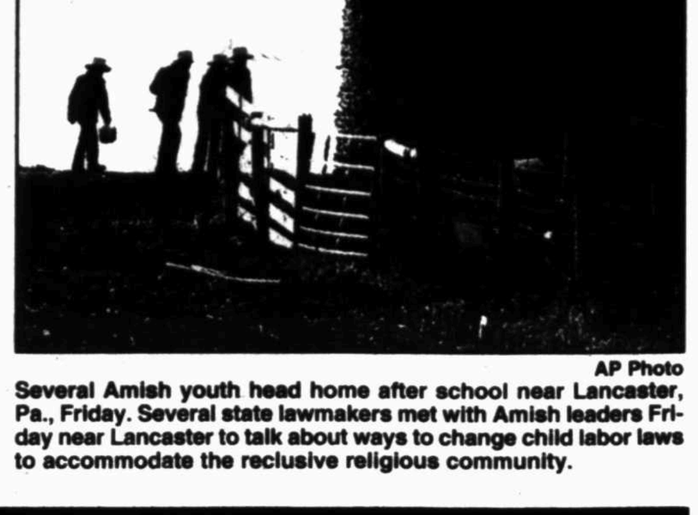
Critics say the proposed child-labor exemption would still put children in harm's way, with the Labor Department noting that deaths and injuries at sawmills are as much as four times the national average.

"While we respect deeply the culture and religious tradition of the Amish and similar communities, we can't support a bill that exposes young workers to serious hazards in the workplace," said John Fraser, a department official specializing in child-labor laws.

Skeptics in the Senate have agreed, raising constitutional concerns in exempting members of one religion. Specter said he hopes to conduct hearings next year to work out the concerns.

"I think there are special circumstances for the Amish youth, and they ought not to be subject to Department of Labor regulations," Specter said.

On the Net:
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AP Photo
Several Amish youth head home after school near Lancaster, Pa., Friday. Several state lawmakers met with Amish leaders Friday near Lancaster to talk about ways to change child labor laws to accommodate the reclusive religious community.

Report: Liability insurance rising for SUVs, trucks

NEW YORK (AP) — Two insurance companies are raising liability premiums for sport utility vehicles, trucks and big vans because of evidence that they cause more damage in accidents, The New York Times reported Saturday.

Allstate Insurance Co. and the Progressive Insurance Group, which together cover almost 25 million vehicles, also said this week they had begun lowering premiums for other cars.

Until now, drivers with similar records often have paid similar premiums for liability and personal injury coverage, whether they own a small car or SUV, the Times said.

"People with standard sedans and smaller cars today are subsidizing people with sports utilities and vans and pickups," said Kevin Kelso, in charge of auto insurance at Farmers Insurance Group, which plans to adopt similar measures next year.

However, the newspaper said, accident data are persuading the industry to make changes that better assign costs according to the safety record of a particular model.

Bigger vehicles can cause more damage to other cars, but that doesn't always mean they're safer for the people riding in them, Progressive spokeswoman Leslie Kolleda said Saturday.

"We look at data from crash tests, look at what cockpit protection the vehicle affords, how the vehicle is designed and made. It's a lot more than just size," Kolleda said.

She said Progressive has been pricing liability coverage based on vehicle characteristics since 1983.

Allstate spokesman Mike Trevino said the company will raise liability premiums for some SUV models, while premiums for some vans and cars may decrease.

"We will reflect the actual claims experience (for each vehicle) onto the price of insurance," Trevino said Saturday.

But he said some SUV owners may also see a decrease in the medical portion of their premiums because the vehicles better protect occupants.

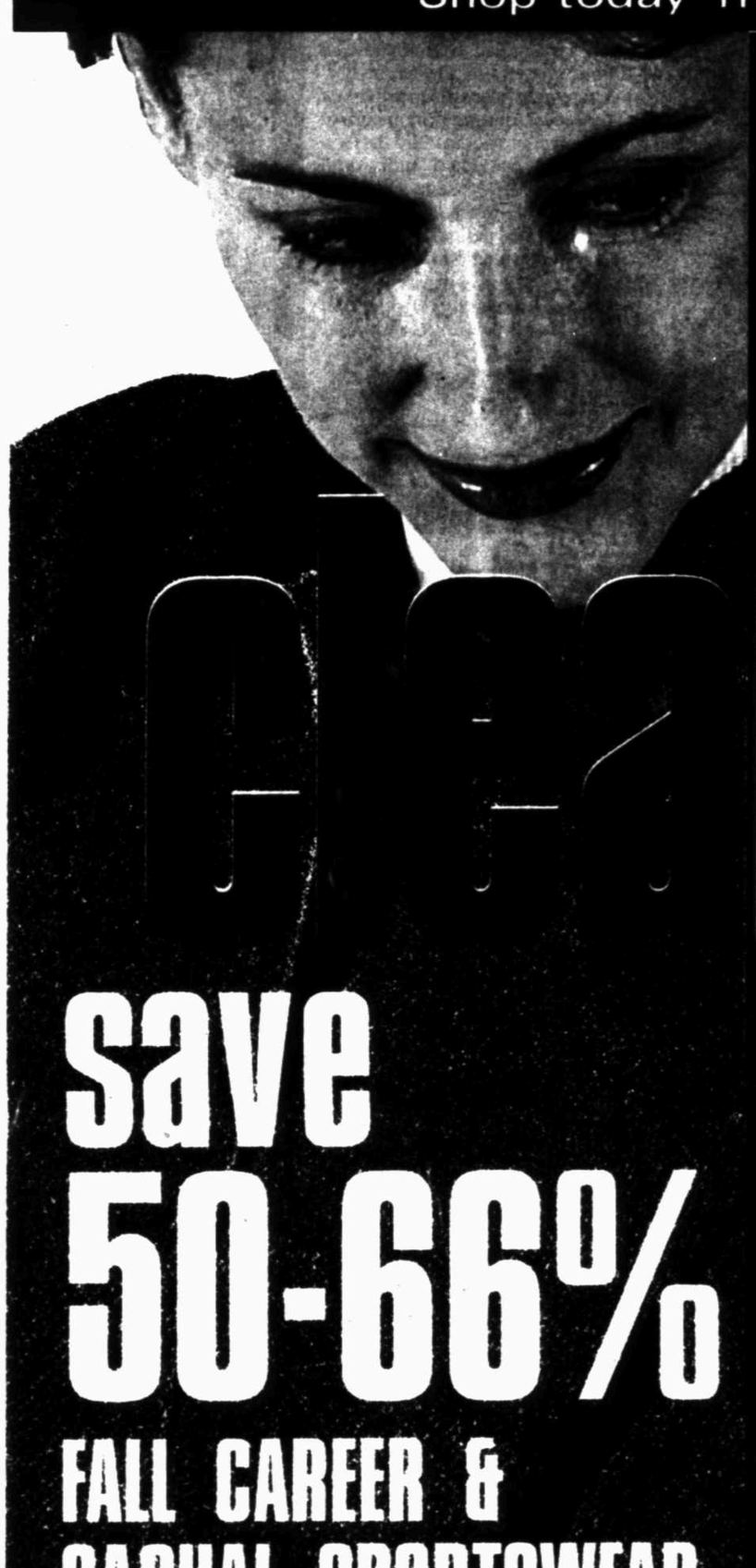
Premiums are likely to rise or fall by $150 or less a year under the new plans, insurance executives told the Times.

State Farm, the nation's largest auto insurer, announced Tuesday that it would reduce the cost of personal injury coverage for drivers of what it considers the safest vehicles, including some luxury cars, vans and SUVs. However, it said owners of SUVs and other big cars will still pay more for their insurance than small-car owners do.

State Farm said its new system will result in no more than a $50-a-year difference in insurance costs.

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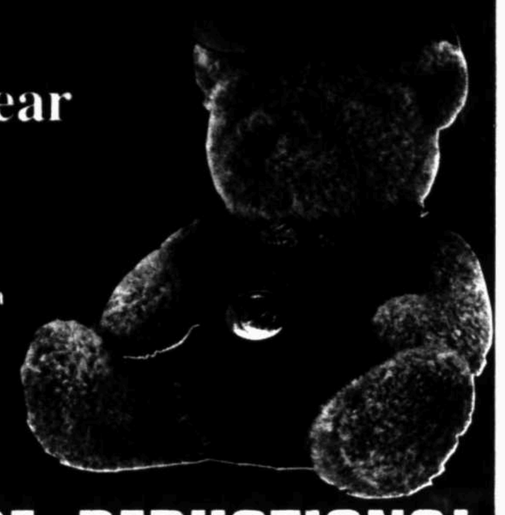


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After day of celebration, Mexican president faces reality

By Julie Watson
Associated Press

OAXACA, Mexico — After a day of national euphoria over his inauguration, reality greeted President Vicente Fox on Saturday.

About 10,000 teachers, laborers and poor Indian farmers marched down the tourist-filled cobblestone streets of this colonial city Saturday afternoon to demand aid and justice from the new president who ousted the party that ruled Mexico for 71 years.

They were stopped by a police line about a block from the plaza where Fox spoke to a smaller crowd to stress his commitment to Mexico's poor and Indians.

"I am always open to listen," Fox told leaders of the protesters who were brought into the plaza to meet him. "There is no need for violent demonstrations or blocking streets," he said, though the protest appeared to be peaceful.

Fox vowed to concentrate development efforts in Oaxaca and other poor, heavily Indian states in Mexico's south, and to treat Mexico's Indian people with greater respect.

"We can close our eyes to infamy — to the rule of bosses, to discrimination, to public and private policies that have tried to marginalize Indian communities — but that is unacceptable," said Fox, who was accompanied by Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez.

The 6-foot-5 president sailed like a ship through a sea of much shorter men and women in traditional Indian clothing who swept around him, hugging, reaching, frantically passing letters appealing for help.

The night before Fox arrived here as part of a three-day victory lap around the country, 20 guerrillas in a nearby town announced their newly emerged faction would continue to struggle against Fox and his free-market, neo-liberal economic policies.

Yet on his first day in office, Fox was moving rapidly toward peace talks with the country's most famous rebel group, the Zapatistas, who rose up in 1994.

He ordered soldiers to pull back from Zapatista zones in neighboring Chiapas state hours after promising to send Congress an Indian-rights measure that former President Ernesto Zedillo had refused to endorse.

Fox's top Cabinet member, Interior Secretary Santiago Creel, said he would review, case by case, each of Oaxaca's alleged political prisoners.

Fox has pledged to combat poverty with a national microlending program, and to channel the revenues from a growing economy into improving education and health services.

He told the crowd his economic program "is not meant to achieve successful statistics. It is going to be an economic project to improve the life of each person."

Fox also planned to sign an agreement with U.N. official Mary Robinson to promote human rights in Mexico.



AP Photo
Mexican President Vicente Fox moves through the crowd during a rally in Oaxaca City, Mexico, Saturday. As part of his first day in office Fox spoke to thousands in the main plaza in this colonial city, capital of Oaxaca state, one of Mexico's poorest, most-heavily Indian regions.

The protesters organized by local teachers unions claim that Fox's economic policies threaten public health and education and do nothing to help the poor. Demands ranged from greater funding for schools to lower prices for cooking gas.

"We do not believe in his speeches, in his pretty words," said Astofo Sanchez, a 39-year-old Mixtec Indian teacher.

"We are going to be a thorn in his side until our problems are solved," said Eliseo Ruiz, 48, another teacher.

About 20 masked men and women carrying pistols and automatic rifles appeared in nearly Nazareno Etla Friday night to say they would continue to fight against Mexico's capitalist economic system despite Fox's moves toward dialogue with the Zapatistas.

They said they were members of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of the People, one of several groups that have broken off from the Popular Revolutionary Army. The latter movement was involved in 1996 attacks that killed at least 19 people in several states. There have been numerous smaller clashes since.

In a leaflet, the new group proposed "to fight for the revolutionary transformation of society" and for the creation of a "democratic and people's republic."

A spokesman who gave his name as Major Vinicio said the faction broke off from the Popular Revolutionary Army over "differences of a political, ideological, methodological, tactical and strategic character."

Oaxaca exemplifies the untamed and bitterly poor southern half of the country, where many remote communities are run by political bosses who long have been associated with the Institutional Revolutionary Party that Fox defeated in the July 2 presidential elections.

Saudi Arabia discusses ways of maintaining oil market stability

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — A day after Iraq halted oil shipments, Saudi Arabia said Saturday it was discussing with other OPEC members how to maintain market stability.

Responding to the Iraqi measure, Saudi Oil Minister Ali Naimi said oil producers were responsible for adjusting production in response to market needs.

Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil producer, pumps about 8 million barrels of crude a day. Naimi said last month that in an emergency his country could add 1.8 million barrels a day to the market within 90 days.

The Saudi Press Agency quoted Naimi as saying that Saudi Arabia and other oil exporters were trying to protect the "stability of the market from harmful changes that affect the world economy, oil and the oil industry."

Iraq suspended crude exports Friday after its customers refused to pay a surcharge on top of a lower official price for its oil, analysts and industry officials said. Shipments ceased, both by pipeline through neighboring Turkey and from Iraq's own facilities in the Gulf.



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Economic forecast looks strong as we embark on study

After riding out some rough seas over the past couple of years, Midland could be seeing some smoother sailing in the future.

Respected economist Ray Perryman has predicted the Permian Basin will see strong growth in the years ahead. Oil prices could stabilize somewhere in the mid-to-upper $20 per barrel range next year.

Those predictions come as some relief to our region, which has weathered a huge loss of jobs because of the exodus of major oil companies over the past two years.

Perryman has forecast that the next few years could be a good time for young entrepreneurs to make their mark in this area.

In addition, Midland has hired top-notch economic consultants and is looking down the road to a day when oil might not be the one and only driving force in our economy. The city's consultant will be advising our community on ways to reduce our economic dependency on oil production and how to diversify our economy. The city will continue to explore ways to maximize potential opportunities connected with technology, the financial service sector and tourism.

As we look ahead to 2001, we need to have faith.

Midland has a long history of entrepreneurship, hard work and creativity. Some complain we have lost that spirit. We disagree. Too many of us may have been guilty of resting on our laurels, but the ingenuity and basic know-how are still there.

As we look to the next generation of eager entrepreneurs, we know we still have an experienced "brain trust" on which to fall back.

That's why it is important that our city lead the current economic impact, development and diversification study. This will serve as a blueprint for our economic future.

We know Midland is a superb community in which to live and raise a family. We know that to sustain the good life we enjoy here we must offer good-paying jobs to support families.

The next few months, as the city embarks on this study, will be crucial. It's a time when our leaders need public support and input.

Our retail sector remains strong and the sales tax receipts generated help fund our city services. Our housing market has seen a slight slowdown in recent months, but we continue to move in a positive direction.

The community is becoming increasingly focused on strengthening and diversifying our economy.

The time is right. The forecast is strong.

It's time to have faith and move forward.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, Dec. 3, the 338th day of 2000. There are 28 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Dec. 3, 1967, surgeons in Cape Town, South Africa, led by Dr. Christiaan Barnard performed the first human heart transplant on Louis Washkansky, who lived 18 days with the new heart.

On this date:

In 1818, Illinois was admitted as the 21st state.

In 1828, Andrew Jackson was elected president of the United States.

In 1925, "Concerto in F," by George Gershwin, had its world premiere at New York's Carnegie Hall, with Gershwin at the piano.

In 1947, the Tennessee Williams play "A Streetcar Named Desire" opened on Broadway.

In 1953, the musical "Kismet" opened on Broadway.

In 1960, the musical "Camelot" opened on Broadway.

In 1967, the Twentieth Century Limited, the famed luxury train, completed its final run from New York to Chicago.

In 1979, 11 people were killed in a crush of fans at Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum, where the British rock group The Who was performing.

In 1980, Bernadine Dohrn, a former leader of the radical Weather Underground, surrendered to authorities in Chicago after more than a decade as a fugitive.

In 1984, more than 4,000 people died after a cloud of gas escaped from a pesticide plant operated by a Union Carbide subsidiary in Bhopal, India.

Ten years ago: A Northwest Airlines DC-9 collided on the ground with a Northwest Boeing 727 at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, resulting in a fire that claimed eight lives. President Bush began a five-nation South American tour as he arrived in Brazil.

Five years ago: President Clinton, wrapping up a five-day European trip, authorized a vanguard of 700 U.S. troops to open a risky mission in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

One year ago: Six firefighters died while battling a fire in an abandoned Worcester, Mass., industrial building.

JACK ANDERSON

Bush continues to win 'spin game' in Florida

WASHINGTON — The Smithsonian Institution moved quickly to obtain a punch-card voting machine from Florida along with a copy of the infamous butterfly ballot. Implicit in the Smithsonian's recognition of these historical oddities is an awareness that the vote count in Florida may not be full, fair and accurate, as Vice President Gore's lawyers like to say. Yet the polls look bleak for Gore, with many more voters thinking the burden of concession falls on his shoulders rather than on Bush's.



Anderson

Aided by a large and loud chorus of committed Republicans, many of them trained in the media arts during the impeachment fight, Bush is winning the public-relations contest. Bush's success has its roots in the premature network stampede to put Florida in the Bush column on election night. From that moment on, Bush has been the presumptive winner and Gore the sore loser, a frame that allowed Bush to seize momentum in other ways. Among them:

— Better spin. The Bush camp demonized manual counts even though they are the time-honored way to confirm election results. Governor Bush signed a law in Texas endorsing hand recounts in close elections and supporting the idea of counting so-called dimpled ballots, where voter intent can be determined. Yet the Bush team planted the notion that hand counts are fraught with cheats and manipulators and that the Florida ballots had already been counted numerous times. The Bush spin drowned out Gore's argument that older machines in urban areas didn't pick up many votes and that these "under votes," numbering in the tens of thousands, needed to be counted.

— Echo chamber. The Bush team was "on message" from the start, repeating its mantra that the votes had been counted and recounted, and it was time to move on. Former Secretary of State James Baker launched an attack on the Florida Supreme Court that, had it come from a less well-respected Republican, would have been denounced as jingoism. GOP governors from around the country bolstered the Bush presence in the media, with Montana Gov. Marc Racicot, a little-known Bush devotee, leading the charge and boosting his profile nationally with stunning speed. Former presidential candidate Bob Dole, a semi-statesman in his retirement, quickly reverted to partisan fireman, giving numerous interviews and suggesting in an audacious New York Times op-ed piece that Gore follow his example in '96 and gracefully concede. Has Dole forgotten that Bill Clinton trounced him in '96?

— Patriotism. The controversy over absentee military ballots was a public-relations windfall for Bush. Never mind that it was Secretary of State Katherine Harris, a Bush partisan, who ruled that military ballots must have a postmark, and Republican election commissioners around the state, dutifully following Florida law, who discounted erroneous ballots. When Florida's Attorney General, a Democrat, urged admitting military ballots even though they lacked a postmark, the Bush team ridiculed his ruling as "damage control." The attack on Gore's patriotism worked because it played into the stereotype of Democrats as less supportive of the military.

— Less is More. Bush isolated himself from the messiest aspects of the recount saga, retreating to his ranch and referring reporters' questions to Baker. Gore waded right into the controversy, acting as his own attorney and directing every detail of the legal maneuverings. Neither man has looked particularly presidential, but for a country yearning to set aside the partisan bickering, Bush's above-the-battle pose seems to better suit the mood. Gore may yet succeed in the courts, but that could be a Pyrrhic victory if he doesn't win over the court of public opinion.

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HELEN THOMAS

New president to face Middle East crisis

WASHINGTON — The new president — whoever he is — will have to deal with the continuing Middle East crisis, just as has every American president since Harry Truman, who first recognized the creation of the state of Israel.

Sometimes it seems that it has been one step forward and two steps back in resolving the question of the rights of the Palestinians and the Israelis.

The importance of the region, its religious significance, and the chance of another war will concentrate the attention of a new president.



Thomas

So it wasn't surprising that when Texas Gov. George W. Bush staged an imitation preliminary Cabinet meeting several days ago and called in the press for a "photo opportunity," he said he and his colleagues were discussing "the Israeli thing."

The new president will be able to draw from a rich history of U.S. involvement in the Middle East because each president has had a major headache caused by the Holy Land dispute that never seems to go away.

I remember President Dwight D. Eisenhower asserting a policy of "territorial integrity" in the Middle East and backing that up by blocking Britain, France and Israel from invading the Suez Canal to seize it back from the Egyptian government. Eisenhower forced the allies to turn their ships back just a few days before Election Day in 1956.

Since then there has been a fairly consistent U.S. policy of protecting Israeli security. For example, President John F. Kennedy was the first to ship missiles to Israel. President Lyndon B. Johnson remained silent during the 1967 Mideast war when Israeli warplanes attacked the USS Liberty, an American intelligence ship in the Mediterranean, which had the Stars and Stripes flying. The Israelis apparently were nervous that the U.S. ship was monitoring their military communications.

When President Richard Nixon came to power, one of his first foreign policy acts was to dispatch Pennsylvania Gov. William Scranton on a fact-finding mission to the Middle East. Scranton wrote a report recommending that the United States pursue an "even-handed" policy in dealing with the historic rivals in the region. Pro-Israeli Americans hit the ceiling, and the report has been gathering dust at the State Department ever since.

President Ronald Reagan gave the Israelis pretty much what they asked for. I once asked Reagan if he would resist if he lived in a nation under military occupation, a question that embodied my view that the Palestinians were living under what amounted to Israeli military occupation.

This macho "high noon" president looked down at his shoes and replied "I don't know."

Few presidents have devoted as much time or effort to seeking a solution to the conflict as President Clinton has.

Success eluded him because the Israelis refused to allow the Palestinians to have sovereignty over East Jerusalem — a highly emotional issue for both sides — where the Palestinians are the dominant population.

The Israelis have adopted a policy of withdrawing from land in return for peace and, in fact, they have come a long way in relinquishing parts of what was once known as Palestine. Both the late Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Prime Minister Ehud Barak took steps to turn over land to the Palestinians. But they haven't come far enough.

Although Barak made a good effort, he made the mistake of allowing more settlements to be built in the West Bank — even more than his predecessor and even while peace negotiations were going on.

Clinton missed an opportunity to pressure the Israelis to stop the buildup of the new settlements, although at times U.S. officials had dubbed them "an obstacles to peace."

Carter, architect of the first Camp David accords, cited the settlements as the "underlying reason that U.S. diplomacy has failed" in the Middle East.

And so the world awaits the next U.S. effort to bring peace to this troubled part of the world. Neither Bush nor Gore has tipped his hand on Mideast peace policy.

A solution might be for the Palestinians to exercise sovereignty in East Jerusalem and allow the clergy members of each religion to protect and control their own holy places.

The best idea would be to have Jerusalem declared an open international city for all religions and all peoples.

During the Johnson era, the United Nations General Assembly voted 99 to 0 to internationalize Jerusalem. The United States abstained — and that is a mistake we are still paying for.

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WILLIAM SAFIRE

Netspionage: of cyberspying, e-spookspeak

E-fraud solicitor is how Steven Philippsohn, a lawyer in London, describes his line of work. In a recent article in Communications World, he used a word that fills a void (once pronounced in Brooklyn as "a woid that fills a verd"): "Netspionage is already affecting computer contractors."

Netspionage is a blendword. (That is usually written as blend word, but in my view, its meaning of "mingling" all but forces the two words together.) It uses the *net* of *Internet* as a prefix, following *Netiquette* (for "Internet etiquette"), *Netsploitation* movies (which exploit fears of the Internet) and Netspertise (which Idon't have).

You'll see plenty of other blendwords created with the *net* prefix. Forget *cyber*, from Norbert Weiner's *cybernetics:* that was the last decade's hot combining form. It's now almost as outdated in the neologism dodge as the suffixes *arama* and *aholic*.



Safire

Because *inter* begins so many words, it is not a popular new combining form. *Internesia* means "inability to remember where on the Web you saw a particular bit of information," and I presume a lesson plan to overcome this mental lapse is called an *intercourse*.

But let us return to the subject of *Netspionage*. What new words are the real spooks speaking out there in the cold? A cleaning out of the usual dead drops takes us beyond the computer world and *elint* (electronic intelligence) into *humint* — a blendword formed by *human* and *intelligence*.

Here's one I heard rather than read: *skiff*, as in the sentence "Is there a *skiff* where we can talk?" At first, I thought it was a small boat, the word *skiff* derived from the Germanic *schif*, akin to *ship*. But it has nothing to do with naval information; thanks to Thomas Powers, author of "Heisenberg's War," I am informed that it is the sound of an acronym — SCIF — secret compartmented intelligence facility.

"Secret compartmented intelligence," says Powers, "is a level of classification for a class of intelligence that's above top secret. A SCIF is a room that has been secured and sealed under very tight regulations, where classified information can be safely discussed, read and handled."

We used to call that a "clean room." At Spaso House, our embassy in Moscow, I recall meeting other presidential aides in a soundproof, penetration-proof room built inside another, less secure room, whose walls were suspected to have ears. Now such a room within a room is called a SCIF.

Another relatively new term of the clandestine arts is perception management. David Wise, in his book "Cassidy's Run: The Secret Spy War Over Nerve Gas," notes that this phrase means "the manipulation of the perceptions of the target country. But the latest term of art, like its predecessors, boiled down to the same thing — tricking an adversary into believing false information by persuading it that a source, actually under U.S. control, was selling America's secrets."

Now about clam up, a 1916 Americanism that describes what a good spy does when caught. But how did a clam, known for its ability to shut itself tightly, clamping its shell, get its name? From the Teutonic klamb, "to press or squeeze together." Before that, and perhaps unrelatedly, we have the Latin clam, "secretly, in private"; the m changed to n, which led to clandestinus, "secret, hidden" — and to the work of those who practice legal surreption in the clandestine service.

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LETTERS

Readers' views on: Election, Florida recount, Electoral College

Background checks are underhanded trick

This letter is to express the total outrage we feel toward your underhanded tactics of conducting background checks on members of the Electoral College to blackmail delegates and help Al Gore and the Democrats win Republican electoral votes.

This is a criminal act against our Constitution regardless of what you have gotten away with in the past. I want to assure you that I, and millions of Americans like me, have got our eyes on you and you will not commit this felonious act incognito even if the major news media choose not to report it. This is only one of thousands of letters and e-mail being sent around the country to local news media and all elected officials, Democrat and Republican.

George P. Watts

Why can't GOP just let Democrats steal election

Can't we all understand and appreciate that the Florida Democrats (election officials, judges, lawyers etc.) are saying to us, the Republicans, "please realize we are only trying to steal this election with just as much honesty as we possibly can." Can't you Republicans just cease and desist and not make any trouble? All we want is just the presidency and this country. Can't we all just get along?

Kathleen Taylor

It's time to say goodbye to our Electoral College

The voice of the people, by the people?

I don't think so!

In my opinion, we the people do not need a representative (appointed by politicians) to vote on our behalf as to who they think we want or should have in office.

In the beginning of our country, the Electoral College was set up and put into our Constitution because our politicians, of that time, did not trust the judgment of the common man. In other words, we the people, were politically ignorant.

The Electoral College should be dissolved. It has more than out-lived its usefulness.

We have listened to politicians for 18 months waiting for our day to vote. Now they can wait for however long it takes to count all the votes.

Make your voice and vote really count. Contact your state and federal officials.

Letha Martinez

Time has come for Gore to give up on election

It is time for the Democratic Party to ask Al Gore to drop the court cases and graciously concede this election.

The election is over and George W. Bush won. The American people now see Gore as a sore loser who is frantically trying to manufacture votes in Florida and we are sick and tired of all his smooth rhetoric and painstaking efforts to sell us on his reasons for wanting to count the votes again. It appears he is blatantly trying to subvert the constitutional principles this nation was founded upon. Apparently the "law" means nothing to him until and unless he can use it to get what he wants. It appears he will stop at nothing. What egotism. This is certainly not the man Americans want in the White House. Imagine four more years of this kind of behavior.

Finally some people are publicly declaring what the rest of us have known all along. Those 10,000 "uncounted votes" Gore keeps harping about were counted and were "no" votes. Those people simply chose not to cast their vote for either candidate in the presidential race. A look at those ballot cards would undoubtedly show they did vote for candidates in other races and those chads were unmistakably punched. Their refusal to vote for either candidate in the presidential race is their right and it is absolutely wrong to assign their votes to either candidate. Determining the intention of the voter by looking for dimples with a magnifying glass is the biggest voter sham in history.

If Gore manages to get the courts to overturn Bush's victory, he will be forever known as the president who "stole" the election and derailed our legal system with the help of shrewd lawyers. That certainly would be a dubious honor and it would not be a "win" for the Democratic Party!

Judith Clarke & Kay Yost

Dick Cheney will make great vice president

I am writing this letter to both the Laramie Daily Boomerang and the Midland Reporter-Telegram in regard to a couple of articles I have read on our (possible) Vice President-elect Dick Cheney.

Apparently some Texas Democrats are of the opinion that Cheney doesn't deserve to be vice president on the basis that he "could" still be a Texas resident.

I am a resident of Laramie, Wyoming who hails from Midland. As a person who is emotionally loyal to both states, I feel I must respond to the recent issues at hand.

Does Texas truly have the right to challenge Cheney's residency? I was under the impression that former President Bush referred to several places as "home," including Texas and Massachusetts. Yet his official residency was, to my knowledge, never legally challenged. Do Texans truly think that Wyoming is such a "backward" or "primitive" state that we who live here are not proud that one of our own may be placed into an important government position? On the contrary. It's about time we got noticed.

With all of the garbage going on in Florida, do you truly think the Democrats will remain in good standing with the American people for much longer? Not only has Al Gore committed political suicide by drawing out the election and sending just about everyone to court, neither he nor Bush will stand a chance of re-election in four years as a result.

To end, I will be totally honest with the editors and readers of these papers. I did not vote for our next president. I voted for our next vice president. I hope within the next four to eight years, Cheney will be the man in office, regardless of where he comes from.

Kristi Barbier
Laramie, Wyoming

We should be thankful for founding fathers' wisdom

I've read a lot of opinions lately that we should do away with the Electoral College and Al Gore should be president because he won the popular vote. These opinions seem to be driven by the notion that the United States is a democracy, rightfully ruled by the will of the people. Most political articles I've read lately seem to be written from this same perspective, which I find disturbing. Please remind your readers we are not a democracy, but a constitutional republic, ruled by laws created by the people's representatives to protect us all. Please remind your readers our Constitution attempts to balance power, with a legislative branch divided into a House of Representatives, apportioned by population, and a Senate, giving equal representation to each state. The Electoral College combines both of these concepts into one system for electing the president and vice president. Please remind your readers that Gore won 49 percent of the popular vote but only 38 percent of the states, while George Bush won 48 percent of the popular vote and 58 percent of the states (not counting Florida and New Mexico).

From this perspective, George Bush lost the popular vote by 1 percentage point and won the majority of states with a 20 point margin. Twenty points sounds like a decisive victory to me, and a victory based on success across the heartland of America where murder and rape are still rare, where neighbors are, for the most part, well, ... neighborly, where honor and respect are alive and well. Thank God for the Electoral College and the wisdom of our founding fathers.

Tom McKelvey

Why is Bush afraid to count votes in Florida?

The Reporter-Telegram might as well change its name to reflect its views: The name effectively is the Midland Republican Telegram. Your editorials ever since election night have been shrill, ugly canards impugning Al Gore. Of course the entire editorial board is made up of registered Republicans.

While we do have an Electoral College, you seem to forget that Al Gore won the popular vote in the United States by about 350,000 votes. America is not a banana republic. We count all legally cast votes here, not just those that suit the governor of a particular state. Here in Midland County, our non-partisan head of elections, Pat Eastup, makes sure that if ballots are kicked out of the machine for illegibility, her team of election judges determines the voter intent.

An election in Midland County was decided by just one vote earlier this year. An election three years ago was thrown out in Miami, Florida because of absentee ballot fraud and the candidate who was first declared the winner lost in a revote. And to think that Duval County used to be the home of voter fraud!

Why is George Bush afraid to count all the votes?

David Rosen

Events don't bode well for bi-partisan unity

Vice President Al Gore is in a box. Should the Supreme Court rule in his favor, or should he lose, the same thing is going to happen. He can't afford to face the darling of the left wing Democrats — Hillary Rodman Clinton — for a second term. She will win!

Gov. George Bush, should he win the battle, will be in a little different position. If he can bring the country together, there is hope he will be able to stave off the darling of the left wing Democrats. The problem is to get all true believers in our constitutional government together. There will be little reason for the left wing Democrats to do anything to help President Bush. They will do anything to bring Clinton control back to the country in four years — just ask them!!

Have we given up trying to make this country better? Because we want to be "politically correct" we are apparently willing to accept dishonesty, lying, cheating, pornography, partial birth abortions, twisting of language, judicial rewrite of laws to suit convenience and who knows what else?

Recommended reading for all: "Slouching Toward Gomorrah: Modern Liberalism and the Decline of America," by Robert H. Bork. It may not be too late if we get our act together and demand all to be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent. This should be the code of all those individuals we elect to govern us. Not hurrah for me and to hell with you!

John E. Crosby

It is time for Al Gore to concede with dignity

George W. Bush won Florida's vote on Election Day, but Al Gore whimpered he was cheated.

Mandatory Florida recounts revealed that again Florida wanted Bush for president. Gore's reaction again was childish.

When Gore's balloon popped, lawyers went whining to the Florida Supreme Court, (TFSC), saying Gore's balloon busted, now Gore wants Bush's.

(TFSC), bias and ignorant of Florida laws, deliberately gave their decision nationally. This can directly compare to an attempted daylight robbery.

Gore, who now resembles a Boston bulldog firmly clamped to the posterior of Americans, refuses to let go. Bush said Americans have had enough, and petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court regarding the (TFSC). (TFSC) meant, a Democratic president, we'll break some laws, but determine voter intent. Now a pregnant chad was two Gore votes, dimple, nipple, hanging chad, and fly-speck are only one. We thought they were inspecting the ballets against the light, but no they were using the smell test on the fly specks.

Florida's second-graders know how to vote, but many adults don't. At Florida's next "dog and pony show," they should only register voters who are 6 thru 18.

(TFSC)'s infinite wisdom didn't allow adequate time for the illegal fly speck inspection. Some counties finished, but some didn't. Dade County rejected the unlawful recount, in essence, saying that's enough.

After Katherine Harris declared Bush president, Gore, acting like a spoiled brat, said he should be president not Bush, and again turned the bloodhounds loose. Has Gore lost it, or has he been smoking Tennessee blue grass? Clinton said to Gore, I'll leave the light on for you.

A man with no self respect, has no respect for others either. Remember the unrest Milosevic caused Yugoslavia. Gore is causing damage to the United States by not conceding.

The world is watching Gore's circus act and laughing, but what world influence will he have later. Gore, concede while you still have some dignity. Even the Democrats will abandon you after a while.

Tex Clark

Hypocrisy undermining MRT's editorial position

Your editorials of Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 confirm that the same hypocrisy that has swamped the Republican Party has also undermined the MRT's (Midland Republican Trumpet's?) capacity to see what is blatantly obvious. You proclaim that Al Gore and the Democrats are "manipulating the legal system," whereas George W. Bush and the Republicans "continue to carry themselves with dignity and professionalism."

Let's review a few things:

a. Republicans spent millions on an impeachment effort over sexual infidelity. Heading the charge, of course, were Republican sexual infidels. Hypocrisy.

b. Republicans espouse the "big tent" philosophy of inclusiveness and parade what few minorities they have to any available podium. But, for the national ticket, we get: two middle-aged, white, multi-millionaire oil men from Texas. The "big tent" collapses under the weight of hypocrisy.

c. After the Florida Supreme Court's directive to count the ballots (gosh, that's a novel idea!), all we heard from Bush and James Baker was: it is unfair to change the rules in the middle of the game. So what does Bush want to do now? Have the Florida Legislature pass a bill crowning him president because baby brother Jebbie has already promised to sign it. Where's the outrage over changing the rules in the middle of the game? Trumped by hypocrisy.

I do not expect you to be unbiased, and I fully respect your endorsement of Bush to be president. I am, however, unhappy you think he walks on water and you cannot see (or refuse to admit) what is so obvious to most of the rest of the country. We have two very poor candidates, each trying to win the presidency at all costs. Our choice is Gore the Sore Bore or Forrest Gump with a Trust Fund. Not a pretty choice, but they have one thing in common: sordidness oozes from both campaigns.

Corby Considine

Memorial Hospital provided great care

I recently suffered a serious health problem with a 26-day stay in the Midland Memorial Hospital with surgery to correct the problem.

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Midland has a Medical Center that it can be proud of.

Melvin McEwen

10-year-old proves himself to be hero

In today's society, there are heroes we never know about. I see these such heroes every day. They are heroes in the lives of cancer patients, their family and friends. There is one such hero I believe needs mentioning, Eben Smitherman. He is a young boy, under 10, who recently had a birthday party. Instead of asking for gifts to celebrate, he asked that donations be made to the American Cancer Society in memory of a family friend, to celebrate her life. He raised $355. This money will go to benefit the patient services, education and research programs at the American Cancer Society. Eban is truly a hero.

Leslie Latuda Kitto

People should be held accountable

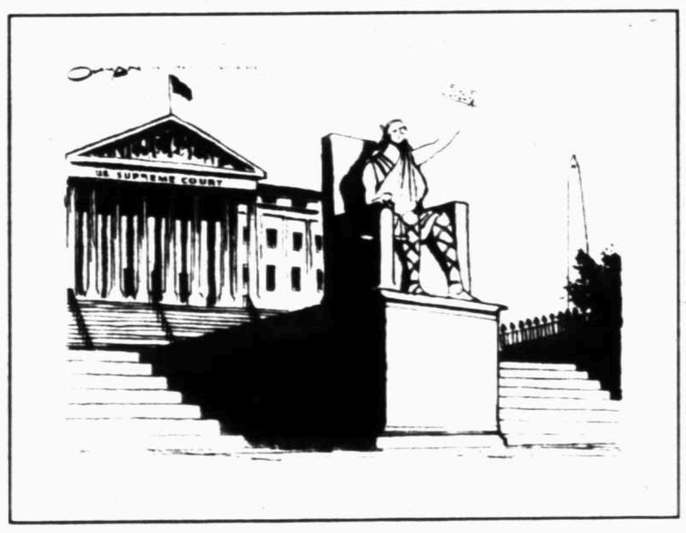
James Fuller is right on! In today's feel good society, individuals are no longer responsible for their actions. If I don't succeed in school, must be the teachers fault. If I don't succeed at work, must be the boss's fault. I commit a violent act, it must be my upbringing, but not my fault. I didn't pass the TAAS, couldn't be my fault, must be the school. Thus, let me graduate just like everyone else who did pass the TAAS. I will feel good, have good self esteem and also know the consequences of my choices in the future can always be blamed on someone else.

Come on school board, wake up!

Tom Heller

Mother didn't deserve investigation by CPS

When is the right time to call CPS (Child Protective Services)? I can tell you when the wrong time is. I am a mother of two and all these years I thought I was doing a good job. My heart



dropped as I looked at the CPS Advisors card lying on the counter.

I soon found myself a nervous wreck when the kids were playing, praying they would not hurt themselves before the meeting. My nights were long from nightmares that harm would come to one of my children while I was being investigated.

I live in an apartment complex. One day my youngest went to see if her friend was home. I went down and waited for her. Later this person came to my door, informing me that my daughter was over by this other building and to be sure to keep an eye on her. I said OK. Then stating "technically" they should call CPS, once again I said OK. Because of my responses to her, she concluded that she should call CPS.

This will go on record as a "ruled out case," but still affecting me if I was to ever apply at schools or day care centers. Children are a precious gift that most of us treasure with all our hearts. There are those who do not know how to love their children, and are abusive. This is what CPS was intended for.

I do encourage people to use CPS when the circumstances are called for. However, do a little investigating yourself before hand. When you place such a phone call, it can be devastating and crushing to a family who was not deserving of such accusations called upon them.

Kimberly Sue Wilson

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Nanis al-Jafari cries as she hugs her 2-year-old son Mohammed in their Ramallah, West Bank, home Saturday, after learning that her husband Shehada al-Jafari had been fatally shot in the neck and the chest.

Barak defends handling of crisis

JERUSALEM (AP) — Facing sharp criticism from both Israelis and Palestinians, Prime Minister Ehud Barak aggressively defended his handling of the current upheaval and said Saturday that a political settlement offered the only way out of a half-century of Mideast conflict.

Barak's comments came in a television interview that appeared aimed at staking out a strong stance with voters by lashing out at his many critics ahead of early elections due in the spring.

Wagging his index finger at a pair of Israeli interviewers, Barak accused the Palestinians of instigating the violence that has claimed close to 300 lives over the past two months.

"We are engaged in that struggle and will not shrink from it," said Barak, who appeared on the verge of losing his temper at times in the lengthy interview. "The other side has at this stage chosen the path of violence in order to gain by it."

Palestinian leaders have accused Barak of turning his back on the peace process in response to the violence, and say the current uprising is an expression of widespread frustration over seven years of negotiations that have yet to bring Palestinians an independent state.

Barak, meanwhile, angrily denounced his right-wing opponents in Israel, saying they were pushing the false hope that the violence could be halted by unleashing the full might of Israel's army.

"I was in the army 35 years and I know exactly what is possible," said Barak, a retired general and Israel's most decorated soldier.

"The right wing in Israel has no military solution to the problem," said the prime minister. "And I'm telling you, the right doesn't have a different political solution either."

With his government coalition in tatters, Barak reluctantly agreed this past week to hold early elections.

Opinion polls have Barak trailing far behind his most likely opponent, hard-liner Benjamin Netanyahu, the man Barak defeated in a landslide victory just 18 months ago.

Barak won a four-year term, but his allies in parliament deserted him in July, and the violence erupted at the end of September, a time when peace negotiations with the Palestinians were stalled.

The prime minister's top priority has been to reach a peace deal, and many analysts say he is unlikely to win re-election unless he can revive peace talks and achieve a settlement before the ballot, expected in April or May.

"We will not allow the other side to achieve anything by violence, and we will not close the window on the possibility of a political settlement for one moment, because in the last analysis that is the only way to solve the conflict," he said.

Barak called Thursday for a phased peace plan that would recognize a Palestinian state but put off the most sensitive issues, such as control of Jerusalem. A deal could be worked out before President Clinton leaves office next month, Israel's Justice Minister Yossi Beilin said Friday in Washington.

However, Palestinian leaders immediately rejected the offer, saying they want a final, comprehensive settlement that allows for the establishment of a Palestinian capital in east Jerusalem and the return of millions of Palestinian refugees.

Barak suspended the peace talks after the violence erupted, and the two sides have not made any substantial progress toward resuming negotiations. However, Barak said he would be ready to sit down again with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat when the violence ends.

"Arafat is not a perfect partner (for peace) but he is the leader of the Palestinians," Barak said. "There is no solution which is purely military."

In violence Saturday, Israeli troops fatally shot a Palestinian man holding an electric drill that may have been mistaken for a weapon near the West Bank town of Ramallah, according to witnesses and the Palestinian Red Crescent.

The Israeli military said soldiers came under fire from the building where the 26-year-old man was working, and returned fire.

The intensity of the clashes and the number of Palestinian stone throwers have been declining in recent weeks, yet rarely a day passes without a fatality. A total of 294 people, the vast majority Palestinian, have been killed since the violence broke out at the end of September.

Also Saturday, Israel confiscated the VIP card of the head of the Palestinian General Intelligence Staff in the West Bank, Col. Tawfik Tirawi. His card was taken at a checkpoint as he left Jericho.

An Israeli military official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Tirawi was responsible for some of the recent Palestinian shooting attacks on Israeli soldiers and civilians. The VIP cards enable Palestinian officials to travel between the different Palestinian cities even at times when the Israelis have imposed travel restrictions on the rest of the Palestinian population.

Critics calling U.S. supplier in Nicaragua 'sweatshop'

N.Y. Times News Service

An arm of the Pentagon has come under fire for procuring large quantities of apparel from a Nicaraguan factory that labor rights groups say is a sweatshop and that the U.S. trade representative has voiced serious concerns about.

Several members of Congress say it is wrong for the Pentagon agency, which runs 1,400 stores at military bases and made $7.3 billion in sales last year, to obtain apparel from the Chentex factory, which a Nicaraguan union has accused of firing more than 150 union supporters.

In an unusually stern letter, the U.S. trade representative, Charlene Barshefsky, warned the Nicaraguan government in October that the United States might rescind some trade benefits unless it moved to ensure that Chentex complied with labor laws.

Labor rights groups in the United States have mounted an intense campaign against Chentex, a factory with 1,800 workers that is owned by Nien Hsing Textile Co., after Nicaraguan workers accused the company of illegal firings. Many workers also complain about low pay, monitored bathroom visits, large amounts of mandatory overtime and being screamed at and occasionally hit by managers.

Cynthia A. McKinney, D-Ga., who sits on the procurement subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee, said it was wrong for one federal agency, the Pentagon, to buy large amounts of apparel from Chentex while another, the trade representative's office, had singled out the factory for criticism.

McKinney and several other House members are working closely with a labor rights group that has obtained shipping documents showing that the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, a nonprofit Pentagon arm that runs the post exchanges, is one of the Chentex's largest customers. Other major customers have included the retailers Wal-Mart and Kohl's.

"The United States government is the last place that should be supporting and coddling sweatshop labor and the violation of human rights," McKinney said.

Labor rights groups and several House members say the Chentex battle is important because it seeks to upgrade wages and working conditions in poor nations at a time when the American economy is importing more goods than ever and American companies are relocating operations to low-wage countries.

Fred Bluhm, a spokesman for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service, said that in light of the many criticisms of Chentex the exchange service sent officials to Nicaragua to examine the Chentex operation. "Our representative who went there found no problems," he said.

Carlos Yin, the general manager of Chentex, said in a telephone interview that his company treats its workers well. He accused the union of exaggerating problems, and he insisted that only 12 union supporters had been fired, all of them union leaders. He said they were dismissed legally, asserting that it was the union leaders who had broken the law by calling a one-hour work stoppage and two-day strike without the workers' approval.

"We didn't do anything wrong," Yin said. "Nicaraguan law protects the workers very strong, and we can't go against the law."

But Charles Kernaghan, executive director of the National Labor Committee, a New York-based labor rights group, said the company dismissed far more than 100 union supporters after they went on strike demanding a 40 percent wage increase.

At a factory that sews 35,000 pair of jeans a day, employees earn about 20 cents for the work they put into a pair of jeans that often sell retail for $30 in the United States. The workers, in effect, demanded to be paid 8 cents more per pair.

Yin, the factory manager, said all of his workers earn at least the minimum wage, which union leaders say is set unrealistically low in developing countries in order to attract foreign investment.

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Yemen's medical school reeling in aftermath of brutal murders

By John Burns
N.Y. Times News Service

SAN'A, Yemen — When the University of Sana opened Yemen's first medical school on a hilltop on the outskirts of this capital with $35 million in donations from the Emir of Kuwait, the dream was that Yemen would in time revive some of the brilliance that made Arabs leaders in the medicine of the ancient world.

But, nearly 20 years later, with virtually every town in Yemen and scores of others across the Arab world served by doctors who have graduated from the school, that dream has turned into a nightmare. From an institution to engender life, the school became, sometime in the last few years, a harbinger of death, in ways so brutal that much of Yemen is still reeling in the aftermath.

With the arrest six months ago of a Sudanese morgue attendant, the school learned that its dissecting rooms had allegedly been turned into a grisly murder factory, the victims including at least two young women training to be doctors.

The case also revealed a pattern of students paying bribes for grades, professors smuggling body parts into Yemen in suitcases to evade Islamic laws forbidding the use of cadavers, and women students being missing, sometimes for months, before anybody reported they had disappeared.

"It's been a nightmare that none of us could have imagined, much less predicted," said Dr. Ahmed Ali al-Hamami, the medical school's acting dean, appointed after his predecessor was suspended over the killings. In a token of the government's alarm over the case, Hamami, a graduate of British medical schools, gave a half-hour interview in an office that was locked during the discussion by a man dressed in a military-style uniform with a holstered pistol, who appeared at liberty to burst into the room at will.

The 46-year-old dean, fresh from an awards ceremony at which nearly half the prizes went to female students, said one of the worst things about the scandal was that the medical school, which produced Yemen's first female doctors in the 1990s, had failed its women so catastrophically. "When this first happened, we had fathers telling us that they were going to pull their daughters out of the school, but I told them, 'No! No! This can never happen again,'" he said.

During his trial, the morgue attendant, Muhammad Adam Omar Ishaak, a man in his early 40s who came to Yemen in the wave of impoverished African job seekers who migrated to the Arabian peninsula, became known in the Arab world's tabloid newspapers as "the San'a Ripper." As if to match the gruesomeness of his confession — which included raping, killing and dismembering his victims, then soaking their remains in acid before dumping them in the morgue's drains — the court passed a sentence two weeks ago freighted with a horror of its own.

The judge, Yahya al-Islami, decreed that Omar be taken to the forecourt of the morgue where, before the faculty and students, he would be tied to a wooden board, lashed 80 times for his admitted use of alcohol, then executed, either by beheading with a sword or by lying face down and being shot three times through the heart.

In what defense lawyers described as a rush to judgment, the government announced shortly after the verdict that Omar, who is semiliterate, had asked for a speedy execution. It was set for last weekend, then postponed at least until after the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, which ends around Christmas this year.

The case has caused deep trauma in Yemen, and farther afield in the Arab world, especially in more than a dozen countries, some without medical schools, or without medical schools that admit women, that have sent young women to Yemen to study at the $3,000-a-year institution. The main Islamic party, Islah, has called the morgue killings proof that coeducational centers are "damned before God," and demanded that women be kept out of medical school altogether, or educated separately.

Among female students, nearly half the school's 3,000 students, shock still lingers. One 21-year-old student, who gave her name as Faraya, put a brave face on the revelations, saying, "We're here to become doctors, and nobody can frighten us out of that." But the trial has given rise to lurid rumors, some of which have appeared in the Arab world's leading newspapers, that cast the killings as part of a wider scandal including an alleged prostitution ring.

The rumors are waved away angrily by medical school professors and senior government officials, who say that hints of scandal are mere sensationalism, encouraged by an old history of conspiracy in Yemen that has engendered, so these people say, a propensity to make up almost any fiction about the ruling elite, and have it widely believed. Whatever the truth, it seems likely to die with Omar, unless last-minute appeals by his lawyers and international human rights groups succeed in gaining him an appeal, or a new trial.

It is a cause that obsesses Mohammed Ali al-Khatib, a University of San'a civil law professor who defended Omar. "This is a case surrounded by doubt on every side, and not a single truth that anybody can confirm," Khatib said, over cups of thick Yemeni coffee at his home. "I believe it was the worst trial in the history of Yemen. We have a constitution, and laws, and rules of criminal procedure, but they were violated at every turn. I think the defendant was pressured into confessing."

At the trial, the prosecution presented confessions depicting Omar as a serial killer — originally, as the murderer of 51 women during years of working around the Arab world. Then it shifted, saying that there had been only 16 victims, all in Yemen, and that Omar had never worked anywhere else, save for his native Sudan, as a gravedigger for a Khartoum hospital.

But this version, too, was abandoned after one of the alleged victims — Nada Yassin, a 21-year-old whose rape and mutilation Omar had described in detail — showed up in court. At that point, the indictment was reduced to two murders, those of Zeineb Saud Aziz, a 24-year-old Iraqi, and Hosn Ahmed Atteya, a 23-year-old Yemeni, pieces of whose bodies were found in the morgue's drains.

During the six months between Omar's arrest and conviction, Khatib said, he had been allowed only one five-minute meeting with the defendant, cut short by a prosecution official as soon as Omar began giving a version of the killings that differed from the prosecutor's.

Further muddying the waters was a government decision to bring in a team of German forensics experts who found pieces of more than 100 bodies in the morgue, mostly men's, that had never been entered in the morgue records — a pattern that professors said stemmed from deliberately loose controls adopted in the medical school's early years, when illicit importation of bodies, and body parts, was necessary to circumvent Islamic injunctions against dissection. The German team concluded that some cadavers, bizarrely, were at least 50 years old.

Faculty and students seem keen to move on, yet still troubled by unanswered questions. Dr. Abubakr Qirbi, a British-educated specialist in internal medicine, who served as the school's founding dean, said the school had much to answer for, above all its failure to exercise proper control of the morgue as enrollment at the school, and the need for cadavers, more than quadrupled in the 1990s.


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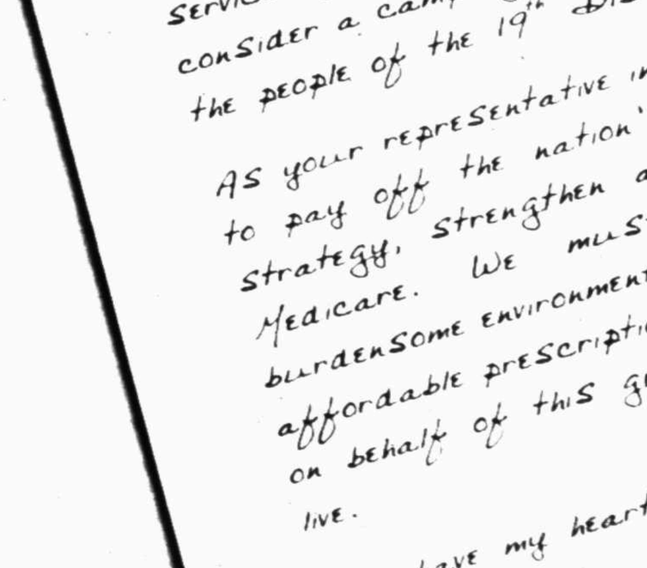
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Turkey's luxury cells don't offer safety from torture to prisoners

By Suzan Fraser
Associated Press

SINCAN, Turkey — Cells in Turkey's new maximum-security prisons are bright and airy, featuring private bathrooms, small kitchens, dining tables, upstairs bedrooms and even doors that open out onto courtyards.

To Justice Minister Hikmet Sami Turk, the two-story, three-man cells stand comparison to "comfortable hotel rooms."

To inmates, the cells are "coffins." Hundreds of prisoners are now 50 days into a hunger strike to protest their planned transfer from the open wards that Turkey's inmates say offer their only protection — safety in numbers — against torture.

"We don't oppose the luxury, but we oppose the fact that they will leave the prisoners ... to the mercy of wardens," said Kamil Karatas, an advocate with an Ankara-based support group for prisoners' families.

Since Oct. 20, about 800 prisoners in 14 prisons have refused all but sugared and salted water, supplemented with vitamin B tablets, to pressure the government to abandon the new cell-block prisons. In recent days, 138 of them have launched a "death fast" — accepting plain water only.

Still, the administration is adamant in its plans to dismantle Turkey's old prison system, where up to 100 inmates live in each cramped, dormitory-style ward.

The ward system is widely acknowledged to block authorities from maintaining control in the prisons, contributing to frequent hostage-takings and riots. The government says leftist, Islamic and Kurdish groups run their own wards like indoctrination centers, smuggling in cellular phones and even arms.

"Our goal is to put an end to the sovereignty of armed groups in prison," Turk said.

Political prisoners fear the cells will isolate them from their comrades, making them more vulnerable to abuse by authorities. Human rights groups say torture is common in Turkish prisons.

Hunger strikes are a frequent — and sometimes deadly — form of protest in Turkey's prisons. In 1996, 12 inmates starved themselves to death before the government abandoned plans to transfer prisoners to remote jails where they faced solitary confinement.

The latest strike has reached the point where even inmates still on sugared and salted water will start to see their health deteriorate seriously, said Dr. Umit Erkol of the Ankara Physicians Association. Erkol estimated inmates in previously good health could survive at least 60 days on sugar water.

Many of the hunger-strikers already are suffering from headaches, cramps and vomiting, prisoners' relatives say. The government has warned it may force feed inmates whose lives are in greatest jeopardy.

The newly built prison in Sincan, 25 miles west of the capital, Ankara, has 103 three-person cells and 58 one-person cells, equipped with only a toilet, a bed, a table and chair. The one-man cells are designed to house the more violent prisoners.

The Sincan prison is one of six new prisons built at a cost of $4.5 million each. The government hopes to build five more and convert the country's nearly 700 other prisons.

The prisons have gyms and libraries where the government says prisoners will be able to socialize. But rights activists say many will be kept in unrelenting solitary confinement.

"The right to socialize is a prisoner's right, but we fear that they will be deprived of this right as a form of punishment," said Husnu Ondul, who heads the Human Rights Association.

London-based Amnesty International said imprisonment in small groups would have long-term effects on the prisoners' mental and physical health and "may constitute cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment."

The government is trying to draft an amnesty bill that would reduce the prison population and allow authorities to transform existing prisons into the cellblock-style jails.

It is not clear how many of Turkey's 72,000 inmates would be released, but the pardon is certain to exclude about 10,000 political prisoners, such as Kurdish rebels fighting for autonomy in Turkey's southeast.

The three parties in Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit's coalition government cannot agree on who should be released. Widespread public opposition to the amnesty also is making the task more difficult.

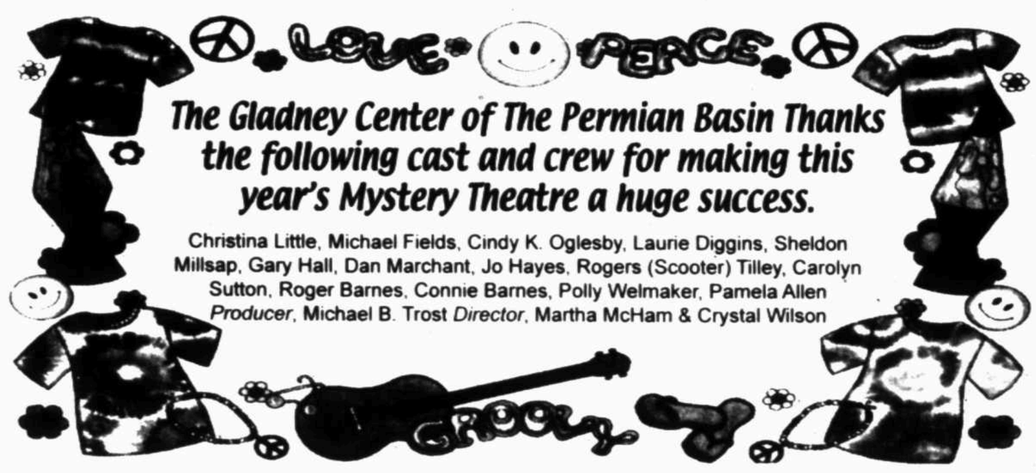
Talk of early release has raised expectations among prisoners, who already have rioted at two prisons to demand amnesty.

"The prisons have become like bombs ready to explode," warned Mehmet Bekaroglu, a lawmaker with the pro-Islamic party.



AP Photo

Demonstrators hold pictures of an unidentified dead inmate in Istanbul, Turkey, on Friday, as they chant slogans protesting the government's planned transfer from the open wards to new cell-type prisons. The ward system is widely acknowledged to block authorities from maintaining control in the prisons and contributing to frequent hostage-takings and riots.





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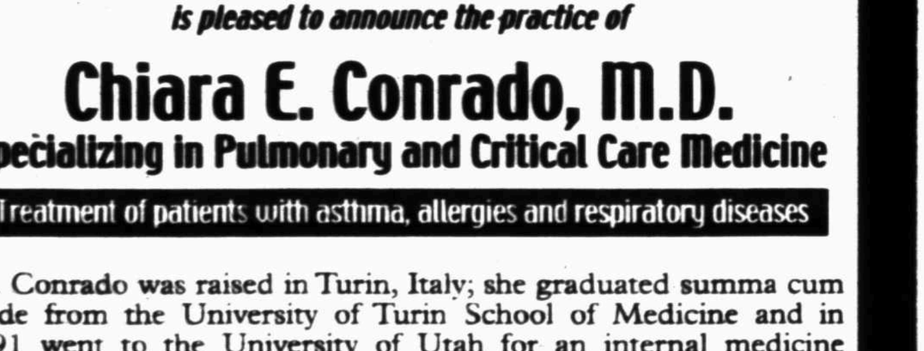
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WORLD IN BRIEF

China reports 8 dead in building collapse

BEIJING — Rescue workers on Saturday pulled bodies from the rubble of a shopping center that collapsed, killing eight people and injuring 32 others in southeast China, state media and a city official reported.

Initially, more than 100 people were believed to have been trapped under debris after the accident Friday afternoon in Dongguan city, state media reported.

But rescue teams working for more than 24 hours found eight dead and 32 wounded, said a duty officer with the city government, who gave only his surname, Ye. He said that rescue work ended after workers sorting through debris turned up no signs of additional casualties.

Investigators blamed a legacy of illegal construction for the disaster, and Ye said that police detained three architects and engineers for questioning.

Built in 1992, the one-story, privately managed shopping center sat by a ditch on an inadequate foundation of wooden piles, the Xinhua News Agency reported. Workers in September began adding unauthorized second and third stories, Xinhua said.

Workers noticed cracks in the upper stories just minutes before the collapse, Xinhua said.

Police arrest 3 after 10-year-old's stabbing

LONDON — Police arrested three people Saturday in connection with the stabbing of a 10-year-old London schoolboy whose death has triggered nationwide soul-searching about the state of Britain's inner cities.

Two youths, both 13, and a 39-year-old woman were arrested early Saturday in south London, near where Damilola Taylor died, police Detective Superintendent David Dillnutt said. Taylor bled to death on Monday after being stabbed in the leg with either a shard of glass or a knife, severing an artery. Witnesses reported seeing several youths aged 11 to 14 running from the scene.

The three suspects were later released on bail.

There are often two murders a week in London, but the death of Taylor as he walked home from an after-school computer class shocked people across the country.

A cheerful and popular boy, Taylor moved from Nigeria with his mother and siblings four months ago so his sister could receive treatment for severe epilepsy.

Leaving behind a middle-class life in Lagos, the family was housed by local authorities on a run-down housing estate in Peckham, south London which The Guardian newspaper branded "one of the toughest in Europe." Damilola died in a dank concrete stairwell not far from his home as he tried to reach help.

Farmworkers loot food trucks in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil — Hundreds of landless farmworkers in drought-stricken northeastern Brazil barricaded highways and threatened truck drivers with machetes and sickles to steal food, police said Saturday.

The looting came as 10 towns in Sergipe state declared a state of emergency, following a yearlong drought that has devastated crops and killed livestock.

On Friday, close to 300 peasants belonging to the Landless Rural Workers' Movement used a tractor and makeshift barricades to force a truck carrying food off a highway near the town of Poco Redondo, police officer Antonio Nery Fonseca said.

After the truck stopped, the peasants pointed machetes and sickles at the truck driver's throat while others stole about $3,700 worth of crackers and pasta, Fonseca said. Some 2,000 landless families live by the highway in squatters' camps.

It was the fifth time in less than a month the squatters had successfully looted commercial long-haul trucks on the same stretch of highway, he said.

"They claim they're hungry, that's always the motive," Fonseca said by telephone from Poco Redondo, about 1,040 miles northeast of Rio. About 100 police officers were sent to the drought area from the state capital Saturday to patrol highways and prevent looting, he said.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

Quebec's separatists lose more ground

By James Brooke
N.Y. Times News Service

MONTREAL — On Boulevard Rene Levesque, the prestige avenue renamed after a pioneer of Quebec separatism, the mood was gray last week at the headquarters of the Bloc Quebecois, the party devoted to making this French-speaking province an independent nation.

With each election this decade, the Bloc has bumped downstairs, winning 54 parliamentary seats in 1993, 44 in 1997 and 38 last Monday. The latest drop was a shock to Bloc strategists, who had predicted that they would win 50 of Quebec's 75 seats.

"If sovereignty's progress continues at this breakneck clip, Quebec will become a country sometime around — well, never, actually," Paul Wells, a political reporter with long experience in Quebec, wrote on Wednesday in The National Post.

"Separatist parties have fought eight provincial elections, three federal elections and two secession referendums — and they have never won the support of 50 percent of Quebec's population," Wells continued, reviewing 30 years of Quebec history. "This was the 13th time separatism has been put to a vote in Quebec, and its 13th straight loss."

For the first time in 20 years, the Liberal Party, which strongly advocates keeping Canada together and which retained its majority in Parliament on Monday, can claim to be the favorite party of Quebec.

It won 44 percent of the Quebec vote against 40 percent for the Bloc Quebecois.

"The Bloc is on a downward trend because they are seen as less and less relevant," said Jean Charest, leader of the Liberals' provincial wing, in a telephone interview.

"In polls about independence, only 25 percent say they want Quebec to become a separate country. People are weary with the issue. There is fatigue. They want to move on."

Quebec politics were rearranged on Monday with the collapse of the Progressive Conservative Party, which fell almost 17 percentage points, receiving only 5.6 percent of the vote. In a free-for-all for these voters, the Liberals jumped 7.5 percentage points and the Bloc picked up only 2. The conservative Canadian Alliance took most of the rest.

But because the turnout dropped 10 percentage points, the Bloc actually got 18,000 fewer votes than three years ago. The Liberal vote in Quebec jumped by 177,000, 75 percent of the additional votes they won nationwide. The Bloc's problem is that its candidates are separatists who ask voters to elect them to a federal Parliament, where they refuse to play the federal game, bringing money to their home constituencies.

"What's the Bloc going to bring Quebec?" asked Telemaque Schiller, a 34-year engineering student. "Absolutely nothing!"

Gilles Duceppe, the Bloc parliamentary leader, acknowledged the contradiction: "We sovereigntists ask people for something bizarre. We ask people to vote for us, saying, 'We won't be in power.'"

Judging by the election returns, the Bloc also failed to expand from its core base of native-born French speakers. On Monday, the Bloc won 48 percent of the French-speaking vote to 35 percent for the Liberals.

Schiller, who came from Haiti as a child, said that all the Italian immigrants he plays with on a soccer team here voted Liberal. "The Italians, the Greeks, the Portuguese — they all vote Liberal," he said.

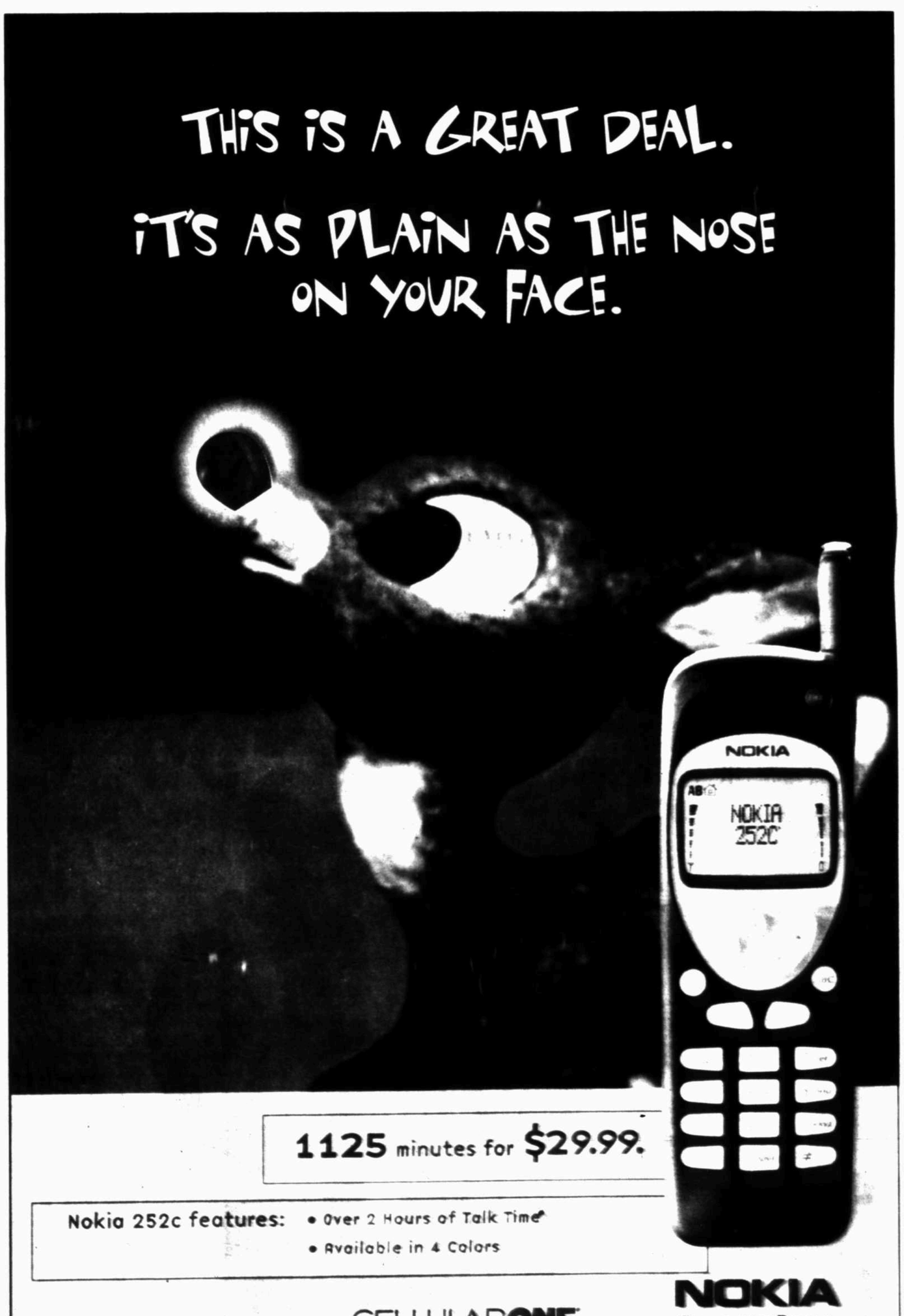
In the past, a strong separatist movement has forced the federal government to channel a disproportionate amount of aid and attention to Quebec. Now, with the movement weakened, some commentators say that attention should be redirected to the west, where the Canadian Alliance swept most of the seats.

Edward Greenspon, a columnist, proposed in The Globe and Mail, long the voice of English Canada, that the largely ceremonial job of deputy prime minister go to a western member of Parliament, the kind of symbolic plum that, until recently, routinely rained on Quebec.

Prime Minister Jean Chretien, who has been fighting separatist movements since he was first elected to Parliament in 1963, has basked in his latest victory, saying, "For the federalists of Quebec, this has been a very important day."

Twice before, Quebec has voted on secession. In 1980 the separatists lost badly, in 1995 by a tiny margin.

France, which has mixed feelings about the issue of Quebec independence, largely interpreted Monday's election results as a setback for the separatists. After the election, President Jacques Chirac, who is cool to independence for Quebec, sent "warmest congratulations" to "dear Jean" for his "brilliant success." The two leaders are to meet in two weeks in Ottawa.



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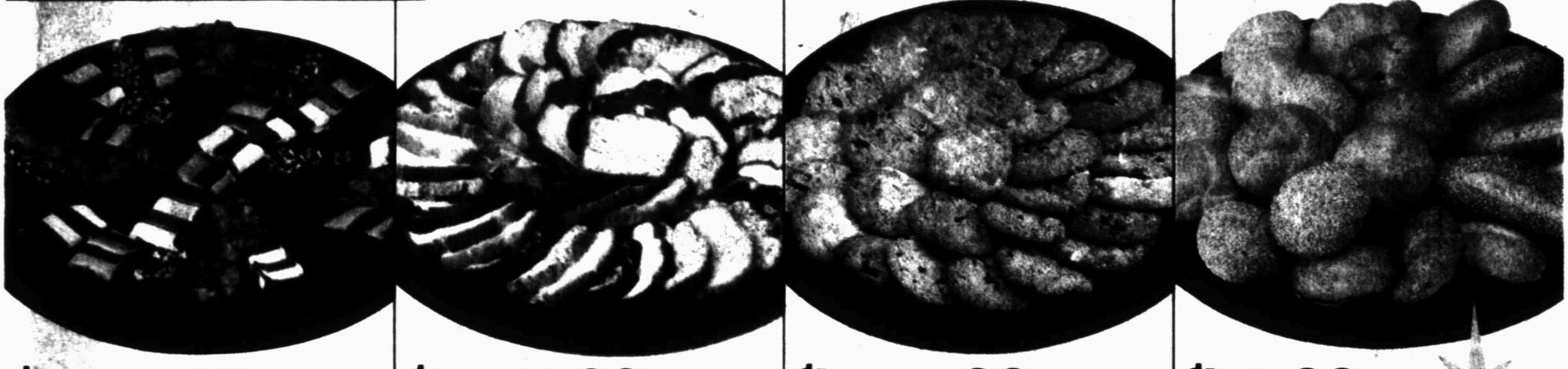
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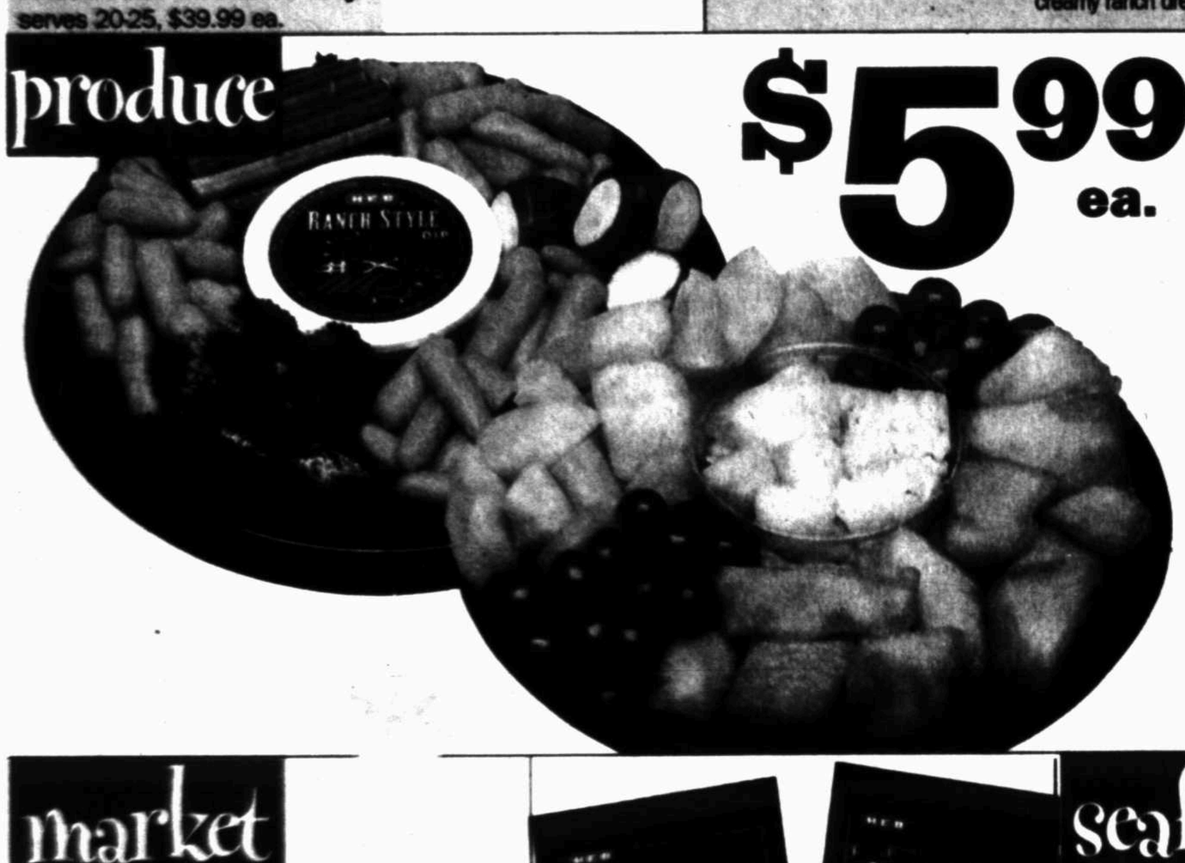


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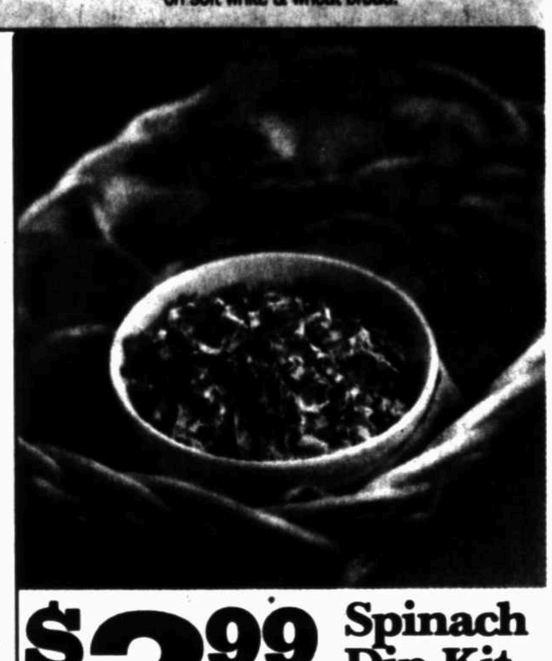
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Natalie Maines, from left, Martie Seidel and Emily Robison, a.k.a. The Dixie Chicks, perform at the Alamodome in San Antonio Thursday night. Their major label debut — "Wide Open Spaces" — surpassed platinum (selling one million copies). It went diamond, meaning it sold 10 million. Their second, "Fly", is multiplatinum and climbing.

Photos by U. Frank Williams Jr.

Dixie Chicks wind up tour in Fort Worth

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

SAN ANTONIO — The Dixie Chicks are hottest thing going in country music today.

The darling divas — Natalie Maines, Martie Seidel and Emily Robison — with Lone Star roots have taken over the country music scene with a unique blend of bold lyrics, harmonious instrumentals and an aura appealing to women and men alike.

While the trio has a certain amount of sex appeal, they aren't another girl band from Nashville, trying to take advantage of country's current trend of throwing a good looking female face in front of microphone. That isn't giving them enough credit. Their major label debut — "Wide Open Spaces" — surpassed platinum (selling one million copies). It went diamond, meaning it sold 10 million. Their second, "Fly", is multiplatinum and climbing.

Two of their songs — "There's Your Trouble and "Wide Open Spaces" hit No. 1 on Billboard, which includes all genres.

"Why are they so successful? Number one, they are very talented," said Mike Lawrence, a program director with KNFM/KGEE. "You have to make yourself stand out and these girls have got it. No doubt you are listening to a Dixie Chicks song and no doubt it is going to be good."



Pregnancy isn't keeping Natalie Maines, left, from performing. Martie Seidel is in the background.

Photo by U. Frank Williams Jr. Reporter-Telegram

The Chicks' bank accounts aren't the only thing growing. They are building additions to their trophy case with each album they release. The Country Music Association say there are no better entertainers in the business. This year, the Chicks walked away with the CMA's Entertainer of the Year award, marking the first time an all-female group captured what is arguably country's most coveted award.

They have it all — record sales, Grammys, their youth (they are all in their mid-20s to early 30s), and a fan base that is spreading outside traditional country boundaries. Network television knows this. NBC brought one of the Chicks' concerts into the homes of America during Thanksgiving week.

"That special they did was non-stop entertainment," said Jennifer McGuire, DJ for KTXC (FM 104.7) radio.

Loretta Lynn, Patsy Cline or Reba McEntire, they are not, but then again, country's old guard

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Everything fans ever wanted to know about The Dixie Chicks/3B
Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang will no longer serve famous food at Fan Fair/2B

Three dudes seek three chicks

Editor's Note: Reporter Richard Acosta detailed this account of a trip taken earlier this week to see the Dixie Chicks as he was accompanied by assistant sports editor Stewart Doreen and photographer U. Frank Williams Jr.

By Richard Acosta

SAN ANTONIO — From the beginning of time man has been on a quest for one thing — chicks.

Adam had Eve.

Romeo had Juliet.

And even Noah made sure each animal had a special friend on the ark.

So what makes me any different?

Really? "Am I The Only One (Who's Ever Felt This Way)"?

Armed only with only my wits, a note pad and the companionship of assistant sports editor Stewart Doreen and the photo stylings of U. Frank Williams Jr., we were "Ready to Run."

We faced a "Never Say Die" quest for the greatest chicks of all time — The Dixie Chicks.



Photo by Maria J. Avila/San Antonio Express-News

The three amigos wait outside the Alamodome for tickets and credentials. From left, Stewart Doreen, Richard Acosta and U. Frank Williams Jr.

It was a once in a life time chance to see the diva trio live in good ol' San Antone (double bonus.)

It was my one chance to tell Emily that "I'll

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Dixie Chicks performance is 'for real'

By Richard Acosta and Stewart Doreen
Staff Writers

■ Concert Review

SAN ANTONIO — If you were looking for a woman Thursday night and were not in San Antonio, your search was in vain.

If you were a man among the multitudes of women who packed the Alamodome for "The Dixie Chick experience" life was twice as good.

"I like women, and I like music," said Cris Townsend of San Antonio. "This is the best of both worlds."

Of course, the true queens of the night are Natalie Maines, Martie Seidel and Emily Robison, a threesome who have taken over the country music scene. Their music is award winning. Their fans are as loyal as they come. "They're particular," Amy McDaniel, 24

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GARY OTT

Before speaking, it's best to get rid of those stereotypes

The package that arrived in the mail this past week was from San Francisco. It was obviously of a personal nature, although I didn't recognize the name of the sender.

So I did what any inquisitive, hard-hitting journalist would do. I opened it.

It was a CD from — and, I swear, I'm not making this up — the Swiss National Public Radio Network. Accompanying the CD was a postcard with a handwritten note on the back that read: "Dear Gary. As promised, here is the CD with a transcript." It was signed by Suzanne Brunner.



Ott

The key word is "transcript" ... or, to be more accurate, it should have read: "English translation."

Allow me to explain.

Several weeks ago, Ms. Brunner, along with two of her Swiss associates, spent a couple of days in Midland doing a profile on George W. Bush's hometown. Nothing unusual about that, of course, since every other news outlet known to man has done the same thing.

But in this case, Ms. Brunner had asked me a few questions about Midland, tape recorded my responses, and then promised to send me a copy of the interview once it had aired in Switzerland.

"Fine," I said at the time, and that was that ... until the package arrived at my office.

At shortly after 7 p.m. on Tuesday, while relaxing in my apartment, I slipped the CD into the portable machine and hit the "start" button. Almost immediately, there was the distinctive sounds of a city — traffic, horns honking, even a train rumbling by in the background — and then the moderator — yes, Ms. Suzanne Brunner — began speaking ... in German, one of three official languages of Switzerland.

"What the ...?" I said to myself.

But I continued to listened.

Then I heard the words, "Gary Ott of the Midland Reporter-Telegram ..." They were spoken, I might add, with a very thick accent, which gave it, I thought, a wonderfully sophisticated sound.

My words then followed ... in English. I did NOT, by the way, sound wonderfully sophisticated. I sounded like a hick from West Texas.

Seconds later, it was Ms. Brunner speaking again ... in German.

This continued back and forth for a good 20 minutes ... German, English, German, English, German, English.

By the time the tape had concluded, I had a headache ... and a vague sense of guilt that I cannot speak, nor comprehend, any language other than English.

It is a shortcoming that has nagged at me for years. Educated people from other countries can almost always speak English, in addition to their native language, yet those of us in America can rarely do the same.

And, frankly, if the truth were known, the reason for this, I fear, is a certain arrogance on our part. We just assume — subconsciously, I hope that others SHOULD learn our language. After all, we're Americans. They're not. Surely, they don't expect us to speak THEIR language. I mean, get real.

Likewise, this same arrogance, intended or not, often leads to us stereotyping others without even knowing it. It just happens. Not only do we assume we're better than others, but we also think we know what "those" people are like even before we meet them. After all, we have our perception, and that should be good enough.

I don't say any of this to be ugly. It just happens to be true in my opinion.

I have caught myself doing it, in fact.

It led to a terribly embarrassing conversation.

It was late March in 1981. Seven or eight of us were sitting on the porch of a cheap motel in the tiny mountain town of Palenque, Mexico.

Three of us were Americans. There was also a guy and a girl from Amsterdam, two traveling companions from Spain and a young man from Germany.

The three Americans, myself included, had arrived there by car. The others were hitchhiking their way across Central America.

As luck would have it, we all found ourselves on that particular porch on that particular afternoon in that particular town.

I'm glad we did.

I've never forgotten the memories, even the embarrassing one.

Even though we came from four different countries, each of which had its own language, we were all speaking English. Naturally.

The conversation jumped from one subject to another almost effortlessly. We were all young and opinionated, leaning considerably to the left of center. Politics was of particular interest, especially the American version — naturally — since Ronald Reagan — no favorite among this group of young, liberal Europeans — was in the early stages of his presidency.

Soon, though, we tired of that subject and moved on to others.

Since we had spent much of the afternoon sipping wine, the tongues began to flap more freely, causing us to say things we might not have under normal circumstances.

I turned my attention to the German, who, as I think back on it, looked a lot like Gerhard Langer, the professional golfer. He had sharp features, wavy blond hair that fell just below his collar and sported a wry smile when he talked. Like the others, he was a liberal.

Still, being an American, I had my foolish stereotypes firmly in place.

For example, when I think of Germans, I think of World War II. When I think of World War II, I think of Nazis. When I think of Nazis, I think of Hitler. When I think of Hitler, I think of the Holocaust.

So I asked him about it.

"Are Germans today embarrassed by the Holocaust?" I asked rather stupidly.

He looked me straight in the eye and said, "Yes. Are you Americans embarrassed by slavery?"

"Uh, well, uh, yes."

Everyone should be an ugly American at least once.

It puts us in our place.

Gary Ott is a columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

Area briefs

Group meeting

The American Lung Association's Better Breathing Club will meet at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 5 at Westwood Medical Center. For information call 522-2273.

Food drive

Midland Memorial Hospital will host its annual Holiday Food Drive to benefit the West Texas Food Bank 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 9. The event will be held in collaboration with KNFM in front of the Abell-Hanger Medical Pavilion, 200 Andrews Hwy. The Food Bank will accept perishable items during this food drive. Many individuals and more than 190 organizations benefit from this event.

AARP night

AARP and the Midland Community Theater join together to provide a discounted ticket ($6) to all national AARP members and family members on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. for Charles Dickens', "The Christmas Carol." Call toll-free 877 926-8300 to make your reservations by Dec. 6. Pick up tickets at the box office at the theater beginning Dec. 7 and up to the day of the performance. For more information call 687-2588.

Toy drive

NewsWest 9 and the Salvation Army's 10th annual toy drive is under way. Anyone wishing to donate new, unwrapped toys may drop them off at KWES-TV or the following Midland-Odessa Fire Stations: 1500 W. Wall; 2210 W. Golf Course; and Haynes and Midkiff.

Locations in Odessa are Loop 338 and University; 38th and Dixie; and 2nd and Lincoln. The deadline to donate the toys is Dec. 15. Toys will be displayed on the NewsWest 9 set and distributed by the Salvation Army during Christmas week. For more information call 567-9999. To participate in other Salvation Army Christmas projects call 683-3614 or 332-0738.

After 29 years, Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang will not cook for country music's Fan Fair 2001

By Emily Baker
MRT Correspondent

'I'm not saying in the future we won't go back. There was not much room for us to serve.'
— Larry Wadzeck, Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang 2000 boss

According to many, Fan Fair is the mecca of country-music fandom. Fan Fair is a mega-concert of sorts that is held each year in Nashville. It calls itself "The World's Biggest Country Music Festival," and each year brings in dozens of country music artists for several concerts in a week's time period.

Fan Fair, which is known for making the stars accessible to fans, will undergo a major face lift for 2001. Among many other things, the Odessa Chuck Wagon Gang will not be making an appearance. The Chuck Wagon Gang has provided meals at the event since Fan Fair's beginning 29 years ago.

"I'm not saying in the future we won't go back," Larry Wadzeck, 2000 gang boss, said. "There was not much room for us to serve."

Fan Fair will be changing locations in 2001. Its long-time location was the Tennessee State Fairgrounds which will be used as a campground this year. The Fair will be located at several sites throughout downtown Nashville, all within walking distance.

"There are no hard feelings," Wadzeck said about the decision Fan Fair made not to include the Chuck Wagon Gang. "Maybe one day we can go back. We are keeping an open mind on the thing. We'll see how it goes."

The meals the Chuck Wagon Gang provided were included in the ticket prices which were raised this year despite the loss of the Chuck Wagon Gang meal.

In the past, the Fair, which draws about 25,000 fans each year, charged the same price for all tickets. Fan Fair 2001 will offer three different-priced tickets from $90, the original ticket price, to $115. The higher-priced tickets will offer closer seating.

Other changes for this year's Fan Fair include a change in the dates. Traditionally, Fan Fair has been held during the week. Fan Fair 2001 is scheduled for Thursday, June 14 — Sunday, June 17.

Also new in 2001 is how the revenues from the tickets will be used. Half of the precedes will be donated to charities suggested by the artists who perform at Fan Fair. The other half will go to the CMA (Country Music Association) for "the advancement of country music," according to Ed Benson, CMA's executive director.

Slated to preform this year are Tracy Byrd, Kenny Chesney, Billy Ray Cyrus, Joe Diffie, Bill Engvall, Sara Evans, Vince Gill, Billy Gilman, Andy Griggs, Alan Jackson, the Kinleys, Lonestar, Patty Loveless, Jo Dee Messina, Martina McBride, Montgomery Gentry, Bard Paisley, Collin Raye, Travis Tritt and Trisha Yearwood.

Fan Fair 2001 is expected to be the biggest year for Fan Fair since 1997, according to the Nashville Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Kix Brooks, half of the Brooks and Dunn duo, is part of the CMA's Fan Fair committee and said "there is not (another) festival that has a tenth of the talent Fan Fair has."

Fan Fair 2001 will still have its regular lifestyle and commercial booths for fans as well as fan-club and aspiring-artist booths. This is where the fans can mingle with the stars and is not expected to change with the other alterations Fan Fair will undergo.

"We don't want to turn it into this big homogenized thing," Dunn said explaining why the intimate character of the event will not be changed.

Tickets will be available in December for the 50,000 people who requested information about Fan Fair. Regular tickets go on sale in January. For more information, contact the Nashville Convention & Visitors Bureau at 800-657-6910.

Obituaries



Polly Kellogg

Mary Elizabeth "Polly" Kellogg was born August 10, 1926 in Houston, Texas to Mary Fuqua Pollard Watts and Benjamin Franklin Watts. She grew up in Houston, Texas, and attended Lamar High School, University of the South, Southwestern University, and the University of Texas in Austin. On August 21, 1952, she married Niran E. Kellogg in Houston. In Midland, she was a member of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, Junior League, Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, and the Symphony Guild. She was active in the Altar Guild, chairman of the flower guild, and was a volunteer in the Head Start Program.

Survivors include her husband, Niran E. Kellogg of Midland; two daughters, Betsy K. Clements and her husband, Ed, of Austin, and Julia K. Montgomery and her husband, Steve, of Midland; and four grandsons, Ross Montgomery, Mason Montgomery, Ferris Clements, and Ben Clements.

Mrs. Kellogg died Saturday, December 2, 2000, in a Midland retirement home.

Memorial services are scheduled for 11:00 a.m. Monday, December 4, 2000, in the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. Graveside services will be Wednesday, December 6, at 11:30 a.m. in Glenwood Cemetery in Houston, Texas, with the Reverend Stockton Williams officiating at both services. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home in Midland, Texas.

The family wishes to thank Home Hospice and the staff of Mabee Health Care for their loving care and many kindnesses.

Graveside pallbearers will be Leroy Capps, Francis Winters, Robert Powell, Charles Stehr, Steve Montgomery, and Edward Clements.

Helen Hartfelder

Helen Marjorie Hartfelder, 80, of Hickory, N.C., died Friday, December 1, 2000, at Frye Regional Medical Center.

No services are scheduled at this time, with arrangements under the direction of Bass-Smith Funeral Home of Hickory.

She was born October 12, 1920 in Paris, Texas to Helen Brady Murrie and Charles Murrie.

She was a homemaker.

Her husband, Henry George Hartfelder, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Charles M. Hartfelder of Hickory, N.C.; a daughter, Laura Hartfelder of Odessa, Texas; a grandson, Justin Hartfelder; and two granddaughters, Allison Hartfelder and Molly Hartfelder, all of Hickory, N.C.



William Landers

William Leroy "Bill" Landers passed away Saturday, November 25, 2000.

Services for Bill were held in Farmington, N.M. Nov. 29th. Military graveside honors were provided by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2182.

Bill was born October 21, 1948 in Fort Worth, Texas.

After serving in the Aviation Division of the U.S. Navy, Bill continued a long and distinguished career with both the military and U.S. Department of Defense, where he earned a multitude of personal and national achievements.

He was in charge of building the Phoenix Missile in Point Mugu NAS in California and received numerous commendations for his construction of warheads during the Gulf War.

Bill was later named Chief Launch Officer In Charge of all multi-stage launches at White Sands Missile Range, where he remained until his retirement in 1999.

Bill was preceded in death by a brother, Ronald Crawford.

He is survived by both his parents, Clara Landers of Farmington, N.M. and Johny Landers of Midland; a sister, Marilyn Hutchins of Farmington; and a brother, Richard Landers of Midland.

He will be lovingly remembered by his stepmother, Sybil Landers; his stepsisters, Wanda McFarland of Midland and Juanita Huffer of Lubbock; and stepbrothers, James Massingill and John Massingill of Midland.

Bill talked of retiring to a tropical climate. Maybe he's walking on a beach somewhere with his much loved pets, Lady and Hazel.

Death Notices

J.D. Kilgore

J.D. Kilgore died Friday, Dec. 1, at an Odessa hospital.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 4, in the Crane County Cemetery with the Rev. Steve Baker officiating under the direction of Shaffer-Nichols Funeral Home of Crane.

He was born July 18, 1905 in Talpa.

He lived in Crane and Ozona, before moving to Midland three years ago. He worked for Texas-New Mexico Pipeline Co., retiring in 1969.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Golda Pendleton Kilgore in August 1993; and a son, Jerry Kilgore in 1964.

Survivors include three sons, Larry W. Kilgore and James E. Kilgore, both of Midland, and Don G. Kilgore of Ozona; a sister, Viola Harris of Cold Springs; seven grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Home Hospice, 1802 W. Wall, Midland, TX 79701.

Hazel Blackwell

Hazel M. Blackwell died Thursday, Nov. 30, at a local hospital.

Memorials services will be held at a later date, under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

She was born Sept. 23, 1923 in Van Buren, Ark.

She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Travis Shackleford of Midland; four sons, Rodger Speir of San Diego, Calif., Bradley J. Speir of Midland, Stanley Proper of Austin, and Alfred Bethel of Big Spring; a stepson, Dan Shackleford of Midland; a stepdaughter, Shareen Shackleford of Odessa; two sisters, Pearl Thompson of Arkansas and June Price of Oklahoma; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ramon Ornelas

MARFA — Ramon M. Ornelas, 58, brother of three Midlanders, died Thursday, Nov. 30, in Marfa.

Funeral services will be 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4, at St. Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Ruiz officiating. Burial will follow at the Marfa Cemetery under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

He was born June 9, 1942 in San Antonio del Bravo, Chihuahua, Mexico.

He worked in agriculture all his life.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Gonzalo and Crespina Ornelas; and one brother, Felipe Ornelas.

Survivors include his wife, Irma Ann Sanchez Ornelas of Marfa; two daughters, Ismelda Ornelaas and Vanessa Ornelas, both of Marfa; a stepson, Ricky Sanchez of Dallas; seven sisters, Josie Sanchez of Stanton, Lucia Carrasco, Esperanza Lopez and Herminia Pallares, all of Portales, N.M., Elena Pallares of Clovis, N.M., Remidios Herrera of Roswell, N.M., and Juana Sanchez of Arlington; and five brothers, Domingo Ornelas, Gonzalo Ornelas, and Tito Ornelas, all of Midland, Mariano Ornelas of Marfa, and Jesus Ornelas of Portales, N.M.

Archie Tryon

Archie Tryon, 52, died Saturday, Dec. 2, at a local hospital.

Funeral services are pending with Thomas Funeral Home.

Joe Hernandez

Joe P. Hernandez died Friday, Dec. 1, in McAllen.

Funeral services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

To All Our Friends



The family of Exie M. Pope acknowledges with grateful hearts your kind expressions of sympathy and love during this time. The value of friends is a rewarding asset. Thank you for your prayers, for the food, the cards, the visits, the gifts, the calls and all of your encouraging words. It helps to know that others are thinking of us.
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We were able to provide Thanksgiving food to 478 families (255 men, 471 women, 631 children) this year. Because we provided enough food to feed each of these families for a week, as well as providing the Thanksgiving dinner, the cost was $72,696.42. We thank all of you, whose contributions made this possible. This year there were fewer agencies providing this much needed service, so we feel very fortunate to have had the financial backing to pick up some of the slack.

Tickets for Thomas Kinkade's "Sunrise" will be for sale at our table outside Walmart Sunday, December 3 and 9 and outside of Home Depot on December 10. The tickets are $2 each, and all proceeds will go to help the poor of Midland. Drawing for the painting will be December 11. "Sunrise" measures 24"x30" and is valued in excess of $1600.

The following businesses will also have collection boxes for Helping Hands to provide toys for children: Home Depot, Thomas Kinkade Signature Galleries, RMI, Oberkampf, Winn-Nelson and Rosa's Cafe. Please be generous in helping to provide Christmas for children of Midland who might not otherwise receive a gift this year.

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CHICKS: All-girl band wraps up successful concert tour

(From 1B)

isn't getting the amount of air play as the Chicks on the radio or video channels. Legions are attracted to their sound which mixes pure country with hints of folk, blue grass, blues and rock. Their influences are vast — ranging from classical music to classic country, from folk to blues.

Maines, who started singing at age 4, has music in her blood. Growing up in Texas' South Plains, the Maines Brothers Band exposed her to the business. Her father, Lloyd Maines, is a steel guitar legend. Her vocals are equaled only by her stage presence.

Seidel is a classically trained violinist, although she began fiddling at age 12. A whiz with the wand, Seidel can have tens of thousands of eyes fixated on her after just a few notes.

Robison not plays the dobro and banjo, but looks cool doing it. In addition, she can play the guitar and acoustic bass. Her fingers are not ordinary. They are magical.

"We get a lot of calls every day," McGuire said. "I think it is because they are different. They are not traditional country. They are getting people to listen to country music that may not have before."

It wasn't until this year that they had their own headline tour, and as expected, they are succeeding again.

"Their concerts are phenomenal," Lawrence said.

As demonstrated in San Antonio. Playing in front of 17,000 at the Alamodome, the Chicks showed the energy of a group in its first month of touring, not the end of a 70-date touring binge. The tour ends tonight in Fort Worth.

The Chicks feed off the energy of their crowds, and in turn, they give almost two hours of excitement, enthusiasm and entertainment. In San Antonio, the crowd was 80 percent female, and yes, there is a Lillith Fair-ian perception amongst the crowd before the show, but that changes once the curtain goes up. The Chicks, who did participate in the all-women music festival a couple years ago, show they are women who entertain, not just entertaining women.

"They put on a Garth Brooks type of performance, but better," said Tim Carle, 34, of San Antonio. Carle "brought" his girlfriend to the show, the couples second of this tour. "George Strait has the best voice (in country music), but overall, they beat everybody. They have everything."

Quick Chick stat check

Natalie Maines
Birthday: Oct. 14, 1974 in Lubbock, TX.
Sign: Libra
Eyes: Blue
Height: 5-foot, 3-inches
Chick Flicks: Grease, Pulp Fiction, West Side Story, Breakfast at Tiffany's, 7 Years in Tibet, Dead Poet's Society, To Kill a Mockingbird
Instruments: Acoustic and electric guitar
Background: Started singing age 3, grew up around country and rock music, and particularly around the Maines Brothers Band. Her dad, Lloyd Maines "is the greatest steel player/prc ucer of all time" she says. Prior to joining the Dixie Chicks in 1996, she pursued music in college, including a music scholarship at Berkley.
Influences: James Taylor, Bonnie Raitte, Maria McKee and the Indigo Girls

Emily Robison
Birthday: Aug. 16, 1972, born in Pittsfield, MA.
Sign: Leo
Eyes: Hazel
Height: 5-foot, 8-inches
Chick Flicks: Christmas Story, Dumb & Dumber, Color Purple, Giant, Mask
Instruments: Dobro, Banjo, Guitar, Acoustic Bass.
Background: Started classical violin at age 7, then took to the banjo at age 10. Grew up going to bluegrass festivals with Martie and our family. Started playing dobro and guitars after the Dixie Chicks formed in 1989.

Made professional debut at age 12, opening for Ricky Skaggs in Pikeville, KY while in kids' bluegrass band Blue Night Express (w/ Martie). Started playing dobro and guitars after the Dixie Chicks formed in 1989. Made debut performance on the Grand Ole Opry in 1991 with early edition of the Chicks.
Influences: Bela Fleck, Emmylou Harris, Glen Campbell, Jerry Douglas, Dolly Parton, Boston, Merle Haggard and Shawn Colvin.

Martie Seidel
Birthday: Oct. 2, 1969, born in York, PA.
Sign: Libra
Eyes: Blue
Height: 5-foot, 7-inches
Chick Flicks: When Harry Met Sally, Phenomenon, Austin Powers, Terms of Endearment, The Color Purple, The Wizard of Oz
Instruments: Fiddle, Mandolin
Background: Began taking classical violin lessons at age 5, then began 'fiddling' at age 12. Played for six years in the Blue Night Express teen bluegrass band with Emily and brother/sister Troy and Sharon Gilchrist. Claims her professional debut was at Risky's Barbecue in downtown Dallas. Formed Dixie Chicks in 1989, made Grand Ole Opry debut in 1991.
Influences: Tim O'Brien, Mark O'Connor, Eddy Stubbs, Sam Bush, Joe Venuti, Alison Krauss

REVIEW: Fans flock to see Dixie Chicks play like 'Garth Brooks'

(From 1B)

Stacy Baltes, 21 and Amy Hummel, 25, — went through one of the most laborious efforts (with the emphasis being on the word, labor) to get their seats.

"The day the tickets went on sale I was in the hospital ... in labor ... delivering my baby," Ms. McDaniel said. "You got to understand that the Chicks rule. So, I was in my room on hold waiting to get tickets. I got my tickets and then I had my baby..."

"We were scared we weren't going to get tickets," Ms. Baltes said. "We wanted seats in the front row, that's why were calling from the hospital."

"Plus, it's my birthday," Ms. Hummel said. "That is why we are so excited about being so close."

The average person may think, "Oh, just another girl band. That's all music needs." Nashville has flooded the country scene with acts which are usually very feminine, although rarely talented. If lucky, these wannabe acts are country's version of the Spice Girls, and accordingly, have the shelf life of Vanilla Ice.

But these Chicks are for real.

They are multi Grammy Award winners. The Country Music Association honored the Chicks with its highest honor, distinguishing them as "Entertainer of the Year."

The Chicks' concert special, which aired on network television during the Thanksgiving week, gave America a taste of what the Texas trio is all about. We say "a taste," because it is but a tenth of what a live show is like.

"They put on a Garth Brooks performance, but better," said Tim Carle, a 34-year-old salesman from San Antonio. "They are the best."

During most of the group's slower songs, Maines' voice could hardly be heard, because of the 17,000 strong drowning her out. The sound system, during those times, was more than tested. It was defeated. The crowd was mesmerized by country's hottest group.

"I'm here for just one reason ... I love the Chicks," said Stephanie Gonzalez, 32, of Midland. "Especially Natalie, she has the most unique voices I have every heard."

However, not everyone came to the Alamodome as a fan. Jennifer Moreno, 23, of San Antonio, said she wanted to see what all the fuss was about.

"I came because I got free tickets," Ms. Moreno said. "I recognized the name, but I never really heard of the group. I just enjoy all kinds of music. And with this type of crowd, I'm sure they are very talented."

After the concert, Ms. Moreno was a bona fide Dixie Chicks convert.

"I was very impressed with the group," she said. "Especially because they are women."

The Chicks' magic on stage is not a product of smoke and mirrors. In fact, those wishing to see pyrotechnics, flashy sets, costume changes or fancy sound effects will leave disappointed. The "Fly" tour, the Chicks' first as the headlining act, is about the music and the three women.

"Energy, drive, heart, you can feel it all," Carle said. "They are themselves."

This was one of the last shows of the 70-date tour and yet the Chicks put off enough energy to wear out a two year old and enough soul to make you feel like you were in church.

The group got its start on the street corners of Dallas and still play like they're trying to fill a tip jar to make end's meet.

Rose Davila, 21, of San Antonio, said the show just about blew her away.

"It was just like ... boom!" Ms. Davila said. "It was a great music show. It just pumps you up so much. I feel like I can do anything right now."

Mixed among the endless waves of women were a few men. Most were with dates. Some may or may not have wanted to be at the show. However, when asked why they came to concert, many came to the same conclusion ... "Well, one they are hot," said Robert Brooks, 23, a 6-foot, 2-inch cowboy out of San Antonio.

Even in front of their girlfriends, guys could not help but express their appreciation for the Chicks.

Stephen Quick, 15, accompanied his friend Chelesea Scecina, 15, to the show, and when it was over, the duo from San Antonio didn't quite see eye to eye about what was so great about the show.

Why did they come to this concert?

"Because they are hot," Quick said.

"They are awesome," Ms. Scecina said. "They have so much energy and they just bounce around and they play so cool ... ya know?"

"I just think they are hot," Quick said again.

Overall, most people were simply left speechless.

"I think they are good ... they're ... good. I mean...," said Lauren Prisco, 14, of San Antonio before seeking help from a friend to finish her thoughts, "give me words..."

'Inmates' do time to send kids to MDA summer camp

By Isela Agundis
MRT Correspondent

Muscular Dystrophy Association will lock up volunteer "jailbirds" from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, at the Jingle Bell Lock-up to be held at the Outback Steakhouse "jail," 2314 W. Loop 250 N.

Donations will be used for sending children with neuromuscular disease to summer camp.

MDA summer camp is geared to the needs of those age 6-21 with neuromuscular diseases. Last year, MDA sponsored 85 camp sessions for more than 4,000 youngsters, offering a wide range of activities designed for young people who have limited mobility or use wheelchairs.

Activities range from horseback riding to less physically demanding programs like arts and crafts and talent shows. The camps are staffed by volunteer health professionals. Campers are assigned a high school or college student volunteer as a counselor and lasting bonds are formed between the two in many cases.

Parents of children with muscular dystrophy founded the MDA in 1950. The belief that there are no incurable disease, only diseases for which no treatments have yet been found is still the organization's philosophy.

MDA, led by its national chairman, Jerry Lewis, supports research to find cures for the 43 muscle wasting diseases affecting more than 300 clients in West Texas and millions nationwide. Funding comes solely from individuals and businesses.

The money raised during the Outback drive will be used locally to provide patient services at no charge to themselves or their families. These services include a comprehensive medical clinic, occupational and physical therapy, wheelchairs and leg braces and sending children to summer camp each year.

This is the second year MDA and Outback Steakhouse will combine their efforts to raise money for the summer camp. Last year, almost 30 people volunteered to be "inmates" during the campaign.

Many children were able to attend summer camp due to the generous donations received. The personnel at Outback volunteer to help different causes that benefit the community throughout the year.

"We like to help out and lend a helping hand," said Chris Bush, owner of the Outback Steakhouse.



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ADVENTURES IN TEACHING

The 'What-If' game revisited; or, developing a POA today can keep tomorrow's danger away

By R. Eric Setzler

My parents taught the "What-if" game when I was a child. The "What-if" game was designed to make my younger brother and me think about what might happen when disaster threatened.



Setzler

For example, what should we do if a stranger tried to lure us into a car? Or what should we do in case we got lost? As kids, these mind games scenarios helped us prepare in advance for real-life emergencies and to think of an appropriate plan of action (or POA). I feel the same "game" would be helpful in the action-packed, but not entirely unpredictable, world of modern education.

One of my students, Lauren Priest, was very helpful in developing these fictional scenarios. Just because these stories are "fictional" doesn't mean that they shouldn't be taken seriously. Horrifying events like these are described in the media every week. One important thing that I've learned in education is things that can be imagined can happen — good or bad. The really sad part is when we don't plan for them or know what to do when they happen.

WHAT-IF SCENARIO NO. 1

Around 9 a.m., Mr. Hillmon tells his social studies students about the "Shot heard around the world" during the American Revolution.

Rubbing sleep from her eyes, Mindy covers her yawns with the back of her hand, when a muffled series of popping noises are heard in the distance. The students in the class pause in their note taking to listen more carefully.

A few giggle and smile around the room. Has this sound been set up by their teacher to reinforce their lesson?

But, even the teacher stops in mid-sentence as screams and the sounds of gunfire pierce the air. Suddenly, an explosion rocks the classroom. A few students spill out of their seats and hide underneath their desks. With tears of fear in her eyes, Mindy looks to her teacher for help, but he is busy trying to tape some paper over the window in his classroom door. Finally, Mr. Hillmon tentatively looks into the hall and start trying to lock the door. Suddenly, he crumples to his knees. Hoping her teacher just slipped, Jessi rushed over to see if she could help. She pauses when a dark shape appeared in the doorway. Huddled under the teacher's desk, Mindy held her breath and wondered what she should do?

What should she do if her worst fears are realized and intruders have invaded the school?

Has the school developed a reasonable plan of action in case such an event should happen? Has everyone received emergency training? What preventative measures have the administration and staff taken? Has a campus safety committee met regularly to make necessary, but occasional unpopular recommendations?

Are intruder drills practiced regularly? Do all visitors, staff, substitutes, and students wear ID badges? Do teachers keep their classroom doors locked during classes to prevent an unwanted intrusion and potential hostage situation?

Are windows in the classroom doors covered so that the teacher can check who wants entry into the classroom? If the classrooms have windows, do teachers have some way to unlock them and let their students escape? Are there security cameras and metal detectors in place?

In other words, has the school district done everything reasonable in its power to provide a safe and secure learning environment for students and staff?

WHAT-IF SCENARIO NO. 2

Gina Goldblum carefully stirred the pot on the stove. The smell of her homemade spaghetti sauce filled the house. Her seven-old-daughter, Gillian, carefully set the table with the 'good' plates because it was a special night.

"Can I light the candles, mommy?"

"No, hon. Wait until your daddy gets home. It's his birthday."

"Where is Jay?"

"Your brother should be home by now. I hope his football practice is over. Maybe he stayed for tutorials with one of his teachers."

"It's nearly 5:45 now ... " Gillian paused as she heard the door open in the living room. "Daddy's home!"

"Happy birthday, daddy!" said Gillian, as Justin carried her into the kitchen, where Gina stood at the counter chopping up a salad.

"Hi Gina. Sorry I'm late. What's going on in here? It sure smells good! Where's Jay?" he asked, setting Gillian back on the ground.

"I'm not sure. Practice should have been over by now. He could have stopped at a friend's house or...," said Gina Goldblum.

"Hey mom. Remember we heard those sirens earlier."

Mrs. Goldblum paused in her food preparation and said, "Maybe we should go look for our son."

Concerned, Justin Goldblum told her, "When I drove past the school on my way home, I didn't see anyone at the school or walking on our street."

With increasing urgency in her voice, Mrs. Goldblum, "But where could Jay be? He is over an hour late. He knew that tonight was a special occasion and even wanted to wrap your present himself. Jay has always called in the past if he stopped on the way home. Where could he be? What should we do?"

Indeed, what should his parents do? Do they know the names and phone numbers of their son's friends or teammates? What is the name of their son's coach or teacher? Do they know the emergency phone number for the school district police?

Do school officials provide access to a phone for students who stay late or do they lock the school doors and go home? How regularly do Mr. and Mrs. Goldblum regularly check the route that Jay travels to school and back? Did they check to see if any sex offenders live in their neighborhood?

Who is taking care of the little girl, Gillian, during this potential crisis? Does Jay carry some identification in case he is unconscious because of an accident and needs medical care? In this case, Jay's safety relies on plans of action developed by both the school and his family as well as training provided to him.

These scenarios were designed to help people think about how to avoid disasters and what to do if terrible things happen. Above all, schools and families should make safety the number one priority in everything they do. It's too easy to lose our focus on what's important in the daily grind. I know you are wondering what happened to Mindy, Jessi, Mr. Hillmon and Jay Goldblum? Do these fictional scenarios have a happy ending? Well, the answer to that question is up to the members of our community. By playing the what-if game and developing plans of action, happy endings are possible for all these characters and their real-life counterparts.

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DUDES: 'Three amigos' tickets temporarily lost minutes before show to begin

(From 1B)

Take Care of You," if you can only fall into my "Loving Arms."

Or Martie that she could fiddle her way into my life and beg me, "Richard, 'Don't Waste Your Heart' it will be a 'Cold Day in July' before I would want to be 'Without You.'"

Or to tell Natalie, "If 'You Were Mine' I too would want to ride in your 'Sin Wagon.'"

But first things first.

I was only somewhat familiar with the Chicks, Stewart has two of their CDs and Frank heard they were hot (Frank is married so by hot, I mean as in — could someone open a window.)

But, thanks to the Web information and a CD or two we were armed with knowledge about these new age cowgirls.

Onward to San Antonio.

But wait ... there was another problem. By a simple twist of fate we ended up taking my little-bitty sports car.

I'm not a very tall person so basically in every car I'm in I have "Wide Open Spaces." However, Stewart hovers close to the 6-foot range and Frank's well into that height.

When they looked at my car something in their eyes told me they knew it would be a long trip.

After a bombardment of, "There's Your Trouble," "Let 'Er Rip," "Give It Up Or Let Me Go" and "If I Fall You're Going Down With Me," we finally all got into the car.

I was driving, Frank was in the front seat with his knees against the dash, and Stewart had to sit sideways in the backseat to fit. But after about an hour I think the guys' legs went numb so it was no big deal.

Right before heading out of town we stopped at a gas station. The attendant checked our tires, filled up the tank and cleaned the windows.

We paid him, checked out the name on his oil stained jumper and said, "Goodbye Earl."

The road trip was about what you would expect from a car full of guys.

We talked about baseball players and how they are over paid, basketball players and how they are over paid, greasy food and the fact that the Dixie Chicks are F-I-N-E fine women (again, because Frank is married, by "fine" I mean "fine" as in they are not hurt or anything).

During the trip Frank told us he was going to have to go right back out of town after we got home from the Chicks. I was like, "Why don't we just, 'Let Him Fly?'" But, in hindsight the trip wouldn't have been the same without him.

Six hours and change later we were in the river city and made our way downtown the Alamo Dome for the show.

For those who are not in the know, you can walk right up the dome from the wrong side of the underpass via a walkway.

We merged with the herd of people making their way to the dome.

From what I saw, proper dress for the ladies at a Dixie Chicks concert was black leather mini-shirt and an animal print cowboy hat.

I asked a mom why her girls were dressed that way. She said, "You know how it is. 'Once You've Loved Somebody' you'll do about anything."

However, she was without her zebra-striped hat. When asked why she chose not to don a striped top she simply said, "Yeah, I need a hat like that the way I need a 'Hole In My Head.'"

But our city of dreams soon turned into "Heartbreak Town."

The guy at the "will call" office said our tickets were not there.

"Well, 'Hello Mr. Heartache,'" I said to the guy behind the glass who seemed to get pleasure from turning us away.

We drove halfway across the state to tell Martie we loved her and to tell the other married Dixie Chicks that, "I Can Love You Better."

We ended up having to find the media coordinator who told "will call" boy that we had better get our tickets or she would kick him in the chest or "Tonight The Heartache's On Me."

So ... we got our tickets.

Frank headed backstage and Stewart and I were jumping around, getting pumped up about the show. Stewart was looking at me funny, but ya know what? "Sometimes You Gotta Dance."

We sat, fifth row from the floor and could see everything.

The show? Awesome.

The Chicks? Awesome.

The experience? Awesome.

Sure we never got to talk to the Chicks, or touch them, or tell them that a columnist would be a great addition to the tour. But we meet nice people all around us.

One young woman even looked at me with those, "Cowboy Take me Away" eyes.

Richard Acosta is a staff writer for the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

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More than 500 employees to lose jobs as Telxon closes

HOUSTON (AP) — More than 500 Houston-area workers are expected to lose their jobs as Telxon Corp. closes its Houston operations early next year.

The closing follows the announcement of a merger between Telxon, a Cincinnati-based manufacturer of hand-held computers and bar-code scanners, and chief rival Symbol Technologies of Holtsville, N.Y.

About half of Houston's Telxon employees will be laid off in early February, according to Saturday editions of the Houston Chronicle. Bob Bradshaw, senior director of human resources for Symbol, said 235 employees will lose their jobs in early February.

About 300 employees will be asked to stay on longer to help the company phase out its Houston-area operations and shut down the facilities, Bradshaw said, and 45 employees will be offered jobs elsewhere in the company.

Telxon employed about 535 people at its manufacturing facility in northwest Houston and its administrative and engineering offices in The Woodlands, a northern suburb of Houston.

Telxon's El Paso facility is expected to expand as a result of the merger, company officials said.

Telxon was a leading developer of hand-held computers, bar code scanners and pen-based scanners, with customers that included Wal-Mart. It was founded in Houston in the late 1960s as Electronic Laboratories and moved its headquarters to Akron, Ohio, in 1978. Manufacturing, product development and finance were based in Houston.

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The Midland Independent School District Board of Trustees has begun its superintendent search. The Board wants to hear from Midland citizens as to the traits and background they wish to see in the new superintendent.
There will be a public forum on Thursday, December 7, 7:30 p.m. at the Midland Community Center, located at 2300 Buttermut Lane. A superintendent profile will be developed from citizen input by which each candidate's suitability will be measured during the screening and selection process.
A second public forum will be held on Monday, December 11, 7:30 p.m. at the Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley. Everyone is invited to attend one of both of the forums.

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Woman turns her dyslexia into success story for her, students

By Stephen Deere
Associated Press

ABILENE — Follow her into the darkness. Follow Victoria Walton as she quietly slips from the dorm room with a book in her hands and finds a place in the hall. Next to a night-light near the floor, she crouches and begins reading.

It's fall semester 1951 at a small Nazarene college in Oklahoma. It's almost midnight, and the lights have been turned out, too late to study.

But she must study.

Two opposing and invisible forces, a dream and an enemy she can't yet name, compel her to do so.

The dream, that one day she'll become a teacher, began in the third grade.

The enemy has been with her since birth. About 40 years from now, scientists will say it lurks somewhere in the left temporal lobe of her brain. Tonight it's driven her from her dorm room while others soundly sleep.

The conflict is unfolding, the dream against the anonymous foe. Thirty-six years will vanish before she learns this elusive tormentor's name. For now, she's simply resolved to struggle.

Only two years ago she read her first novel. Now she's a sophomore in college.

And her handwriting, if only you could see that, too. Poor Buster, her fiance. He must take Victoria's love letters to her mother because only she can decipher the illegible script.

Here in this cauldron of anxiety, the character of a conqueror is brewing. No one, not even she, can see it. But here in this hall, next to a night-light, lies hope.

On this 19-year-old girl, far from home, rides the future of many, many children. One day she'll reach their hurt and fear like few others, because the hurt and fear were once her own.

Frustration

Born in 1932, Victoria grew up a shy girl with red hair and hazel eyes, going to school in Abilene when certain things happened that don't happen now.

She couldn't read, couldn't read t-h-e. And so ...

Smack!

Her face stung with the third-grade teacher's slap.

The word appeared no differently to Victoria than to anyone else, not backward, upside-down or with its consonants jumbled. Her problem was not one of vision, but hearing.

The difficulty rested with the phonemes (pronounced foe-neems), what scientists have dubbed the smallest discernible parts of speech. The English language has fewer than 50 of them, and t-h-e has two: "thu" and "ee." The first step in learning to read is the ability to distinguish between these tiny sounds, an ability called phonological awareness, an ability Victoria did not possess.

Tormented also by a speech impediment, Victoria's neighbors thought she spoke a foreign language. Her third-grade teacher, the same teacher who delivered the slap, also delivered her into the hands of a speech therapist, Caroline Couch Blair.

Blair tutored Victoria for five years, and using instruction saturated with repetition, she reshaped Victoria's mind. Victoria learned how to enunciate, memorize and organize.

Together they studied poetry and plays, and Victoria memorized pages of poems. And her dream, that one day she'd be a teacher, grew stronger, clearer.

Already, she was learning how to compensate for her condition. And already she was learning that for her, success in school would require her to work harder than anyone else.

Still, no matter how hard she tried or how determined she was, there were some things she could not escape. She remembers those moments well, those moments etched in her mind by humiliation and tears. She remembers her first day of class in the seventh grade when she was 12 years old and how she cried and was sent to the bathroom to compose herself.

She should have been able to complete the assignment. She had thought it was the easiest assignment ever. Anyone could copy a page from a book. Anyone but her.

Somehow, in some way she could not grasp, she was different, and that difference glared back at her in the red ink the teacher bled all over the page.

And then there was Abilene High School and Mrs. Barnes. She was such a wonderful teacher, Victoria recalls. Mrs. Barnes told so many stories because she taught about the Renaissance.

But that word: renaissance.

If only Mrs. Barnes had put the word on the blackboard, then Victoria could have copied it and memorized it like so many times before. Then she wouldn't have missed it on the test.

More academic disappointments followed. More determination was required of her. In her senior year, Victoria was placed in a remedial reading class.

Still, she strained her way through high school and into college where she found herself in that hall at Bethany-Penial College in Bethany, Okla., where her dream of having a classroom of her own glowed like the light on the wall, pushing back the darkness.

At the time, educators remained shrouded in darkness, too. They were barely aware of Victoria's condition.

Back then, scientists called it "word blindness." The first published article on it appeared in 1896. The article described a paradox, a case study involving a young man named Percy. Percy's brain had suffered no damage. His eyesight was almost perfect and he appeared intelligent. He simply could not read. Almost a century after Percy, magnetic resonance imaging revealed that a portion in the left hemisphere of the brain, an area called Wernicke's area that analyzes sounds in both written and spoken words, is underactive in people like Victoria.

Desire

By December 1951, Victoria had spent a year and a half at Bethany-Penial, now called Southwestern Nazarene University.

Love brought her back to Abilene, where she married her fiance, Buster, and Victoria Walton became Victoria Stevenson. The couple had a daughter and then another and another.

Sandra, Nita and Gwen were the girls' names. And with their births, time and money became precious, for they both began running out.

Fourteen years faded into one another, and Victoria attended Hardin-Simmons University sporadically, taking three credits one summer and three credits the next and the next. Each course was a rung on a ladder.

For every test, she studied nearly 20 hours, memorizing everything, bringing her textbooks home and typing their content on a portable typewriter threaded with onionskin paper. The paper allowed her to erase her mistakes. The typing was the only way she knew to channel the information from the pages into her mind. She loved crafting term papers, but never actually wrote one. No, she could not risk writing a sentence of her own. That would have dropped her grade.

So she took passages from her books and wove them together in a patchwork of quotations. But everything was documented, everything credited to the original authors. And she made A's without ever writing an original sentence.

The questions haunted her, drove her. Why couldn't she write a sentence of her own? Why must she spend hours on her bed typing just to do well on a test?

While she was clawing her way to a diploma at Hardin-Simmons, she thought she might find an answer to her difficulties in the field of special education. She thought maybe if she taught the children with learning problems and learned about their difficulties, she'd learn about her own, too. Maybe it had a name.

Finally at the age of 33, she donned a cap and gown and walked across a stage, accepting the slip of paper for which she had worked so long. The dream was real, had risen out of sweat and patience. Years later, it would be replaced by another.





ABOVE: Using flash cards, Victoria Stevenson has Danny Twight, a fifth-grader at Jackson Elementary School in Abilene, write down the written versions of the letter combinations she reads to him Aug. 17. The pair have something in common; both are dyslexic, though Victoria mastered her disability long ago and now tutors others to do the same. AT LEFT: Danny concentrates as he is tutored by Ms. Stevenson.

AP Photos

Victoria started teaching at the Abilene State School and then for Central Elementary School and then for Long Elementary School.

For 31 years, she taught mostly in special education classes. In the 1970s and 80s, she was crammed into a tiny, windowless room with just fewer than 20 students.

There were children with discipline problems and children with mental illnesses. Then there were the kids like her, intelligent children who just couldn't read, no matter how hard they tried.

She started seeing herself in some of her students, and at times it was as if she was looking in a mirror. She didnt know how to help them.

Her heart broke. The reading and writing problems didn't merely torment her alone. Those same problems were tormenting her students.

What was wrong with them?

What was wrong with her?

The answer waited, as her future and their futures were becoming inextricably bound.

Hope

Victoria hid her problems from everyone, from her best friends and even from Buster. He'd later say that Victoria always appeared normal to him. Her handwriting? He thought she just wrote like a doctor. Victoria hid from the administration at whichever school she worked. When attendance forms confronted her in her teacher's box, she took them home, always making three copies before she filled them out because it took three times before they became presentable.

For years, she hid it well until she no longer had to until a revelation from a 72-year-old woman drained the shame and fear from her.

The revelation came in 1986, during a weeklong seminar that Aylett Cox, an expert in special education, presented to Abilene educators. It was then that Victoria first heard the word "dyslexia." When Cox described dyslexia's symptoms, Victoria recognized they were hers and those of her students. Her life began making sense, and her students lives began making sense. No longer alone, she no longer had to hide. A new dream emerged.

She would find a way to help them. She would make sure they didn't have to labor next to a night-light in a darkened hall. The darkness that shrouded her life would not shroud theirs.

The training she needed awaited in Lubbock in the West Texas Scottish Rite Learning Center. There, Victoria took classes for a few weeks at a time every summer for six years in a row. Each summer was a rung on a ladder.

Victoria acquired the knowledge that had eluded her for so long. She learned about the most common trait that dyslexic's share: the lack of phonological awareness. She learned that, like her, some dyslexics can comprehend everything they hear, but they don't have the ability to break down words into syllables. She learned that other dyslexics see letters backward and sometimes upside-down, that they scramble details, confusing their ds and bs. She learned about alphabet phonics and multi-sensory learning, a method of teaching that uses the three major senses of touch, sight and hearing.

Dyslexia kept Victoria from reading a novel until her senior year of high school. In Lubbock, she learned that after completing a program lasting a mere 2 1/2 years, most dyslexics could read a novel.

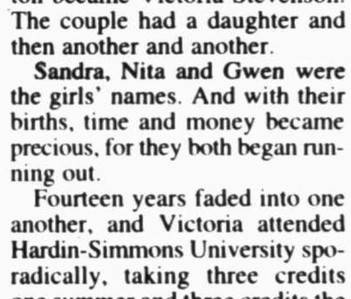
Victoria learned that over the years dyslexia's definition has changed. But its most common definition describes a condition ripe with contradiction people with normal intelligence who have trouble learning to read, write or spell.

Victoria also learned this: Learning disability experts estimate that 10 percent to 25 percent of the population has some form of dyslexia, though its severity varies greatly from person to person.

She had witnessed a vast number of children faced with her problems, and knew the great need for dyslexics to receive

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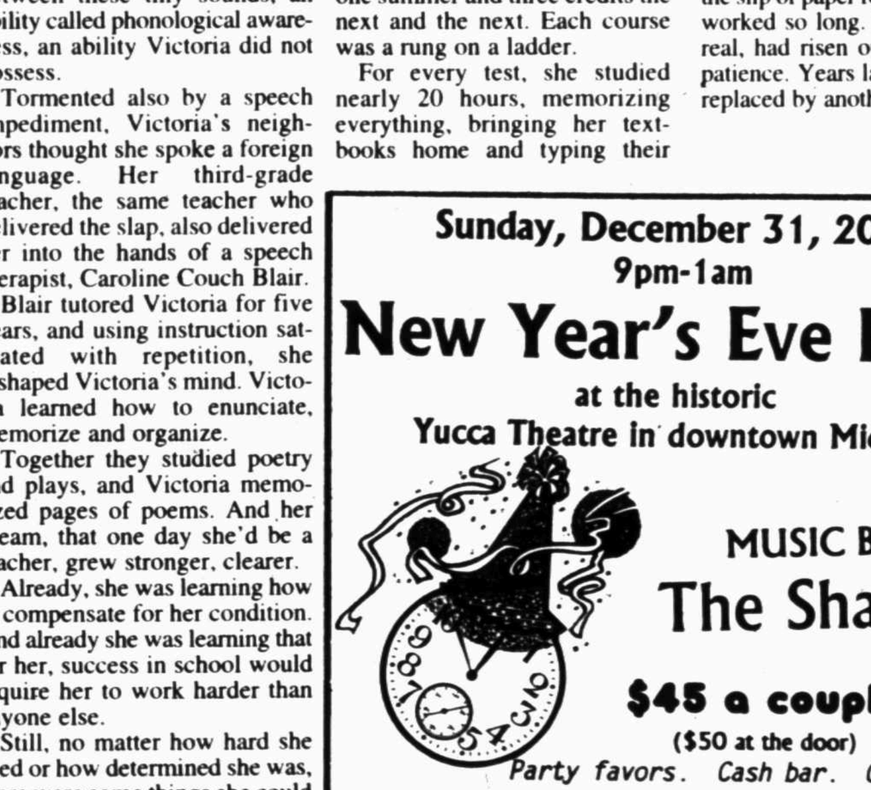


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BOOKS IN BRIEF

Best sellers

Local best sellers are based on weekly sales at Midland bookstores and reflect varied reading interests. This week's local best sellers are from Barnes and Noble Booksellers located at 2617 W. Loop 250.

National best sellers are from Publishers Weekly.

Local Fiction

1. **Roses are Red**
   James Patterson
2. **The Mark**
   Tim LaHaye & Jerry Jenkins
3. **Harry Potter & The Goblet of Fire**
   J. K. Rowling
4. **Winter's Heart**
   Robert Jordan
5. **The Last Precinct**
   Patricia Cornwell
6. **The Prometheus Deception**
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7. **Prodigal Summer**
   Barbara Kingsolver
8. **Deck The Halls**
   Mary Higgins Clark & Carol Higgins Clark
9. **Drowning Ruth**
   Christina Schwarz
10. **Merrick**
    Anne Rice

Local Nonfiction

1. **Who Moved My Cheese?**
   Spencer Johnson
2. **The O'Reilly Ractor**
   Bill O'Reilly
3. **Short Guide to a Happy Life**
   Anna Quindlen
4. **Tuesdays with Morrie**
   Mitch Albom
5. **Beatles Anthology**
   The Beatles
6. **Maestro**
   Bob Woodward
7. **Body For Life**
   Bill Phillips
8. **Joe Dimaggio**
   Richard Cramer
9. **Nothing Like It in the World**
   Stephen E. Ambrose
10. **Face Forward**
    Kevyn Aucoin

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9. **Journey**
   Danielle Steel
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'M' involves mayhem, murder, mystery

M: THE MAN WHO BECAME CARAVAGGIO
by Peter Robb
(Henry Holt, 2000, $30.00, 570 pages)

Review by Lauren R. Fritz
Associated Press

"In a time when art was prisoner to ideas and ideology, M undertook a single-handed and single-minded exploration of what it was to see the reality of things and people."

"M" is how Peter Robb refers to the Italian painter who achieved fame as Caravaggio.

Robb's "M: The Man Who Became Caravaggio" is an informative and well-written biography, one that reads like a detective novel whose central case — Caravaggio's murder — probably will never be solved. Nevertheless, it is a fascinating tale.

He was born Michelangelo Merisi in 1573 in Caravaggio, a small town near Milan, Italy. At 12 he became apprentice to a painter in Milan and by 20 was part of Rome's highly competitive art scene.

There were many wealthy private patrons, the wealthiest being the Catholic Church. By 1595, Caravaggio became the painter for Del Monte, a rich and powerful Roman cardinal. Living with his servant and lover under the roof and protection of Del Monte's household, Caravaggio painted prolifically. As word spread, he became the most sought after painter among Rome's private patrons.

By 1600, Caravaggio was famous and making money, and almost every painting he made caused a sensation. Younger painters were enthralled and wanted to emulate him. But he was also getting into vicious street fights. He was regarded as wild, violent, strange — and a genius.

Caravaggio had several serious altercations in Rome, the last of them a street fight in which he killed a man. He fled to Naples and hid there, but was still able to paint. He became famous there, too, and his work highly sought.

He traveled throughout Italy, painting one masterpiece after another and refining his style. When he died in 1610, he had become Italy's most famous painter.

His mysterious death occurred after he was attacked while returning to Rome. He disappeared and was assumed murdered, although his body was never found and his attacker never identified. Robb's theory that the attack came in retaliation for the murder Caravaggio committed is plausible, but unsubstantiated. The real events remain a mystery.

Strangely, despite Robb's exhaustive research and appealing prose, Caravaggio comes off as a distant and enigmatic figure.



One reason is that little is known about Caravaggio's life. Most of Robb's information comes from three men's writings about the Roman art world in the 1600s, brief news reports, court transcripts and jail records. There are no records to indicate what Caravaggio's daily life was like.

Another reason is that during Caravaggio's lifetime, Rome was in the throes of the Counter Reformation and the Inquisition.

It was a time when the Church's repressive policies toward Romans was vast and reached into every facet of public and private life. No one spoke or wrote freely.

"M lived in a time of bureaucratic power. ... in which ... original minds were ferociously punished or condemned to silence."

To add texture and understanding to the book, Robb writes exhaustively about each of Caravaggio's paintings. These passages illuminate what Caravaggio was doing and when and how he did it, and they serve to show how innovative his art was.

But they come at the expense of slowing down the narrative.

Although Caravaggio's fame and influence in Italy faded soon after his death, he left an important legacy to the art world:

"The sense of real life, driven from Rome by brilliant unrealities, took hold in Spain and the North. Rubens, Velazquez, Vermeer, Rembrandt — they were all the painters of their age in Europe and the founders of modern art, and they were M's creations."

Writer suggests history is being polluted

THE KILLING OF HISTORY
HOW LITERARY CRITICS AND SOCIAL THEORISTS ARE MURDERING OUR PAST
by Keith Windschuttle
(Encounter Books, 2000, $15.95, 260 pages)

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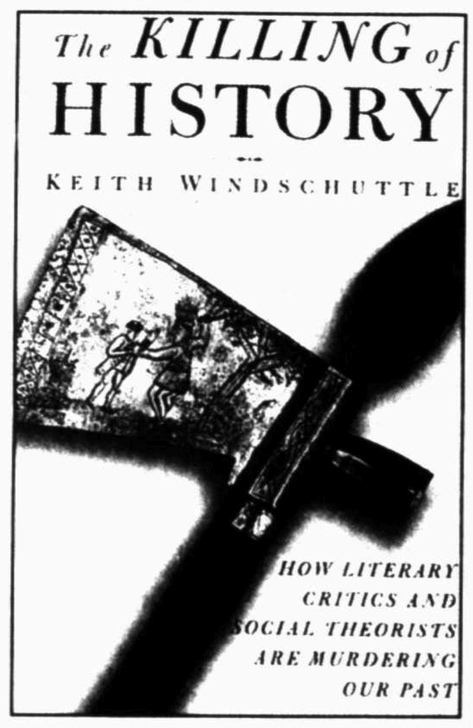
"The traditional practice of history is now suffering a potentially mortal attack from the rise to academic prominence of a relatively new array of literary and social theories. ("The Killing of History") is offered as as a positive contribution to debate, rather than as simply a negative critique of the current fashions. Its aim is to show that, despite all the present claims to the contrary, history can be studied in an objective way and that there are no philosophical obstacles to the pursuit of truth and knowledge about the human world." This quote is from Keith Windschuttle, author of "The Killing of History", a book that attempts to put historical recordings in a new light—one that might be unfamiliar to the history student.

According to Ken Lupoff, publicist for Encounter Books, since the time of Herodotus and Thucydides 2400 years ago historians have tried to record the truth about the past. But history today is in the clutches of literary and social theorists who have little respect for the discipline of what has come before.

These theorists deny the existence of objective truth and substitute radically chic theorizing for real knowledge about the past. The result is revolutionary and unprecedented—contemporary historians—are increasingly obscuring the facts on which the truth abut the past is built.

In "The Killing of History" Windschuttle offers a devastating expose of these developments. In a fascinating narrative, he leads us into a series of "contested sites" where radical theorists have attempted to replace the learning of traditional history with their own political agenda. These include: the European discovery of America and the Spanish conquest of Mexico; the British discovery and exploration of the Pacific islands; the foundation of European settlement in Australia, including British exploration, the convict system and relations with the Aborigines; the history of mental asylums and penal policy in Europe; the expansion of the aristocracy of Western Europe in the Middle Ages; the Battle of Quebec in 1759, and the fall of Communism in 1989.

Lupoff claims Windschuttle's own judgements on these events become a kind of elegy for the great historical writing he feels has become an endangered species in our time. His dissection of the techniques the "new" historians employ in place of rational inquiry and traditional research—semiotics, structuralism, discourse theory, etc.,—is deeply learned and understandably pained.



Texaco Super Science 2000

Library gets grant for science fair books

Katie Boden
MRT Corespondent

For the second consecutive year, Texaco, in partnership with the Midland County Public Library, will sponsor "Texaco Super Science 2000." The program is designed for any Midland student in grades 3 through 6, whether attending public, private or home school, to facilitate in the development of their science fair project. Students can:

- watch the demonstration of a science fair project,
- select and plan their own science fair project, and
- receive a free display board and printed heading.

The demonstration and workshop will be 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, at the library at 301 W. Missouri. The event will be repeated at the same location 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Jan. 8 for those who cannot attend in December.

The program will be presented in English and Spanish and there will be a limit of 100 students for each of the language presentations.

Barbara Davis, head of the children's library, is pleased that the event has generated substantial financial assistance for the purchase of science-related books for the library.

"In the last 18 months we have received three major grants," said Ms. Davis. "Texaco, Mildland College Students in Philanthropy and the Texas Book Festival have all presented grants to the library.

"We have used the Texaco grant to purchase science books for supporting data. The Midland College Students in Philanthropy's funds have been used to purchase science fair project books. The funds from the Texas Book Festival were used to purchase all the books previously mentioned, but in Spanish."

Roughly 500 new library books have been purchased for use in elementary school science fair projects. "All these books are new, current, recent, up-to-date," said Ms. Davis. "We are now able to meet so many needs.

"I am thankful to these three (groups) and what they've donated."

Student reviews

The following reviews are from Midland students. If you would like to see your reviews published, send them to the Midland Reporter Telegram at P. O. Box 1650, Midland TX 79701, or e-mail them to kboden@mrt.com. Reviews can be submitted by anyone, any age, and on any good book. All accepted reviews will be edited for space and content.

THE MIGHTIEST HEART
by Lynn Cullen
(Dial Books for Young Readers, 1998, $15, unnumbered)

Review by Arlena Pearsall

"The Mightiest Heart" is a book about friendships between a young prince (Llywelyn) and his dog (Gelert.) Llywelyn and Gelert were best friends until Llywelyn married a princess. The princess did not care for Gelert and after their son was born she convinced Llywelyn to keep Gelert outside of the palace.

One day Llywelyn discovered that a wolf tried to kill the baby prince but Gelert killed the wolf and saved the baby. Llywelyn then realized that Gelert has always been his one true friend. I recommend you read this book and share it with your family.

—

Arlena Pearsall is a fifth-grader at Crockett Elementary School.

ZORA HURSTON AND THE CHINABERRY TREE
by William Miller
(Lee and Low Books, 1994, $15.95 unnumbered)

Review by Miriam Pearsall

I recommend "Zora Hurston and the Chinaberry Tree" because it was a good book. Zora was a young girl who liked to climb trees, listen to stories at campfires and look at the land. Zora's father did not want her to climb trees because he did not feel it was lady like. Zora's mother told her it was OK to climb trees and listen to stories at campfires.

Zora's mother became ill and Zora stayed by her side to tell her all the stories she heard at the campfires. Zora's mother died but she told Zora to never change and continue to follow her dreams. Zora did just that.

—

Miriam Pearsall is a second-grader at Crockett Elementary School.

Children's Best Sellers

The following list is from the New York Times:

1. **If You Take A Mouse To The Movies.**
   Laura Numeroff
2. **Dr Seuss' How The Grinch Stole Christmas!**
   adapted by Louise Gikow
3. **Olivia**
   Ian Falconer.
4. **Dream Snow**
   Eric Carle
5. **Where do Balloons Go?**
   Jamie Lee Curtis
6. **Mick Foley's Christmas Chaos**
   Mick Foley.
7. **The Wonderful Wizard of Oz**
   L. Frank Baum
8. **I Spy: Extreme Challenger**
   Jean Marzollo
9. **Snowie Rolie**
   William Joyce
10. **The Brand New Kid**
    Katie Couric.

HOPE: Teacher reaches children's hurt, fears because they were once her own

(From 5B)

teaching they could understand. She had felt that need. And it was those feelings, those experiences, that were driving her.

In 1988, they drove her to seek an audience with then-Abilene Independent School District Superintendent Charles Hundley. She wanted to write a pilot program for dyslexic students and begin teaching them in classes of six to eight children. Hundley said yes.

Victoria was teaching at Long Elementary. The school's principal at the time, Pat Dudley, had also seen dyslexic children struggle, and she wanted a solution to their problems.

Dudley watched some of Victoria's first tutoring sessions, and she wondered: Was this program the answer? This program that directed children to trace letters in the air with their fingers? This program that made them watch their mouths in a mirror as they sounded out letters? This program that contained so much repetition?

How could anyone sit through it? It seemed so boring, so tedious, so strange.

But Dudley would later say anything that could help these students was worth some patience. And the patience paid off in the lives that were being transformed by Victoria, who had found her calling in what had plagued her and children like her.

Children such as Josh Lunsford, who in the second grade couldn't read a first-grade textbook and felt dumb, and who was on the brink of being placed in a special education class.

For three years, beginning in 1988, Victoria tutored Josh, and when he reached the fifth grade, he was reading on a seventh-grade level. His confidence soared, his mother said.

Today, Josh attends the University of Central Oklahoma and studies physical therapy.

His mom, Diann, thanks God for Victoria.

She is not alone.

The program grew and so did the accolades. Letters from parents poured in. Soon, Dudley asked Victoria to begin keeping them in a file.

In 1991, Victoria earned the Championship for Children Award from the Abilene Parent Teachers Association for her work with dyslexics.

She was 59 years old, had five years left until retirement, and her successes with children were becoming addictive, drawing her in, infusing her with energy.

For the next five years, she continued her work at Long Elementary. Then, at 64, her career ended.

She retired, but at the same time did not retire. She couldn't bring herself to stop teaching. In fact, she had been planning a way to continue teaching for a while.

Two years earlier, her son-in-law had remodeled the garage that stands next to her house and turned it into a classroom. There in a tiny room, her dream would live on.

She would teach them one child at a time. Into each child she could pour all her attention. One child at a time she could fill them with confidence and knowledge by the hour.

The summer after Victoria left Long Elementary, she opened the Dyslexia Center at her home.

On the wall of the classroom, she placed a picture. In the picture were the faces of Leonardo DaVinci, Auguste Rodin, Hans Christian Anderson, Winston Churchill, Albert Einstein and Thomas Edison six geniuses, but geniuses who, according to their biographers, had learning disabilities.

To her future students, it was not merely a picture of six brilliant men, but a picture of hope. The picture told them they were different, yes, but they should not let that difference limit them in any way.

Promise

It's fall 1993. A river has just been undammed. Soon Tina O'Shields will hear those five words, and soon she will see her son Keith's fear, pain and confusion melt away.

Tina is in a class at McMurry University studying to become a teacher, watching a video in which images of children flicker across the screen. She is learning why she and her husband, Richard, must study with Keith for three to four hours every night.

The video is about dyslexia, and in the children on the screen she sees her 8-year-old son. That's Keith, she thinks. Those are his problems.

Everything's becoming clear. Everything's coming into focus.

For so long now, she and Richard have struggled to help Keith keep pace with his peers. They've struggled hard, but have met little progress. Now what's been holding back their son has a name.

Later that day, she is crying, telling her father about it.

"Daddy, I finally know what's wrong with him," she sobs.

A little less than a year and a half later, Keith sits at a desk at Lee Elementary School and he is crying. He has been looking forward to a relay race and even practiced the night before running up and down the [illegible] outside his house. P[illegible] has proceeded with[illegible]

The fourth[illegible], too far behind in hi[illegible] his teacher has determ[illegible] has no time for a race. Tina's eyes burn with the anger that only a mother can know as she learns this.

No matter how far behind he is, Keith still should have run in that race. It's not his fault. Soon she'll meet a teacher who agrees.

Keith is in the process of undergoing a battery of tests for learning disabilities at Scottish Rite Hospital in Dallas, a hospital that specializes in childhood development. When the results come, they reveal that Keith has dyslexia, disgraphia a writing disability and attention deficit disorder.

But that's not all the tests reveal. Somewhere in that cocktail of diagnoses is a high IQ.

Salvation

It's 1996.

Here in the room that once was a garage sits Victoria and before her are Keith and Tina. Is this the answer, Tina wonders. She's not sure. She and Richard have tried everything. But she finds those five words especially comforting. Never has she heard a teacher tell a student it's not his fault if he's not learning.

But then again, Tina has never seen this this program that has her son making letters in the air and sounding them out in front of a mirror. How could anyone sit through it? It seems so tedious, so boring, so strange.

Yet Victoria seems so confident.

Months pass and Tina's doubt withers. Keith is reading. He's actually reading. Small books with large print now. But slowly, the books get bigger, the print smaller. And as that happens, the doubt is extinguished. At the end of the 2-year program, Keith's confidence has soared and so have his grades. Richard and Tina have never been able to predict their son's report cards. But now he's in the top 10 percent of his eighth-grade class, making straight A's after a couple of six-week periods.

The changes seem remarkable, if not uncommon. The luster of the OShield's story gleams even brighter when placed against the backdrop of others set in Victoria's classroom.

They have joined a chorus of many parents, their voices rising, echoing the same sentiments. They say although they may not have known it at the time, their sons and daughters futures rode on this woman, who can reach a child's hurt and fear like few others because the hurt and fear were once her own.

Athlete has run more than half his 568 marathons since he turned 70

By Ben Dobbin
Associated Press

IRONDEQUOIT, N.Y. — For 12 years, Don McNelly has volunteered as a guinea pig in a research study of endurance athletes.

Last month, he drove six hours to a Baltimore medical center to undergo an annual battery of aerobic tests. Then he took a side trip to Boonsboro, Md., to do what he enjoys most: run a marathon. After quietly setting a world record, he got back in his car and drove home to western New York.

McNelly turned 80 on Nov. 11. No one this old has run so many marathons. His lifetime tally of 570 puts him third in the nation's prolific-marathoner rankings — the two men ahead of him are 69 years old (with 733 races) and 53 (with 624 races). But his greatest accomplishment was racking up 297 runs of 26.2 miles or more in the decade of his 70s.

Frightened into action at 47 when a buddy died of a heart attack, the no-time-for-exercise McNelly tried out the hallowed Boston Marathon in 1969 and got hooked. He's been competing in Boonsboro for 30 years.

The popular race winds along a dirt track in the Appalachians for 16 miles, descends to the Potomac River valley, then courses along roads to Williamsport, Md. It's a 50-mile ultramarathon and, for once, McNelly quit a little more than halfway through it.

"I kind of goofed off a little bit," he said in his usual self-effacing way. "Well, 26 miles is 26 miles! It was just pleasant, the sun was shining, the temperature was nippy but perfect for running and the leaves were turning.

"It's a good place to go out and just commune with God and your fellow runners."

Before turning 70, he could run a marathon well inside four hours. His usual time now is close to seven hours. In Maryland, he almost hit eight hours. "Things haven't been quite the same since I fell off a ladder and cracked three ribs" in 1997, he said from his home in this Rochester suburb.

While hundreds of Americans have taken to the grueling pursuit of multiple marathons since the 1960s, few of McNelly's contemporaries possess his physical conditioning and mental tenacity. A dose of insanity seems to be in the mix, too.

'I guess my next goal is 600 marathons. That'll be in 2002, all other things being normal. I'm just going to keep plugging away.'

— Don McNelly, 80-year-old marathon runner

"You go to a high school reunion or something and there'll be people with canes and walkers and staring off into space," he lamented.

If there's a lesson to be imparted, "I don't think I should go around telling them because it's almost too late," he said. But he implored anyone reaching middle age to "take care of yourself, for God's sake — get some exercise."

McNelly, a 6-foot 215-pounder, had been aiming for 300 marathons as a septuagenarian but was laid up with a back injury for four months this year. "I wanted to hit a nice round number, but my world isn't going to fall apart," he said.

Reaching 80 is exhilarating, but "to have your wits about you and be able to do a marathon occasionally is just magnificent," he said. "You can't describe it. I'd break into tears if I started dwelling on the thing. I'm just so lucky."

In 1988, after his executive job at a corrugated box company had taken him frequently to Baltimore, McNelly enrolled in a geriatric health study at the Baltimore VA Medical Center.

Researchers there compare the health of sedentary people alongside long-distance runners aged 60 and up, "the philosophy being that people like Mr. McNelly represent the role model for successful aging," said Dr. Les Katzel, who runs the study.

"We'll be testing him till he's 100 — that's what we've agreed upon or till the money runs out," Katzel said.

McNelly's marathon career still has far to travel.

"I guess my next goal is 600 marathons," he said with nonchalance. "That'll be in 2002, all other things being normal. I'm just going to keep plugging away."

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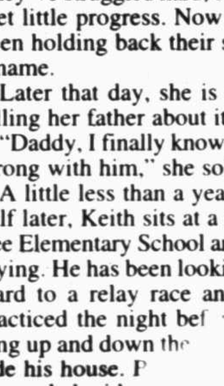
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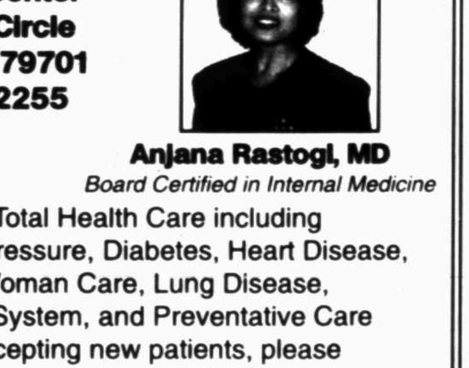
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✔ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Dec. 3-9

Auditions/ contests

Photo show

The Texas Photographic Society is inviting amateur and professional photographers to submit slides of color and black and white works for the group's 16th annual Member's Only Show to open Feb. 17 at the Longview Museum of Art in Longview.

The deadline for submissions is Dec. 15. The nonrefundable fee is $20 for up to 5 slides. Up to 5 additional slides may be entered for $3 per slide. For information on the entry process call 210-824-4123 or write to TPS President, D. Clarke Evans, c/o the Texas Photographic Society, PMB 174, 6338 N. New Braunfels, San Antonio, TX 78209.

Film festival

HOUSTON — The 34th annual Worldfest-Houston International Film Festival will offer more Internet involvement with a new streaming program along with the entry information and new strategic alliances with WritersScriptNetwork.com and Final Draft, the industry's leading software for writing screen plays.

The new initial entry deadline is Dec. 15 and the final deadline will be Jan. 15. (with a small late fee).

Worldfest promotes screenplays, short film, feature film, student, experimental, documentary, television and music video award winners. For more information and a free poster call 713-965-9955, fax 713-965-9960 or email worldfest@aol.com. The entry kit with forms can be found at www.worldfest.org.

Upcoming in Midland-Odessa

Concert

The Lee High School and Lee Freshman High School Orchestras will perform "Winter Wonderland" at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 12 at Lee High School Auditorium. Admission is two small cans of food to benefit Meals-On-Wheels Holiday Gift Basket Drive.

Holiday music

ODESSA — The Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, will present "Christmas Through the Years" at 8 p.m. Dec. 16.

Holiday music for the family will feature Cindy Ward, David Ward, Larry Purkey, Jane McNeel and friends. Call 580-3177 for reservations.

Upcoming outside Midland-Odessa

Comedy

ABILENE — Paramount Productions will present "A West Texas Christmas Carol," a funny adaptation of Charles Dickens' Christmas classic, Dec. 14-17 at the Paramount Theatre of Abilene, 352 Cypress Street. For more information, call 915-676-9620.

Concert

AUSTIN — The Austin Symphony with the Austin Civic Chorus will perform George Frederic Handel's, Messiah at 8 p.m. Dec.12 at Riverbend Church.

Tickets can be purchased for $10, $15 and $25 at the box office 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday or at Riverbend Church 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. the evening of the performance. To reserve tickets call 512-476-6064 or log-on to www.austinsymphony.org.

Walking tour

SAN ANTONIO — The Westin la Cantera Resort presents "Legendary Holidays," a walking tour complete with carolers, an authentic Texas storyteller and a flurry of the only guaranteed snow to be found in South Texas this season.

The event runs Dec. 13-24 and is free to the public. For more information contact Donna Butler at 210-558-2215.

Banks spring up to serve immigrants

By David Koenig
Associated Press

DALLAS — In 1987, David Tai quit the hotel business to join several other Asian businessmen in Houston and open a bank catering to immigrants.

Many of the newcomers couldn't persuade mainstream banks to finance their restaurants, dry cleaners and other small businesses, said Tai, a native of Taiwan.

"The culture is different here," he said. "In our country, we use cash, so it's difficult to get a credit rating."

From a storefront operation with 11 employees and $13 million in assets, MetroBank has grown into a publicly traded banking company with 15 branches, 300 employees and $700 million in assets. It specializes in wholesale banking services, such as trade finance and commercial loans.

MetroBank is at the forefront of a wave of banks serving Asian and Hispanic immigrants, many of whom arrive in the United States without an understanding of U.S. financial customs or a credit history.

They do have one thing of great interest to banks: Money.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, Asians have the highest median income of any group, at $51,205 in 1999, compared with $44,366 for whites. Household income of Hispanics climbed to an all-time high of $30,735.

University of Georgia researchers estimate that Asian and Hispanic buying power has nearly doubled since 1990, much faster than the rate for the overall population — attributed to population growth and the strong economy.

The researchers predict that by next year, the nearly 12 million Asian-Americans will command $253 billion in disposable personal income, and 33 million Hispanics will have $452 billion in buying power.

Bankers say many of this country's newest residents come with a strong work ethic and single-minded desire to succeed.

"They work hard — long hours and six, seven days a week," said Ken Mok, chairman of First International Bank. "Most are family businesses ... the children come in to help after school."

Mok, a native of Hong Kong and an accountant by training, joined with partners to buy a failed bank in 1991 and reopen as First International. The bank now operates seven branches in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and Houston and has assets of $120 million.

Small banks such as First International are no longer alone in targeting ethnic markets. Some of the nation's largest financial institutions are hiring tellers and running advertisements in many languages.

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Showdown? What Showdown?

Rebs turn big 5A matchup into big rout



U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram

Midland Lee linebacker J.R. Brown, right, grabs Duncanville quarterback Ricky Smith for a sack Saturday in Texas Stadium in Irving. The Rebels romped, 44-9, in the anticipated showdown between two of the best teams in Region I.

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

IRVING — Smelling blood. Putting a game away. Throwing the knockout punch. Call it what you want.

Because that is what the No. 8 Midland Lee Rebels did to the No. 6 Duncanville Panthers Saturday afternoon in Texas Stadium.

Class 5A Big School Quarterfinal

Midland Lee	44
Duncanville	9

A third quarter charge by John Parchman's cavalry took a blow-for-blow bout between two Region I-5A heavyweights and turned it into a 44-9 Class 5A Big School state quarterfinal knockout. It was kind of a fitting result for a Rebel team making its first trip to back Texas Stadium since winning the first of two straight championships.

It was exactly what Parchman wanted to see as his Rebels still chase three-peat dreams.

"It was a slugfest, and we busted concrete," said Parchman, putting his own spin on the game. "If you give a good team an inch, they will put it away. I am proud of our kids and the mind set they had to do that (put the game away)."

It was a performance Lee fans have to savor as their team goes for a third straight Class 5A state title. The Rebels (11-2) will play The Woodlands (10-2) in a Class 5A Big School State semifinal at 2 p.m. next Saturday at Darrell Royal-Memorial Stadium in Austin. The Woodlands defeated North Mesquite, 27-7, Friday night.

Saturday, the third quarter was the difference. Holding a 16-9 lead coming out of the locker room after halftime, Lee took the kickoff and drove the ball 51 yards on six Cedric Benson carries. The last carry was a one-yard touchdown, Benson's third of five on the day.

What happened next will go down in Lee annals as the Rebels' most dominant performance of the season. Michael Wynn executed an onside kick to perfection. On the next play, Lee's Jacoby Kendrick took a handoff and ran 45 yards for a score.

A confused Duncanville team took consecutive punches in the gut. Lee had scored twice in 14 seconds.

"That is a 14-point turnaround," Duncanville head coach Bob Alpert said, "but the big play was driving the ball in the third quarter before the kick."

The hole Duncanville was in got deeper in a hurry. The Panthers were down by 21 points.

Again, the Rebels were sniffing blood.

"We came out in the second half and busted them in the mouth," Lee defensive lineman Fred Thrweatt said. "We kept pressing them and kept putting pressure on them."

Later in the third quarter, Lee's Ashley Jackson recovered a fumble by Duncanville quarterback Ricky Smith. The defense came up big again. For the day, the Rebels held Duncanville to 2-of-12 on third down conversions.

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Buffaloes bulldoze Hamlin

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

COLORADO CITY — Getting to 2,000 yards rushing for the season was only part of a good day for Jeremy Hull and the Stanton Buffaloes Saturday afternoon at Wolf Stadium.



Hull ...tops 2,000 yards

Hull finished the day with 201 yards on 31 carries and three touchdowns, while his backfield buddy Clay White ran for 181 yards on 16 carries and two touchdowns as the Buffs ran over Hamlin, 40-14, in the Class 2A Small School regional round playoff game.

Stanton (11-2) advances to play Albany, a 26-10 winner over New Deal on Friday, in the state quarterfinals. That game will probably be played in Sweetwater at a date and time to be determined.

Hull wasn't too concerned about reaching the 2,000-yard mark for the season. He was more happy to get the win and move on to the next round of the playoffs.

"The win is way more important," Hull said. "We played so well today. We didn't know what to expect from them. We just came out and everybody did their job and it was a great victory for us."

The Buffs ran at will against the Pied Pipers, piling up 433 yards on the ground.

"Give credit to the offensive line," said Stanton coach Mark Cotton. "They don't get much press but today they came off and made something happen."

"We got outmanned up front, evidently," said Hamlin coach Sam Scott. "Both (running backs) were very dominating. They're as good as they come. They proved it today. They made the plays when they needed them too, and we didn't tackle."

Hamlin scored on its first drive of the game on a 5-yard pass from Clint Powell to Michael Green, which was set up by a 52-yard pass play to diminutive dynamo Jared May.

After the Pied Pipers scored, it was all Stanton. The Buffs scored on their first

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Stanton defenders Ruston Pardue, left, and Jeremy Hull break up a pass that was intended for Hamlin's Dustin Goodgame, right. Stanton destroyed Hamlin, 40-14, Saturday in Colorado City.

Wichita Falls finishes strong, defeats Steers

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

ABILENE — For three quarters Saturday afternoon, Big Spring showed it could definitely compete with the No. 1 Class 4A team in the state. But it only took a little over three minutes for the Steers to find out why Wichita Falls was — and still is — the team to beat in 4A.

The Steers only trailed the Coyotes by five points entering the fourth quarter, but Wichita Falls fullback Joseph Aboussie scored from a yard out on the first play of the quarter, then rumbled in on increasingly longer scoring runs on the next two possessions to pace a 33-7 win in a Class 4A Small School regional semifinal game. Wichita Falls stayed unbeaten at 13-0 while Big Spring saw

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Prep Playoffs

Saturday's Scores

Class 5A Big School Quarterfinal
Midland Lee 44, Duncanville 9

Class 5A Small School Regional semifinal
Abilene Cooper 28, Coppell 27

Class 4A Small School Regional semifinal
Wichita Falls 33, Big Spring 7

Class 4A Small School Regional semifinal
Southlake Carroll 47, Andrews 35

Class 2A Small School Regional semifinal
Stanton 40, Hamlin 14

Carroll stops Andrews in high-scoring battle

By Len Hayward
MRT Correspondent

COPPELL — It was the perfect time for Carroll's offense to win a game. It had to because its usually stingy defense was struggling.

On Saturday afternoon in a Class 4A Division II Region I semifinal against Andrews, a Dragons defense that carried them through the first two weeks of the playoffs allowed the most points since the season opener, allowed a back to rush for more than 200 yards and allowed more than 400 total yards.

Led by quarterback Ricky Lay, Carroll's offense was up to the task.

The Dragons erased a 15-point deficit in the third quarter with 27 unanswered points in the second half and stole a 47-35 victory in a cold and blustery Cowboy Stadium.

"Defense has carried us all year long," said Lay, who threw for three touchdowns and ran for two more. "You

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Big 12 Championship

Sooners survive, take Big 12 crown

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Oklahoma is more than OK — the Sooners are perfect and on their way to the Orange Bowl to play for the national championship.

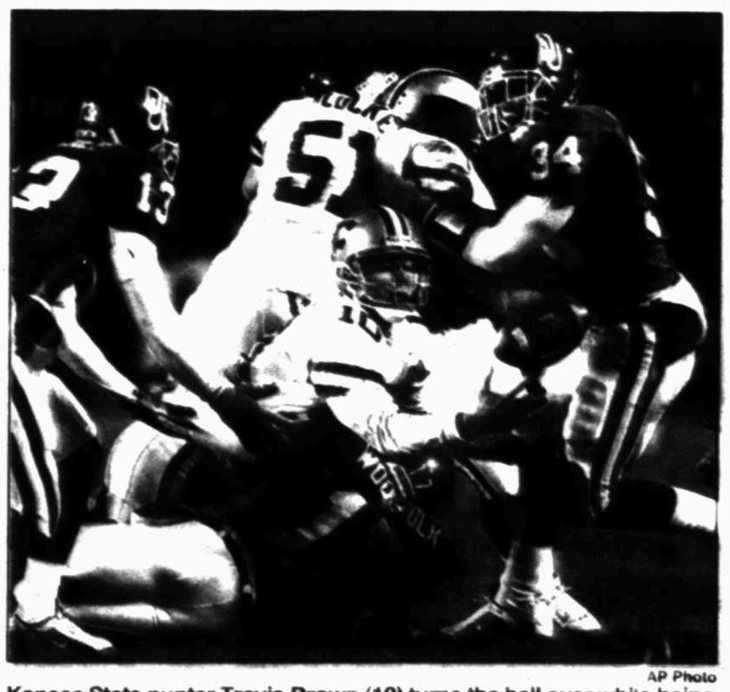
Josh Heupel threw two touchdown passes and ran for another score as No. 1 Oklahoma completed a perfect regular season with a 27-24 victory over No. 8 Kansas State in the Big 12 title game on a chilly Saturday night at Arrowhead Stadium.

The Sooners (12-0), the nation's only major unbeaten team, will get a chance for their first national title since 1985 when they play in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 3, most likely against defending champion Florida State (11-1).

Oklahoma and Florida State were first and second in last week's Bowl Championship Series standings and, based on computer projections, seemed certain to remain that way Sunday when the final rankings are released and the BCS officially announces its bowl matchups.

"For us to talk about a national championship, we had to win this game," Sooners coach Bob Stoops said. "So this was more like a regular-season game and that's the way we embraced it. I'm proud of our guys. This win defines our season."

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AP Photo

Kansas State punter Travis Brown (10) turns the ball over while being tackled by Oklahoma's Andre Woolfolk (17) during the second quarter of the Big 12 Championship Saturday in Kansas City, Mo.

Lady Chaps beat another ranked opponent: Tyler

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Some how, some way, the No. 1 Midland College Lady Chaparrals are finding ways to win the big games this season.

On Saturday night they did it with a little defense and a little second half hustle to defeat No. 6 Tyler Junior College, 62-53.

It was the second straight night that the Lady Chaps (11-0) have knocked off one of the top dogs in women's junior college basketball. On Friday night, the Lady Chaps beat No. 13 Trinity Valley, 107-86. Despite one blemish on the Lady Chaps' record this season, a win against these nationally ranked powers should reaffirm Midland College's status at the top of the junior college rankings.

The victory wasn't easy, however, as the Lady Chaps struggled offensively in the first half and trailed the defending national champion Apache Ladies, 32-23, at the half.

"We struggled all night offensively," Midland College coach Ron Jones said. "But the reason we were down (in the first half) was because of offensive rebounds. We

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Evans leads Longhorns over SWTSU

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Maurice Evans scored 21 points to lead the University of Texas to a 90-60 win over Southwest Texas State Saturday night.

The Longhorns (5-1) shot 53 percent and held Southwest Texas to 39 percent.

Southwest Texas (2-3) held a one point lead on a layup by Dain Ervin with 15:01 remaining in the first half.

Brian Boddicker responded with a 3-pointer for Texas, triggering a 17-3 run over the next 5:34 to put the Longhorns ahead 27-14.

James Thomas had his first career double-double with 14 points and 14 rebounds for Texas. Chris Owens added for the 20 for the Longhorns and Boddicker added 10.

Clay Click led Southwest Texas with 21 points. Ervin, Gerald Scott and Manny Flores each had eight points.

Texas-El Paso 92, New Mexico St. 82

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Brandon Wolfram had career-highs with 35 points and 15 rebounds and Texas-El Paso held New Mexico State to one field in the final nine minutes Saturday for a 92-82 win.

UTEP (3-0) trailed 72-71 with 9:08 remaining, but took control with a 12-2 run over the next seven minutes. Wolfram hit six free throws in that spurt.

New Mexico State (2-5) got only a 3-pointer from Eric Channing over the final nine minutes. The rest of the Aggies' points came from the free throw line.

Daveeno Hines led the Aggies with 24 points, 15 of them in the first half. Channing added 16, but one of the leading 3-point shooters in the country last season hit just 1 of 6 shots from behind the arc and was forced to take off-balance shots much of the night by UTEP's aggressive man defense..

Wolfram scored 21 points in the first half, using his quickness and 6-foot-9, 240-pound frame to score around and over the smaller Aggies. For the game, Wolfram hit 10 of 15 shots and was 15-of-16 at the free throw line.

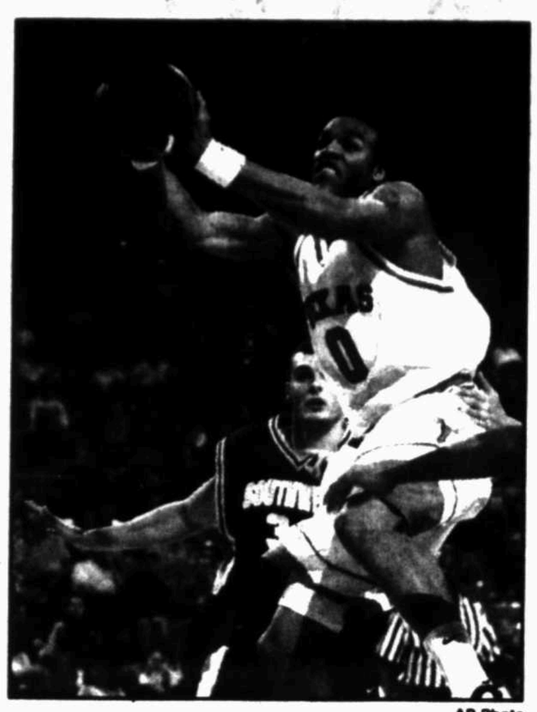
TCU 91, Texas-San Antonio 80

SAN ANTONIO — Greedy Daniels scored 17 points, including 10 from the free throw line, to help Texas Christian beat Texas-San Antonio 91-80 Saturday night.

Myron Anthony added 15 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for TCU, who snapped a two game losing streak.

Texas-San Antonio (1-4) went on a 7-0 run to trim TCU's lead to 80-78 with 2:45 remaining, but TCU (4-2) made 9 of 10 free throws to secure the win.

Devin Brown scored a career high 39 points for the Roadrunners, including three 3-pointers and six free throws. Brown also grabbed eight rebounds.



AP Photo

Texas' James Thomas grabs a rebound in the first half against Southwest Texas State Saturday in Austin.

Rice 60, Lamar 53

BEAUMONT — Mike Wilks scored 17 points as Rice beat Lamar University 60-53 on Saturday night.

Shawn Tyndell scored the go-ahead basket for Rice (5-0), a 3-pointer with 6:29 left in the second half.

Lewis Arline recorded his second double-double of the season for the Cardinals. He was the leading scorer and rebounder for Lamar (1-2) with 17 points and 12 rebounds.

Texas Tech 54, Stephen F. Austin 51

LUBBOCK — Ronald Hobbs scored 10 points and grabbed 5 rebounds to leading Texas Tech to a 54-51 victory over Stephen F. Austin on Saturday night.

Jamal Brown added 10 points and hit two free throws in the final six seconds of the game for Tech.

Tech (3-1) led by 13 points at halftime, 30-17. The Lumberjacks (2-3) slowly chipped away at the lead in the second half. With 1:23 left to play, Skip Jackson hit a 3-pointer, reducing Tech's lead to 52-51.

After the ball was inbounded on Tech's next possession, Jayson Mitchell's shot hit the back of the basket and the Lumberjacks Ji Thomas took it back down the court as his team called for a timeout.

Jackson then tried to hit a basket to put his team ahead, but Red Raider Andy Ellis blocked the shot and Jamal Brown rebounded it before being fouled. Brown hit his two free throws, increasing his team's sliver of a lead to 54-51.

Jackson drove the ball back down the court in the final seconds, but missed.

Ron Banks led the Lumberjacks with 11 points, and Ranson White grabbed 10 rebounds.

Tech's biggest lead was 17 points, coming with just over six minutes left in the first half off of a 3-pointer by Brown that increased Tech's lead to 26-9.

Bulldogs come back with fire, win consolation in Pearland

Staff Report

PEARLAND — If the Midland High boys basketball team goes on to do big things this season, the Bulldogs can perhaps look back to their road trip here as where they turned the corner.

The Bulldogs won the consolation bracket of the Pearland Rotary Classic Saturday, defeating host Pearland 58-56 then beating Pasadena Dobie 77-73 in overtime. The two wins marked the fourth time in the last five games the Bulldogs won, as they evened their record for the first time this season at 4-4.

Midland High's two wins came after a 94-65 loss to Cypress Springs to open the tournament Friday.

"There's some very good teams here," said Midland High coach Jack Stephenson. "Duncanville got beat by 30 yesterday so you never know.

"I think our kids grew up. Sometimes there's something that brings a team together, and winning a close game like we did in overtime can do that."

The Bulldogs trailed 66-63 with just over a second remaining against Dobie when Roman Conner was fouled while attempting a 3-pointer. Conner made all three free throws to send it to overtime. Jason South scored his only points of the game on what turned out to be the winning basket in overtime

Blake Huggins led the Bulldogs with a career high 20 points against Dobie while Jarvis Brown and Lucquente White added 19 apiece and Conner added 10.

Against Pearland, the Bulldogs led by seven points late and survived a charge by the host to win. Brown led Midland High with 17 while White and Anthony Jackson added 12 apiece.

"To come out of a tournament this good and finish 2-1 after Friday is great," said Stephenson. "We played pretty well today."

MHS hosts Lubbock Monterey Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at Chaparral Center.

Midland High 58, Pearland 56

Midland High : Jarvis Brown 6 3-4 17, Roget King 2 0-1 5, Anthony Jackson 4 3-4 12, Roman Conner 3 2-2 8, Aaron Saddler 0 0-0 0, John Alcala 0 0-0 0, Scott Winter 0 0-0 0, Lucquente White 3 3-4 12, Cedric Johnson 0 2-2 2, Blake Huggins 0 0-0 0, Will Smith 0 0-0 0. **Totals 18 13-17 58.**

Pearland: Jones 4 0-0 9, Woods 0 2-2 2, French 1 2-2 5, Spinks 4 0-0 11, Harvey 3 2-2 10, Belcher 3 1-2 7, Balogun 6 0-0 12. Totals 21 7-8 56.

Midland High .....14 13 20 11 —58
Pearland .....11 20 11 14 —56

Three-point goals: MHS 7 (Brown 2, King 1, Jackson 1, White 3), P 7 (Jones 1, Frensh 2, Spinks 2, Harvey 2). **Total Fouls:** MHS 15, P 13. **Fouled Out:** None. **Technical Fouls:** None.

Midland High 77, Pasadena Dobie 73, OT

Dobie: Yusnf 5 2-2 13, Coleman 1 2-2 5, Anderson 0 1-2 1, Cunningham 3 0-0 6, Fifer 13 5-6 31, Lee 8 1-4 17. **Totals 30 11-16 73.**

Midland High (4-4) : Brown 6 3-5 19, King 0 0-0 0, Jackson 2 0-1 4, Jason South 1 0-0 2, Conner 3 4-5 10, Alcala 0 0-0 0, Saddler 1 0-0 3, White 5 7-11 19, Huggins 9 2-2 20, David Koss 0 0-0 0, Smith 0 1-2 1. **Totals 27 17-26 77.**

Dobie .....15 17 18 16 7 —73
Midland High ....13 15 19 19 11 —77

Three-point goals: PD 2 (Yusnf 1, Coleman), MHS 8 (Brown 5, Saddler 1, White 2). **Total Fouls:** PD 13, MHS 15. **Fouled Out:** Brown. **Technical Fouls:** None.

Lee drops close one to McAllen Rowe, finish 6th in tournament

Staff Report

SAN ANTONIO — After suffering a tough loss to the No. 5 team in the state a night earlier, the Midland Lee boys basketball team didn't quite recover Saturday in the Northside Tournament.

The Rebels led by two with under two minutes left but saw things fall apart in the final minutes to lose to McAllen Rowe 60-54. Lee finished sixth in the tournament and fell to 4-3 on the season.

"We committed a couple of questionable fouls and turned the ball over late," said Lee coach Mark Coffman. "We did not play very well. I was really dissatisfied with our effort."

Lee may have been suffering a mild hangover from the night before, when it lost a tough game to No. 5 San Antonio Jay, 84-80.

"We played an early game today and we really weren't into it," said Coffman.

Wendell Smith led the way for the Rebels with 16 points while Drew Coffman added 13. The Rebels actually held the advantage most of the way until collapsing in the final minutes.

Coffman was upset that his team's rebounding wasn't as strong as it should have been against Rowe.

"This was one of the few teams we had a height advantage on, and we didn't do a very good job blocking out," said Coffman.

Lee travels to Sweetwater Tuesday at 7:30 p.m..

McAllen Rowe 60, Midland Lee 54

Lee (4-3): Drew Coffman 5 2-2 13, Jake Kelley 0 1-2 1, Andy Brignon 0 0-0 0, Cornell Hunt 1 2-2 4, Wendell Smith 7 0-0 16, Art Garcia 1 0-0 2, Ryan Vinson 0 0-0 0, Justin Horne 0 0-0 0, Ben Webb 2 2-2 6, Kyle Shatzer 3 3-3 9. **Totals 19 10-11 54.**

Rowe : Sandoval 0 0-2 0, Nunez 1 1-2 3, Medina 5 0-0 13, Guajardo 1 0-2 2, Charles 5 6-6 16, Villanueva 2 0-0 5, Martinez 8 5-5 21. **Totals 22 13-15 60.**

Lee .....15 9 17 13 —54
Rowe .....10 13 16 21 —60

Three-point goals: Lee 3 (Coffman 1, Smith 2), R 4 (Medina 3, Villanueva 1). **Total Fouls:** Lee 16, R 13. **Fouled Out:** None. **Technical Fouls:** None.

LOCAL SPORTS

Racquet Club doubles results

Here are the results from the Racquet Club Doubles Championship Saturday. The finals are today at 1 p.m. with the consolation finals at 2 p.m.

First Round: John Staub-John Foster def. Chris Reneaud-B.J Beal 6-3, 6-1. Gary Madden-Craig Aldridge def. Steve Person-Al Spinks 6-3, 7-6. Hermann Eben-Don Poage def. Neill McClung-Tripp Wommack 7-6, 1-6, 7-5. Miles Boldrick-Stuart Beal def. Joe DeCompeigne-Kevin Butler 6-3, 6-3

Semifinals: Staub-Foster def. Madden-Aldridge 6-4, 6-3. Eben-Poage def. Boldrick-Beal 6-1, 6-3

Consolation: Spinks-Person def. Reneaud-Beal 7-5, 4-6, 6-1. McClung-Wommack def. Butler-DeCompeigne 7-5, 6-1

Rangers splits in Coahoma

COAHOMA — The Greenwood boys basketball team split its two games in the Coahoma Tournament Saturday, getting routed by Merkel 70-35 in the semifinals before defeating Sawley, 87-67.

Will Womack, who made the all-tournament team, had nine points for Greenwood (6-2) against Merkel. Against Sawley, Jeff Adams had 19, Nathan Pinkerton and Jarod Swafford 11 apiece, Justin Hollums had 10.

Mustangs finish 2nd

ABILENE — The Midland Christian boys basketball team lost in the championship game of the Abliene Christian Schools Tournament Friday, losing to Dallas Christian 74-55.

The Mustangs (4-3) kept it close for three quarters, but were outscored 27-12 in the fourth quarter. Zac Schwarz led Midland Christian with 19 points while Brian Nevans added 11.

Midland Christian will host Coahoma Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Lady Mustangs finish second

ABILENE — The Midland Christian girls lost 51-50 to Fort Worth Christian in the title game of the Abilene Christian tournament Saturday despite a furious late rally in their first loss of the season.

Fort Worth Christian led 41-26 entering the fourth quarter. The Lady Mustangs made a comeback but fell just short.

For the Lady Mustangs (9-1), Paige West led the way with 13 pointrs, while Sasha Hollar scored 12 and Hayley Whiteside added 11.

Moffitt scores ace at RHCC

John Moffitt scored a hole-in-one Friday at Ranchland Hills Country Club. Moffitt aced the 173-yard No. 3 hole, which was witnessed by Tim Green.

Basketball

All individual statistics are points unless otherwise specified.

Girls

Junior Varsity

Midland Christian 51, Dallas Christian Varsity 39. For Midland Christian: Colleen Cosner, 15; Valerie Wooten, 14.

JV Tournament

Midland Christian Tournament

1st round

Lee 67 Odessa Sophomores 38

2nd round

Lee 50, Permian 35

Freshmen

Lee 44 Odessa JV 31. For Lee: Neisha Washington 12; Chelsie Saldate 10

Midland Lee White 66, San Angelo 29. For Lee: Amy Gillette, 18; Megan Jackson, 14; Kirsten Hocker, 14.

Lee Maroon 52, San Angelo Glenn 43. For Lee: Holli Hillman, 18; Christie Rasmussen, 14; Caroline Brewster, 10.

Ice Bats edge Jacks

Staff Report

ODESSA — After winning two straight at home, the Odessa Jackalopes got a rude awakening from the Austin Ice Bats Saturday, as the Ice Bats came into the Ector County Coliseum and left with a 4-2 win.

The Jacks never led, as the closest they came was tying it at 1-1 after a scoreless first period. Matt Hoffman scored the first goal for the Jacks, but Austin went up 3-1 early in the third period to achieve a comfortable cushion.

Mike Stalk scored midway through the third period to cut it to 3-2 but the Ice Bats scored 41 seconds later to put the game away.

The Jacks won't be back in action again until Friday, when they host the Amarillo Rattlers at 7 p.m. The next night, they'll host the El Paso Buzzards at the same time.

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Standings

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	14	2	.875	—
New York	11	7	.611	4
Boston	7	9	.438	7
Miami	7	10	.412	7 1/2
Orlando	7	11	.389	8
New Jersey	6	11	.353	8 1/2
Washington	4	13	.235	10 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	11	7	.611	—
Cleveland	9	7	.563	1
Toronto	9	7	.563	1
Indiana	7	8	.467	2 1/2
Detroit	7	9	.438	3
Milwaukee	6	10	.375	4
Atlanta	4	13	.235	6 1/2
Chicago	2	14	.125	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	13	4	.765	—
San Antonio	10	5	.667	2
Dallas	10	6	.625	2 1/2
Denver	9	8	.529	4
Houston	9	8	.529	4
Minnesota	9	8	.529	4
Vancouver	6	10	.375	6 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	11	4	.733	—
L.A. Lakers	12	5	.706	—
Portland	12	6	.667	1/2
Phoenix	10	5	.667	1
Seattle	8	10	.444	4 1/2
Golden State	5	11	.313	6 1/2
L.A. Clippers	5	12	.294	7

Saturday's Games

Atlanta 101, Milwaukee 94
Charlotte 94, Utah 89
Philadelphia 112, Cleveland 78
Orlando 95, New Jersey 74
New York 100, Minnesota 90
Miami 93, Washington 90
Portland 96, Houston 85
Denver 103, Seattle 92
Dallas at Golden State, (n)

Sunday's Games

L.A. Clippers at Boston, 11:30 a.m.
Indiana at Milwaukee, 2 p.m.
San Antonio at Vancouver, 2:30 p.m.
Washington at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.

Trail Blazers 96, Rockets 85

PORTLAND (96): Pippen 2-8 2-2 7, Wallace 8-14 4-4 22, Davis 5-7 1-6 11, S.Smith 1-8 2-3 4, Stoudamire 10-17 10-11 31, Kemp 4-6 0-0 8, B.Wells 4-7 0-0 9, Augmon 2-3 0-0 4, Anthony 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 36-73 19-26 96.

HOUSTON (85): Taylor 5-11 2-4 12, Williams 2-6 0-1 6, Olajuwon 4-6 1-1 9, Anderson 0-6 1-2 1, Francis 11-15 0-0 24, K.Thomas 3-8 0-0 7, Mobley 4-7 2-2 12, Bullard 1-5 0-0 3, Norris 2-3 2-2 7, Rogers 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 34-70 8-12 85.

Portland	**21**	**25**	**26**	**24— 96**
Houston	**22**	**22**	**14**	**27— 85**

3-Point Goals—Portland 5-11 (Wallace 2-2, Stoudamire 1-1, B.Wells 1-2, Pippen 1-3, S.Smith 0-1, Anthony 0-2), Houston 9-18 (Francis 2-2, Mobley 2-3, Williams 2-5, K.Thomas 1-2, Norris 1-2, Bullard 1-3, Anderson 0-1). Fouled out—Francis. Rebounds—Portland 45 (Davis 12), Houston 39 (K.Thomas 6). Assists—Portland 22 (Stoudamire, B.Wells, Pippen 5), Houston 18 (Francis 6). Total fouls—Portland 16, Houston 21. Technicals—Portland Illegal Defense, Wallace, Houston Illegal Defense.

Nuggets 103, SuperSonics 92

SEATTLE (92): Lewis 10-19 2-2 26, McCoy 4-8 2-6 10, Ewing 2-6 2-2 6, E.Davis 5-9 0-0 14, Payton 7-25 0-0 14, Patterson 4-7 2-5 10, Barry 1-3 1-2 4, Mason 0-0 0-0 0, Wolkowyski 0-1 0-0 0, Williams 3-8 1-1 8. Totals 36-86 10-18 92.

DENVER (103): McDyess 16-26 5-8 37, Posey 3-7 2-2 8, LaFrentz 5-12 0-0 11, Lenard 8-21 2-3 22, Van Exel 2-7 1-1 5, Abdul-Wahad 1-6 0-0 2, Clark 4-8 2-2 10, McCloud 3-8 2-2 8, Pack 0-1 0-0 0, Bowen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-96 14-18 103.

Seattle	**19**	**22**	**24**	**27— 92**
Denver	**30**	**25**	**15**	**33—103**

3-Point Goals—Seattle 10-23 (E.Davis 4-6, Lewis 4-7, Williams 1-2, Barry 1-3, Payton 0-5), Denver 5-19 (Lenard 4-12, LaFrentz 1-2, McCloud 0-1, Posey 0-1, Van Exel 0-3). Fouled out—LaFrentz. Rebounds—Seattle 53 (Lewis, McCoy 8), Denver 63 (McDyess 17). Assists—Seattle 21 (Payton 8), Denver 31 (Van Exel 20). Total fouls—Seattle 21, Denver 21. Technicals—Seattle coach McMillan.

Hawks 101, Bucks 94

MILWAUKEE (94): G.Robinson 7-18 0-0 14, Caffey 4-6 3-6 11, E.Johnson 0-3 0-0 0, Cassell 3-11 5-7 12, Allen 7-13 3-4 19, Alston 2-2 0-0 4, Hunter 3-9 0-0 7, Thomas 4-9 7-10 17, Kersey 5-8 0-0 10, S.Williams 0-1 0-0 0, Pope 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-80 18-27 94.

ATLANTA (101): D.Johnson 4-16 5-7 14, Henderson 4-11 5-8 13, Mutombo 4-11 0-1 8, Maloney 7-18 3-3 18, Terry 10-16 10-12 30, Mottola 0-0 2-2 2, Wright 3-6 2-3 8, A.Johnson 0-1 0-0 0, Crawford 0-0 0-0 0, L.Robinson 2-4 3-3 8, Glover 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 34-83 30-39 101.

Milwaukee	**19**	**34**	**21**	**20— 94**
Atlanta	**28**	**21**	**27**	**25—101**

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 6-16 (Thomas 2-2, Allen 2-6, Cassell 1-2, Hunter 1-5, G.Robinson 0-1), Atlanta 3-14 (L.Robinson 1-1, D.Johnson 1-6, Maloney 1-6, Terry 0-1). Fouled out—G.Robinson. Rebounds—Milwaukee 52 (E.Johnson 9), Atlanta 60 (Mutombo 17). Assists—Milwaukee 21 (Cassell 5), Atlanta 13 (Terry 5). Total fouls—Milwaukee 30, Atlanta 25. Technicals—Milwaukee Illegal Defense 2, G.Robinson, Cassell, Mutombo.

Magic 95, Nets 74

ORLANDO (95): Outlaw 2-5 1-3 5, Amaechi 5-14 2-6 12, Doleac 3-6 0-0 6, McGrady 18-32 4-4 40, Armstrong 3-10 0-0 7, Garrity 5-8 0-0 12, Hudson 2-7 2-2 6, M.Williams 1-6 1-2 3, Miller 2-3 0-0 4, DeClercq 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-91 10-17 95.

NEW JERSEY (74): Jackson 2-4 2-4 6, Martin 3-9 1-4 7, Eschmeyer 1-5 1-1 3, K.Gill 2-12 0-0 4, Marbury 4-11 4-5 12, A.Williams 6-10 2-2 14, Newman 1-6 7-8 10, Harris 3-4 1-1 7, Douglas 3-7 3-4 9, Samake 1-2 0-0 2, Ollie 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-70 21-29 74.

Orlando	**26**	**23**	**22**	**24— 95**
New Jersey	**19**	**22**	**22**	**11— 74**

3-Point Goals—Orlando 3-12 (Garrity 2-3, Armstrong 1-3, McGrady 0-1, M.Williams 0-1, Miller 0-1, Hudson 0-3), New Jersey 1-6 (Newman 1-4, Marbury 0-1, Jackson 0-1). Fouled out—Jackson. Rebounds—Orlando 59 (Outlaw 11), New Jersey 50 (Martin 13). Assists—Orlando 29 (Armstrong 9), New Jersey 18 (Newman, Jackson 4). Total fouls—Orlando 21, New Jersey 24.

76ers 112, Cavaliers 78

PHILADELPHIA (112): Lynch 3-4 3-4 9, Kukoc 5-7 0-3 10, Ratliff 4-7 4-4 12, Snow 3-6 0-0 6, Iverson 10-21 5-6 27, Geiger 6-12 3-4 15, McKie 4-5 1-2 9, MacCulloch 4-5 6-8 14, Jones 1-4 1-2 3, Mohammed 3-7 1-3 7. Totals 43-78 24-36 112.

CLEVELAND (78): Murray 2-8 5-6 9, Weatherspoon 3-8 2-2 8, Ilgauskas 4-12 1-1 9, Miller 5-17 0-0 10, Harpring 3-11 2-2 9, Gatling 6-11 0-2 13, Langdon 4-6 1-2 10, Traylor 1-4 0-0 2, Henderson 0-3 2-2 2, Mihm 1-5 2-2 4, Person 1-5 0-0 2. Totals 30-90 15-19 78.

Philadelphia	**27**	**31**	**27**	**27—112**
Cleveland	**20**	**19**	**15**	**24— 78**

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 2-6 (Iverson 2-6), Cleveland 3-9 (Langdon 1-1, Gatling 1-2, Harpring 1-3, Person 0-1, Miller 0-1, Murray 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 57 (Iverson 7), Cleveland 54 (Weatherspoon 9). Assists—Philadelphia 29 (Snow 11), Cleveland 17 (Miller 5). Total fouls—Philadelphia 19, Cleveland 23.

Hornets 94, Jazz 89

UTAH (89): Russell 7-11 5-6 24, Malone 5-13 4-4 14, Polynice 3-7 1-2 7, Starks 3-10 0-0 7, Stockton 4-10 3-3 11, Vaughn 2-5 0-0 4, Lewis 0-1 0-0 0, Manning 3-7 0-0 6, Ostertag 0-1 4-7 4, Marshall 3-5 2-2 8, Benoit 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 32-74 19-24 89.

CHARLOTTE (94): Mashburn 6-22 9-9 21, Brown 3-6 0-1 6, Campbell 2-3 4-6 8, Ba.Davis 3-5 2-2 9, Wesley 11-16 6-7 30, Magloire 5-9 2-2 12, Recasner 0-1 0-0 0, Nailon 1-3 0-0 2, Robinson 1-3 0-0 2, H.Hawkins 1-2 2-4 4. Totals 33-70 25-31 94.

Utah	**20**	**26**	**20**	**23— 89**
Charlotte	**21**	**23**	**21**	**29— 94**

3-Point Goals—Utah 6-13 (Russell 5-7, Starks 1-3, Stockton 0-1, Vaughn 0-1, Marshall 0-1), Charlotte 3-12 (Wesley 2-3, Ba.Davis 1-2, H.Hawkins 0-1, Mashburn 0-6). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Utah 43 (Polynice 9), Charlotte 47 (Mashburn 12). Assists—Utah 23 (Stockton 10), Charlotte 23 (Mashburn 8). Total fouls—Utah 25, Charlotte 22. Technicals—Ostertag, Stockton, Campbell, Ba.Davis.

Knicks 100, Timberwolves 90

MINNESOTA (90): Garnett 10-20 1-1 21, Szczerbiak 4-12 1-2 9, Ellis 4-9 4-4 12, Billups 4-10 3-4 13, Brandon 8-18 1-1 18, Peeler 2-6 0-0 4, Nesterovic 0-1 2-2 2, Mitchell 2-2 0-2 5, Day 2-2 0-0 6, Hammonds 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-81 12-16 90.

NEW YORK (100): Johnson 4-7 0-0 9, Rice 2-6 5-6 10, Camby 5-8 0-0 10, Houston 16-20 3-3 37, Sprewell 5-11 7-7 17, Childs 2-7 5-6 9, Thomas 2-3 0-0 4, Strickland 1-2 2-2 4. Totals 37-64 22-24 100.

Minnesota	**18**	**27**	**20**	**25— 90**
New York	**28**	**21**	**20**	**31—100**

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 6-16 (Day 2-2, Billups 2-7, Mitchell 1-1, Brandon 1-2, Garnett 0-1, Peeler 0-1, Szczerbiak 0-1, Ellis 0-1), New York 4-10 (Houston 2-2, Johnson 1-3, Rice 1-3, Childs 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 34 (Garnett, Szczerbiak 7), New York 44 (Camby 14). Assists—Minnesota 23 (Brandon 8), New York 15 (Childs 7). Total fouls—Minnesota 20, New York 20. Technicals—Minnesota Illegal Defense.

Heat 93, Wizards 90

MIAMI (93): Mason 5-10 10-12 20, Bowen 0-6 2-2 2, B.Grant 7-16 2-2 16, E.Jones 7-15 5-7 20, Hardaway 6-11 2-3 18, Green 2-4 1-2 5, Carter 5-9 2-4 12. Totals 32-71 24-32 93.

WASHINGTON (90): Lopez 4-12 1-2 9, Howard 5-11 4-4 14, White 1-3 1-2 3, Richmond 5-9 2-2 15, Strickland 8-14 6-6 22, King 4-4 2-2 10, Mic.Smith 1-1 0-0 2, R.Hamilton 4-16 5-6 13, Whitney 0-2 0-0 0, Booth 0-1 2-4 2, Nesby 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-74 23-28 90.

Miami	**26**	**16**	**17**	**34— 93**
Washington	**25**	**14**	**28**	**23— 90**

3-Point Goals—Miami 5-13 (Hardaway 4-5, E.Jones 1-3, Bowen 0-5), Washington 3-8 (Richmond 3-4, R.Hamilton 0-2, Lopez 0-2). Fouled out—King. Rebounds—Miami 44 (B.Grant 10), Washington 50 (White 12). Assists—Miami 16 (Hardaway 8), Washington 22 (Strickland 8). Total fouls—Miami 20, Washington 26. Technicals—Washington coach L.Hamilton.

NHL Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	12	8	4	0	28	82	62
Pittsburgh	12	9	3	1	28	73	68
N.Y. Rangers	13	13	0	0	26	87	90
Philadelphia	11	11	4	0	26	64	71
N.Y. Islanders	7	12	3	2	19	56	70

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	14	7	3	2	33	84	59
Ottawa	14	7	4	0	32	82	61
Buffalo	13	8	2	1	29	67	61
Montreal	9	15	3	0	21	69	82
Boston	8	13	3	2	21	61	90

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	9	10	6	1	25	62	69
Carolina	10	10	3	1	24	58	67
Tampa Bay	9	12	2	2	22	74	90
Atlanta	7	10	6	1	21	63	76
Florida	5	11	4	4	18	49	66

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	17	4	3	0	37	82	46
Detroit	16	9	1	2	35	86	75
Nashville	10	10	5	1	26	62	63
Chicago	9	13	2	2	22	64	78
Columbus	7	17	1	1	16	50	83

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	18	4	3	0	39	79	51
Edmonton	14	10	3	0	31	78	70
Vancouver	13	8	3	2	31	88	73
Calgary	6	12	6	4	22	58	79
Minnesota	7	14	4	1	19	52	68

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	15	5	2	0	32	65	46
Phoenix	13	7	6	0	32	70	58
Dallas	13	7	3	1	30	65	50
Los Angeles	11	8	6	0	28	88	75
Anaheim	8	12	4	3	23	68	89

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Saturday's Games
Late Games Not Included

Washington 2, Boston 0
Ottawa 5, Philadelphia 3
Montreal 1, Calgary 1, tie
Toronto 8, N.Y. Rangers 2
Tampa Bay 3, Detroit 0
Buffalo 3, Pittsburgh 2
Atlanta 2, Columbus 1
St. Louis 5, Florida 2
Dallas at Phoenix, (n)
Edmonton at Vancouver, (n)
Minnesota at Los Angeles, (n)

Sunday's Games

New Jersey at N.Y. Islanders, noon
Ottawa at Carolina, 4 p.m.
Colorado at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
San Jose at Edmonton, 7 p.m.
Columbus at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 7 p.m.

Sabres 3, Penguins 2

Buffalo	**1**	**2**	**0**	**— 3**
Pittsburgh	**0**	**0**	**2**	**— 2**

First Period—1, Buffalo, Satan 7 (Barnes, Dumont), 4:02 (pp).

Second Period—2, Buffalo, Tsyplakov 3 (Warrener, Gratton), 6:34. 3, Buffalo, Varada 4 (Rasmussen, Brown), 8:50.

Third Period—4, Pittsburgh, Jagr 14 (Slegr, Lang), 18:25. 5, Pittsburgh, Straka 8 (Jagr, Lang), 18:53.

Shots on goal—Buffalo 12-8-6—26. Pittsburgh 5-5-14—24. Power-play Opportunities—Buffalo 1 of 8, Pittsburgh 0 of 3. Goalies—Buffalo, Hasek 10-8-2 (24 shots-22 saves). Pittsburgh, Snow 5-5-3 (26-23).

Thrashers 2, Blue Jackets 1

Atlanta	**1**	**1**	**0**	**— 2**
Columbus	**0**	**0**	**1**	**— 1**

First Period—1, Atlanta, Svartvadet 4 (Odgers), :41.

Second Period—2, Atlanta, Guolla 7 (Brunette, Trombley), 18:04.

Third Period—3, Columbus, Sanderson 7 (Pushor), 11:56.

Shots on goal—Atlanta 11-11-4—26. Columbus 3-12-14—29. Power-play Opportunities—Atlanta 0 of 3, Columbus 0 of 2. Goalies—Atlanta, Hnilicka 5-8-2 (29 shots-27 saves). Columbus, Tugnutt (11-10), Denis 1-7-0 (0:00 second, 15-14).

Senators 5, Flyers 3

Philadelphia	**0**	**1**	**2**	**— 3**
Ottawa	**3**	**0**	**2**	**— 5**

First Period—1, Ottawa, York 2 (Hossa, Bonk), 9:51 (pp). 2, Ottawa, Redden 3 (Alfredsson, Yashin), 11:26. 3, Ottawa, McEachern 7 (Salo, Yashin), 16:06.

Second Period—4, Philadelphia, Delmore 2 (White), 7:20.

Third Period—5, Ottawa, York 3 (Prospal, Forbes), 2:26. 6, Ottawa, Alfredsson 4 (Yashin), 5:01 (pp). 7, Philadelphia, Tocchet 3 (Langkow, LeClair), 9:19. 8, Philadelphia, LeClair 2, 15:52.

Shots on goal—Philadelphia 7-16-12—35. Ottawa 10-6-5—21. Power-play Opportunities—Philadelphia 0 of 3. Ottawa 2 of 4. Goalies—Philadelphia, Cechmanek 6-5-1 (21 shots-16 saves). Ottawa, Lalime 8-4-1 (35-32).

Capitals 2, Bruins 0

Washington	**0**	**0**	**2**	**— 2**
Boston	**0**	**0**	**0**	**— 0**

First Period—None.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—1, Washington, Reekie 1 (Zednik, Gonchar), 3:51. 2, Washington, Konowalchuk 8 (Reekie, Dahlen), 4:14.

Shots on goal—Washington 7-13-8—28. Boston 8-5-10—23. Power-play Opportunities—Washington 0 of 5, Boston 0 of 5. Goalies—Washington, Kolzig 9-8-4 (23 shots-23 saves). Boston, Skudra 2-3-1 (28-26).

Canadiens 1, Flames 1, OT

Montreal	**0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**— 1**
Calgary	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**— 1**

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, Calgary, Cowan 4 (Wilm, Housley), 5:08.

Third Period—2, Montreal, Darby 6 (Rucinsky), 3:14.

Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Montreal 9-10-14-3—36. Calgary 4-10-9-1—24. Power-play Opportunities—Montreal 0 of 5, Calgary 0 of 3. Goalies—Montreal, Theodore 6-8-2 (24 shots-23 saves). Calgary, Vernon 4-11-3 (36-35).

Maple Leafs 8, Rangers 2

New York	**0**	**1**	**1**	**— 2**
Toronto	**2**	**4**	**2**	**— 8**

First Period—1, Toronto, Valk 4 (Perreault, Berezin), 15:42. 2, Toronto, Manson 2 (Berezin), 19:30.

Second Period—3, New York, Kamensky 9 (Messier, Fleury), 2:30 (pp). 4, Toronto, Valk 5 (McCabe, Perreault), 5:39 (pp). 5, Toronto, Roberts 11 (Kaberle, Sundin), 7:08 (sh). 6, Toronto, Hoglund 10 (Perreault, Khristich), 9:34. 7, Toronto, Sundin 8 (Kaberle, Yushkevich), 16:31 (pp).

Third Period—8, Toronto, Hoglund 11 (Sundin, Kaberle), 3:31. 9, New York, Messier 11 (Leetch, Fleury), 12:02 (pp). 10, Toronto, Corson 2 (Tucker, Roberts), 15:05.

Shots on goal—New York 6-12-4—22. Toronto 13-11-9—33. Power-play Opportunities—New York 2 of 6, Toronto 2 of 3. Goalies—New York, Richter 9-8-0 (19 shots-14 saves). Toronto, Joseph 12-7-2 (22-20).

Lightning 3, Red Wings 0

Detroit	**0**	**0**	**0**	**— 0**
Tampa Bay	**3**	**0**	**0**	**— 3**

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 12 (Kharitonov, M.Johnson), 1:13. 2, Tampa Bay, Lecavalier 13 (Sarich), 15:05. 3, Tampa Bay, Warriner 4 (M.Johnson, Richards), 17:53 (pp).

Second Period—None.

Third Period—None.

Shots on goal—Detroit 0-13-13—26. Tampa Bay 20-7-5—32. Power-play Opportunities—Detroit 0 of 4, Tampa Bay 1 of 7. Goalies—Detroit, Legace 10-3-1 (31 shots-28 saves), Osgood (4:10 third, 1-1), Legace (2:10 third, 0-0). Tampa Bay, Cloutier 2-5-1 (26-26).

Blues 5, Panthers 2

Florida	**2**	**0**	**0**	**— 2**
St. Louis	**2**	**1**	**2**	**— 5**

First Period—1, St. Louis, Nash 4 (Conroy), 3:24. 2, Florida, Niedermayer 3 (Whitney, Barrie), 6:39. 3, Florida, Bure 15 (Kozlov), 8:51. 4, St. Louis, Turgeon 9 (MacInnis, Young), 10:55.

Second Period—5, St. Louis, Demitra 11 (MacInnis), 10:18.

Third Period—6, St. Louis, Turgeon 10 (Young, MacInnis), 4:22. 7, St. Louis, Maciver 3 (Nash, Demitra), 5:39. 8, Florida, Bure 16 (Kozlov, Mellanby), 9:37.

Shots on goal—Florida 9-11-8—28. St. Louis 11-9-11—31. Power-play Opportunities—Florida 0 of 3, St. Louis 0 of 3. Goalies—Florida, Vanbiesbrouck 4-3-1 (31 shots-29 saves). St. Louis, Joseph 12-7-2 (28-26).

College Basketball

Top 20 Men

No. 1 Duke 93, No. 17 TEMPLE 68

DUKE (7-0): Battier 6-10 2-2 18, Dunleavy 3-5 0-0 8, Boozer 3-6 2-3 8, James 4-9 6-8 14, Williams 10-12 2-2 30, Horvath 1-1 0-0 3, Duhon 1-3 1-2 4, Sanders 1-2 1-2 3, Sweet 2-2 0-0 5, Christensen 0-0 0-0 0, Buckner 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-50 14-19 93.

TEMPLE (4-3): Wesby 3-10 3-3 10, Lyde 3-5 0-2 6, Rollerson 5-5 0-0 10, Greer 6-23 1-1 15, Wadley 3-10 0-0 6, Hawkins 6-12 0-0 15, Blackshear 1-3 0-0 2, Aaron 0-0 0-0 0, Cellou-Barry 2-2 0-0 4, Jefferson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-70 4-6 68.

Halftime—Duke 47, Temple 25. 3-Point goals—Duke 17-30 (Williams 8-10, Battier 4-7, Dunleavy 2-3, Horvath 1-1, Sweet 1-1, Duhon 1-3, James 0-5), Temple 6-22 (Hawkins 3-6, Greer 2-6, Wesby 1-5, Blackshear 0-2, Wadley 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Duke 32 (Battier 9), Temple 31 (Wesby 7). Assists—Duke 26 (Duhon 12), Temple 12 (Greer 5). Total fouls—Duke 12, Temple 17.

No. 3 MICHIGAN ST. 97, ILL.-CHICAGO 53

ILL.-CHICAGO(2-3): Carr 4-10 1-2 11, Scott 3-3 1-3 7, Brown 3-11 3-3 9, Bullock 1-6 0-0 2, Kardos 2-4 0-0 4, Cook 1-4 0-0 3, Murrell 0-0 0-0 0, Mitchom 5-7 0-1 12, Schneiderman 1-3 0-1 2, Tibbs 0-3 1-2 1, Little 1-6 0-0 2, Moten 0-1 0-0 0, Harris 0-3 0-0 0, Muse 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 21-61 6-14 53.

MICHIGAN ST.(5-0): Richardson 7-11 1-5 17, Hutson 4-6 3-4 11, Anagonye 3-5 0-0 6, Thomas 2-7 0-0 4, Bell 4-7 0-0 9, Taylor 4-8 0-1 10, Wolfe 2-5 4-4 9, Smith 0-1 0-1 0, Ishbia 1-1 0-0 2, Chappell 2-5 4-4 10, Andreas 0-0 0-0 0, Randolph 7-13 5-5 19. Totals 33-69 17-24 97.

Halftime—Michigan St. 42, Ill.-Chicago 24. 3-Point goals—Ill.-Chicago 5-16 (Mitchom 2-2, Carr 2-5, Cook 1-3, Schneiderman 0-1, Bullock 0-2, Tibbs 0-3), Michigan St. 8-20 (Richardson 2-2, Taylor 2-4, Chappell 2-5, Wolfe 1-2, Bell 1-4, Thomas 0-1, Smith 0-1, Randolph 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Ill.-Chicago 27 (Brown, Little 4), Michigan St. 54 (Hutson 12). Assists—Ill.-Chicago 12 (Bullock 5), Michigan St. 26 (Bell 6). Total fouls—Ill.-Chicago 18, Michigan St. 16.

No. 5 ARIZONA 101, ST. MARY'S 41

ST. MARY'S (0-5): Benson 4-10 2-2 10, Herr 0-4 0-0 0, Baert 0-7 1-2 1, King 3-8 0-0 6, Harris 3-9 3-3 10, Schlatter 2-6 0-2 4, Poole 0-0 0-0 0, Marigney 2-9 1-1 5, Conner 1-3 0-0 3, Stubbs 0-3 2-3 2, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 15-60 9-13 41.

ARIZONA (5-1): Wright 6-8 3-4 15, Walton 6-11 4-5 16, Edgerson 2-5 5-8 9, Arenas 7-13 0-1 16, Gardner 6-11 2-2 17, Hanour 2-7 4-4 9, Ranne 0-1 0-0 0, Schwertley 2-6 3-3 7, Ash 0-1 0-0 0, Frazier 4-4 0-3 8, Wessel 2-4 0-2 4. Totals 37-71 21-32 101.

Halftime—Arizona 52, St. Mary's 13. 3-Point goals—St. Mary's 2-18 (Harris 1-1, Conner 1-2, Baert 0-1, Stubbs 0-2, Herr 0-2, Marigney 0-2, King 0-4, Schlatter 0-4), Arizona 6-21 (Gardner 3-8, Arenas 2-5, Hanour 1-4, Wright 0-1, Ranne 0-1, Walton 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—St. Mary's 28 (Baert 9), Arizona 57 (Walton 11). Assists—St. Mary's 5 (Herr, King 2), Arizona 20 (Gardner 6). Total fouls—St. Mary's 25, Arizona 14.

KENTUCKY 93, NO. 6 NORTH CAROLINA 76

KENTUCKY (2-3): Parker 3-5 0-1 6, Prince 4-11 5-7 15, Stone 2-3 0-1 4, Bogans 6-15 3-4 18, Smith 3-7 4-4 12, Estill 8-10 2-4 19, Blevins 0-1 0-0 0, Daniels 3-5 2-4 8, Hawkins 5-9 0-0 11, Fitch 0-1 0-0 0, Heissenbuttel 0-0 0-0 0, Sears 0 0-0 0-0. Totals 34-67 16-25 93.

NORTH CAROLINA (3-2): Capel 4-6 2-2 12, Lang 7-12 1-5 15, Haywood 7-10 4-9 18, Forte 8-22 0-0 19, Boone 0-3 0-0 0, Morrison 2-9 0-0 5, Bersticker 1-2 0-0 2, Brooker 2-4 0-0 5, Owens 0-0 0-0 0, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-68 7-16 76.

Halftime—Kentucky 38, North Carolina 35. 3-Point goals—Kentucky 9-26 (Bogans 3-7, Smith 2-5, Prince 2-8, Estill 1-1, Hawkins 1-2, Blevins 0-1, Daniels 0-1, Fitch 0-1), North Carolina 7-22 (Capel 2-4, Forte 3-7, Morrison 1-6, Brooker 1-3, Boone 0-2). Fouled out—Capel. Rebounds—Kentucky 40 (Estill 11), North Carolina 38 (Haywood 11). Assists—Kentucky 24 (Hawkins 5), North Carolina 17 (Morrison 5). Total fouls—Kentucky 19, North Carolina 22.

No. 7 TENNESSEE 79, WEST VIRGINIA 78

TENNESSEE (6-0): Yarbrough 5-12 2-4 14, Victor 4-8 1-5 9, Hathaway 4-7 4-5 12, Harris 0-6 2-2 2, Higgins 4-10 2-2 12, Walker 4-8 2-2 11, Slay 1-4 6-6 8, Haislip 0-1 2-2 2, Woods 2-6 0-0 5, Grindstaff 1-2 2-3 4. Totals 25-64 23-31 79.

WEST VIRGINIA (4-1): Berry 5-10 4-4 16, Bowman 6-15 3-4 15, Moss 0-1 2-3 2, Lyles 4-13 4-6 12, Armstead 3-12 2-3 10, Oliver 3-4 3-6 9, Yeager 4-7 1-1 10, Chan 1-1 2-4 4, Davis 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 26-64 21-31 78.

Halftime—West Virginia 47-37. 3-Point goals—Tennessee 6-30 (Higgins 2-6, Yarbrough 2-8, Walker 1-2, Woods 1-4, Haislip 0-1, Grindstaff 0-1, Slay 0-2, Harris 0-6), West Virginia 5-16 (Berry 2-4, Armstead 2-5, Yeager 1-2, Lyles 0-5). Fouled out—Moss, Lyles. Rebounds—Tennessee 49 (Yarbrough, Hathaway 9), West Virginia 40 (Oliver 8). Assists—Tennessee 12 (Yarbrough, Walker 4), West Virginia 13 (Lyles 5). Total fouls—Tennessee 27, West Virginia 25. Technical—Lyles.

No. 8 SETON HALL 63, LA SALLE 54

LA SALLE (2-3): Butler 5-29 1-2 13, Thomas 4-16 1-2 10, Jordan 5-11 0-0 10, Blanks 3-13 3-4 9, Quadri 3-8 0-0 8, Baptiste 0-1 0-0 0, Wilson 2-3 0-0 4, Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-81 5-8 54.

SETON HALL (4-0): Griffin 8-12 3-3 20, Toney-El 2-8 2-5 6, Dalembert 3-6 3-7 9, Barrett 4-6 0-0 11, Lane 5-12 0-1 13, Shine 0-4 0-0 0, Morton 0-2 1-2 1, Garrett 0-0 0-0 0, Manga 1-2 1-1 3, Wilkins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 23-52 10-19 63.

Halftime—Seton Hall 29-23. 3-Point goals—La Salle 5-25 (Quadri 2-3, Butler 2-12, Thomas 1-6, Blanks 0-4), Seton Hall 7-21 (Barrett 3-3, Lane 3-9, Griffin 1-3, Shine 0-3, Toney-El 0-3). Fouled out—Thomas. Rebounds—La Salle 53 (Butler 14), Seton Hall 45 (Griffin, Toney-El 8). Assists—La Salle 13 (Blanks 6), Seton Hall 18 (Barrett 9). Total fouls—La Salle 17, Seton Hall 13.

No. 9 ILLINOIS 76, KANSAS ST. 56

ILLINOIS (5-2): Cook 0-2 2-4 2, McClain 5-8 0-2 12, Griffin 6-12 8-16 20, Bradford 4-10 0-0 10, Williams 0-3 0-0 0, Melton 3-6 0-0 8, Mast 0-1 0-0 0, Cross 0-1 0-0 0, Archibald 3-5 3-3 9, Johnson 3-4 0-0 8,

PROFESSIONAL GOLF

Williams

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. (AP) — Scores Saturday after the third round of the $3.5 million Williams World Challenge on the 7,025-yard, par-72 Sherwood Country Club course:

Sergio Garcia	65-64-69—198
Tiger Woods	68-64-67—199
Davis Love III	67-64-71—202
Fred Couples	68-72-68—208
Vijay Singh	66-76-67—209
Tom Lehman	70-70-72—212
Justin Leonard	73-74-66—213
David Duval	75-70-68—213
Jesper Parnevik	72-72-71—215
Stewart Cink	79-70-70—219
Mark O'Meara	75-68-76—219
Hal Sutton	74-73-73—220

PGA Qualifying

LA QUINTA, Calif. (AP) — Scores Saturday after the fourth round of the PGA Tour's $1,132,500 qualifying tournament played on PGA West's 7,204-yard, par-72 Jack Nicklaus Tournament Course and 6,961-yard, par-72 Jack Nicklaus Private Course. (Note: The low 35 players and ties will earn 2001 PGA Tour cards, with the winner getting a full exemption. The next 50 — or the nearest to 50 with ties — will be exempt on the Buy.com Tour. The rest of the players will have conditional status on the Buy.com Tour.):

Andrew McLardy	65-67-63-66—261
Stephen Allan	65-69-65-65—264
David Morland IV	69-68-63-65—265
Kevin Johnson	70-67-65-64—266
Brian Wilson	65-67-67-67—266
Craig Perks	71-64-70-63—268
Richard Coughlan	66-69-65-69—269
Ben Ferguson	64-68-70-67—269
Tommy Tolles	63-65-72-69—269
Craig Barlow	66-65-70-68—269
Hunter Haas	67-69-68-66—270
Jeremy Anderson	66-70-67-68—271
Fred Wadsworth	65-71-66-69—271
Cameron Beckman	68-67-69-68—272
Jason Gore	69-69-63-72—273
Bobby Elliott	69-71-68-65—273
Frank Nobilo	65-69-73-66—273
Michael Muehr	67-71-69-67—274
Geoff Ogilvy	69-70-67-68—274
Andrew Morse	71-65-68-70—274
Per-Ulrik Johansson	69-70-65-70—274
Heath Slocum	69-69-69-68—275
Bob Gaus	73-67-67-68—275
Perry Moss	67-62-73-73—275
Keith Clearwater	67-71-72-66—276
Sean Murphy	72-66-69-69—276
Donnie Hammond	71-67-69-69—276
Craig Kanada	72-67-67-70—276
John Rollins	70-67-71-68—276
Kaname Yokoo	70-66-73-67—276
Brian Kamm	69-70-67-70—276
David Gossett	70-76-71-59—276
Joe Daley	65-70-70-71—276
Lee Porter	72-68-68-68—276
Ryuji Imada	67-66-69-74—276
Jeff Sanday	68-72-65-71—276
Rocky Walcher	66-65-75-70—276
Casey Martin	71-67-70-69—277
Jeff Julian	67-70-68-72—277
Garrett Willis	67-72-67-71—277
Brian Bateman	67-68-73-69—277
Arron Oberholser	67-68-71-71—277
Dicky Pride	71-71-66-69—277
Chris Tidland	74-67-73-63—277
Also	
Chad Campbell	70-72-69-70—281

Nedbank

SUN CITY, South Africa (AP) — Scores Saturday after the third round of the Nedbank Golf Challenge on at the 7,700-yard, par-72 Gary Player Country Club course:

Thomas Bjorn	70-65-65—200
Ernie Els	66-67-67—200
Lee Westwood	65-69-68—202
Nick Price	69-66-67—202
John Huston	72-67-64—203
Colin Montgomerie	69-74-64—207
Jose-Maria Olazabal	65-75-67—207
Michael Campbell	72-68-70—210
Stuart Appleby	70-70-71—211
Carlos Franco	77-67-69—213
Miguel Angel Jimenez	75-69-70—214
Darren Clarke	68-75-73—216

Senior Slam

GRAND BAHAMA ISLAND, Bahamas (AP) — Scores Saturday after the first round of the $600,000 Senior Slam, played on the 6,910-yard, par-72 Our Lucaya Reef Course:

Tom Kite	32-35 — 67
Hale Irwin	32-36 — 68
Doug Tewell	36-34 — 70
Raymond Floyd	34-38 — 72

Women's World

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — Scores Saturday after the second round of the 16-team $1 million Women's World Cup Golf at the 6,242-yard, par-72 Mines Resort and Golf Club in Kuala Lumpur (tournament format: first round, alternate shot; second round, best ball; third round, aggregate individual; a-denotes amateur):

Annika Sorenstam and Charlotta Sorenstam	67-64 —131
Karrie Webb and Rachel Hetherington	68-66 —134
Marisa Baena and a-Cristina Baena	72-66 —138
Jenny Lidback and Alicia Dibos	72-66 —138
Meg Mallon and Juli Inkster	73-66 —139
Hiromi Kobayashi and Yuri Fudo	72-67 —139
Lin Yu Ping and Wei Yuri Jye	72-69 —141
Laura Davies and Trish Johnson	73-69 —142
Janice Moodie and Catriona Matthew	71-71 —142
Lorie Kane and A.J. Eathorne	73-70 —143
Marnie McGuire and Lynnette Brooky	75-68 —143
Lee Suh-hee and Park So-young	72-72 —144
Jeniffer Rosales and Mary Grace	78-67 —145
Patricia Lebouc and Marine Monnet	77-68 —145
Lim Siew Ai and a-Lim Ai Lian	76-70 —146
Silvia Cavalleri and Giulia Sergas	77-72 —149

Australian PGA

BRISBANE, Australia (AP) — Leading scores Saturday after the third round of the $620,000 Australian PGA Championship, on the 7,094-yard, par-72 Royal Queensland course:

Robert Allenby	69-64-72—205
Steven Conran	68-65-76—209
Andre Stolz	70-69-72—211
Scott Gardiner	70-69-73—212
Andrew Bonhomme	70-72-71—213
Peter O'Malley	71-71-71—213
Ted Tryba	72-73-68—213
Greg Norman	73-66-74—213
Peter Lonard	69-69-75—213
Adam Scott	68-73-73—214
Aaron Baddeley	68-73-73—214
Chris Gaunt	73-68-73—214
Matthew Ecob	70-70-74—214
John Senden	72-72-71—215
Chris Riley	66-72-77—215
Michael Wright	70-70-75—215
Also	
Jim Benepe	69-74-73—216
Mark Wilson	73-72-77—222
Matt Kuchar	75-71-78—224

Garcia has 1-shot lead over Woods at World Challenge

Associated Press

THOUSAND OAKS, Calif. — Sergio Garcia and Tiger Woods go one more round for $1 million.

Virtually turning the World Challenge into a two-man show, the pair will be separated by one shot as they head into the final 18 holes.

The 20-year-old Garcia, four years younger than Woods, hit in the water and took a double bogey on No. 18 Saturday, but still had a 3-under 69 to lead Woods by one shot.

Garcia was at 18-under 198 through three rounds, and Woods had a 67 to narrow the gap on a warm, sunny day at Sherwood Country Club.

Although both cautioned that another player in the 12-man field could break through and win, only Davis Love III, at 14 under after a 71, was within nine shots of the lead.

Garcia won $1.1 million by beating Woods in their match play "Battle of Bighorn" in August.

"This will be the first time I've played with Tiger on Sunday (in medal play) and I'm looking forward to that," said Garcia, who finished second behind Woods in the 1999 PGA Championship.

Garcia grinned and added, "I would be looking forward to it more if I were up by three."

Garcia's 5-iron into the lake in front of the 18th green cut his lead from three shots to one.

Woods was pleased with his third round and also looked forward to the final day.

"I feel I didn't get as much out of the round as I could have, but I put myself in a good situation for Sunday," he said.

He added, "Even though Sergio and I have separated ourselves a little from the field, we all know that anything can happen on Sunday."

After Love, it was six shots back to Fred Couples, in fourth place after his 68 left him 8 under.

Garcia and Woods both played extremely well the first three days. Garcia opened with a 65, then he, Woods and Love all had second-round 64s.

■ Golf Roundup

While the two frontrunners have gone low over the 7,025-yard layout nestled in the foothills of the Santa Monica Mountains, the course hasn't yielded low scores for some of the other players in the elite field.

Hal Sutton again failed to break par, with his second consecutive 73 leaving him last at 4 over. Stewart Cink, whose opening 79 knocked him out of any realistic chance of winning, had his second 70 in a row and was 3-over 219 with Mark O'Meara, who struggled to a 76.

Masters champion Vijay Singh, who had a third-round 67, is 7 under, followed by defending champion Tom Lehman at 4 under and Jesper Parnevik at 1 under.

Woods, who began the third day three shots behind Garcia and one back of Love, caught Garcia when he birdied No. 7 to go 16 under.

Woods, playing with Couples in the twosome in front of Garcia and Love, made the turn at 4-under 32, while Garcia had a 35, five shots more than he took on the front as he built his lead a day earlier.

Woods three-putted from 15 feet for bogey on No. 10, and Garcia moved back in front alone with a birdie on No. 11.

Garcia was at 20 under, three shots in front of Woods, until Garcia ran into trouble on No. 18.

The $3.5 million Williams World Challenge benefits the Tiger Woods Foundation, which in turn benefits youth programs. Woods will donate his prize money in the event to the foundation.

The runner-up in the 72-hole tournament gets $500,000, with even the last-place finisher getting a $120,000 check.

Nedbank Challenge

SUN CITY, South Africa — Denmark's Thomas Bjorn eagled the 17th hole en route to a 7-under 65 and a share of the third-round lead with defending champion Ernie Els in the Nedbank Challenge.

Bjorn and Els (67) had 16-under 200 totals, two shots better than England's Lee Westwood and Zimbabwe's Nick Price in the chase for the $2 million first-place check — the largest top prize in golf history.

American John Huston shot a course-record 64 to move into fifth place at 203. Scotland's Colin Montgomerie also had a 64, but is seven strokes behind the leaders.

Women's World Cup

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Swedish sisters Annika and Charlotta Sorenstam shot an 8-under 64 to increase their lead to three strokes in the Women's World Cup of Golf.

The Sorenstams had eight birdies in the best-ball round for a 13-under 131 total. Australians Karrie Webb and Rachel Hetherington were second after a 66.

The U.S. team of Juli Inkster and Meg Mallon also had a 66, moving from ninth place to a share of fourth at 139. The 16-team tournament ends Sunday with aggregate stroke play.

Senior Slam

GRAND BAHAMA ISLAND, Bahamas — Tom Kite shot a 5-under 67 to take a one-stroke lead over Hale Irwin after the first round of the Senior Slam.

Kite, who won The Tradition to qualify for the $600,000 tournament for the year's major champions, birdied all four par-5 holes on the Our Lucaya Reef Course. Doug Tewell opened with a 70, and Raymond Floyd shot a 72.

Australian PGA

BRISBANE, Australia — Australia's Robert Allenby shot an even-par 72 in windy conditions to take a four-stroke lead after the third round of the Australian PGA.

Allenby, second last week in the Australian Open, had an 11-under 205 total. Australia's Steve Conran (76) was second.

Yanks insist their payroll will go down even with Mussina

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Yankees insist they will be spending less, not more, next season.

Clearly sensitive to criticism following their signing of Mike Mussina to an $88.5 million, six-year contract, the three-time defending World Series champions project their opening-day payroll at below $113.4 million, its record level on Aug. 31.

"The Mike Mussina signing would be neutral, or in fact might even save money in the overall budget," Yankees president Randy Levine said after completing Mussina's negotiations on Thursday.

The Yankees have 16 players on their 40-man roster signed at a total of $80.6 million — and infielder Alfonso Soriano ($630,000) and pitcher Adrian Hernandez ($600,000) might not be on the opening-day roster.

That would leave the total at $79.4 million for 14 players:

- starting pitchers Roger Clemens ($10.3 million), Mussina ($10 million), Andy Pettitte ($7 million) and Orlando Hernandez ($2.05 million)
- relievers Mike Stanton ($2.45 million) and Allen Watson ($1.7 million)
- outfielders Bernie Williams ($12,357,143) and Paul O'Neill ($6.5 million)
- first baseman Tino Martinez ($6 million)
- second baseman Chuck Knoblauch ($6 million)
- third baseman Scott Brosius ($5.25 million)
- backup catcher Joe Oliver ($1.25 million)
- designated hitter David Justice ($7 million)
- backup outfielder Glenallen Hill ($1.5 million)

Four players are eligible for salary arbitration, and the Yankees project shortstop Derek Jeter at $13 million, closer Mariano Rivera at $9 million, catcher Jorge Posada at $4 million and reliever Ramiro Mendoza at $1.5 million.

That would leave the payroll at $107 million for 18 players, with Luis Sojo's $500,000, one-year contract due to be announced next week. It probably will cost $2 million for so for the remaining six players, a group that includes left fielder Shane Spencer, backup Clay Bellinger and reliever Dwight Gooden, who probably will agree to a minor league contract next week.

If the Yankees sign another reliever — Tom Gordon is a possibility — and bring back David Cone at a base salary of about $500,000, the payroll could go up as much as another $2.5 million to about $112 million.

While some said the Mussina signing is a case of the rich getting richer, the Yankees are said they're actually saving money for that spot in the rotation — citing Cone's $12 million salary last season, when he went 4-14.

"Usually, I think the Yankees spent their money wisely," Seattle Mariners general manager Pat Gillick said. "If they have the revenue, they should spend it."

Commissioner Bud Selig chose to focus on how few teams were competing for Mussina.

"This is another event that illustrates the disparity scenarios I've been talking about," he said.

The Yankees' payroll for 2000, when they won their fourth World Series in five years, started at $92.5 million on opening day. When New York struggled, it added eight players: Justice, Sojo, Hill, Gooden, Jose Canseco, Denny Neagle, Luis Polonia and Jose Vizcaino. That increased the payroll to more than seven times the total of the Minnesota Twins, who spent $15.8 million on their players.

Ten of the 30 teams had payrolls less than one-third that of the Yankees, including two that made the playoffs, the Chicago White Sox ($36.9 million) and Oakland Athletics ($32.7 million).

For them, it doesn't matter if the Yankees' payroll isn't going up. Even if it stays at the same level, it will be difficult for many teams to compete.

Clemens still appealing fine

NEW ORLEANS — Roger Clemens expects his appeal of a $50,000 fine for tossing the broken barrel of a bat toward Mike Piazza during the World Series to be addressed in early January.

The pitcher was not ejected for throwing the bat, which some interpreted as a continuation of tensions between the two that began earlier in the season when Piazza was struck in the head by a Clemens pitch.

"As far as I'm concerned this has been done and over with since he was struck in the head and we called to apologize and he didn't want to accept it," said Clemens, who was a special guest Saturday at the PGA Teaching and Coaching Summit in New Orleans.

Clemens stood by the basis for his appeal, saying that the amount of the fine improperly implies that he intended to throw the bat directly at Piazza. Clemens and his agent want to know why the fine was so high — the same amount Albert Belle received for his fight with a reporter — even though league officials have stated they did not believe he intended to hit Piazza with the broken bat.

NATIONAL FINALS RODEO

LAS VEGAS, AP — Results from Friday's first go-round of the $4.5 million National Finals Rodeo:

Bareback — 1, Jeffrey Collins, Redfield, Kan., 87 points on Andrews Rodeo Companys Roly Poly, $13,133. 2, (tie) Deb Greenough, Red Lodge, Mont., and Chad Klein, Jackson, La., 82, $9,109 each. 4, (tie) Larry Sandvick, Kaycee, Wyo. and Lan LaJeunesse, Morgan, Utah, 81, $4,448 each. 6, (tie) Chris Harris, Arlington, Texas, Davey Shields Jr., Canada, Kelly Wardell, Bellevue, Idaho, and James Boudreaux, Cuero, Texas, 80, $530.

Steer wrestling — 1, Frank Thompson, Cheyenne, Wyo., 3.7 seconds, $13,133. 2, Todd Suhn, Brighton, Colo., 3.9, $10,390. 3, Rod Lyman, Victor, Mont., 4.1, $7,838. 4, J.D. Crouse, Canon City, Colo., 4.3, $5,508. 5, Cash Myers, Athens, Texas, 4.7, $3,389. 6, (tie) Sean Mulligan, Laramie, Wyo., and Sid Steiner, Austin, Texas, 4.9, $1,059 each.

Team roping — 1, Wade Wheatley, Hughson, Calif., and Kyle Lockett, Ivanhoe, Calif., 4.6 seconds, $13,133 each. 2, Chance Kelton, Mayer, Ariz., and Monty Joe Petska, Turlock, Calif., 4.9, $10,380. 3, Steve Purcella, Hereford, Texas, and Kory Koontz, Sudan, Texas, 5.1, $7,838. 4, Jason Stewart, Royal City, Wash., and Bucky Campbell, Benton, Wash., 5.2, $5,508. 5, (tie) Daniel Green, Oakdale, Calif., and Allen Bach, Valley Home, Calif., and Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., and Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., 5.3, $2,754 per man.

Saddle bronc — 1, Scott Johnston, Gustine, Texas, 83 points on Sankey Rodeo Companys Robin Mountain, $13,133. 2, Chance Dixon, Heppner, Ore., 82, $10,380. 3, (tie) Steve Dollarhide, Wickiup, Ariz., and T.C. Holloway, Eagle Butte, S.D., 81, $6,673 each. 5, (tie) Dan Mortensen, Manhattan, Mont., and Cliff Norris, Glazier, Texas, 80, $2,754 each.

Calf roping — 1, Brent Lewis, Eloy, Ariz., 7.4 seconds, $13,133. 2, Herbert Theriot, Poplarville, Miss., 7.6, $10,380. 3, Clay Cerny, Eagle Lake, Texas, 7.9, $7,838. 4, Doug Pharr, Resaca, Ga., 8.3, $5,508. 5, Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, 8.6, $3,389. 6, (tie) Ty Hays, Weatherford, Okla.; Roy Cooper, Childress, Texas; and Fred Whitfield, Hockley, Texas, 8.8, $706.

Bull riding — 1, Cody Hancock, Taylor, Ariz., 93 points on Flying 5 Rodeo's Skoal's Border Patrol, $13,133. 2, Danell Tipton, Spencer, Okla., 86, $10,380. 3, Philip Elkins, Keller, Texas, 85, $7,838. 4, Lee Akin, Weatherford, Okla., 84, $5,508. No other qualified rides.

Barrel racing — 1, Marlene McRae, Ramah, Colo., 13.82 seconds, $13,133. 2, Sherry Cervi, Marana, Ariz., 14.04, $10,380. 3, Kappy Allen, Austin, Texas, 14.05, $7,838. 4, Kay Blandford, Sutherland Springs, Texas, 14.06, $5,508. 5, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., 14.17, $3,389. 6, Molly Swanson, Simms, Mont., 14.20, $2,118.

All-around leader Johnston widens his lead at National Finals Rodeo

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Scott Johnston increased his lead in the season all-round standings Friday night, winning the first go-round of saddle bronc in the National Finals Rodeo.

Johnston, an Australian who lives in Gustine, Texas, scored 83 points on Robin Mountain. Johnston, also the season leader in saddle bronc, earned $13,133 to raise his total earnings to $152,575 in the event and $177,379 overall.

Chance Dixon of Heppner, Ore., was second with an 82, and Steve Dollarhide of Wikieup, Ariz., and T.C. Holloway of Eagle Butte, S.D., tied for third at 81.

Billy Etbauer, of Edmond, Okla., who entered the NFR in second place in saddle bronc riding, was bucked off.

■ Friday's go-round

"I try not to watch what everybody else is doing," said Johnston, a three-time NFR qualifier who broke his back in an airplane crash in 1988. "I just try and ride the best I can. But it was a bit of bad luck for Billy."

In bull riding, Cody Hancock of Taylor, Ariz., scored a 93 to win the round. Danell Tipton of Spencer, Okla., had an 86, and Lee Akin of Weatherford, Okla., was third with an 84.

In bareback riding, Jeff Collins of Redfield, Kan., won the round with an 87. Chad Klein of Jackson, La., and Deb Greenough of Red Lodge, Mont., tied for second with 82s.

Brent Lewis of Pinon, N.M., won the calf roping with a 7.4-second time. Herbert Theriot of Poplarville, Miss., was second in 7.6 seconds, and Clay Cerny of Eagle Lake, Texas, was third at 7.9 seconds.

In team roping, Wade Wheatley of Hughson, Calif., and Kyle Lockett of Ivanhoe, Calif., won the round with a 4.6-second run. Chance Kelton of Mayer, Ariz., and Monty Petska of Turlock, Calif., were second at 4.9.

Frank Thompson of Cheyenne, Wyo., won the steer wrestling go-round with a 3.7-second run. Todd Suhn of Brighton, Colo., followed at 3.8, and Rod Lyman of Victor, Mont., was third at 4.1.

In barrel racing, Marlene McRae of Ramah, Colo., won the round with a time of 13.82 seconds. Sherry Cervi of Marana, Ariz., was second in 14.04, and Kappy Allen of Austin, Texas, was third at 14.05.

Former Amateur champ shoots 59 at Tour qualifying tournament

Associated Press

David Gossett knew he needed a career round Saturday to keep alive fading hope in qualifying school. He wound up with golf's magic number — a 59 — that shot him from the bottom of the pack into contention for a PGA Tour card.

With his first ever hole-in-one and 11 birdies on the Nicklaus Private course at PGA West in La Quinta, Calif., Gossett made a 7-foot birdie putt on his final hole for at 13-under 59, moving him from 129th place into a tie for 25th with two rounds left.

The 1999 U.S. Amateur champion, who opened with rounds of 70-76-71, was at 12-under 276. Andrew McLardy of South Africa had a 66 and maintained his lead at 261.

"You move from 1 over to 12 under in one round ... that's a pretty good day's work," Gossett said in a telephone interview.

It was only the sixth 59 in PGA Tour-sanctioned competition. Al Geiberger, Chip Beck and David Duval got their scores in PGA Tour events, while Notah Begay and Doug Dunakey each had 59 on the Nike Tour.

The score will not be recognized in the record books because the Qualifying Tournament is not considered an official tour event.

Still, it was the second sub-60 score in qualifying tournaments this year. Shigeki Maruyama had a 58 this year at Woodmont in Maryland during a U.S. Open qualifier.

And it could not have come at a better time for Gossett, the former University of Texas star who turned pro this year after the British Open.

Only the top 35 and ties from Q-school earn their PGA Tour cards for next year, and Gossett's prospects were looking dim midway through the most grueling tournament in golf.

Starting on the back nine, he had six birdies, including a 40-footer on No. 16, and slowly worked his way back toward the middle of the pack. It only got better from there.

He got his first career ace on No. 3, an 8-iron from 162 yards.

"When I made the turn at 6 under, the thought of a 59 kind of crossed my mind," Gossett said. "But I wasn't thinking about it until the last couple of holes."

He made a 20-footer for birdie on No. 7, made a nice up-and-down for birdie on the par-5 eighth and then hit the magic number with a 7-foot birdie putt with a left-to-right break on the ninth hole.

That his 59 does not go in the record books was of little concern to Gossett.

"It's more important for the position that it moved me into, and the confidence I can get for the next two days," Gossett said. "I need to move on and enjoying it this evening, and then get prepared for the next two days."



Fusion '85 Wins Alamo Classic



Fusion '85, WTPL repeat champions, ended their season with a win in the Division 1 Alamo Classic this weekend in San Antonio. Fusion posted three shut-outs in round robin play, against Dallas Inter, Lubbock Elite and Sugarland Eclipse. Fusion won the final, beating Eclipse 2-0. Defenders were Amee Huffman, Casey Jackson and Shannon Creamer. Erin Chancellor was in goal.
Fusion's season league record is 10-2.

Team members: Amy Brammer, Erin Chancellor, Crystal Cooper, Shannon Creamer, Megan Dozier, Sarah Jan Eubanks, Lindsey Farris, Sierra Ford, Amy Gillette, Amee Huffman, Casey Jackson, Ashley Jones, Amanda Lozano, Christina Sifuentes, Valerie Villanueva and Katie Ward. Coach, Jeff Brammer.

LEE: Rebels face The Woodlands

(From 1C)

During the third quarter, the Panthers were 0-of-3 on third down and had zero first downs.

"We played smash mouth football," Lee linebacker J.R. Brown said.

The result of the turnover late in the third quarter was that Lee had the ball on the Duncanville 16.

It only took five Benson runs to get into the end zone this time. This time it was from five yards out to put Lee up 37-9.

Benson added another touchdowns (a 9-yarder) in the fourth quarter.

"We had them up against the ropes and knocked them out," Benson said.

For the game, Benson had an even 200 yards on 35 carries. This was not an easy 200 like many of the 16 previous in his career. He worked for them, seemingly fighting to prolong his high school career before he heads to the University of Texas.

Actually, it was Benson being Benson in the big game. Five touchdowns were exactly the number he had in the last two state title games, including the 1998 state title game when he first showed the rest of the state what he could do. Saturday night was another chapter.

"He rises to the occasion when the games are important," Lee assistant coach Ronnie Reeger said.

Alpert concurred, "He is the best back I have ever seen in my coaching career."

For the game, Lee racked up 255 yards on the ground against one of the most potent defenses in the state. The Rebels also added another 65 through the air. That is 320 yards against a group which was allowing 162 a game.

The 44 points obliterated the Panthers' 8-point average. The Rebels were also deadly on third down situations, converting seven of 10 in the game.

"We are coming along and improving each week," said senior offensive lineman Jacob Gosch, who like the rest in the Rebels' big boys up front can sense that this group is coming into its own.

Big plays and some of the best running of Benson's career highlighted a first half dominated by neither team. Lee found the scoreboard first after a 16-play, 81-yard drive which was nothing spectacular statistically but still vintage Benson. He took on all comers, making cuts and breaking tackles for runs as long as 14, as short as three and ending with a two-yard score.

Of the 14 plays, 10 were Benson carries. Throw in a 14-yard pass from Nick Hand to Eric Winston, which helped convert one of three third-down conversions, Lee was on the board.

Duncanville answered as quickly, and as it turned out, almost as effectively when Mark Walker returned the ensuing kickoff with an elusive 85-yard run. The Panthers, however, fell short of a tie, missing the extra point.

The second big play came as soon as the Rebels next touched the ball. Benson, not one to be outdone by anyone, took a screen pass from Hand and turned a one-yard screen pass into a 51-yard score. Wynn also showed the ability to miss an extra point, returning the favor to keep the lead at seven (13-6).

The two teams exchanged 28-yard field goals and went into the half with the score 16-9.

Game Notes: This was the first meeting between the two programs... Lee is 4-3 in state quarterfinal games... Lee is 3-3 at Texas Stadium... Lee has won 14 straight playoff games. The Rebels' last playoff loss came in 1997... Benson moved into fifth place on the state's all-time leading rushing list. He has 8,076 yards. That was good enough to pass the 8,059 yards by Brandon Reese of the Texas School of the Deaf... Benson had his 33rd straight 100-yard game and scored a touchdown in his 36th straight game.

Midland Lee 44, Duncanville 9

Lee		Duncanville
20	First Downs	9
48-255	Yards Rushing	34-139
65	Yards Passing	54
4-2-0	Att -Comp -Int	15-3-0
3-2	Fumbles Lost	6-2
3-35.7	Punts-Avg.	4-35.3
2-15	Penalties-Yds	6-65

Midland Lee	0	16	21	7	—44
Duncanville	0	9	0	0	—9

Second Quarter

Lee-Cedric Benson 2 run (Michael Wynn kick), 10:23

Duncanville-Mark Walker 85 kickoff return (kick failed), 10:04

Lee-Benson 51 pass from Nick Hand (kick failed), 9:41

Duncanville-Dustin Finley 28 FG, 5:31

Lee-Wynn 28 FG, 0:00

Third Quarter

Lee-Benson 1 run (Wynn kick), 8:59

Lee-Jacoby Kendrick 45 run (Wynn kick), 8:45

Lee-Benson 2 run (Wynn kick), 1:57

Fourth Quarter

Lee-Benson 9 run (Wynn kick), 7:16

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Lee-Cedric Benson 35-200-4, Nick Hand 3-4, Jacoby Kendrick 5-49-1, Shawn Murphy 3-7, Fletcher Pendergrass 1-(minus 5), Freddie Jones 1-0. Duncanville-Daniel McLemore 12-106, Ricky Smith 8-9, Mark Walker 1-8, Nelson Adamoah 7-13, Roderick Rawlins 2-9, John Pierce 3-(minus 4), Erick Hacker 1-(minus 2).

Passing: Lee-Nick Hand 4-2-0-65-1. Duncanville - Ricky Smith 7-1-0-5-0, John Pierce 6-1-0-29-0, Eric Hacker 2-1-0-20-0.

Receiving: Lee-Eric Winston 1-14, Cedric Benson 1-51-1. Duncanville-Roderick Rawlins 1-5, Bryan Thomas-Miller 1-20, Marvin Pearson 1-29.

Missed Field Goals: None

Interceptions: None

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Class 5A

Big School
Quarterfinals
Region I
Midland Lee 44, Duncanville 9
Region II
The Woodlands 27, North Mesquite 7
Region III
Aldine Eisenhower 29, Alief Hastings 21
Region IV
Austin Westlake 42, Corpus Christi Carroll 0

Small School
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Lubbock Monterey 30, Arlington Lamar 10
Abilene Cooper 28, Coppell 27
Region II
Tyler John Tyler 40, Round Rock 0
Waco 21, Lufkin 14
Region III
Katy 24, Aldine 9
Alief Elsik 24, Galena Park North Shore 22
Region IV
SA Marshall 23, McAllen 7
SA MacArthur 58, Edinburg 6

Class 4A

Big School
Quarterfinals
Region I
Frenship 42, Fort Worth Wyatt 6
Region II
Denton Ryan 33, Corsicana 29
Region III
Bay City 7, Nederland 0
Region IV
SA Roosevelt 63, Smithson Valley 28

Small School
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Wichita Falls 33, Big Spring 7
Southlake Carroll 47, Andrews 35
Region II
Waco University (6-6) vs. Jacksonville (10-2), 7:30 p.m. today, Bowers Stadium, Huntsville
Ennis 41, Lancaster 7
Region III
La Marque 24, Harker Heights 14
West Orange-Stark 27, Friendswood 10
Region IV
Corpus Christi Calallen 38, Kerrville Tivy 26
Rockport-Fulton 35, New Braunfels 28

Class 3A

Big School
Quarterfinals
Region I
Abilene Wylie 36, Lamesa 0
Region II
Everman 34, Daingerfield 8
Region III
Gatesville 24, Cleveland 0
Region IV
Bandera 14, Sinton 0

Small School
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Greenwood 21, Lake Worth 7
Muleshoe 34, Ferris 14
Region II
Commerce , Spring Hill Forney 20, Gladewater 0
Region III
Marlin 14, Newton 7
Cameron Yoe 28, Sweeny 14
Region IV
La Grange 49, Yoakum 22
Mathis 22, Hondo 21

Class 2A

Big School
Quarterfinals
Region I
Sonora 35, Olney 21
Region II
Pilot Point 28, Farmersville 14
Region III
Arp 9, San Augustine 3 (OT)
Region IV
Blanco 20, Poth 7

Small School
Regional Semifinals
Region I
Stanton 40, Hamlin 14
Albany 26, New Deal 10
Region II
Whitewright 35, Hico 0
Celina 41, Cooper 14
Region III
Mart 13, Lone Oak 7
Corrigan-Camden 41, Troup 14
Region IV
Refugio 40, Jarrell 0
Rogers 42, Three Rivers 13

Class A

Regional Semifinals
Region
Iraan 33, Springlake-Earth 13
Stratford 57, Rankin 33
Region II
Roscoe 26, Celeste 0
Collinsville 26, Rotan 6
Region III
Beckville 32, Bremond 0
Wortham 20, Mount Enterprise 19
Region IV
Burkeville 36, Falls City 21
Shiner 50, High Island 0

Six-Man

State Quarterfinals
Regions I and II
Whitharral 42, Grandfalls-Royalty 30
Highland 34, Groom 6
Regions III and IV
Aquilla 44, Trent 42
Panther Creek 45, Abbott 0

STEERS: Coyotes come alive in fourth

(From 1C)

its season end at 8-5.

What the Coyotes did really came as no surprise to the Steers, who knew they'd have to slow down a powerful ground game to have a chance at winning. Wichita Falls didn't exactly run wild against Big Spring, picking up 247 yards rushing, but the Coyotes applied the knockout punch when it most mattered.

"They had just tremendous power for us to handle inside," said Big Spring coach Dwight Butler of the Wichita Falls ground attack. "Our defense played well enough to keep us in the game. (The Coyotes) just wore us down in the fourth quarter."

On a cold day, it was no surprise that for three quarters the game had the structure of a classic playoff duel, as the running games and defenses took center stage. Big Spring trailed 12-7 and had the ball at the Wichita Falls 36-yard line midway through the third quarter, when usually sure-handed tailback Jason Woodruff lost his second fumble of the day when he couldn't grasp a handoff.

Seven running plays later, the quarter expired with the Coyotes holding the ball at Big Spring's 1. When the two teams switched sides, Aboussie scored to give Wichita Falls a 19-7 lead.

After Big Spring's offense went three-and-out on the next possession, the Coyotes got the ball at the Big Spring 37 following a short punt by Willis Morrison. Three plays later, the 235-pound Aboussie powered over the middle for a 24-yard score which increased the margin to 26-7. Then after John Raines intercepted Big Spring's Jason Choate at the Steers' 40, Aboussie (who led the Coyotes with 99 yards rushing) capped the scoring with another up-the-middle score on the next play.

"We came out in the third quarter (after the second half kickoff) and made a big stop," said Butler. "I thought we had a great chance if we could have gotten something going on offense. We couldn't get through the creases in their line."

It actually started off as if it could be a big day for the Steers when on the game's first offensive possession, Big Spring defensive tackle Willie Bravo nailed Detrick Cade on a pitchout and separated him from the ball. Middle linebacker Bowe Butler recovered the ball at the Wichita Falls 17.

The Steers immediately capitalized, as on the next play Choate hit Morrison down to the 1, and two Woodruff carries got the ball in the end zone, giving Big Spring a 7-0 lead.

But the Steers couldn't mount a sustained drive the remainder of the game, as they were unable to penetrate deeper than the Wichita Falls 33. Big Spring finished with only 200 yards of offense.

"We needed to score every time we had a chance, and we couldn't get that thing in the end zone," said Dwight Butler. "We needed to have some ball control and just couldn't do it."

Wichita Falls got on the board late in the first quarter on a 5-yard run by John Barnard to make it 7-6. The Coyotes took the lead for good when Greg Henderson hit Cade over the middle and he took it the rest of the way for a 49-yard touchdown pass which made it 12-7.

"We had trouble getting things going early," said Wichita Falls coach Leo Brittain. "(The Steers) didn't go away. They're a good football team and they made a good effort."

One thing which the Steers couldn't be accused of all season is a lack of effort. Seniors such as Choate, Woodruff (who finished with a game-high 105 yards on 21 carries) and Bowe Butler (who recovered two fumbles) were all three-year starters who held the team together this season.

The end of the season was particularly bittersweet for Bowe Butler, who was playing what turned out to be his final game under his head coach, who is also his father.

"It's disappointing because it's short of a state championship," said Bowe. "I guess it's all part of God's will. Things don't always go your way, and that's part of life."

Wichita Falls 33, Big Spring 7

Wichita Falls		Big Spring
15	First Downs	9
247	Yards Rushing	165
99	Yards Passing	35
9-3-0	Att -Comp -Int	15-4-2
3-2	Fumbles Lost	2-20
3-29.0	Punts-Avg.	2-27.5
4-20	Penalties-Yds	6-43

Wichita Falls	6	6	0	21	—33
Big Spring	7	0	0	0	—7

First Quarter

BS- Jason Woodruff 1 run (Woodruff kick)

WF- John Barnard 5 run (kick failed)

Second Quarter

WF- Detrick Cade 28 pass from Greg Henderson (run failed)

Fourth Quarter

WF- Joseph Aboussie 1 run (Cade run)

WF- Aboussie 24 run (run failed)

WF- Aboussie 40 run (Josh Wilson kick)

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Wichita Falls- Henderson, 11-84, Cade, 12-30, Barnard, 7-20-1, Aboussie, 9-99-3, Derek Logan, 1-8, Adam McMahen, 2-7, Rahsaan Bell, 1-minus 1. Big Spring- Woodruff, 21-105-1, Kyland Wegner, 5-29, Jason Choate, 5-36, Willis Morrison, 1-minus 11, Jeremiah Baeza, 1-6.

Passing: Wichita Falls- Henderson, 9-3-0-99-1. Big Spring- Choate, 15-4-2-35-0.

Receiving: Wichita Falls- Logan, 1-37, Cade, 2-62-1. Big Spring- Morrison, 2-20, Brandon Mendoza, 1-7, Larry Thompson, 1-8.

Interceptions: Wichita Falls- John Raines, 1-0, Rob Daniel, 1-11. Big Spring- None.

ANDREWS: Dragons end Mustangs' year

(From 1C)

can't go very far in the playoffs just scoring 16 points. The offense knew we had to score more points and score every time we got the ball and keep going. That's what we did."

Carroll (9-4) faces Wichita Falls (13-0) at 2 p.m. Saturday at Memorial Stadium in Wichita Falls.

The Mustangs (9-4) took a 20-0 first-quarter lead, and held Carroll to three yards of offense and Lay was 0-for-6 in the opening quarter and had the Dragons defense on its heels. Andrews led 28-20 at halftime after Carroll scored all of its first-half points in the second quarter.

Early in the third quarter, things didn't get much better for Carroll. J.J. Hayes capped an 11-play, 69-yard drive with a 21-yard run to make the score 35-20.

Andrews' workhorse tailback Jamie Bueno accounted for 43 yards on the drive. He finished with 235 yards on 40 carries and three touchdowns, all in the first quarter.

But Carroll took the lead by scoring on its next three possessions, as Lay scored two rushing touchdowns and threw one of his three touchdown passes to Brian Capps.

Lay finished the game 11-of-23 passing for 214 yards and three touchdowns and also led Carroll with 99 yards rushing on 12 carries. Wide receiver Kyle Brown caught six passes for 153 yards and added 95 yards on punt returns, and Capps caught four passes _ three for touchdowns _ for 50 yards.

"Sometimes you get in those funks, and sometimes you've got to come through them," Carroll coach Todd Dodge said. "Luckily, our kids kept believing."

Brown set up Lay's first touchdown run with a 45-yard punt return to the Mustangs' 22-yard line. Lay scored from 7 yards out with 2:32 remaining in the third quarter. The 2-point conversion pass was knocked down, and Andrews held a 35-33 lead.

The Mustangs drove to the Carroll 32-yard line on their next possession, but Tyson Dever was tackled by Charles Sparks short of the first down after catching a pass on a fake punt. The Dragons took advantage of the defensive stand by taking the lead for the first time in the game.

Lay broke free on a 39-yard touchdown run with 8:42 remaining in the fourth quarter. Lay hit Joe Hoffmans on the 2-point conversion pass, and Carroll held a 41-35 lead.

Less than two minutes later, Brown capped the game with a 33-yard punt return for a touchdown with 6:45 remaining to make the final score, 47-35.

Carroll 47, Andrews 35

Andrews		Carroll
22	First Downs	13
321	Rushing yards	135
159	Passing yards	214
8-15-1	Att -Comp -Int	11-23-0
5-27.6	Punts-avg	5-31.8
2-1	Fumbles-lost	2-2
9-62	Penalties-yards	5-45

Andrews	20	8	7	0	—35
Carroll	0	20	13	14	—47

A-Jamie Bueno 3 run (Joe Barnes kick)

A-Bueno 5 run (Barnes kick)

A-Bueno 1 run (kick failed)

C-Blake Walker 4 run (Erik Finlay kick)

A-Bueno 35 pass from Ryan Newbrough (Jacob Nunez pass from Newbrough)

C-Brian Capps 23 pass from Ricky Lay (kick failed)

C-Capps 12 pass from Lay (Finlay kick)

A-J.J. Hayes 13 run (Barnes kick)

C-Capps 3 pass from Lay (Finlay kick)

C-Lay 7 run (pass failed)

C-Lay 39 run (Joe Hoffmans pass from Lay)

C-Kyle Brown 33 punt return (pass failed)

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Andrews- Jamie Bueno, 40-235, Jacob Nunez, 9-37, J.J. Hayes, 6-32, Ryan Newbrough, 8-17, Brady Haygood, 1-minus 3. Carroll- Ricky Lay, 12-99, Blake Walker, 8-40, Dennis Simoson, 1-minus 4.

Passing: Andrews- Newbrough, 4-10-0, 101, Brady Haygood, 3-3-0, 57, Joe Barnes, 1-1-0, 7, Bueno, 0-1-0. Carroll- Lay, 11-23-0, 214.

Receiving: Andrews- Josh Hadley, 1-43, Bueno, 1-35, Ben Huddleston, 1-34, Jacob Nunez, 2-29, Haygood, 1-9, J.J. Hayes, 1-8, Tyson Dever, 1-7. Carroll- Kyle Brown, 6-153, Brian Capps, 4-50, Matt Terry, 1-11.

STANTON: Buffaloes run wild vs. Pipers

(From 1C)

five possessions with Hull and White doing most of the work on the Hamlin defense. Hull even went to the air on one scoring play as he hit wide receiver Ruston Pardue for 13 yards on the halfback option pass.

"We really had not worked on it much in practice," said Hull about the pass play. "We've had it in the playbook, we just haven't run it in the playoffs. The (defender) was there but Ruston just concentrated and caught the ball."

Knowing that the Pied Pipers were concentrating on Hull was the reason cited by Cotton for calling the play. With the defense keying in on Hull, that also let White do some damage on Hamlin's defense.

"He's a tough running fullback and he has it all," Cotton said. "He broke some big ones today."

"I have to credit the offensive line," White said. "They did a great job. Jeremy did pretty good, too. It shows a lot about our line."

The Stanton defense also did a good job of containing Hamlin's dangerous back Henry White, who finished with 98 yards — 66 of which came on a touchdown run in the second quarter.

"We watched a lot of film on him this week," said Hull about defending Henry White. "He got that long run on us, but with a great running back like that, you can't really shut him down the whole game."

As whole, Cotton was pleased with the performance of his team.

"That's as well as we've played by far this season," Cotton said. "As I told the kids, that goes up there as one of the greatest games a Stanton team has played. And that's a good football team we've played."

Clay White agreed that it was the Buffs' best performance of the season.

"This team is just getting better in the playoffs," White said.

NOTES: Hamlin's 5-foot-4 Jared May was always a danger to make a big play. May had 104 yards on kickoff returns, a 52-yard catch, and also threw a 33-yard pass to fullback Michael Barrera. The only thing May didn't do was get an interception. He came into the game having picked off 10 passes... Two Buffs had interceptions as Hull and W.T. Mullins had pickoffs.

Stanton 40, Hamlin 14

Stanton		Hamlin
24	First Downs	7
433	Yards Rushing	103
38	Yards Passing	134
4-3-0	Att -Comp -Int	19-8-2
0-0	Fumbles Lost	1-0
1-20.0	Punts-Avg.	3-26
2-15	Penalties-Yds	3-25

Stanton	7	26	0	7	—40
Hamlin	7	7	0	0	—14

First Quarter

H - Michael Green 5 pass from Clint Powell (Michael Barrera kick), 8:51

S - Jeremy Hull 4 run (Chris Flores kick), 3:19

Second Quarter

S - Clay White 2 run (kick failed), 10:34

H - Henry White 66 run (Barrera kick), 9:30

S - C. White 54 run (Hull run), 8:37

S - Ruston Pardue 13 pass from Hull (kick failed), 3:15

S - Hull 5 run (run failed), 0:19

Fourth Quarter

S - Hull 23 run (Flores kick), 8:47

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Stanton - Jeremy Hull 31-201, Clay White 16-181, Keith Cook 4-43, Ryan Kelly 4-7, Stoney Brown 1-1, Chris Flores 4-0. Hamlin - Henry White 14-98, Michael Barrera 4-17, Tye Jeffrey 1-4, Team 1-1, Clint Powell 4-(minus-17).

Passing: Stanton - Cook 3-2-0-23, Hull 1-1-0-15. Hamlin - Powell 18-7-2-101, Jared May 1-1-0-33.

Receiving: Stanton - Jon Cotton 1-26, Ruston Pardue 1-15, Hull 1-(minus-3). Hamlin - May 1-52, Michael Green 5-41, Barrera 1-33, Blake Clatterbaugh 1-8, H. White 1-0.

Interceptions: Stanton - Hull 1-0, W.T. Mullins 1-0.

Cooper gets past Coppell

Staff Report

IRVING — The Abilene Cooper Cougars survived a late rally to defeat the Coppell Cowboys 28-27 Saturday night in a Class 5A Small School regional game at Texas Stadium.

The Cougars (10-3 overall) advance to the state quarterfinals where they will meet Arlington Lamar at a time and date to be announced. Lamar (9-4) defeated Lubbock Monterey on Saturday.

The Cougars got a huge break late in the game as Coppell looked to have the game tied when Brian Bishop took a pass from quarterback Adam Johnson and ran 61 yards for what appeared to be the tying score. Coppell, however, was flagged for excessive celebration, and the extra-point attempt was moved back 15 yards making it a 35-yard attempt.

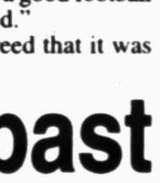
Coppell kicker Brent Ryon pulled the attempt wide left. Cooper ran out the remaining two minutes of the game.

Coppell finishes the season with a 7-6 record.

Cooper led 28-7 at one point in the first half. Cooper's Jordan Neal threw for 156 yards and three touchdowns, and Tremaine Diles ran for another score to send the Cougars into the locker room with the lead.

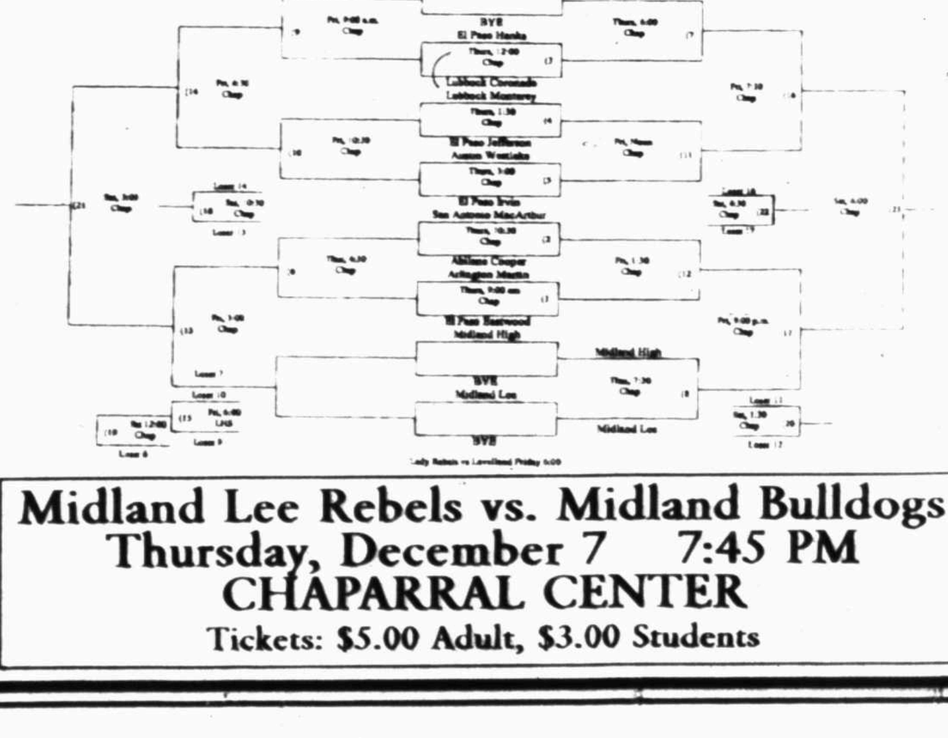
Justin Harper had two touchdown catches. Tony Cunningham had the other.

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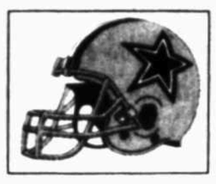


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Cowboys' Smith looks forward to homecoming

By Fred Goodall
AP Sports Writer

TAMPA, Fla. — It's as close to a homecoming as Emmitt Smith has had since his rookie season, and the NFL's third all-time leading rusher is excited about it.



The Dallas Cowboys face the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for the first time in 10 years Sunday, affording Smith an opportunity to play for just the third time as a pro in the state where he grew up.

The Cowboys last visited Florida in 1996 to face the Miami Dolphins. But the eight-time Pro Bowl running back hasn't played in Tampa, a two-hour drive from Gainesville, where he played college ball, and another six hours from his hometown of Pensacola, since 1990. That year he would have been a senior at the University of Florida if he had not elected to turn pro a year early.

"It's special in a number of ways. I'll be two hours from the university where I played and just a couple of hours away from some of my closest friends in Florida," the four-time league rushing champion said. "This should be a great situation."

Smith returns 130 yards shy of becoming the third player in NFL history to run for 15,000 yards. He is on pace to break the league's career rushing mark of 16,726 set by Walter Payton.

The first of his 69 regular-season 100-yard rushing performances came during a victory over Tampa Bay in the fifth game of his rookie season. The Cowboys beat the Bucs again two weeks later, with the 5-foot-9, 209-pound running back gaining 48 yards on 16 carries at Tampa Stadium.

"Jerry Jones said it set a tone for bigger and better things," Smith, who's played on three Super Bowl champions, recalled. "We were on the road ... It was something that the ballclub needed and it worked well for us. But correlations from 1990 to 2000, it's a different kind of setting for us. We're 4-7 (actually 4-8) now and trying to get things on track. Tampa Bay seems like it has some things on track. It's going to be a tough game for us."

The Bucs (7-5) are coming off a 31-17 victory over the Buffalo Bills and battling to stay in contention for a playoff berth. The Cowboys have dropped four of their last five. They have to win their remaining four games to avoid a losing record for the just the third time in Smith's 11 seasons.

Dallas has been decimated by injuries. However, the Bucs said it would be a mistake — not to mention a serious blow to their postseason hopes — to take the Cowboys lightly.

Smith, who had 100 yards rushing on just 12 carries before sitting out part of Dallas' Thanksgiving Day loss against Minnesota because of a concussion, is still capable of taking over games.

"They come in with some good players. That's the one thing we can't lose sight of," said Tampa Bay coach Tony Dungy. "It's December, you can't afford any slip-ups. We've got to catch a couple of teams if we want to get to the playoffs, so that means playing well every week."

Smith, who has rushed for 907 yards and six touchdowns, is closing in on joining Barry Sanders as the only players to run for 1,000 yards in 10 consecutive seasons.

He needs 99.8 yards per game in the last four weeks to pass Sanders for second on the career rushing list. Payton's record is still so far (1,856) off Smith said he doesn't think about it.

"I don't know what's going to happen during the course of a season. I don't even know what's going to happen during the next four weeks. Right now, I'm more concerned with what I have to do today," Smith said.

"I know one thing, the record isn't going to fall today. It's not going to fall next week. And it's not going to fall the week after that. So, I have to take it one game at a time and not focus on it."

One old friend who's eager to greet Smith is Bucs linebacker Derrick Brooks, who also grew up in Pensacola. Brooks was an eighth-grader when he first saw Smith play in high school and has always wanted a chance to play on the same field.

"When we're around each other we never really talk about we haven't played against each other, so it's going to be fun," said Brooks, the NFC defensive player of the month for November. "It's going to be a little bit weird at first. But then again, I'm relishing the opportunity to do it."

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Miami	9	3	0	.750	237	160	5-1-0	4-2-0	7-2-0	2-1-0	3-2-0
N.Y. Jets	8	4	0	.667	260	229	4-2-0	4-2-0	5-4-0	3-0-0	5-2-0
Buffalo	7	5	0	.583	237	237	5-1-0	2-4-0	5-3-0	2-2-0	2-3-0
Indianapolis	7	5	0	.583	317	256	4-2-0	3-3-0	6-3-0	1-2-0	3-2-0
New England	3	9	0	.250	192	253	2-4-0	1-5-0	3-6-0	0-3-0	1-5-0

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Tennessee	9	3	0	.750	241	175	5-1-0	4-2-0	7-3-0	2-0-0	6-2-0
Baltimore	9	4	0	.692	262	135	4-2-0	5-2-0	8-3-0	1-1-0	8-2-0
Pittsburgh	6	6	0	.500	232	181	2-4-0	4-2-0	6-5-0	0-1-0	5-5-0
Jacksonville	5	7	0	.417	236	272	2-4-0	3-3-0	4-6-0	1-1-0	4-4-0
Cleveland	3	10	0	.231	137	312	2-4-0	1-6-0	3-8-0	0-2-0	2-6-0
Cincinnati	2	10	0	.167	134	281	1-5-0	1-5-0	2-9-0	0-1-0	1-7-0

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Oakland	10	2	0	.833	352	235	5-1-0	5-1-0	7-2-0	3-0-0	5-2-0
Denver	8	4	0	.667	371	293	4-2-0	4-2-0	7-3-0	1-1-0	5-1-0
Kansas City	5	7	0	.417	283	274	3-3-0	2-4-0	4-6-0	1-1-0	4-3-0
Seattle	4	8	0	.333	216	298	2-4-0	2-4-0	3-6-0	1-2-0	2-4-0
San Diego	1	11	0	.083	206	307	1-5-0	0-6-0	1-9-0	0-2-0	1-7-0

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East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
Philadelphia	9	4	0	.692	287	199	4-2-0	5-2-0	8-4-0	1-0-0	5-3-0
N.Y. Giants	8	4	0	.667	244	191	3-3-0	5-1-0	7-3-0	1-1-0	5-1-0
Washington	7	5	0	.583	238	201	3-3-0	4-2-0	5-4-0	2-1-0	2-3-0
Dallas	4	8	0	.333	242	273	2-4-0	2-4-0	3-6-0	1-2-0	2-4-0
Arizona	3	9	0	.250	177	342	3-4-0	0-5-0	2-9-0	1-0-0	2-5-0

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
x-Minnesota	11	2	0	.846	330	267	7-0-0	4-2-0	8-2-0	3-0-0	5-2-0
Detroit	8	5	0	.615	264	251	4-3-0	4-2-0	7-3-0	1-2-0	3-3-0
Tampa Bay	7	5	0	.583	293	197	4-2-0	3-3-0	5-4-0	2-1-0	4-3-0
Green Bay	6	7	0	.417	249	262	4-2-0	1-5-0	4-4-0	1-3-0	1-3-0
Chicago	3	9	0	.250	163	273	2-4-0	1-5-0	2-7-0	1-2-0	2-4-0

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	NFC	AFC	Div
New Orleans	8	4	0	.667	256	207	2-3-0	6-1-0	7-2-0	1-2-0	5-0-0
St. Louis	8	4	0	.667	436	367	4-3-0	4-1-0	5-3-0	3-1-0	4-2-0
Carolina	5	7	0	.417	241	218	3-3-0	2-4-0	4-7-0	1-0-0	3-4-0
San Francisco	4	8	0	.333	290	336	3-3-0	1-5-0	3-7-0	1-1-0	1-6-0
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	206	347	2-4-0	1-6-0	3-8-0	0-2-0	3-4-0

x-clinched playoff spot

This Week's Games

Thursday's Score
Minnesota 24, Detroit 17

Today's Games
Seattle at Atlanta, noon.
Miami at Buffalo, noon.
St. Louis at Carolina, noon.
N.Y. Giants at Washington, noon.
Arizona at Cincinnati, noon.
Denver at New Orleans, noon.
Dallas at Tampa Bay, noon.
Oakland at Pittsburgh, noon.
Tennessee at Philadelphia, noon.
San Francisco at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.
Indianapolis at N.Y. Jets, 3:15 p.m.
Cleveland at Jacksonville, 3:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Chicago, 7:35 p.m.
Open: Baltimore

Monday's Game
Kansas City at New England, 8 p.m.

Next Week's Games

Sunday, Dec. 10
Arizona at Jacksonville, noon.
Carolina at Kansas City, noon.
Cincinnati at Tennessee, noon.
Detroit at Green Bay, noon.
New England at Chicago, noon.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, noon.
Pittsburgh at New York Giants, noon.
San Diego at Baltimore, noon.
Tampa Bay at Miami, noon.
Seattle at Denver, 3:05 p.m.
Washington at Dallas, 3:15 p.m.
Minnesota at St. Louis, 3:15 p.m.
New Orleans at San Francisco, 3:15 p.m.
New York Jets at Oakland, 7:35 p.m.
Open: Atlanta

Monday, Dec. 11
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.

Charter train carrying Giants to Washington kills man on tracks

Associated Press

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — A chartered train carrying the New York Giants football team to Washington, D.C., for their NFC East showdown with the Redskins struck and killed a man on the tracks Saturday.

The victim apparently committed suicide, Amtrak spokeswoman Karen Dunn said.

She said the man walked onto the tracks just east of the New Brunswick station as the southbound train approached at 2:15 p.m.

"The engineer said the gentleman saw the train coming, walked onto the tracks, looked at it and waved at it," she said. "He didn't make any attempt to move."

The engineer applied emergency brakes, but could not stop the train in time.

The identity of the victim was not immediately available.

The team was transferred to an Amtrak Metroliner that arrived at the crash site about 4 p.m.

■ NFL Briefs

Bears' Robinson released from hospital

CHICAGO — Marcus Robinson, leading receiver with the Chicago Bears, was released from Northwestern Memorial Hospital on Saturday, three days after he was admitted for treatment of back spasms.

Robinson's status for Sunday night's game against Green Bay at Soldier Field was downgraded from questionable to doubtful.

Robinson leads the Bears with 55 catches for 738 yards and five touchdowns, including scoring plays of 68 and 58 yards against Green Bay earlier this season in the Bears' 27-24 victory.

Double-teamed, Robinson caught just one pass last week for minus three yards in a 17-10 loss to the Jets, prompting him to say the offense had to find a way to get him the ball more often.

Lions doctor says Batch OK

PONTIAC, Mich. — Lions quarterback Charlie Batch should be able to play next weekend against Green Bay, despite leaving Thursday's game against Minnesota.

"He didn't reinjure his ribs or anything," team doctor David Collon is quoted as saying in Saturday's Detroit Free Press. "It was too sore for him to feel he could play effectively, so we just gave up after the first two series."

Competition for NFL's coach of the year award heating up just like playoff races

By Barry Wilner
AP Football Writer

Andy Reid has the Philadelphia Eagles in first place. The Eagles? He must be the coach of the year.

But wait. Jim Haslett has the New Orleans Saints in first place. The Saints? He must be the coach of the year.

Ah, but wait again. What about Jon Gruden of the first-place Raiders? Dennis Green of the first-place Vikings? Dave Wannstedt of the first-place Dolphins?

And don't forget Al Groh of the Jets, Brian Billick of the Ravens and Mike Shanahan of the Broncos.

Faced with various challenges, all have done superb jobs this season. So much so that it's hard to argue against any of them being selected as the top coach.

For the Eagles, 2000 has been an unexpected revival. They were 5-11 in Reid's first season and improved on defense. But they came into this season young, inexperienced and lacking depth on offense.

When they lost ace running back Duce Staley to a foot injury in Week 5, the Eagles seemed doomed. Instead, they are 9-4 and primed to win the NFC East.

"The most important thing as a head coach is that the players believe in what you're trying to get done. That's hands-down what has happened on this team," return specialist-running back Brian Mitchell says. "Everybody believes in what Andy talks about, what he stresses. Andy is very dedicated to what he does. Guys are picking up on that."

The rest of the league is picking up on what's happening in New Orleans. In the aftermath of the Mike Ditka fiasco, Haslett probably had a grace period of a year or two. He hasn't needed it.

The Saints put together a six-game winning streak, albeit against the dregs of the NFL, to move into playoff contention. That was impressive, considering the level to which they had sunk under Ditka.

But when they lost their two most important offensive players, Ricky Williams and Jeff Blake, they still went into St. Louis and beat the Rams to move into a tie for the NFC West lead. Clearly, Haslett hasn't allowed enthusiasm to die on a team that has never won a playoff game.

"Jim's such a natural at this job, the way he handles the players, the way he prepares and stays on top of everything," says Rick Venturi, once the head coach in New Orleans and now the secondary coach. "Jim really understands the players. He remembers what it was like to play the game.

"He's given the guys a lot of pride. This isn't an arrogant team, but it has a swagger, and that comes from Jim."

The Raiders always have a swagger. But Gruden's Raiders couldn't win close games a year ago.

This season, they haven't played as many close ones, winning four routs. But they've won most of the tight contests, too, and lead the AFC at 10-2.

Gruden kept the Raiders together despite their shortcomings in 1999, and he's turned quarterback Rich Gannon into a star. Oakland has a veteran team on which several players are almost as old as Gruden, 37. There is no generation gap, but it's clear who's the boss.

The players also like the way Gruden lets them play "Raiders football."

"We want to be physical, there's no question about that. I don't know of any teams that don't want to be physical. We want to get after the other team's quarterback," Gruden said. "We're not trying to hurt anybody. But we want to be a very physical football team."

No team is tougher on defense than the Dolphins, who have ridden a workmanlike attack to the top of the AFC East. Wannstedt, stepping in after Jimmy Johnson quit, has looked nothing like the guy who was in charge of the Bears for five seasons.

"He's more in tune with what helps players perform better," says defensive end Trace Armstrong, who played — and feuded — with Wannstedt in Chicago. "He's very aware of what it takes to create a winning environment."

Such as taking the players to see "Remember the Titans," for inspiration.

If Green were starring in a film, it would be a soap opera. Just this year, he let his two most-established offensive linemen leave — to a division opponent, Tampa Bay, no less — revamped his linebacking corps, moved star defensive tackle John Randle to end, and made untested Daunte Culpepper his quarterback.

Everything has worked, and the Vikings (10-2) lead the NFC. They have a similar look to the 15-1 team of 1998 that was upset by Atlanta in the conference title game.

Green, who is 94-56 as a coach, has proved he can spot talent, and when he plays a hunch — remember drafting Randy Moss? — it usually is on target.

"I'm convinced that Dennis is the best football man in the NFL," team owner Red McCombs said in September, when he gave Green a three-year extension. "I say this because of his great skills as a coach and an administrator."

Shanahan has the same power in Denver. His team also has had a slew of injuries, yet the Broncos have won four straight and six of seven. They've plugged rookie running back Mike Anderson into the lineup and prospered. Their defense has struggled but made enough key plays. Their offense, Shanahan's strength, has been potent.

Billick and Groh didn't let their clubs fall apart during losing streaks. Baltimore went the entire month of October without scoring a touchdown, losing three in a row. But the Ravens followed with four straight wins and, with San Diego, Arizona and the Jets remaining on the schedule, should make the playoffs.

Give Billick credit for switching from Tony Banks to Trent Dilfer at quarterback, simplifying game plans, having faith in rookie runner Jamal Lewis and riding an overpowering defense.

Groh, a nondescript linebackers coach taking over for the bombastic Bill Parcells, got his Jets off to a 4-0 start. They have been a .500 team since, but working with limited offensive options and an inconsistent defense, Groh has them in contention. He also has gotten them to forget — or at least push aside — the specter of Parcells.

So which coach has done the best job? Tune in after the season, when any of these eight worthy candidates could be honored.

NFL Injury Report

NEW YORK (AP) — The updated National Football League injury report for this week's game, as provided by the league:

Sunday

ARIZONA CARDINALS (3-9) AT CINCINNATI BENGALS (2-10) — Arizona: OUT LB Zack Walz (leg) QUESTIONABLE QB Dave Brown (shoulder) DE-DT Corey Sears (hip) DT Mark Smith (shoulder) PROBABLE WR Mac Cody (knee) CB Tom Knight (shoulder) DE Brad Ottis (elbow) QB Jake Plummer (thumb/ribs) WR Frank Sanders (leg) DE Andre Wadsworth (knees) **Cincinnati:** DOUBTFUL RB Cliff Groce (knee) RB Curtis Keaton (ankle) QUESTIONABLE John Jackson (hamstring) PROBABLE DE Vaughn Booker (knee) LB Steve Foley (chest) QB Scott Mitchell (knee) DT Glen Steele (back)

CLEVELAND BROWNS (3-10) AT JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS (5-7) — Cleveland: OUT LB Lenoy Jones (knee-injured reserve) DT Mike Thompson (knee-injured reserve) DOUBTFUL C Dave Wohlabaugh (ankle) QUESTIONABLE WR Darrin Chiaverini (knee) QB Doug Pederson (ribs) DE-DT Orpheus Roye (thumb) DB Lewis Sanders (ankle) RB Jamel White (shoulder) TE O.J. Santiago (knee) PROBABLE LB Jamir Miller (finger) T Roman Oben (thumb) WR David Patten (shoulder) **Jacksonville:** OUT LB Hardy Nickerson (knee) S Erik Olson (ankle) T Leon Searcy (leg-injured reserve) LB Eric Storz (thumb) PROBABLE LB Kevin Hardy (ankle) LB Lonnie Marts (groin) TE Aaron Shea (quadriceps)

DALLAS COWBOYS (4-8) AT TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS (7-5) — Dallas: OUT DT Leon Lett (knee) C Mark Stepnoski (knee) DE Peppi Zellner (knee) DOUBTFUL S Darren Woodson (arm) QUESTIONABLE QB Randall Cunningham (groin) TE Jackie Harris (knee) P Micah Knorr (knee) WR Wane McGarity (ankle) PROBABLE RB Emmitt Smith (concussion) **Tampa Bay:** OUT RB Mike Alstott (knee) QUESTIONABLE RB Aaron Stecker (knee) DE Steve White (ankle) PROBABLE DE Chidi Ahanotu (knee) S John Lynch (shoulder) CB Brian Kelly (hamstring) QB Shaun King (back) G Frank Middleton (shoulder) S Damien Robinson (shoulder) S Eric Vance (ankle)

DENVER BRONCOS (8-4) AT NEW ORLEANS SAINTS (8-4) — Denver: OUT CB Ray Crockett (hamstring) QB Brian Griese (shoulder) RB Terrell Davis (leg) DOUBTFUL WR Scottie Montgomery (knee) QUESTIONABLE LB John Mobley (thumb) DE Kavika Pittman (shoulder) PROBABLE LB Al Wilson (ankle) LB Ian Gold (shoulder) RB Detron Smith (thumb) **New Orleans:** OUT WR Jake Reed (fibula) LB Corey Terry (patella-injured reserve) CB Fred Weary (knee-injured reserve) RB Ricky Williams (fibula) DOUBTFUL LB Phil Clarke (thigh) QUESTIONABLE DT Norman Hand (foot) RB Fred McAfee (hamstring) PROBABLE RB Jerald Moore (neck) CB Fred Thomas (hamstring/foot)

GREEN BAY PACKERS (8-7) AT CHICAGO BEARS (3-9) — Green Bay: OUT WR Corey Bradford (knee) T Earl Dotson (back) DT Santana Dotson (knee) RB Dorsey Levens (knee) LB Brian Williams (knee) QUESTIONABLE LB Na'il Diggs (ankle) PROBABLE DE Vonnie Holliday (ankle) CB Tod McBride (hip) **Chicago:** DOUBTFUL CB Walt Harris (knee) TE Dustin Lyman (neck) G Rex Tucker (calf) QUESTIONABLE S Mike Brown (ribs) QB Cade McNown (shoulder) WR Marcus Robinson (back) S Frankie Smith (knee)

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (7-5) AT NEW YORK JETS (8-4) — Indianapolis: OUT RB Kevin McDougal (neck) DT Josh Williams (ankle) QUESTIONABLE WR E.G. Green (knee) LB Dwight Holler (shoulder) PROBABLE T Adam Meadows (head) DB Mustafah Muhammad (ankle) **New York Jets:** OUT WR Laveranues Coles (knee) PROBABLE TE Anthony Becht (neck) T John Elliott (back) T Jason Fabini (back) LB James Farrior (back) DT Jason Ferguson (knee) CB Aaron Glenn (ankle) LB Dwayne Gordon (foot) LB Mo Lewis (leg) G David Loverne (neck) QB Ray Lucas (shoulder) RB Curtis Martin (gluteus maximus) CB Ray Mickens (bicep) G Randy Thomas (ankle) P Tom Tupa (groin)

MIAMI DOLPHINS (9-3) AT BUFFALO BILLS (7-5) — Miami: OUT S Greg Jeffries (knee-injured reserve) QUESTIONABLE G Mark Dixon (shoulder) QB Jay Fiedler (shoulder) WR O.J. McDuffie (toe) RB Lamar Smith (hamstring) PROBABLE TE Hunter Goodwin (hamstring) S Brian Walker (back) **Buffalo:** OUT S Keion Carpenter (ankle) LB Sam Cowart (ankle) LB Sam Rogers (groin) QUESTIONABLE LB Jay Foreman (ankle) DB Donovan Greer (ankle) DE Phil Hansen (knee) TE Sheldon Jackson (ankle) RB Sammy Morris (ankle) G Joe Panos (knee) PROBABLE QB Rob Johnson (ribs) WR Peerless Price (ankle)

NEW YORK GIANTS (8-4) AT WASHINGTON REDSKINS (7-5) — New York Giants: OUT WR Ike Hilliard (sternum/lung) QUESTIONABLE RB Joe Montgomery (thigh) LB Brandon Short (ankle) PROBABLE T Lomas Brown (leg) DT Christian Peter (shoulder) G Ron Stone (ribs) **Washington:** OUT T Ed Ellis (knee) QUESTIONABLE RB Larry Centers (knee) WR Albert Connell (knee) PROBABLE LB LaVar Arrington (concussion) DE Marco Coleman (shoulder) RB Stephen Davis (forearm) CB Darrell Green (calf) RB Skip Hicks (hamstring) G Keith Sims (Achilles) WR James Thrash (thigh)

OAKLAND RAIDERS (10-2) AT PITTSBURGH STEELERS (6-6) — Oakland: QUESTIONABLE CB Darrien Gordon (toe) RB Randy Jordan (toe) RB Napoleon Kaufman (hamstring) PROBABLE CB Eric Allen (ribs) DE Tony Bryant (knee) T Lincoln Kennedy (knees) RB Tyrone Wheatley (knee/finger) **Pittsburgh:** OUT WR Plaxico Burress (wrist) C Dermontti Dawson (hamstring) RB Chris Fuamatu-Ma'afala (foot) QUESTIONABLE WR Courtney Hawkins (knee) DE Kevin Henry (groin) PROBABLE RB Jerome Bettis (leg) T Wayne Gandy (shoulder) CB Jason Simmons (hamstring) QB Kordell Stewart (calf) WR Hines Ward (ankle)

ST. LOUIS RAMS (8-4) AT CAROLINA PANTHERS (5-7) — St. Louis: OUT S Rich Coady (neck) WR Tony Horne (toe) QUESTIONABLE DT D'Marco Farr (knee) DE Leonard Little (finger) K Jeff Wilkins (thigh) PROBABLE DE Kevin Carter (knee) Az-Zahir Hakim (knee) QB Kurt Warner (finger) **Carolina:** OUT RB William Floyd (ribs) DOUBTFUL DE Jason Peter (neck) QUESTIONABLE RB Tshimanga Biakabutuka (toe) CB Reggie Howard (hamstring) G Bryan Stoltenberg (knee) PROBABLE WR Donald Hayes (groin) T Clarence Jones (knee) DE Reggie White (hand)

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS (4-8) AT SAN DIEGO CHARGERS (1-11) — San Francisco: OUT LB Jeff Ulbrich (shoulder injured reserve) DOUBTFUL RB Garrison Hearst (ankle) S Pierson Prioleau (hamstring) QUESTIONABLE G Ray Brown (knee) WR Terrell Owens (toe) PROBABLE T Derrick Deese (knee) CB Monty Montgomery (back) **San Diego:** DOUBTFUL DE Neil Smith (knee) QUESTIONABLE WR Reggie Jones (knee) QB Moses Moreno (knee) PROBABLE RB Kenny Bynum (hamstring) RB Terrell Fletcher (ribs) QB Ryan Leaf (groin) T Vaughn Parker (ankle) DT Jamal Williams (calf)

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (4-8) AT ATLANTA FALCONS (3-10) — Seattle: DOUBTFUL QB Brock Huard (kidney) QUESTIONABLE DE Matt LaBounty (concussion) **Atlanta:** QUESTIONABLE DE Patrick Kerney (ankle) T Bob Whitfield (neck/shoulder) PROBABLE S Johndale Carty (knee) WR Brian Finneran (back) DT Ed Jasper (hand) TE Reggie Kelly (knee)

TENNESSEE TITANS (9-3) AT PHILADELPHIA EAGLES (9-4) — Tennessee: OUT WR Chris Jackson (back) QUESTIONABLE DE Kenny Holmes (knee/shoulder) QB Steve McNair (thumb) WR Carl Pickens (hamstring) S Marcus Robertson (leg) CB Damon Sidney (hamstring) **Philadelphia:** QUESTIONABLE LB Ike Reese (shoulder) PROBABLE K David Akers (quad) S Rashard Cook (knee) WR Charles Johnson (hand) T Jon Runyan (ankle) G John Welbourn (ankle)

Monday

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS (5-7) AT NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS (3-9) — Kansas City: QUESTIONABLE LB Lew Bush (elbow) QB Elvis Grbac (finger) C Tim Grunhard (ankle) C Brian Waters (thigh) DT Dan Williams (thigh) PROBABLE S Larry Atkins (wrist) CB James Hasty (thigh) DT Chester McGlockton (shoulder) G Will Shields (ankle) **New England:** QUESTIONABLE G Joe Andruzzi (shoulder) QB Drew Bledsoe (thumb) WR Troy Brown (leg) TE Chris Eitzmann (thumb-injured reserve) LB Rob Holmberg (shoulder) LB Ted Johnson (thigh) S Lawyer Milloy (leg) RB J.R. Redmond (ribs) T Grant Williams (leg) PROBABLE QB John Friesz (knee) CB Ty Law (shoulder)

Home field isn't much of an advantage

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■ NFL Notebook

The St. Louis Rams have lost three straight in their home dome. Detroit and New Orleans, two other dome teams contending for the playoffs, also have three home losses. And the Giants are 3-3 at home, 5-1 on the road.

What's going on in the NFL, where home field has always been considered worth three points — more in domes? So far this season, home teams are just 101-88, a .534 winning percentage.

"I think you're seeing the ultimate leveling effect of free agency and the salary cap," says Ernie Accorsi, the Giants' general manager. "There's a lot of instability and volatility. It hurts us and it hurts the league.

"All I know is that I feel more confident on the road. We come out there in those white jerseys and I feel we're going to play better."

For what it's worth, the Giants will be wearing blue in Washington on Sunday because the Redskins wear white at home. They wore blue in their only road loss, at Tennessee.

But that's a side issue.

This isn't: The season's winning percentage for home teams, is .61 lower than any full season in the last five. That coincides with what coaches and GMs believe is the full effect of the cap.

"It's 100 percent now. There's no carryover from the old days," Accorsi says.

Last season, according to NFL figures, home teams finished 148-100, or .596. They were 151-89 (.629) in 1998; 144-94-2 (.594) in 1997; 141-91 (.607) in 1996; and 144-96 (.600) in 1995. Those consistent percentages — generally three home wins in five — makes this year's figures stand out.

Moreover, the dome figures and home performances by teams playing in traditionally tough stadiums for visitors accentuate the difference.

Kansas City, for example, has lost three times at home and Denver is 4-2 at Mile High Stadium and 4-2 on the road. Indianapolis, another dome team, has lost twice at home, blowing leads in both, to Oakland and Miami.

That makes postseason predictions problematical.

Traditionally, home field has been critical in the playoffs — 23 of the 30 Super Bowl winners since the NFL-AFL merger didn't play a road game in postseason.

This season, home field in the AFC figures to go to the Titans or Oakland, both of which have been winning wherever they play. Tennessee had been unbeaten in its first 12 games at Adelphia Coliseum before losing to the Ravens three weeks ago.

In the NFC, Minnesota is almost sure to be indoors at the Metrodome. The Vikings should be unbeatable there — Randy Moss, Daunte Culpepper, Robert Smith and Cris Carter are tough to stop on turf and crowd noise helps the Vikings' ordinary defense.

But two years ago, Minnesota was 15-1 and played Atlanta at home in the NFC title game. The Falcons won in overtime.

On the other hand, Tennessee went to the Super Bowl last season as a wild card, winning in Indianapolis and Jacksonville to get there. Denver won the Super Bowl as a wild-card three seasons ago.

The last time the top two seeded teams made the Super Bowl was in 1994, when Dallas beat Buffalo.

It could get crazier this season.

PERFECT PARITY?: The NFL's schedule is designed to promote parity by pairing good teams from the previous season against good teams and bad against bad. It's worked so well this season that it could end up deciding the NFC East, where the Eagles, Giants and Redskins are competing for the division title.

The Eagles, who were last in 1999, finish against Cleveland and Cincinnati, two of the four AFC Central teams on their schedule. At this point, the Bengals and Browns are probably the two worst teams in the NFL.

The Giants, who finished third in the division last season, beat Cleveland 24-3 a month ago, but don't play Cincinnati.

The Redskins, who won the NFC East last year, play neither the Bengals or Browns.

DIRTY DOZEN: The top six and bottom six teams in the NFL, based on current level of play:

1, Baltimore (9-4): Jamal Lewis and defense is all Trent Dilfer needs.

2, Minnesota (11-2): Randy Moss can make any offense look good.

3, Oakland (10-2): This is what happens when Al Davis lets Jon Gruden coach.

4, Philadelphia (9-4): Just think of where they would be if they didn't play the Giants.

5, Tennessee (9-3): Stumbling now, but after Philadelphia this week, the Titans can walk home.

6, New Orleans (8-4): Jim Haslett is coach of the year.

26, San Diego (1-11): One win, but they're playing better than some of the others

27, Arizona (3-8): Dave McGinnis said Dave Brown had a bad game last week. When did Brown have a good game?

28, New England (3-9): Why did the Patriots give up a first-round draft choice for Bill Belichick?

29, Atlanta (3-10): At least the Falcons can blame injuries.

30, Cincinnati (2-10): At least there's Corey Dillon.

31, Cleveland (3-10): A second-year expansion team with injuries.

Gators' Grossman gets ball, gets SEC title

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Rex Grossman was able to finish what he started.

Florida abandoned its quarterback juggling act in the Southeastern Conference championship game, leaving the ball in the hands of the brash redshirt freshman.

Grossman responded by throwing four touchdown passes Saturday, leading the No. 7 Gators to a 28-6 victory over No. 18 Auburn and their first SEC title since 1996.

"You can stay in there a long time if you play well and do what you're supposed to do," said coach Steve Spurrier, who had no need to display his notoriously quick trigger finger.

Grossman, who shared playing time most of the season with senior Jesse Palmer, was on the field for all but two plays as Spurrier fulfilled his pledge to give the younger player most of the snaps.

Grossman, selected the most valuable player, was 17-of-26 for 238 yards with one interception as the Gators earned a spot in the Sugar Bowl.

"Rex is an excellent passer. Hopefully, he will get a lot more knowledgeable," Spurrier said. "If he gets it all down, he has a chance to be pretty good some day."

Florida (10-2) dominated Auburn for the second time in seven weeks. On Oct. 14, Grossman threw a touchdown pass on each of the first five possessions, leading the Gators to a 38-7 rout.

Afterward, he compared Auburn's defense to the Florida scout team, providing plenty of bulletin-board fodder heading into the rematch. Unfortunately for the Tigers, the motivational edge wasn't nearly enough to overcome the Gators' quickness and depth.

"They have more speed than anybody we have played," coach Tommy Tuberville said. "We didn't have the answer."

Earnest Graham gave Florida (10-2) a lethal ground-air attack, rushing for a career-high 169 yards, and the Gators' ball-hungry defense came up with three critical turnovers in the first half.

Florida won its sixth conference title in 10 years but the first since 1996, when the Gators also claimed the national championship.

Spurrier was carried off the field on the shoulders of his players, who lingered on the field for several minutes to celebrating with their fans. Clearly, the Gators were elated to be back on top in the SEC.

"This is the first big game I've ever won here," junior offensive lineman Kenyatta Walker said. "This is why you come to Florida — to win a championship"

Grossman led Bloomington South High School to Indiana's Class 5A title in 1998. He didn't wait long to pick up his first ring with the Gators.

"It kind of feels like winning the state championship," Grossman said. "Hopefully, it will be the first of four for my class."

No. 18 Auburn (9-3) had a successful year just by winning the SEC West after two straight losing seasons. The Tigers were denied their first conference championship in 11 years but get to play in the Citrus Bowl, their first New Year's Day appearance since 1995.



AP Photo

Florida's Mike Nattiel (59) dives for an Auburn fumble inside the 5-yard line during the first half of the Southeastern Conference championship game Saturday in the Georgia Dome in Atlanta.

Marshall claims MAC title game

Associated Press

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. — This year, it was Byron Leftwich's turn to lead Marshall to a comeback victory over Western Michigan in the Mid-American Conference championship game.

Leftwich's 29-yard touchdown pass to John Cooper midway through the fourth quarter Saturday lifted the Thundering Herd to a 19-14 victory and its fourth-straight berth in the Motor City Bowl.

Marshall (7-5) will play Conference USA runner-up Cincinnati (7-4) on Dec. 27 in Pontiac, Mich.

The win was even sweeter for Leftwich, the league's passing and total offense leader who failed to make any of the all-conference squads.

"I consider myself a championship quarterback. The opportunity was there for us to pull it out, and I was glad I was able to help out," Leftwich said.

The Thundering Herd's victory means the MAC teams with the two best records — Western Michigan (9-3) and Toledo (10-1) — likely will be shut out of a bowl game.

"These losses are devastating as far as what we wanted to get done this season, but certainly not as far as what direction our program is going," said Western Michigan coach Gary Darnell.

Unlike Marshall's three previous Motor City Bowl berths, this one was unexpected.

The Thundering Herd started the season 2-4, including blowout losses to Western Michigan and Toledo, before winning the East Division on a tiebreaker over Ohio.

"Halftime at Toledo, we hit rock bottom," Marshall coach Bob Pruett said. "Ever since then, we've banded together and started playing together. And now we're going to Detroit."

Western Michigan was seeking its first bowl berth in 12 years. It also lost to Marshall in the title game last year when Chad Pennington brought the Thundering Herd from 23 points down in the second half for a 34-30 win.

On Saturday, Western was shut out in the first half for the first time all season, but Jeff Welsh threw two TD passes to give the Broncos a 14-13 lead early in the fourth quarter.

Leftwich then drove Marshall 80 yards in eight plays. He completed six of seven passes on the drive, including the go-ahead score to Cooper, who took a pass down the right sideline and scored untouched with six minutes remaining.

"Coach let me call the plays down the stretch," Leftwich said. "Our guys knew we had to score. We went into a two-minute offense, which is a bit more uptempo and suits our style much more."

Western drove to the Marshall 27 on its next drive, but Welsh threw an incomplete pass on fourth-and-4.

The Broncos got the ball back one last time but Danny Derricott intercepted Welsh with 1:23 remaining at the Broncos 36 and Marshall ran out the clock.

Leftwich completed 29-of-45 passes for 358 yards. He also threw a 44-yard TD pass to Darius Watts in the second quarter for a 13-0 halftime lead.

"We were never ahead at halftime in any of the previous championship games. So when we were ahead today, I knew we had more than a chance to do it," Pruett said.

Things got worse in the third quarter for Western when Robert Sanford, who had 203 yards and three scores in a 30-10 win over Marshall on Oct. 5, went to the sideline with an injured right leg. He did not return and finished with 67 yards on 19 carries.

As he left the field, Sanford went up to wide receiver Steve Neal and said: "Don't let it happen like this."

Five plays later, Neal caught a 22-yard TD pass from Welsh to cut the deficit to 13-7.

On Western's next series, the Broncos were aided by an offsides call on Marshall on fourth-and-1. Welsh later found Josh Bush with a 41-yard pass down the middle for the go-ahead score three minutes into the final period.

Welsh finished 23-of-34 for 264 yards.

Neal caught 10 passes for 93 yards. He finished as the MAC's career receiving leader with 235 catches for 3,599 yards, breaking the marks of 229 catches and 3,513 yards set by Kent's Eugene Baker from 1995-98.

It was the fourth meeting between the teams in 13 months. Marshall avoided its first non-winning season since 1983.

The attendance of 24,816 was the smallest in the four years of the MAC title game.

Navy 30, Army 28

BALTIMORE — Navy found the ideal way to put an end to its perfectly awful season — just let Army make more mistakes.

Brian Broadwater ran for 121 yards and a touchdown and also passed for a score as the Midshipmen avoided a rare winless season by winning 30-28 Saturday.

Looking for their first win since last year's Army-Navy game, the Midshipmen (1-10) built a 20-point lead late in the third quarter and held on to beat the bumbling Black Knights, who committed five turnovers. Navy lost the ball twice.

Army (1-10) used two fourth-quarter touchdown passes by Curtis Zervic to cut the gap to 30-28 with 2:44 left, but an onside kick failed and Navy retained possession when the Black Knights were called for running into the kicker on a 43-yard field goal try with 1:29 to go.

Michael Wallace had 159 yards rushing and a touchdown for Army, which capped its worst season since going 0-10 in 1973. Wallace finished with 1,157 yards on ground, third-best total in Army history.

The victory gave Navy two straight wins in the series for the first time since 1982-83, but Army still holds a 48-46-7 lead.

Although it's been a trying season for the Midshipmen, they can take solace in beating Army and averting only the third winless season in the history of the program. The 1883 Navy team went 0-1 and the 1948 squad finished 0-8-1.

Navy concluded its season on a high note in part because Broadwater finished his career with a flourish. The senior quarterback, who missed last year's Army game with a broken collarbone, directed the option attack with near flawless precision and passed just often enough to keep the Army defense honest.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Big 12 Title

Oklahoma 27, Kansas State 24

Kansas St.	0	10	7	7 — 24
Oklahoma	3	7	7	10 — 27

First Quarter
OU—FG Duncan 33, 7:16.
Second Quarter
KS—Beasley 10 run (Rheem kick), 14:54.
KS—FG Rheem 22, 7:58.
OU—Smith 1 pass from Heupel (Duncan kick), 2:56.
Third Quarter
OU—Heupel 7 run (Duncan kick), 5:54.
KS—Lockett 58 punt return (Rheem kick), 3:29.
Fourth Quarter
OU—Woolfolk 17 pass from Heupel (Duncan kick), 14:24.
OU—FG Duncan 46, 1:25.
KS—Morgan 16 pass from Beasley (Rheem kick), 0:06.
A—79,655.

	KS	OU
First downs	14	15
Rushes-yards	37-111	28-99
Passing	106	220
Comp-Att-Int	12-28-0	24-44-3
Return Yards	84	14
Punts-Avg	9-28	6-38
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-42	4-30
Time of Possession	30:50	29:10

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Kansas St., Cartwright 9-49, Beasley 11-40, Scobey 9-22, Allen 5-22, Oklahoma, Griffin 13-87, Heupel 11-9, Savage 2-5, Littrell 1-0.
PASSING—Kansas St., Beasley 12-28-0-106, Oklahoma, Heupel 24-44-3-220.
RECEIVING—Kansas St., Morgan 6-57, Cartwright 2-2, Wesley 1-26, Lockett 1-11, Oklahoma, Smith 8-96, Griffin 7-38, Woolfolk 2-40, Mackey 2-21.

SEC Title

No. 7 Florida 28, No. 18 Auburn 6

Auburn	0	3	3	0 — 6
Florida	14	7	7	0 — 28

First Quarter
Fla—Caldwell 10 pass from Grossman (Chandler kick), 13:09.
Fla—Caldwell 66 pass from Grossman (Chandler kick), 2:42.
Second Quarter
Fla—Gaffney 27 pass from Grossman (Chandler kick), 8:19.
Aub—FG Duval 44, 0:00.
Third Quarter
Aub—FG Duval 21, 9:43.
Fla—Haugabrook 12 pass from Grossman (Chandler kick), 5:17.
A—73,427.

	Aub	Fla
First downs	19	20
Rushes-yards	28-120	35-191
Passing	208	238
Comp-Att-Int	23-43-2	17-26-1
Return Yards	19	61
Punts-Avg	4-44.5	5-41.2
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	5-19	8-61
Time of Possession	31:49	28:11

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Auburn, Evans 8-69, Ru Johnson 17-47, Cartar 1-9, Leard 1-(minus 2), Klein 1-(minus 3), Florida, Graham 19-169, Gillespie 11-45, Grossman 5-(minus 23).
PASSING—Auburn, Leard 17-30-1-158, Klein 6-13-1-50, Florida, Grossman 17-26-1-238.
RECEIVING—Auburn, Evans 4-45, Diamond 4-42, Green 3-25, Robinson 3-24, Daniels 3-22, Ru Johnson 2-21, Willis 1-10, Worthy 1-10, Carter 1-6, McIntyre 1-3, Florida, Gaffney 5-84, Caldwell 3-91, Gillespie 3-19, Walker 2-27, Haugabrook 2-10, Frazier 1-9, Graham 1-(minus 2).

MAC Title

Marshall 19, Western Michigan 14

Marshall	3	10	0	6 — 19
W. Michigan	0	0	7	7 — 14

First Quarter
Mar—FG Jenkins 20, 9:41.
Second Quarter
Mar—FG Jenkins 30, 4:51.
Mar—Watts 44 pass from Leftwich (Jenkins kick), 1:37.
Third Quarter
WMU—Neal 22 pass from Welsh (Selent kick), 0:47.
Fourth Quarter
WMU—Bush 41 pass from Welsh (Selent kick), 12:52.
Mar—Cooper 29 pass from Leftwich (pass failed), 6:14.
A—24,816.

	Mar	WMU
First downs	23	18
Rushes-yards	31-70	32-86
Passing	358	264
Comp-Att-Int	29-45-0	23-34-1
Return Yards	31	1
Punts-Avg	6-37.2	6-35.2
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-30	3-15
Time of Possession	31:13	28:47

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Marshall, Wallace 19-79, Leftwich 7-6, Carey 2-2, Team 3-(minus 17), W. Michigan, Sanford 19-67, Woods 4-21, Selzer 2-7, Welsh 5-2, Neal 2-(minus 11).
PASSING—Marshall, Leftwich 29-45-0-358, W. Michigan, Welsh 23-34-1-264.
RECEIVING—Marshall, Poole 7-58, Foye 6-74, Watts 4-94, Washington 4-29, Cooper 3-63, Carey 2-13, Wallace 2-1, Kellett 1-26, W. Michigan, Neal 10-93, Alston 4-32, Bush 3-58, Afariogun 2-51, Wolverton 1-17, Sanford 1-6, Selzer 1-4, Woods 1-3.

Army-Navy

Navy 30, Army 28

Army	7	0	7	14 — 28
Navy	10	10	7	3 — 30

First Quarter
Army—Wallace 65 run (Mullen kick), 12:44.
Navy—FG Hills 23, 7:12.
Navy—Broadwater 45 run (Hills kick), 2:53.
Second Quarter
Navy—B.Williams 32 pass from Broadwater (Hills kick), 11:24.
Navy—FG Hills 32, 7:12.
Third Quarter
Navy—Wimsatt 3 fumble return (Hills kick), 3:22.
Army—Woodruff 7 blocked punt return (Mullen kick), 1:27.
Fourth Quarter
Army—Bruenton 23 pass from Zervic (Mullen kick), 8:57.
Navy—FG Hills 27, 5:32.
Army—Miller 21 pass from Zervic (Mullen kick), 2:44.
A—70,685.

	Army	Navy
First downs	15	20
Rushes-yards	31-134	68-297
Passing	145	88
Comp-Att-Int	13-30-2	7-13-0
Return Yards	205	81
Punts-Avg	4-32	6-38
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	3-2
Penalties-Yards	9-72	5-35
Time of Possession	20:41	39:19

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Army, Wallace 19-159, Holden 4-29, Jenkins 1-(minus 3), Stancil 1-(minus 5), Woodruff 2-(minus 9), Gerena 1-(minus 13), MacElroy 2-(minus 22), team 1-(minus 2), Navy, Broadwater 23-121, Reese 9-78, Bock 7-38, Lambert 12-34, Haines 7-24, McDonald 2-7, Fricks 1-3, Malinowski 4-3, team 3-(minus 11).
PASSING—Army, Zervic 9-15-1-99, Gerena 4-15-1-46, Navy, Broadwater 7-13-0-88.
RECEIVING—Army, Bruenton 3-40, Thompson 2-31, Miller 2-25, Dodson 2-19, Holden 1-21, Comeaux 1-11, Stancil 1-(minus 1), Wallace 1-(minus 1), Navy, B.Williams 2-38, Sims 2-14, Bock 1-18, Hubbard 1-13, Bailey 1-5.

D II & III Playoffs

NCAA Division II
By The Associated Press

Quarterfinals
Saturday, Nov. 25
Delta State, Miss. 20, Catawba, N.C. 14.
Bloomsburg, Pa. 38, Northwood, Mich. 14.
North Dakota State 43, Nebraska-Omaha 21.
UC Davis 62, Mesa State, Colo. 18.

Semifinals
Saturday, Dec. 2
North Dakota State (12-1) at Delta St., Miss. (12-1), noon.
Bloomsburg, Pa. (11-2) at UC Davis (12-0), TBA.

Championship
At Braly Municipal Stadium
Florence, Ala.
Saturday, Dec. 9

NCAA Division III
By The Associated Press

Quarterfinals
Saturday, Dec. 2
Mount Union, Ohio 32, Wittenberg, Ohio 15.
Widener, Pa. 61, Springfield, Mass. 27.
St. John's, Minn. 21, Central, Iowa 18.
Hardin-Simmons 33, Trinity, Texas 30.

Semifinals
Saturday, Dec. 9
Mount Union, Ohio (12-0) vs. Widener, Pa. (12-1).
St. John's, Minn. (12-1) vs. Hardin-Simmons, Texas (12-0).

Stagg Bowl
At Salem, Va.
Saturday, Dec. 16
Semifinal winners, Noon.

HSU-Trinity

Hardin-Simmons 33, Trinity 30

Trinity	16	0	7	7 — 30
HSU	7	7	13	6 — 33

First Quarter
TU—Loving 1 run (kick failed), 11:00.
TU—FG Stiles 21, 7:04.
HS—Rogers 13 pass from Jones (Howard kick), 4:30.
TU—Cheatham 10 pass from Munto (Stiles kick), 1:30.
Second Quarter
HS—Rogers 3 pass from McCasland (Howard kick), :43.
Third Quarter
HS—Tibbetts 17 pass from McCasland (pass failed), 9:04.
TU—Cheatham 8 pass from Hampton (Ross kick), 6:47.
HS—Donham 6 pass from McCasland (Howard kick), 2:58.
Fourth Quarter
HS—Lemberg 63 pass from McCasland (kick failed), 3:56.
TU—Urban 11 pass from Hampton (Ross kick), 2:07.
A—3,341.

	TU	HS
First downs	31	19
Rushes-yards	26-95	31-131
Passing	503	290
Comp-Att-Int	36-63-0	23-36-2
Return Yards	4	6
Punts-Avg	5-26.6	6-37.8
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-65	6-55
Time of Possession	29:53	30:07

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Trinity, Boyce 15-73, Milligan 5-13, Loving 2-5, Hampton 4-4, Hardin-Simmons, McCasland 1-(-5), Hurst 9-40, Wood 7-39, Jones 3-2, Pharo 1-0.
PASSING—Trinity, Hampton 35-61-0-493, Munro 1-2-0-10, Hardin-Simmons, McCasland 18-26-1-263, Jones 5-10-1-27.
RECEIVING—Trinity, Urban 12-178, Hunt 9-93, Munro 5-78, Respondek 5-63, Boyce 2-61, Cheatham 2-18, Milligan 1-12, Hardin-Simmons, Rogers 6-106, Lemberg 5-107, Donham 5-29, Tibbetts 4-34, Fleetwood 1-14, Hurst 1-2, McCasland 1-(-2).

Frogs start search for new football coach

Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Texas Christian turns its sights now to finding a successor to football coach Dennis Franchione, who announced Friday that he was leaving TCU to coach Alabama's Crimson Tide.

The search may not go far. The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported in its Saturday editions that TCU defensive coordinator Gary Patterson appeared to be the leading contender to succeed Franchione.

The newspaper quoted unidentified TCU sources as saying Patterson will be one of the first in line to be interviewed.

"My name is in the hat," Patterson said.

Patterson, who has coached under Franchione for the past five seasons, met with Provost and Vice Chancellor William Koehler on Friday, the sources told the newspaper. Koehler took the lead role in hiring Franchione in late 1997.

At least another person on Franchione's staff, running game coordinator and running backs coach Mike Schultz, also was expected to be interviewed, the newspaper reported.

A national search expected to be completed by the middle of next week, though TCU athletic director Eric Hyman would not commit to a date on naming Franchione's replacement.

"As soon as possible or however long it takes," Hyman told the Star-Telegram on Friday afternoon when asked about a timetable.

A small advisory committee of members of the Lettermen Association, the TCU board of directors and former TCU football players, also are involved in the search.

"This was anticipated," Hyman told the Star-Telegram. "I have a list. You've got to always be ready."

Others on the list include Kansas State defensive coordinator Phil Bennett, Southern Mississippi head coach Jeff Bower, Western Michigan head coach Gary Darnell, Texas A&M running backs coach Pete Hoener, Auburn offensive coordinator Noel Mazzone, Arizona Cardinals interim coach Dave McGinnis and Marshall head coach Bob Pruett.

Patterson, 40, was the architect of TCU's defense, which led the nation in total and scoring defense this season. Franchione admitted it would be hard to lose Patterson.

"If you get a chance to be a head coach, you do it," Franchione said. "But as far as I'm concerned, if he's not the head coach here, he's the defensive coordinator at Alabama."

Under Schultz, Tomlinson led the nation in rushing the past two seasons. Schultz, 42, served as the assistant head coach under Franchione for six years at New Mexico and has expressed the desire to be a head coach.

SOONERS: Oklahoma goes Orange

(From 1C)

Heupel, in his final Heisman Trophy push, overcame a season-high three interceptions, completing 24 of 44 passes for 220 yards. The Sooners' defense held the Wildcats to just 239 yards — 185 yards below their average.

"I think our defense may have been the story of the game," Stoops said. "It was pretty special. You hold them to 239 yards for the day? That's pretty strong."

Heupel threw a 1-yard TD pass to Trent Smith in the first half, ran 7 yards for a score in the third quarter and hit Andre Woolfolk with a 17-yard scoring pass 36 seconds into the final period to put the Sooners ahead 24-17.

Tim Duncan kicked his second field goal of the game, a 46-yarder with 1:25 left that proved to be the winning points.

K-State's Jonathan Beasley threw a 16-yard TD pass to Quincy Morgan with six seconds left, but the Sooners recovered the onside kick and ran out the clock as fans in the crowd of 79,655 tossed oranges onto the field.

"We'll enjoy this one for a day or two," Heupel said. "It's been a long season and a great ride so far. I think everyone will get to enjoy this one and then we'll go get another one."

A Sooners-Seminoles Orange Bowl creates the possibility for split national champions.

Florida State is ranked No. 3, behind No. 2 Miami (10-1), in both the AP media poll and the coaches poll. It is conceivable that if the Seminoles beat the Sooners and the Hurricanes win their bowl, the AP media poll could vote Miami No. 1 while the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll would be obligated to crown the Seminoles champions. Miami beat Florida State 27-24 on Oct. 7.

Also, No. 4 Washington (10-1) could be considered if the Huskies, who beat the Hurricanes 34-29 this season, beat Purdue in the Rose Bowl.

The BCS standings use the two polls, eight computer rankings, schedule strength and number of losses to determine the teams for its title game.

With the Orange Bowl set, the three other BCS games were busy finalizing their matchups. The Fiesta Bowl, which has the next two selections after the Orange Bowl, was expected to go with No. 5 Oregon State (10-1) against either No. 11 Notre Dame (9-2) or Miami.

The Sugar, with SEC champion Florida (10-2) as its host team, would be left with either the Irish or the Hurricanes, or it could go for No. 6 Virginia Tech (10-1). The Gators beat Auburn 28-6 Saturday in the SEC title game.

The Rose Bowl matches No. 4 Washington (10-1) against No. 14 Purdue (8-3).

Kansas State (10-3), which fell to 2-19 against Top 10 teams under coach Bill Snyder, appear headed to either the Cotton or Insight.com bowl.

"I hope Oklahoma wins the national championship for the Big 12," Snyder said. "We just weren't good enough to make a difference in the game tonight."

With the score tied at 17, Heupel led the drive that saved the Sooners' season. He hit Smith for 28 yards and, after a 12-yard pass interference call against safety Jarrod Cooper, Quentin Griffin took a pitch and ran 22 yards on fourth-and-1 to the Wildcats 1. On the next play, Heupel found Woolfolk open across the middle and hit him in stride in the end zone.

"That was just some Oklahoma football of old," Stoops said of Heupel's pitch to Griffin. "We haven't forgotten totally about the option."

Before the Sooners start thinking about the Seminoles, they're just happy to have made it through the Big 12 title game with their second win this season over Kansas State.

Twice in the first four years of this game, the league's national-title contending team lost and fell out of the championship chase. Texas stunned Nebraska in 1996, and Texas A&M beat Kansas State in double overtime in 1998.

Beasley finished 12-of-28 for 106 yards, while the Sooners held K-State to 133 yards rushing.

With the stakes never higher for the Sooners, the top-ranked team looked jittery in the first half but came away tied at 10. Safety Roy Williams recovered a fumble by Beasley on the fourth play of the game at the K-State 27.

Blazers beat Rockets

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Damon Stoudamire didn't intend to dominate the scoring for the Portland Trail Blazers in the fourth period, it just happened to be his turn.

"That's just the way it worked out. Every game someone on this team has to step up, and tonight I was able to have a good game," Stoudamire said after scoring 15 of his 31 points in the fourth period to lead Portland to a 96-85 victory over the Houston Rockets Saturday night.

Stoudamire scored 13 consecutive points in the final 3:30 and finished with a season-high.

"Tonight I was able to get into the lane a lot. We all had a lot of energy tonight," Stoudamire said.

Portland Coach Mike Dunleavy praised Stoudamire's performance.

"Damon did a great job and he played in the attack mode all game," Dunleavy said. "Almost the only shots he missed all game were a couple of layups."

Stoudamire connected on 10 of 17 from the field and 10 of 11 free throws.

Rasheed Wallace scored 22 points, including 17 in the second half, and Dale Davis added 11 for Portland.

Steve Frances led Houston with 24 points. Maurice Taylor and Cuttino Mobley each scored 12.

Francis lamented Houston's 18 turnovers.

"We just made some bad decisions. We turned the ball over a little bit too much in clutch situations," Francis said. "We did it to ourselves."

Portland had 11 turnovers, a season low for a Houston opponent.

Houston opened the fourth period with a 17-4 run and closed within 76-75 with 6:50 remaining. Francis scored seven of 17 in the run.

A 3-point shot by Wallace and a pair of free throws by Stoudamire gave the Trail Blazers an 81-75 lead with 4:49 to go.

Stoudamire scored seven straight to give Portland a 90-82 lead with 1:19 left. After a 3-point shot by Mobley, Stoudamire hit two more baskets and a pair of free throws to seal the victory.

"We were able to make Houston play come-from-behind, and it is always difficult to play catch-up all game," Stoudamire added.

Houston took a 14-10 lead with 4:21 left in the first period before Portland scored five straight for it's first lead, 15-14. The Rockets led 22-21 after one quarter.

Portland led 30-26 with 8:24 left in the second period. Houston went on a 12-3 run that was highlighted by seven points from Moochie Norris. The Rockets took a 38-33 lead with 4:03 left in the half.

The Trail Blazers used a 13-6 spurt for a 46-44 lead at halftime.

Portland led 54-50 with 8:18 left in the third period before launching a 16-2 scoring run, including 12 straight points by Wallace, for a 70-52 advantage.

Francis scored five points in the final minute of the third period but Houston faced a 72-58 deficit entering the fourth quarter. Notes: Houston is 7-2 season when converting more 3-pointers than their opponent, and 4-0 when scoring at least 100 points ... Hakeem Olajuwon needs 16 points to reach 26,000 for his career. He will join Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Wilt Chamberlain, Moses Malone and Elvin Hayes as the only NBA players to score 26,000 or more points and record 13,000 or more rebounds ... Portland is 10-2 when it shoots 45 percent or better from the field ... Rasheed Wallace has scored 20 or more points in 10 of Portland's 18 games. ... Scottie Pippen has 2,010 career steals. He is only the seventh player in NBA history to record 2,000 or more steals.

Trinidad stops Vargas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Felix Trinidad Jr., who couldn't stop Fernando Vargas with two first-round knockdowns, beat him with three knockdowns in the final round of a wild junior middleweight championship showdown Saturday night.

Trinidad also was knocked down in the fourth round and was penalized two points for low blows while Vargas was penalized one point for low blows in a fight that had a sellout crowd at Mandalay Bay Event Center roaring.

Trinidad retained the WBA 154-pound title and won the IBF championship.

After being knocked down in the fourth round, Trinidad dominated the rest of the fight, although the younger Vargas fought back gamely. He just couldn't handle Trinidad's punishing left jabs and sharp left hooks and rights to the head.

Trinidad knocked Vargas down with a right hand and left hook to the head 29 seconds into the final round. Vargas got up quickly, then went down from another left hook. Again he got up quickly, but with 1:28 left in the round, Trinidad knocked Vargas down with a right to the head and referee Jay Nady stopped the fight. The time was 1:33.

It looked as if the 27-year-old Trinidad would end the fight in the first round. Vargas came storming out to meet Trinidad and was dropped with a left hook with the round only 23 seconds old. Twenty-two seconds later, another hook put Vargas down.

Trinidad did not, however, press the attack and Vargas lasted the round. It was the first knockdowns of Vargas' career.

For Trinidad, it was the eighth time he has gotten up to win. The former IBF-WBC welterweight champion from Puerto Rico scored his 32nd knockout in boosting his record to 39-0.

Vargas, of Oxnard, Calif., who will be 23 on Thursday, had said that if he knocked Trinidad down, it would be all over. But the only thing the knockdown seemed to do to Trinidad was make him more determined.

Trinidad landed a low blow in the third round and Nady gave Vargas a 75 seconds to recover, but he did not penalize Trinidad.

Nady, however, took a point from Trinidad in the fourth round for a low blow and gave Vargas about a minute to recover. He also penalized Trinidad a point for a low blow in the seventh round.

In the 10th round, it was Vargas' turn to be penalized a point.

The ninth round was a tremendous round, with both fighters being credited with landing 32 punches, although Trinidad seemed to land the harder blows.

In the final three rounds, Trinidad outlanded the tiring Vargas 63-36. At the end of the fight, Trinidad's right eye was swollen from being thumbed in the fourth round, while Vargas was badly marked about both eyes.

All three judges had Trinidad leading after 11 rounds. Duane Ford of Nevada had it 103-100, Stanley Christodoulou had it 104-100 and Glen Hamada had it 104-99.

The AP favored Trinidad 105-98.

"That was my toughest fight," Trinidad said. "He hit me with a good left hook and he hurt me a little, but I was in great condition and I'm a great champion and I came back.

"I was worried and I was afraid it would come to a disqualification." Trinidad said of the low-blow penalty."

Vargas left the ring without being interviewed.

It was another Olympian effort for Trinidad, as Vargas became the fourth U.S. Olympic boxer to lose to the Puerto Rican. He also has beaten gold medal winners Pernell Whitaker, Oscar De La Hoya and David Reid. Vargas got to the second round in the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.

Hull's two goals lead Stars

PHOENIX (AP) — Brett Hull scored two goals and Derian Hatcher had three assists in the Dallas Stars' 5-2 victory over the Phoenix Coyotes on Saturday night.

The victory, which snapped a two-game losing streak, was the Stars' first in three tries against the Coyotes this season.

Jamie Langenbrunner, Brenden Morrow and Roman Lyashenko also scored for Dallas, which is 4-0-1 in its last five games in Phoenix. Landon Wilson and Wyatt Smith scored for Phoenix.

Langenbrunner opened the scoring 17:41 into the game on a power play. Hatcher fired a shot from the left point and Langenbrunner tipped it past Phoenix goaltender Robert Esche.

Morrow made it 2-0, scoring off a rebound of Hatcher's shot just 1:07 later.

The Stars went up 3-0 with 25 seconds left in the first period. Hull flipped a shot from below the right circle. Esche stopped it but gave up the rebound to Lyashenko, who had an easy score.

Hull got his first goal at 8:15 of the second period, scoring on a wrister that went through Esche's pads.

Phoenix finally scored at 12:45 of the second period on a drive by Wilson. The Coyotes made it 4-2 at 15:50 of the second period. Smith picked up a loose puck at the red line and beat Stars' goalie Ed Belfour from the right circle on the move for a short-hander.

Hull closed out the scoring with a goal at 2:46 of the third period, his 15th of the season.

Esche, coming off a shutout victory over Minnesota, played in his second straight game.

The Coyotes played without third-leading scorer Shane Doan, who suffered a hyperextended knee Wednesday night against Minnesota. He is listed as day-to-day.

Notes: Claude Lemieux, who signed a free-agent contract with the Coyotes Saturday, might make his debut when the Coyotes play host to Vancouver on Wednesday. ... The visiting team is 6-0-2 in the last eight games played between Dallas and Phoenix. ... Phoenix goalie Sean Burke sat out his second straight game with a sore elbow.

Agassi, Kuerten reach final

Associated Press

LISBON, Portugal (AP) — Gustavo Kuerten rallied to oust defending champion Pete Sampras and will finish the year a No. 1 in the world if he can beat Andre Agassi in the final of the Masters Cup.

In a thrilling, see-saw semifinal, Kuerten fought back to win 6-7 (5-7), 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 today. Sampras climbs to world No. 1 for the season-ending tournament for a record sixth time.

In the first semifinal Saturday, Agassi beat Marat Safin 6-3, 6-4 to reach his second straight final in the event that features the top eight players in the world.

If Agassi beats Kuerten in Sunday's final, Safin will finish the year No. 1 in the world despite his defeat.

Kuerten lost to Agassi in the round-robin portion earlier this week.

"For me, it's amazing," said Kuerten, who overcame hamstring and back problems during the match.

"I was so nervous, but I stayed there. I fought a lot. Beating Pete is special. It almost like I won the tournament already," Kuerten said. He has lost both previous matches against Sampras.

Sampras, 29, has been the dominant player of the decade and was playing in his eighth straight season final. Sampras finished the year a No. 1 for six straight seasons, between 1993 and 1998. He won last year's final against Agassi. Agassi still finished the year a No. 1.

"It just played to bigger points a little bit better than I did," Sampras said. "I was 1-for-5 on break points, it's just bad luck."

"He's a tough guy to serve against because he stands so far back and returns well. More impressive was his serve," he said.

Two double faults by Kuerten gave Sampras a break of serve and a 2-0 lead in the opening set, but Kuerten battled back to save two set points before the tiebreaker. In the tiebreaker, Kuerten again saved two set points, but a service winner finally gave Sampras the set.

It was Kuerten who took a 2-0 lead in the second and he stayed ahead, hitting an ace for set point and converting when Sampras netted a forehand.

The Brazilian saved four break points in the second game of the decisive set, pumping his fists with every winner.

Two sloppy volleys by Sampras allowed Kuerten to break serve with a forehand winner and to serve for the match.

A netcord gave Sampras two break points, but Kuerten saved the first and then reached another netcord to put away a winner. A service winner gave Kuerten his first match point and he fired his 14th ace to win the match.

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Booster Clubs...

The **Midland High Girls Softball Booster Club** will meet the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. in Conference Room A at Midland High School. For further information please contact David Askew at 686-7025 or 664-0212.

The **Lee High Softball Booster Club** is meeting the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Lee cafeteria. For more information, call Tommy Thompson at 694-5432 or Tommy Kuykendall at 694-6215...

The **Midland High Soccer Booster Club** will meet at 6 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month in Conference Room A at Midland High School. Anyone interested in supporting the girls or boys programs at Midland High at invited to attend. For more information, call Curt Pervier at 684-0993...

The **Lee High Boys and Girls Basketball Booster Club** will meet the first and third Mondays of each month in the Lee cafeteria at 7 p.m. All Runnin' Rebel and Lady Rebel basketball supporters are urged to attend...

The **Midland Lee Soccer Booster Club** will meet in the library at 7 p.m. on Dec. 4, Jan. 8, Jan. 22, Feb. 5, Feb. 19, March 5, March 19, April 2 and May 7. For more information, call Darrell at 915-687-1127 ...

Football...

The Reagan County Independent School District has a head football coaching opening. Reagan County is a Class 2A school. Anyone interested in the position may call Ron Mayfield at 1-915-884-3705...

Volleyball...

The **University of Texas of the Permian Basin** will hold an open tryout for volleyball players on Dec. 3. Any interested players should contact coach Steve Aicinena at 552-2675, or fax him at 552-3675...

Needs games...

Trinity is looking for basketball games for junior varsity and varsity girls on Dec. 5; seventh and eighth grade boys and girls (Nov. 30, Jan. 22, Jan. 25, Jan. 29); eighth grade boys and girls (Jan. 11); and seventh and eighth grade boys (Jan. 20).

Basketball...

The YMCA girls junior high basketball registration is underway for girls in the seventh and eighth grades. The cost is $25 for members and $38 for non-members. Contact the Central YMCA for more information at 682-2551.

YMCA Youth Basketball registration is underway. The league is for boys and girls in grades K-6. League play begins Jan. 3. Registration deadline is Dec. 6. Program fee is $25 for YMCA members and $38 for non-members. Call 682-2551 for more information.

Baseball...

The **Midland Winter Camp** will be held Dec. 27-29 at Zachry Field. The cost is $40 per day or $100 for all three days. Sessions for players aged 7-12 will be held fom 9-30 a.m.-noon, and sessions for players 13-18 will be held from 1:30-4 p.m. For more information, call coach Barry Russell at 689-1337, 689-1100 or 570-6681...

Lone Star Baseball/Softball is conducting an evaluation camp for baseball and softball players in Brenham Dec. 16-17. Each athlete will be evaluated and will be tutored on how to approach college coaches and be seen. Camps are open to all high school athletes. For more information, call Frank Dorner at (281) 469-6721...

Red Raider Holiday Camps for baseball players from age six up through high school seniors are scheduled for December at Texas Tech. A session for players 6-13 is scheduled for Dec. 16 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. with registration at 8:30 a.m. at the athletic training center. Sessions for players 14 and up are scheduled for Dec. 29-30. A pitchers and catchers camp will be the 29th and a hitters camp will be the 30th. For more information, call Greg Evans at (806) 742-3355...

Softball...

Midland JAG, a competitive 12-under girls softball team will conduct tryouts this fall for the spring season. Any girl born in 1988 or 1989 is eligible to play. Call Shannon White at 699-1948 or David Wright at 699-5238 for information...

The University of Oregon Duck Softball Camp comes to Midland for players 12-under on Dec. 16 and for players 13-up on Dec. 17. Oregon softball coach Rick Gamez and his staff will run the camp. There is a $50 fee. Call Freddie Ezell at 694-5508 for more information...

Fast-pitch umpires are needed to work high school softball games in West Texas. Towns include Alpine, Andrews, Big Spring, Coahoma, Colorado City, Fort Stockton, Greenwood, Hermleigh, Kermit, Lamesa, Midland, Monahans, Odessa, Pecos and Snyder. For more information, call Mack and (915) 520-5961 or Freddie at (915) 694-5508...

Tennis...

The **Midland Tennis Club** will hold the following tournament: mixed doubles, Jan. 20-21. For more information, call Darlene Gifford at 563-1333...

Running...

The **Permian Basin Road Runners Club** is a non-profit organization for runners living in West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. The club, which promotes distance running as a helpful exercise and a competitive sport, is a member of the Road Runners Club of America and the Athletics Congress. Membership is open to all runners regardless of experience. For information, call Greg Hubbard at 520-0953 or Penny Wasem at 697-6391. Web site is www.pbrrc.com.

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Classes on Saturdays begin at 8:15 a.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. COM provides all necessary equipment. Cost is $45 per month, $65 for a couple. For information, call Jeni Wood at 684-7755...

COM Aquatics - Learn to Swim year round lessons for both children (3 years of age or older) and adults wishing to learn to swim or improve technique. Private or group lessons (limit four students per instructor) are available. Children are grouped by age and ability. A session normally consists of eight 30-minute lessons. Please call 684-7755 for more details...

The **COM Masters Swimming** is Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5-6 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m. Cost is $40 per month and includes stroke instruction and cardiovascular training. Call 684-7755 for more information...

COM Diving offers a full range of diving instruction from beginning lessons to elite team training and competition. All ages and ability levels are invited to participate. Lessons are offered at various times. For information, call 684-7755...

The Midland YMCA offers **year-round 30-minute swim lessons** for parents and children and 45-minute lessons for youth. For more information, call Leaf Faller at 682-2551...

Midland YMCA is offering **water aerobics classes,** including Hydro-fit and Deep Water aerobics. Classes are available both morning and evening. Call Leaf Faller or Deborah Posson at 682-2551 for more information...

Cycling...

The **Permian Basin Bicycle Association** meets monthly — at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month — at the Knights of Columbus Hall at the intersection of FM 1788 and WCR 602. Rides are held weekly, including Tuesday & Thursday at 6 p.m., fast/hard ride from corner of Loop 338 and State Highway 191 in Odessa; Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's Bikes in Midland (beginner's ride); Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. from Peyton's (medium and fast paced groups); Saturday at 7:30 a.m. from Loop 338 & Highway 191 in Odessa; Sunday at 7:30 a.m., breakfast ride from Golden Corral in Odessa; Sunday at 2 p.m., Flag Ranch Ride Mountain Bike Ride. Membership dues are $25 or $30 for a family. Call Peyton's Bikes at 699-1718 for more information.

Soccer...

The **University of Texas of the Permian Basin** is starting an intercollegiate women's soccer team in the fall of 2001. The team will participate in the NAIA as part of the Red River Athletic Conference. A coach is expected to be hired soon. Individuals interested in coaching should contact athletic director Steve Aicinena at (915) 552-2675 or fax a resume to (915) 552-3675.

Archery...

An **Indoor Archery** facility, with targets mounted in front of Celotex boards to protect your arrows from damage, is now ready for use at 2900 W. Front. The building can host parties and has foosball, ping pong, pool and air hockey games. Indoor Archery opens at 6 p.m. daily. For a limited time, $5 can buy unlimited use. Call 528-4478 for more information...

MC: Lady Chaps romp past Tyler

(From 1C)

allowed them so many second- and third-chance shots. They're good inside and they rebound well. But had we done a better job on the offensive boards, we would've gotten our fast break going."

The Lady Chaps responded in the second half and clawed back to tie the game at 42-42 on a layup by Loren Mostacilla with more than seven minutes left in the game. Both teams traded leads in the closing minutes until a 10-4 run by the Lady Chaps at the end of the contest sealed the victory.

"In the second half we came out, played defense and we went to work on offense," said sophomore Lady Chap point guard Kanedra Wilson. "We were a little lackadaisical in the first half. We had to come back in the second half and pick it up."

The Lady Chaps now have wins over No. 2 Utah Valley State, No. 6 Tyler Junior College and No. 13 Trinity Valley this season and that should only give them confidence for the rest of the season and into Western Junior College Athletic Conference play in January.

"I think Trinity, Tyler and Utah Valley are among the top six-seven teams like we are, so I think it's a big win for us," Jones said. "Plus it was at home and we've got to win those kind of games at home."

"Trinity Valley and Tyler beat Midland every year and finally we beat both of them in the same weekend," said MC sophomore post Chanovia Rhodes, who led the Lady Chaps with 13 points. "It's exhausting but at the same time it's exciting. Just to see the smile on Coach Jones' face was well worth it. We gave this win to him really.

"Us beating this team proves to us that we could beat any team if we put our minds to it."

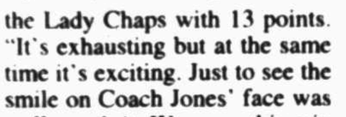
No. 1 Midland College 62, No. 6 Tyler Junior College 53

Tyler (10-2): Keena Moore 1-10 5-6 7, Ty Wady 3-7 3-4 9, Aysha Smith 5-10 4-6 14, Bertha Collins 1-3 2-2 4, Kelvona Lincoln 1-3 2-2 4, Cin'e James 4-12 1-2 9, Shelonda Pipkin 3-9 0-1 6. **Totals 18-66 17-22 53**

Midland College (11-1): Loren Mostacilla 3-13 2-2 8, Linda Martin 1-2 2-3 4, Delilah Gray 0-1 0-0 0, Heidi Lange 3-6 0-2 8, Amisha Carter 3-7 0-3 7, Kanedra Wilson 1-7 7-8 9, Courtney Feegler 1-1 0-0 2, Veronique Alsee 0-1 4-4 4, Chanovia Rhodes 4-8 5-6 13, Sylvia Butler 0-7 1-2 1, Charlie Sutherland 2-3 1-2 6. **Totals 18-66 22-32 62**

Halftime: TJC 32, MC 23. **3-point goals:** MC 4 (Lange 2, Carter 1, Sutherland 1). **Total Fouls:** TJC 27, MC 19. **Fouled Out:** Smith, Collins. **Turnovers:** TJC 20, MC 13. **Rebounds:** TJC 33 (Smith 12), MC 38 (Mostacilla 8, Rhodes 8, Butler 8). **Technical fouls:** MC bench.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Policy Advisory Committee for the Midland-Odessa Regional Transportation Study (MORTS) will meet in the offices of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission at 2910 LaForce Boulevard, Midland International Airport at 8:30 a.m., Friday, December 8, 2000, to conduct the following business

1 Call the meeting to order

2 Consider the minutes of the previous meeting (October 27, 2000)

3 Discuss proposed revisions to the 2000-2002 Transportation Improvement Program and consider recommendations from the Steering Committee

4. Discuss the proposed draft 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program and consider any comments received during the November 30 public meeting and or the 10 day comment period

5 Consider adopting the draft 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program for the Midland-Odessa Urbanized Area

6 Discuss the Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program (STEP) that has been scheduled and determine if the Steering Committee should pursue the proposed project and which entity should be the lead agency

7 Discuss Federal Transit Administration funds that are available to Midland and to Odessa for implementation of a transit system

8 Hear a status report on significant and on-going projects

9 Consider date(s) for future meeting(s)

10 Consider old business

11 Consider new business

12 Adjourn

For additional information, interested persons should call Jerry Tschauner at 915.563.1061 or Gary Law at 915/498.4712

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NOTICE TO PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST CLAUDE L MILBURN, SR

NOTICE is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of CLAUDE L MILBURN, SR Deceased, were issued on November 21, 2000, in Cause No P-12,943 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to PRISCILLA ANN MILBURN, the residence of such Executrix is Midland, Texas

All persons having claims against the Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law

DATED this the 27th day of November, 2000

BY: ROY L. BELL
426 N. Texas
Odessa, Texas 79761
State Bar NO. 02100000
Attorney for the Estate

REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSAL

Region 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting Request for Sealed Proposals (Proposal #00-11-0001) for one (1) Compaq Server. Address Sealed Proposal #00-11-0001 to Mr. Gary Bond, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580, Midland, Texas 79711 for overnight delivery the mailing address is 2811 LaForce Blvd, Midland, TX 79706. Proposals will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m. December 14, 2000. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained beginning November 27, 2000 at Region 18 ESC or by calling Gary Bond, Purchasing Agent at (915)567-3259. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Permian Basin Community Centers is seeking proposals for the provision of Occupational Therapy services for clients of Infant Stimulation Early Childhood Intervention Program. Clients served reside in the following counties: Midland, Ector and Pecos. Providers may select the county(ies) in which they desire to provide services.

The initial contract period shall commence March 1st, 2001 and continue through February 28th, 2002. An option to renew for an additional two-year period may be offered based on satisfactory performance.

A copy of the Request For Proposal (RFP) may be obtained by submitting a written or faxed request for the RFP to:

Permian Basin Community Centers
Quality Management
401 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
Contact:
Connie Stevenson
Phone: 915-570-3333
Fax: 915-570-3348

Proposals must be received no late than 2:00 p.m. December 27th, 2000. Proposals received after the date will not be accepted. Faxed proposals received after this date will not be accepted. Proposals will be acknowledged at this time.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Midland Independent School District will receive Quotes or Proposals until 10:00 a.m. December 14, 2000, at the Purchasing Office, 615 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701. Bids will be opened at 10:00 a.m. December 14, 2000. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained at the Purchasing Office, 615 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701, (915) 688-1752.

90 Legal Notices

CAUSE NO. FM 36,960

IN THE MATTER OF THE MARRIAGE OF CHARLIE ELLIS PATTESON and JUDITH ANN INNES

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

TO: Judith Ann Innes, and to all whom it may concern, Respondents.

GREETINGS

YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Charlie Ellis Patteson, Petitioner was filed in the County Court at Law of Midland County, Texas, on the 16th day of August, 2000, against Judith Ann Innes, Respondent, numbered FM-36,960, and entitled In The Matter of The Marriage of Charlie Ellis Patteson and Judith Ann Innes. The suit requests a divorce.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for the division of property that will be binding on you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the Court at Midland, Texas, this the 29 day of November, 2000.

Vivian Wood
Clerk of the District Court of Midland County, Texas

By: Sylvia Baca, Deputy

REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSAL

Region 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting Request for Sealed Proposals (Proposal #00-11-0003) for thirty-four (34) Cisco WC3810 Routers. Vendor must be an authorized Cisco dealer. Purchase of this item will be contingent upon Region 18 Education Service Center receiving E-Rate funding for the next funding year (July 2001 through June 30, 2002). Address Sealed Proposal #00-11-0003 to Mr. Gary Bond, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580, Midland, Texas 79711 for overnight delivery the mailing address is 2811 LaForce Blvd, Midland, TX 79706. Proposals will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m. December 14, 2000. Proposals opened and read aloud. Any bid received after opening time will be returned unopened. Specifications may be obtained by calling (915)567-3259. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW, IN AND FOR MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

IN RE: The Adoption of a Related Child

WENDEL GREGORY STOKES, Adoptive Father and
TINA MARIA STOKES, Biological Mother
Petitioners
VS. No. AD32,265
RONALD DAVID WESTBROOK, Biological Father
Respondent
and in the interest of
DAVID JACOB WESTBROOK, a child under fourteen (14) years of age
and NICOLE RENEE WESTBROOK, a child under fourteen (14) years of age

NOTICE

To: Ronald David Westbrook, Respondent, and to all whom it may concern, Respondents.

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by publication a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Wendel Gregory Stokes, Petitioner was filed in the Court of Midland County, Texas on the 21st day of September, 2000, against Ronald David Westbrook, Respondent, numbered AD32,265 and entitled In the Matter of The Adoption of your children David Jacob Westbrook and Nicole Renee Westbrook. The suit requests adoption of said children and the irrevocable termination of your parental rights to said children and such other and further relief as Petitioner may justly be entitled.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree terminating your parental rights and granting the adoption of David Jacob Westbrook and Nicole Renee Westbrook to the Petitioner and any such judgment entered will be binding on you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas, this the 2 day of November, 2000.

VIVIAN WOOD
Clerk of the District Court of Midland County, Texas

By: Lone Enriquez, Deputy

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF HENRY BYRNE O'NEILL, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Testamentary Letters upon the Estate of Henry Byrne O'Neill, deceased, were issued to the undersigned on November 9, 2000, by the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending, and that I, as Independent Executor, and the attorney, both reside in Midland County, Texas. All persons having claims against the said Estate are required to present them to me within the time prescribed by law, at the address given below, or to my attorney, Gary L. Bond, P.O. Box 1540, Midland, Texas 79702, at the same address. Claims must be presented in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated November 9, 2000.

Mary Louise O'Neill
Independent Executor of the Estate of Henry Byrne O'Neill, Deceased
Cause No. P-12,977, in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

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OPEN ENROLLMENT NOTIFICATION

Permian Basin Community Centers (PBCC), a Community MHMR Center operating as a unit of local government, serving residents of Brewster, Culberson, Ector, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Midland, Pecos and Presidio counties is in need of mental health, mental retardation, chemical dependency, and early childhood intervention services. PBCC is interested in contracting with qualified physicians for the delivery of **Pharmacological Management and/or Initial Psychiatric Evaluation** services to children/ adolescents enrolled in mental health services who reside in the following counties:

Ector - Approximately 80 children/ adolescents
Midland - Approximately 80 children/ adolescents
Brewster, Culberson, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Pecos and Presidio- Approximately 50 children/ adolescents

Psychiatric Evaluation (CPT code 90801)- An initial face-to-face evaluation of a Covered Individual for the purpose of making a diagnosis and determining appropriate treatment and services, including an appropriate regimen of medication for the Covered Individual. The evaluation includes a discussion with the Covered Individual (and relevant family members, with the Covered Individual's consent) of the diagnosis and treatment recommendations. The risks, benefits and side effects of each recommended medication are to be explained and written informed consent obtained for each one. The evaluation includes documentation of all findings and must include all of the following:

1) History of the present illness
2) History of emotional, physical, sexual abuse (victim or perpetrator)
3) Past psychiatric history
4) Medical history
5) Relevant Developmental history
6) Family and social history
7) Substance abuse examination
8) Full five (5) axis DSM-4 diagnosis (with codes), including GAF score
10) Initial treatment plan

Pharmacological Management (CPT code 90862)-

Enrollment applications can be obtained at 401 E. Illinois, Suite 310, Midland, Texas. For further clarification please contact Connie Stevenson at 570-3333. Applications must be received before December 27th, 2000 5:00 p.m.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for PEST CONTROL SERVICES for Midland Memorial Hospital, Midland, Texas.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital, 400 West Illinois, Midland, Texas, 79701.

Vendor must be authorized dealer. Purchase of this item will be contingent upon Region 18 Education Service Center receiving E-Rate funding for the next funding year (July 2001 through June 30, 2002). Address Sealed Proposal #00-11-0002 to Mr. Gary Bond, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580, Midland, Texas 79711 for overnight delivery the mailing address is 2811 LaForce Blvd, Midland, TX 79706. Proposals will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m. December 14, 2000. Proposals opened and read aloud. Any bid received after opening time will be returned unopened. Specifications may be obtained by calling (915)567-3259. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSAL

Region 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting Request for Sealed Proposals (Proposal #00-11-0002) for one (1) Compaq Server. Vendor must be an authorized Compaq dealer. Purchase of this item will be contingent upon Region 18 Education Service Center receiving E-Rate funding for the next funding year (July 2001 through June 30, 2002). Address Sealed Proposal #00-11-0002 to Mr. Gary Bond, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580, Midland, Texas 79711 for overnight delivery the mailing address is 2811 LaForce Blvd, Midland, TX 79706. Proposals will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m. December 14, 2000. Proposals opened and read aloud. Any bid received after opening time will be returned unopened. Specifications may be obtained by calling (915)567-3259. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "PROPOSAL #44-[illegible]-2000 ENCLOSED"

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED PROPOSALS FROM RESPONDENTS BE ACCEPTED

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE MATERIALS MANAGER BY 2:00 P.M. Thursday, January [illegible], 2001

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PUBLICLY OPENED UNTIL [illegible] 2001

All proposals are subject to [illegible] Award to be made to the lowest responsible bidder. Reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals or parts thereof.

Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 West Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701

Notice of Sex Offender Registration
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Midland, Texas, will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 6, 2000 for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence, and labor for constructing certain improvements at Scharbauer Sports Complex, Midland, Texas. These improvements are contained in the plans and specifications entitled "City of Midland, Texas, Scharbauer Sports Complex Stadia Construction," dated December 2000.

Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after opening time will be returned unopened.

The principal items of work are set forth in specific detail in the proposal section of these specifications; however, the work items to be generally described as construction of a new football and baseball field complex, [illegible] and amenities.

[illegible] all labor, equipment, and other miscellaneous materials, equipment, machinery, supervision, and incidentals necessary for the complete and satisfactory construction of the work as shown on the plans and specifications, and as directed by the Engineer.

[illegible] expressly understood and agreed that the Contractor has satisfied himself by personal examination of the location of the proposed work and by such other means as he may prefer, as to the accessibility of the site, the character of the work to be performed, the character, quantity, and kind of materials which are to be encountered, and the character of equipment and facilities needed for the prosecution of the work. Submission of a proposal will be considered prima facie evidence that the Contractor has made such examination.

[illegible] shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or parts thereof, to waive any informalities in the proposals received, and to accept the proposal which, in its opinion, will be in the best interest of the City.

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Centennial Lodge #1448 1600 W. Wall NO MEETING 12/02/00 GRAND LODGE IN SESSION Wayne Reddin, W/M Bob Ellwood, Sec.

Midland Masonic Lodge #623 1600 W. Wall Reg. stated meetings 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:30 pm Paul M. Thompson, W/M Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Midland Chapter #253 Order of Eastern Star 1600 W. Wall 12/12-Christmas Mtng 7:30pm No Mtng 12/26 WM Verla Carpenter WP Tom Carpenter

115 Announcements

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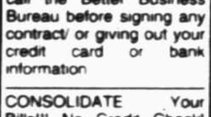
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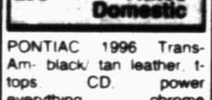
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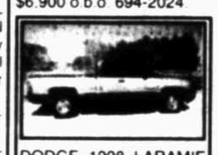
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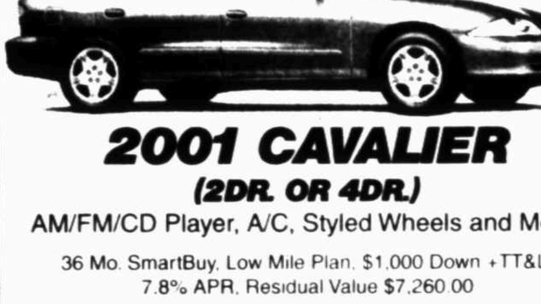
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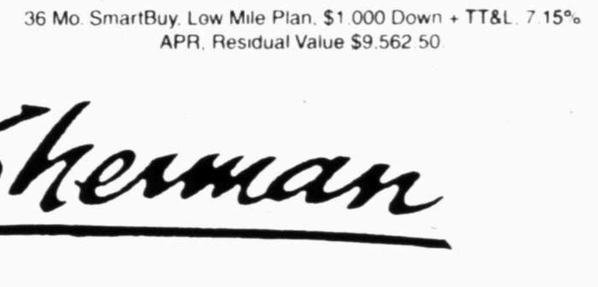


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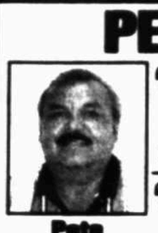
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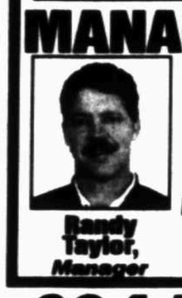
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FORD 1970 Winch Truck- 1 ton, dual tires, 390 V8, chrome wheels, power steering, headers, clean, mechanically sound. $1,650. 682-7587.

CHEVROLET 1970 1/2 ton pickup, V8, 3 speed, $2,500 obo. Call 686-8271.

FORD 1978 RV Van, fully contained, 69K, ready for hunting, fishing, etc. $1,500. 694-0798.

VOLVO 1986 740 Turbo 4 door, power windows, 164K miles, medium blue, tan interior, sunroof, new turbo. $3,500. 620-6064, 520-5723.

240 Motorcycles

1976 YAMAHA 500 Enduro. Lots of new. Good condition! $900 obo. Call 689-4430.

1982 XR HONDAS, 2- 80cc, 1- 100cc, Excellent, original owner. $2,000. Mark 684-7702 685-1285.

1998 HONDA Shadow Ace 1100cc. 2 tone yellow & ivory windshield, cobra exhaust, 2,000 miles, showroom condition. $7,000. 682-3147.

HONDA 1978 GOLDWING GL 1000- Saddle bags, farring. Lots chrome! Must sell! $1,700. 522-2520.

YAMAHA 2000 BLASTER 200, 2 stroke, excellent condition, new tires and sand tires. $2,950. Please call 570-6884.

245 Trailers Utility

5X8 WELLS CARGO, less than one year old. $1,200. 694-0326.

WELLS CARGO Concession trailer. Triple sink, hot water heater, water tank with pump, air conditioner and heater. $7,500. Call 694-4915.

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250 Recreational Vehicles

1970 COLEMAN POP-UP with AC for $600. Call 697-1607.

2000 40' LUXURY 5TH Wheel. 2 bedroom, 2 slide outs, 2 A/Cs, washer/ dryer $26,200. 561-5771.

NOMAN 1994 Centrury 5th wheel. 35' with super slide. $4,000 below blue book. $16,000. 685-1046.

HOLIDAY RAMBLER 1996 Endeavor LE- 37' 460 Ford, 18k miles, many extras. $48,500. Call 553-4905 or 682-5846.

1988 WINDCRUISER, 33', loaded, jacks, ice maker, camera, air bags, new tires. Driver/ passenger doors, 57K miles, $20,500 o.b.o. 689-4721.

1994 FOUR WIND 29' Class C. 460q, 100" wide, forward facing couch, queen island bed, convection microwave, A/C, 4K generator, many customs. $22,500. Lets talk 689-6620.

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1984 SOUTHWIND, 27', sleeps five, two A/Cs. Fully self contained. Excellent mechanical condition! Many extras! $12,000. 697-5033.

TRAVELCRAFT motor home, 22', excellent condition, self contained, generator, 460 engine. $14,500. obo. Call 550-7644.

260 Boats & Motors

1991 19 1/2' CAJUN BASS boat, tandem trailer, 200 HP Johnson, front/ back Sonar, spare tire, trolling motor, $7,750. 694-4915.

1998 VIPER 201D, 20' 3", 225 HP Johnson, dual console, lots of extras, like new. $22,000. 685-0979.

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290 Parts & Accessories

CHROME NERF bars- Double step, fits 97- 99 Tahoe. $130. 689-4200 or 661-4529 ask for Les.

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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.

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Attention Readers:
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Community Service Aide (CSA)- Odessa
Community Service Aide/ Secretary, Odessa
Counselor Assistant, Midland and Odessa
Van Driver, Odessa

For details call our job line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701. E.O.E.

→NEW TODAY←

·COMPANION CARE PROVIDER NEEDED

Loving Care Giver needed to live with Mentally Retarded client. Quiet, peaceful home provided with good pay for qualified person. Good driving record required.

Applications available at:
3701 Big Spring, Midland or
3128 Kermit Highway, Odessa
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Earn up to **$.38** a mile! We pay actual routed miles NOT HHG!
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When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to:
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c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
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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.

CASHIER WANTED, small convenience store- full or part time. Ideal for students, seniors and others. Call 699-0997 after 3, leave message.

→NEW TODAY←
CHILD CARE Teachers- working Monday through Friday 2:30pm to 6:00pm. Apply in person: 2300 Butternut Lane. EOE.

→NEW TODAY←
Cooks- AM & PM
For great opportunities in the hospitality Industry for experienced cooks, Apply or fax resume to 915-683-0447.
Human Resources (eoe)
Hilton Midland & Towers
117 West Wall Street, Midland, TX 79701

DELIVERY DRIVER needed immediately. Excellent driving record required. Must be 21 years or older. Neat appearance necessary. Apply in person 315 North Colorado.

DOLLAR RENT A CAR
Part time/ Full time positions available for service agents and shuttlers. Apply only at 11125 West County Rd. #117. No phone calls please!

DRIVER WANTED- Limousine service. Viable hours, must have safe driving record, retirees encouraged to apply. Part time. Call 522-3115 ask for B.J.

↓HIRED↓
DRIVERS WANTED with CDL license with Class A & B. Call xxx-xxxx.

DURABLE Medical Equipment Company needs Delivery Driver/ Equipment Tech. Must be bilingual and have clear driving record. Send resume to: Go West, 3952 E. 42nd, #242, Odessa, TX 79762.

FULL-TIME and part-time cashiers and maintenance personnel needed for all shifts; apply in person at Warfield Truck Stop, 10400 I-20, Midland, TX 79711.

EARN EXTRA $$$ for Christmas. Midland Park Mall is seeking sharp individuals to provide customer assistance at our Marketplace during the Christmas season. Requirements include strong communication skills and the ability to perform multiple tasks simultaneously. Starting wage is $6.38 per hour. You may pick up an application at the Mall Management Office next to J.C. Penny.

ESTABLISHED OIL Field Service Company looking for slick line operators assistant/ rigger. Our liability insurance requires good driving record and over 21 years of age. Must be able to pass drug test. Good benefits, salary DOE. Call 563-5231 between 8:00- 5:00 weekdays only.

→NEW TODAY←
EXPERIENCE CABLE Installer needed must be able to climb towers, heavy lifting required, have your own tools, computer experience a plus. Fax resume to 570-4655 attention Melissa Luera or call 570-0314.

EXPERIENCED Help needed to care for the elderly. Reliable transportation and telephone a MUST. All shifts available, M & J Sitter Service, 580-6523, 4500 W. Illinois, Building 2.

EXPERT DETAIL now accepting applications for detail positions. No experience necessary, will train. Advancement opportunities. Must have valid driver's license. Apply in person 1307 South Midland Drive.

EXTRA MONEY for your evenings: hiring clean cut individuals to assist with parties through the holidays. Tux shirt and bow tie a plus. To EnergiPersonnel, 4400 N. Big Spring, Ste. #202, ReMax Bldg. 683-7277.

Fire Watcher/ Hole Watcher
Local Midland Company looking for very dependable fire/hole watcher. Salary $8.00. Temp position that should last 3 to several months. Training will be provided. Please call
Personnel
Never a Fee!
682-0033

FOR RESUMES That get results call 699-1919. Professional. Fast. Affordable.

FRONT DESK Night Auditor. Start $6 per hour. Apply in person at Comfort Suites, 4706 N. Garfield.

FURNITURE UPOLSTRER needed, must have experience, paid holidays and vacation for more information call 683-2935.

PURCHASE/ WAREHOUSE
No experience necessary, we will train while you learn shipping/ receiving, and forklifts. Computer knowledge helpful. Excellent salary benefits and promotions. High school diploma grads ages 17- 34 with high school diploma. Relocation required. 1-800-292-5703, Monday-Friday, 8:00am- 4:00pm. Local interviews available.

$$$$Immediate Openings$$$$
Looking for a job that pays more than what you currently make? If you have experience you can earn much more! We are currently looking for service/ equipment operators with or without CDL License for ***Schlumberger*** of Midland. If you are career minded, "clean-cut", hard working, dependable, and like to make lots of money - apply now! Benefits start from day 1! Savings & Profit Sharing Plan (401K), Discounted Stock Purchase Plan, Pension Plan, Medical Insurance (Health, Dental, Optical, Life & Accident, Disability, and Long-Term Care), Paid Vacation and Holidays, Tuition Reimbursement, Scholarship Programs, and Credit Union Privileges are just some of the benefits you will enjoy. These are direct hire positions!

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915-570-8666 915-570-8505 FAX
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FT/ PT Public Safety Officer opportunities are available. Benefits include:
- Competitive salary with pay advances, benefits for FT
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- Training skills include emergencies and investigations
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Don't miss this exciting opportunity. Apply in person at the Mall Public Safety office. Membership requires clear criminal history, valid D.L., AND HS/GED. C02811 EOE.

Express Personnel Services Have The Following "JOBS" Available For You
- Well-site Geologist/Mudloggers
- Maintenance Technicians- Large Midland Company Needing experience maintenance person.
- Computer Operators
- General Labor

Please apply at 111 S. "B" Street, Midland, Texas or call 570-8666

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE
Seeking enthusiastic, self-motivated individual for our winning office team. Only applicants with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn need to apply. Training, medical benefits and career growth opportunities provided. Applicants with excellent customer service skills are encouraged to apply. Insurance background and bilingual skills are a plus. Apply: Titan Auto Insurance, 426 Andrews Hwy., Midland, TX 79701, phone (915)687-3313, fax (915)687-3318. Titan Auto Insurance is a subsidiary of Prudential & Casualty. E.O.E.

GENERAL LABORERS needed for construction, shophands, etc. work boots needed, $6.00 and up. Applications taken at 4400 N. Big Spring, Ste. #202, ReMax Bldg. 683-7277.

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HAIR STYLIST LEASE station available immediately. High traffic, centrally located salon. Call Kelli 694-2517 9:00-3:00. Monday- Friday.

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Data Entry
Major oil and gas company looking for good data entry person. $7.00 hour on this temp to hire position. Safety experience A+. Call
Preferred Personnel
684-5900 No Fee
★★★★★★★★★

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Records Clerk
General office duties, making copies, sending faxes, simple data entry, and heavy numerical filing. Long term temp assignment $7 hour. Call
Preferred Personnel
684-5900 No Fee
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Holidays are here!
GREEN TREE COUNTRY CLUB
Is Now accepting applications for servers. Must be 18 years of age or older & able to work split & weekends as necessary. Apply in person only:
8:00- 11:00, 2:00- 5:00
Ask for Susan or Steve. 4900 Green Tree Blvd. EOE. M/F/D/V

INDIVIDUAL NEEDED to install truck accessories- grill guards, steps, tool boxes, etc. Experience required. Apply in person at 1400 West Florida, Dan Fender Tire & Truck Accessories.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
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La Bodega Restaurant is taking applications for Experienced Line Cook and Dishwasher. Apply in person 2700 North Big Spring.

WANTED EXPERIENCED Machinist must be able to cut threads. Salary & benefits based on experience. Needed immediately. Location Midland. Call 915-570-7577 is set-up interview.

Laborers Needed
4 to 5 positions available for a Midland area. General Laborers, concrete demolition crew for basic construction site. Local company needs dependable hard workers. $8.00- $10.00/ hours depends on experience. Please call
Personnel
682-0033
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LET'S TALK AVON
No Fee through 1/ 3. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

LOCAL MOVING Company needs experienced Furniture movers. (915)553-1464.

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MECHANIC for late model vehicles. Must have all tools, transportation, dependable. 520-0204.

MICHAEL'S Charcoal Grill now hiring experienced short order cook & cashier. Apply in person only 9:00 am- 11:00 am. 723 West Wadley.

MURRAY'S DELICATESSEN seeking friendly waitstaff and cooks. Apply in person at 3211 W. Wadley.

NOW HIRING Dishwasher and Servers. The Garlic Press, Oak Ridge Square, Wadley at Garfield. Apply in person.

NOW HIRING for Waitstaff at Bamboo Garden Restaurant, 4400 N. Midland Drive. Apply in person.

PART TIME Child Care needed in church nursery. Responsible person with experience. Apply at FPC, 800 W. Texas.

CFI Hiring OTR Company/ Student/ Owner Operators. Company with one year experience start at 32¢ per mile. Students earn $50 per day. O/O start at 80¢ all miles. For more information call 1-800-CFI-Drive.

Driver
If you are the Spouse or other, of an over the road Truck Driver, we will teach you to drive a "Big Rig" with an automatic transmission in just 2 weeks! Interested please call
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RELIABLE and experienced drain cleaner needed for plumbing company. Must have good referenced, neat appearance and good driving record. Apply at 1005 W. Industrial between 8:00am- 5:00pm. 683-3224.

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IMMEDIATE Opening for An experience swimming pool maintenance & repair person. Must have good driving record. XXX-XXXX.

V.I.P Employment Services 686-9722
Industrial Workers needed. Long/ short term assignments.

PRIVATE DUTY
Home Care Positions Available for
CNA's, HHA, LVN's, COMPANION -SITTERS & LIVE-IN's
Apply at:
CARE PARTNERS
4305 N. Garfield
Apex Plaza, Suite 262, Lobby C
9 am to 4 pm Monday - Friday
Competitive Salary
1-915-620-9316

→NEW TODAY←
UNITED BLOOD SERVICES
Hospital Service Representative- Midland
United Blood Services in Midland now has one full time Hospital Services Representative position available. High School graduate of GED equivalent preferred. Good communication and customer relation skills in order to deal effectively with customer. Detail oriented to ensure accuracy of paperwork. Physical ability to lift, bend, stretch and reach. Must be knowledgeable in operating a personal computer and possess a valid driver's license and acceptable driving record. On-call and various shifts including evening and weekends. For consideration, please come by 200 Airport Plaza (air terminal location) in Midland between 8 am- 5 pm Monday through Friday. Non-smoking facility. EOE. M/F/V/D

→NEW TODAY←
·REGISTERED NURSE NEEDED IN ODESSA, TX
Texas RN License required. Some on-call responsibilities required. Assist in the delivery of medication services to clients. Coordinate medical and non-medical aspects of a client's treatment. Conduct staff training. Inform eligible or potentially eligible individuals about Medicaid covered services and how to access them. Perform program planning, policy development, and coordination. Salary $2,512 per month.
For details call our job line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701. E.O.E.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF NURSING
Parks Methodist Retirement Village in Odessa, TX, a non-for-profit provider of skilled nursing and LTC services, is seeking an RN for the position of ADON. The successful candidate will be knowledgeable of LTC and SNF policies, MDS's, Medicare, Medicaid, posse's strong management and inter-personal communication skills, and be willing to work with an exceptional team of LTC professionals. Professional development and growth opportunities are available with our expanding organization. Excellent salary and benefit package. Send resume to Cheryl Cummins, Director of Nursing, Parks Methodist Retirement Village, 111 Parks Village Drive, Odessa, TX 79765 or fax it to (915)563-9204.

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- LVN staff nurse
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Masters degree in Exercise Physiology or related field required, ACSM Health Fitness instructor or Exercise Specialist certification preferred. Three years of fitness & exercise leadership and supervision required. Must be well organized, able to manage all types of individuals and serve as a leader. Job duties include day to day operations of adult fitness program, monitoring and directing staff and interns and assisting with external activities such as outreach programs and education.
UniversityMedicalCenter
Department of Human Resources
602 Indiana Ave. Lubbock, TX 79415
806/743-1959 E.O.E. www.teamumc.org
E-mail resume to bwilson@teamumc.com

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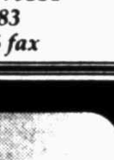
→NEW TODAY←
SERVICE TECHNICIAN
2 full-time, permanent positions. Must have some experience with digital ignition systems on 2 and 4 cycle engines along with working knowledge of operation of engine and compressor lubrication systems. Pay DOE + benefits. To apply, come by Manpower at 4000 N. Big Spring, Ste. 113 in the EOG Resource building.

TELEMARKETER/ APPOINTMENT SETTER NEEDED
Looking for a motivated, self- disciplined individual with good communication skills to set appointments form home. Will have the potential to earn $300-$500 + per week based on performance. We will supply leads. This position has growth potential as well as bonuses. Must have phone and be able to start immediately. Will train right person. Please call 522-1750 for an interview.

TRINITY TRANSPORTATION
of Odessa currently has OTR driver positions available from the Odessa/ Midland area. Starting pay is $.28 per mile, loaded/ empty, and we average 2800-3500 per week. We also offer weekly pay with advances. Minimum requirements are: Class A CDL, 6 months experience, good driving record, and must be willing to stay out 12- 14 days. 888-517-7981.

WAITPERSONS needed at Green's Restaurant. Call 682-2132, from 9 am to 11:30 am and from 1 pm to 2 pm for interview.

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311 Medical Help Wanted

$100.00- $300.00 Nurse Bonuses!! * RNs: $25 to $45 * LVNs: $18 to $36 * Medical/ Dental/ 401K/ Life. Fax Resumes to 550-9398 NURSEFINDERS, 550-9399. E-mail us at NFOdessatx@cs.com & register to win a trip to CANCUN!!!

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Looking for more $$$$ and Hours???
RN's up to **$23/ hour**
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Immediate Openings, Per-Diem Shifts, Weekly Pay!
800-756-6877

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LEA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

LRMC is a 250- bed acute care facility located in Hobbs, New Mexico. We have immediate openings for

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Lea Regional
Registered Nurses
L&D, ER, MICU, OR
(*Minimum one-year of experience in area of interest to qualify for bonus)

Other Nursing Positions:

Head Nurse Surgical/ Post Partum/ Nursery,
Head Nurse Medical, Nursing Supervisor,
Staff Nurse TCU/ Rehab, Medical

Other Hospital Positions:

- **Dietitian**
- **Radiographer**
- **Medical Records Manager**
- **Cardiovascular Ultrasound Tech**
- **Nuclear Med Tech**
- **MT or MLT**
- **Hospital Director of Information Services**

At Lea Regional Medical Center, our vision is to work with the employees and physicians to build a health care center that is focused on the well being of people, that is patient oriented, that offers the most advanced technology and information systems, that is financially sound, and is synonymous with quality, cost effective health care.

If you possess the necessary qualifications and desire to be part of this exciting vision, please contact the Human Resources Department at 5419 N. Lovington Highway in Hobbs, or call (505)492-5007, fax (505)392-1044.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Permian General Hospital located in Andrews, Texas is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

RN- ICU/ ED- FULL TIME- 7am to 7pm- experience preferred

RN/ LVN (MED/ SURG)- FULL TIME- 11pm to 7am experience preferred

RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGIST- (Relocation/ Sign on bonus) Graduate of accredited school of Radiologic Technology. Current ARRT Registry and Texas State Licensure. Evening Shift.

HOUSING/ LAUNDRY SUPERVISOR- FULL-TIME- experience preferred

CENTRAL SUPPLY CLERK

Comprehensive benefit package with competitive salaries. Send resume or fax to:

Sandy Bufler
Director of Human Resources
Permian General Hospital
P.O. Box 2108
Andrews, Texas 79714
915/523-2200 ext. 203 or fax 915/523-2048
EOE

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MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL is currently recruiting for the following positions:

Nursing positions:

RN	LVN
Medical/ Surgical	Urgent Care Center- PT
Oncology	Family Clinic- PT
ICU/ CCU	
Rehab	
Telemetry	
Pediatrics	

Radiology positions:

● Radiology Tech	FT/ PT/ PRN
● Nuclear Medicine Tech	FT
● Ultrasound Tech	FT
● Special Procedures Tech	FT
● Mammography TechPT	

Other positions:

● Programmer/ Analyst	FT
● Respiratory Therapist	PRN
● Admissions Representative	PRN
● Electrician	FT
● Physical Therapy Aide	PRN
● Physical Therapist	PRN

We offer a competitive compensation and benefit package that includes health, life and dental insurance and paid retirement.

Please send resume to, or apply at:

Midland Memorial Hospital
Attn: Human Resources
2200 W. Illinois
Midland, TX 79701
915-685-1539
FAX: 915-685-6934
EOE

Trinity Haven Healthcare
Is Currently Hiring:
● LVN's
2:00- 10:00
Monday- Friday
Earn one weeks pay in 2 days.
● CNA's
All shifts
Please apply:
Monday- Friday,
8:00- 5:00
3203 Sage.

DON- Director of nursing position available. Small 89 bed nursing facility seeks RN with long term experience & management experience preferred. Benefits available. Salary & moving expense negotiable. Pecos Nursing Home, Pecos, TX. Contact Chandra Wiltz Interim Administrator 915-447-2183 or 1-800-588-2183.

311 Medical Help Wanted

LVN
PRN & FT Temp

Wexford Health Sources, Inc. has a temporary FT LVN position and PRN opportunities available for the **Midland County Detention Center**. Wexford offers a competitive rate. For consideration, contact Andrea Busbee at **1-915-688-1214** or fax your resume to **915-682-0392**.
EOE

HIRING OPTICAL tech- Must have experience & pretesting, contact lenses & dispensing. Mail resume to 2101 N. Midland Dr., #8, 79707.

MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST wanted for busy office lab. Benefits. Send resume to: PO Box 4186, Midland, TX 79704.

311 Medical Help Wanted

NEEDED IMMEDIATELY Licensed PTA. Call Chiropractic Center at 697-1643 to set up an interview.

NOW HIRING E.M.T.'s all levels. Call Texas West Ambulance 570-4892 or fax resume to 520-2501.

→NEW TODAY←

Occupational Therapist

Full time or PRN for Midland/ Odessa. Please fax resume to Alliance Care @ 800-471-3750 or call Shay at **888-783-4300.**

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Full-time position available; Graduate of an accredited school of Nursing; Texas license required; PACU experience required.

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J. Rick Brown
Director of Human Resources
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Texas Works Advisor Trainee

The Texas Department of Human Services is accepting applications for a Texas Works Advisor Trainee position in Midland. Salary is $1812 per month. Reference Job Posting #RC-096-00-219. Minimum qualifications require 60 semester hours from an accredited college or university. Some professional experience may be substituted.

We do not accept resumes or faxed applications. Please pick up application and a copy of the job posting at 901 W. Wall or a Texas Dept. of Human Services office located in your area. To ensure consideration, applications must be in the Abilene Human Resource Services office no later the December 13, 2000. Mail your application to P.O. Box 6635, Abilene, Texas 79608. Questions regarding this position may be directed to our Abilene Human Resource Services office at 915-690-2216. We are EOE.

Midland Surgical Associates, P.A.
is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions:

Medical Secretary/ Transcriptionist
Position requires medical terminology and typing proficiency, computer and communication skills, and familiarity with all types of insurance. PPO's and HMO's.

Vascular Tech
Position requires sonography and doppler proficiency in the performance of carotid and lower extremity evaluations, segmental pressures and PVR's. Computer, communication and people skills a must.

Office Hours Monday- Friday, 8:30- 5:30. Excellent benefits which include health insurance, vacation and sick pay, retirement plan. Send resume to: Box J-5008, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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Director of Accounting/ Controller
Detailed working knowledge

Detailed working knowledge of all accounting processes, strong analytical skills, computer proficiency (especially spreadsheet applications) required; degree preferred.
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(915)333-4901
FAX (915)580-0091

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HOSPICE OF MIDLAND INC. is seeking a Licensed Social Worker (LSW) to provide direct care to our patients. Bilingual a plus. No phone calls please. Send resume to Hospice of Midland, Inc., P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702. EOE.

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Full-time position available on our Mabee Health Care Unit and also PRN position available on the John F. Younger Special Care Unit. Long term care experience required. Must be licensed in Texas.

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HOUSEKEEPING
One full-time position available for a housekeeper.

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One PRN position available for a janitor.

Manor Park, Inc. is a Drug Free Workplace, offers competitive salaries and benefits, uniform allowance, 13 days time off with pay per year, credit union membership, and 401K. Applications may be completed at 2208 N. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX 79701 in the Human Resources Department. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE. Fax 915-694-2551. Manor Park, Inc. is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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THE UPTON County Sheriff's Department is taking applications for the position of Deputy Sheriff until December 31, 2000. Basic Certification required. For more information contact Sheriff Dan W. Brown or Chief Deputy Bob Tims at (915)693-2422, 205 E. 10th, Rankin, TX, or send resume to Upton County Sheriff's Department, P.O. Box 27, Rankin, TX 79778.

American Diabetes Association.
National non-profit health agency seeks individual to support the implementation of fund raising and program activities in assigned communities. Provides support to community volunteers to ensure achievement of established goals. Excellent interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills as well as marketing and selling skills. Salary $25K- $30K. Please fax resume to 806-794-1394 or mail to
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PART- TIME Legal Secretary wanted. Come in mornings or afternoons, 20+ hours per week. Must be proficient and use of dictation equipment, Windows 95, Corel WordPerfect 7, HP Laser Jet Printer. Send resume, including typing speed and salary requirements. P.O. Box 10506, Midland, 79702.

REAGAN COUNTY ISD is accepting applications for the head football coaching position. Please contact Ron Mayfield, superintendent, at 915/884-3705 for information or to obtain an application.

TEACHERS/ Degree required, experience necessary. Also Instructional Assistants- Positions begin in January. Submit resumes to Midland Academy Charter School, 1900 North Big Spring Street, Midland, TX 79705.

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Traffic Director
Must have computer experience. Responsible for daily broadcast logs. Input advertising contracts, material and instructions. high school diploma or general degree and one year broadcast related experience preferred. Please send resume to Mary Massengill at P.O. Box 4716, Odessa, Texas, 79760. Clear Channel Communications is an equal opportunity employer.

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Engineer V/Project Manager

TNRCC is accepting applications for an Engineer V/Project Manager position in the Agency's Superfund Program, Posting #01040, Monthly Salary $3518- 4116, **Open Until Filled.** Minimum Qualifications: Texas Professional Engineer's license plus six years of full-time general engineering experience or five years of full-time environmental engineering experience. A master's degree in engineering, basic science, mathematics, environmental science or related fields from an accredited college or university **(COPY OF OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT ATTACHED TO APPLICATION REQUIRED)** may be substituted for one year of the general engineering experience. A doctorate degree in engineering, basic science, mathematics, environmental science or related fields from an accredited college or university **(COPY OF OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT ATTACHED TO APPLICATION REQUIRED)** may be substituted for two years of the general engineering experience. OR One year of full-time experience at TNRCC as an Engineer IV. **Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a completed application.** The employment history section of the application must be completed. Mailed applications must be sent to Human Resources Division, MC 116, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087. State of Texas application forms and additional information are available at the TNRCC Human Resources Division located at 12100 Park 35 Circle, Bldg. A, (512)239-0102. Fax (512)239-0111. EEO/AA/ADA/Employer.

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NON-PROFIT BRANCH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Prevent Blindness Texas, a statewide health service organization has an excellent opportunity for the position of Permian Basin Executive Director. College graduate. Experience to include 3-5 years of fund raising with special emphasis on fund development, special events, & planned giving. CFRE a plus. Salary commensurate with experience. Send resume with references and salary history to: Executive Director, Prevent Blindness Texas, P.O. Box 130485, Houston, TX 77219 or fax to 713-529-8310. EOE. Email: PBTXHOUSTON@compuserve.com. Web Site: www.preventblindness.org/TX

→NEW TODAY←

CASEWORKER I/II/III

Texas Youth Commission, West Texas State School Facility, is seeking a qualified caseworker to perform case management, assessment, planning, treatment and release functions for youth ages 10-18. Minimum requirements: BA/BS in behavioral/ social science, Criminal Justice, or Family Relations OR Unrelated BA/BS, two years direct at risk childcare supervision. Salary $1,921 to $2,436 monthly depending on education/ experience. Liberal benefits package. Employment contingent on successful completion of training/ physical requirements. This position is subject to mandatory drug screening with acceptable results. Apply on ST of TX Application for Job WTS-01012 by December 14, 2000 by 5 P.M. to

West Texas State School
P.O. Box 415, HR
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RECEPTIONIST

CygNet Automation, Inc. a rapidly- expanding oil and gas automation software company is accepting applications for the position of receptionist. The successful candidate will need to possess the following:

- Minimum 3 year experience as a receptionist and/ or secretary
- Be proficient in Microsoft Office
- Professional dress and pleasant telephone voice
- Some college preferred
- Should be responsible, self-motivated and able to work unsupervised

Excellent compensation and benefits package

Please submit resume to:
HR Insights
Fax 915-620-8705

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Responsibilities include but are not limited to coordinating the development of HealthNet's healthcare distance education programs for existing and new market areas, research and converge new production technologies and teaching methodologies, and develops policies and procedures to ensure customer service excellence and operational efficiency & effectiveness. Requires Bachelor's Degree in Broadcast Television Production, Distance Education, Health Care Administration or related field. Master's preferred. Requires three to five years experience in supervisory and leadership positions in broadcast television production, healthcare continuing education, or related field. Beginning annual salary $38,388. Apply at TTUHSC Office of Human Resources, 3601 4th Street, Room 1B-110, Lubbock, Texas 79430 or call (806)743-2865 for application.

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www.ttuhsc.edu
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Saulsbury Engineering & Construction

Is looking to recruit a qualified Mechanical Engineer to lead the Mechanical Engineering and Design Group. The successful candidate will have a minimum of 15 years experience in the petrochemical industry, with experience in the control of staff, discipline estimates, vessels, rotating equipment and piping. Knowledge of materials would be an advantage. The successful candidate will be expected to take full charge of the Mechanical department, which includes responsibility for all piping work in addition to both static and rotating equipment.

Contact Saulsbury Engineering at 915-366-3686
Or fax Resume to 915-366-6952

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TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE FACILITIES DIVISION

Has the following unit maintenance position available at the Smith Unit located in Lamesa, Texas.

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Annual salary $29,232 plus benefits. Minimum qualifications: Graduation from an accredited high school or GED. Five (5) years full-time, wage-earning experience in plumbing or pipefitting work. Must posses or be able to obtain a Level II Distribution and Collection certification within one year of employment. Plumbing license preferred.

Applicants must submit a State of Texas Application for Employment to TDCJ- Facilities Division Human Resources, ATTN: Terri Hall, One Financial Plaza, Suite 302, Huntsville, TX 77340 by 5:00 PM on ***December 12, 2000*** A complete job description and all application forms may be obtained at the above address or by calling the Facilities Division Human Resources Office at (936)437-5585

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SERVICE COORDINATOR NEEDED IN ODESSA, TX

Bachelor's degree in psychology, social work or related field required. Ensure quality of services through planning, accurate documentation, coordination, direct service provision, and quality review. Facilitate Medicaid eligibility determination, make referrals for, coordinate and monitor the delivery of services. Inform eligible or potentially eligible individuals about services and how to access them. Salary $2,031 per month.

For details call our job line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701. E.O.E.

WANTED SAFETY PROFESSIONAL

Safety position available with local oil & gas production company. Position will be filled and start on: 01-01-01

Requirements:
- 3 years minimum in safety position
- Drilling rig and well service
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- Conduct safety meetings & training
- Good driving record

Benefits:
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- Vacation & holidays
- 401K program

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Care Coordinator- Alpine
Clinician- Midland and Odessa
Parent Coordinator- Midland
Receptionist- Alpine
Registered Nurse- Midland and Odessa
Service Coordinator- Odessa

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POSITION AVAILABLE FOR:

Executive Director of Economic Development Corporation and Chamber of Commerce for Denver City, Texas

Submit resumes, references and recommendation letters prior to December 22th, 2000. Parties selected for interviews will be notified prior to January 1, 2001. Interviews to be scheduled between January 1 and January 5th.

For more information contact Myrl Sientz, Interim Chamber Director, Denver City, Texas, 806-592-5424. Mail, fax and/or e-mail resumes and up to three letters of recommendation plus up to five references to Denver City Chamber of Commerce, 120 N. Main Street, Denver City, Texas 79323. Fax #806-592-7613. E-Mail: dccoc@hiplains.net

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Director of Facilities Services

The Director for Facilities Services/Security assumes responsibility for administering and directing a program to maintain the building and grounds; insure availability of all utilities required to operate the hospital; insure a safe and efficient operation which meets all JCAHO requirements and administer planning/construction activities for the hospital. Must be familiar with building maintenance techniques and equipment, commercial construction techniques, operation of plumbing, electrical and HVAC Systems, and be informed on Fire and Safety regulations and codes. Should be familiar with work and limitations of various crafts. Good verbal and written communication skills are needed. Bachelor's Degree or equivalent in education and experience required. A minimum of five years experience in building maintenance and construction management with demonstrated leadership and management skills. Hospital experience preferred.

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Contract/Gas Acquisitions Assistant: Involved in support of gas contracting and acquisition. Prefer candidate with Associates degree or equivalent experience. Works with various databases, runs reports (e.g. Margin Report, New Connect Report, Low Volume Disconnect Reports) and complies and calculates summary data in spreadsheets, etc. Prepares other reports and documents and contracts; handles mail-outs, answers phones, tracks progress on projects, issues notifications. Strong clerical and organizational skills and some familiarity or knowledge of leases and/or contracts. Good PC skills including Word and Excel; ability to handle multiple assignments; good interpersonal skills and customer focus.

Right of Way (ROW) Assistant: Involved in support of various facets of right of way, handling of claims, property taxes and real estate. Assists in performing ownership research, setting up, reviewing and providing status reports on all new right of way projects, releasing and closing projects; maintaining various systems and records management, input of updates to systems; assisting in documents preparation, recording legal documents with appropriate county, coding invoices and preparing payments for recording fees; preparing releases and drafts relating to various type of claims, setting up & maintaining construction claims on computer. Prefer at least 2 years of experience involved with support of ROW/land/lease work. Prefer candidate with at least an Associates degree or equivalent with strong clerical and organizational skills and some familiarity or knowledge of titles, leases, contracts, ROW agreements. Good PC skills including Word and Excel; ability to handle multiple assignments; good interpersonal skills and customer focus.

Sr. Commercial Representative: Negotiates acquisition of new gas supplies, and extensions and renewals for expiring gas purchase contracts. Requires ability to analyze data and contracts, and perform economic evaluation and modeling of gas gathering and processing projects and capital investment justification (NPV, IRR and EBIT). Provides central point of contact between operations, accounting, measurement and gas control. Works as part of a team with operations and engineering to maximize efficiency of assets. Identifies system improvement, rationalization and growth opportunities to ensure asset performance. B.S. in Engineering, Marketing, or Law. Proficient with computer software applications. Individual must be self motivated and self directed and able to work as part of a team.

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Please send resume and indicate position applying for:

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5+ Years instrumentation experience. Manufacturing and Field support of metering instrumentation and metering systems. Some domestic and international travel required.

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5+ years vessel design preferred. Responsible for design of new gas-liquid cyclone separators and associated metering packages. Oversee fabrication and start up. Must have working knowledge of ANSI, ASME, API, and ASTM codes.

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Email: contact@premierinstruments.com

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QUALIFICATIONS	Certified Adult/ Juvenile Officer and/ or Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice or related field. Must complete a department application. Spanish speaking ability a plus.
SALARY RANGE	Commensurate with experience
CLOSING DATE	December 5, 2000

INQUIRES: Send resumes and transcripts to:
Juan Hernandez, Director
P.O. Box 1706
Ft. Stockton, TX 79735
(915)336-8562
(915)336-2932 (Fax)

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

To relieve the administrator of a large volume of responsibilities and supervise a support staff in the operation of the department, supply dependable financial and factual information to and from a variety of sources. Must have at least four years of comparable experience with MicroSoft Word, Excel and Pagemaker skills. Apply in the Personnel Office, UT Permian Basin, 4901 East University, MB 467, Odessa, TX 79762. AA/EEO Employer.

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To train in Midland/ Odessa and willing to relocate to San Angelo, TX. Must have High School diploma or GED, mechanical and electrical skills and ability to troubleshoot/ resolve problems. 2 year Electronics degree preferred. Good communication skills and ability to use common hand/ power tools also needed. Area travel required, vehicle will be provided. Submit resumes to: Attn: R8956 at fax (512)231-4504 or email: rh@adminstaff.com. EOE.

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INSURANCE BOOKKEEPER $9-10/hr
Insurance accounting background, full charge, Quickbooks exp. required.

GENERAL LEDGER ACCOUNTING - $30k
Strong G/L (3+ yrs). Lots of journal entries. Oil & gas background w/Questa & Excel.

LEGAL SECRETARIES - $DOE
Strong secretarial w/good typing skills. Legal exp. preferred but not required.

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Duke Energy Field Services is looking for some key personnel for the following opportunities in its Midland, TX office.

Contract Analyst: Contract research and ratification, gas contract portfolio management and analysis of contracts, contract document preparation, coordination of communications, special projects. May also become involved in gas control work. Candidate to have experience with contract administration, preferably gas contracts. BS degree or equivalent experience. Strong organizational skills and ability to set priorities. Very positive interpersonal and communication skills with a focus on customer service.

Contract/Gas Acquisitions Assistant: Involved in support of gas contracting and acquisition. Prefer candidate with Associates degree or equivalent experience. Works with various databases, runs reports (e.g. Margin Report, New Connect Report, Low Volume Disconnect Reports) and complies and calculates summary data in spreadsheets, etc. Prepares other reports and documents and contracts; handles mail-outs, answers phones, tracks progress on projects, issues notifications. Strong clerical and organizational skills and some familiarity or knowledge of leases and/or contracts. Good PC skills including Word and Excel; ability to handle multiple assignments; good interpersonal skills and customer focus.

Right of Way (ROW) Assistant: Involved in support of various facets of right of way, handling of claims, property taxes and real estate. Assists in performing ownership research, setting up, reviewing and providing status reports on all new right of way projects, releasing and closing projects; maintaining various systems and records management, input of updates to systems; assisting in documents preparation, recording legal documents with appropriate county, coding invoices and preparing payments for recording fees; preparing releases and drafts relating to various type of claims, setting up & maintaining construction claims on computer. Prefer at least 2 years of experience involved with support of ROW/land/lease work. Prefer candidate with at least an Associates degree or equivalent with strong clerical and organizational skills and some familiarity or knowledge of titles, leases, contracts, ROW agreements. Good PC skills including Word and Excel; ability to handle multiple assignments; good interpersonal skills and customer focus.

Sr. Commercial Representative: Negotiates acquisition of new gas supplies, and extensions and renewals for expiring gas purchase contracts. Requires ability to analyze data and contracts, and perform economic evaluation and modeling of gas gathering and processing projects and capital investment justification (NPV, IRR and EBIT). Provides central point of contact between operations, accounting, measurement and gas control. Works as part of a team with operations and engineering to maximize efficiency of assets. Identifies system improvement, rationalization and growth opportunities to ensure asset performance. B.S. in Engineering, Marketing, or Law. Proficient with computer software applications. Individual must be self motivated and self directed and able to work as part of a team.

DEFS offers opportunity for growth and advancement and an attractive compensation/ benefits package that includes up to 10% company contribution for savings/ retirement, comprehensive medical/ dental/ prescription drug coverage, short term/ long term incentive plans, company- paid life insurance and LTD coverage, vacation, holidays, etc. Qualified candidates to fax resume to DEFS - HR at (915) 620-4161

Please send resume and indicate position applying for:

Duke Energy Field Services
Attn: Human Resources
P.O. Box 50020
Midland, TX 79710-0020
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Preferred Personnel
684-5900 No Fee
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OFFICE ASSISTANT Responsibilities include: receptionist, cashier, payroll and accounting. Computer skills required. Fax resume, salary and work history required to 915-264-6697. EOE.

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316 Sales Help Wanted

$6,000 PER MONTH +

potential for management trainee for the world's largest manufactured home corporation. Must be highly motivated, self starter with a strong desire to succeed. Apply in person Monday thru Friday only at A-1 Homes, 7206 W. Hwy 80, Midland, TX. Drug Test required.

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Ameripol Synpol Corporation has an opening for a Network Coordinator at our synthetic rubber manufacturing plant located in Odessa, Texas. The Network Coordinator is responsible for managing and maintaining the IS systems and services for the Odessa Plant. Bachelor's or Associates Degree in Computer Science or undergraduate courses and practical experience are required. Two to five years experience supporting Novell, NT, or Win95 network clients. Two to five years directly supporting a Windows based word processor, spreadsheet or data base. MSCE or CNE certification required.

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Odessa, TX, 79760

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Interviewing at 11:30 AM, Monday, December 4th & Tuesday, December 5th. Resthaven Memorial Park, Ellis North Chapel, 1002 W. Loop 250 N.
Call for directions if needed 682-3061
No resumes please, I hire people, not paper.

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INSURANCE SALES- Career Opening. Established local Independent Insurance Agency needs LICENSED property & casualty producer. Primarily Commercial Sales with some Personal Lines. Advancement to Agency Management opportunity. Experienced Agency Team Support available. Send resume to Box E-4256, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702

→NEW TODAY←

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318 Mgmt Help Wanted

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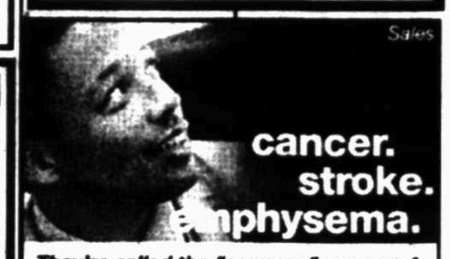
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HORIZON OILFIELD Services is currently hiring experienced truck drivers for oilfield work. Must have endorsements. Local and regional work available. New Pay scale. Call 520-1511 for application.

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SLIGHT DAMAGE- 12'x24' garage/ storage building, will deliver. 915-563-3108.

9' CHRISTMAS TREE, $90. Two French doors, $30 each. Two child Sit & Stand stroller, $60. 520-0301.

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GIVE SOMETHING SPECIAL for Christmas- Discus absolutely gorgeous pair of mated and breeding Pigeon Blood Discus. Each about 5 inches long and bright orange. Also Oceanic 55 plus show tank with hood, lights and an A' miracle trickle filter. $400. Call Denise at 682-0951.

CHILD'S PLAYHOUSE Wood shingle roof, painted, electric, carpet. Built like a house! Will deliver for Christmas. $2,750. 620-8856, 520-4110.

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HOBART Electric Meat saw- $400. Call 685-0751 for more information.

COMPLETE BEDROOM suite. Hot Point side by side, 36" refrigerator freezer. GE washer and dryer. 697-0417.

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ANNUAL PERMIT for Moss Creek Lake. Immediate family get in free for 1 year. For information call 915-393-5246.

10'x16' workshop/ storage buildings $41.00 a month. Delivery/ financing. 915-563-3108.

500 GALLON Propane Tank with wet line. $350. New bass guitar & amp, $400. 563-5538.

DOG HOUSES, new, $35-$45. Metal storage building 4'x8' new, $350. Bicycle- $35. 563-0452.

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413 Jewelry & Furs

JUST IN TIME for Christmas- .76 carat, pear shaped loose diamond. Can be seen at Houck's Jewelry, 684-4851.

→NEW TODAY←
MEN'S ROLEX Stainless Steel Sub Mariner with boxes and papers. Great condition! $2,600. Call 697-6115.

LADIES- Blue Fox, waist length coat (large). Excellent condition. No flaws. Lining solid. $500. 570-1027.

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420 Good Things To Eat

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KING SIZE bed, Includes bedding, headboard, and frame. Excellent condition. $165. Please call 694-1052.

OAK BEDROOM set antique sideboard camelback sofa chest of drawers book case, red full metal headboard. 685-0671.

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DINING ROOM suite, sofa and matching love seat. All in good condition! Please call 520-2732.

SPRAGUE CARLTON solid maple table, 2 leaves, 6 matching chairs. Excellent condition. $800.682-4221.

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COMPLETE QUEEN bed, two night stands, matching headboard, $300. New futon bed, $100. All wood drop- leaf table/ 4 chairs, great condition, $250. Small La-Z-Boy recliner (teal), $100. Lane mauve recliner, excellent condition, $150. 362-2746.

435 Household Appliances

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NORDICTRACK PRO with workout computer, like new. $300 o.b.o. Call 697-6906.

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LYNX BLACK Cat golf clubs, 2- SW, less than 2 years old. Asking $350. Please call 697-0241.

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465 Collectibles

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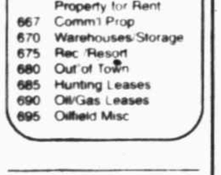
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In fact, the ample light through skylights and windows is one of the present owner's favorite features of this home, along with the ample storage, the built-ins, which include built-in desks in the bedrooms, deep built-in cupboards in the baths, built-in entertainment center and shelving and bookcases and storage galore in literally every room.

But there is much more to be said for this home than light and storage. Take the numbers: Five bedrooms, three and a half baths, five skylights, two fireplaces, three living areas, three-car garage,eight ceiling fans.

Built in 1991 by Jim Leonard, this home combines ease of care with elegance. There's lots of tile and high-ceilinged, wide-doored rooms, enriched with the warmth of wood, especially in the ornately carved fireplace surround and entertainment center in the family room. The fireplace hearth in the family room is brick. Another fireplace in the formal living room sets a decidedly elegant tone with white marble tile hearth. But this is by no means a totally formal house. Rather, the accent is on livability. One of its most charming rooms is the enclosed tile-floored patio, with the outside window left in place for a sunny garden-room look, and ample windows looking out on the huge back yard, where the present owners report that they see a constant variety of birds, foxes, coyotes and ground squirrels.

The back yard is divided, with a water well to supply water for the sprinkler system, and an above ground pool that can stay with the property, or the seller will remove it if the buyer prefers.

This home lists for $199,900, and will be open from 3:30 to 5:00 today, or for a private showing, call listing agent Ruth Young, at RE/MAX of Midland, office 682-8820 or cell phone 352-0996.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Just How Important Is Location?

Most prospective home buyers have heard the old adage that the three most important factors to consider when buying real estate are, "location, location, location." In reality, although location is important, there is much to consider in any real estate transactions which is why most home buyers and sellers choose to work with real estate professionals.

Just how important is location? A National Association of Realtors (NAR) survey found that although affordability ranks high in importance, buyers' focus on neighborhood, distance from work, access to shopping and schools demonstrate that location is indeed significant.

"People who have bought real estate, especially those who have had a number of transactions, are aware of the value of location," Bill Scott, president of Permian Basin Board of REALTORS® says. "However, first time home buyers should be careful to choose a location that meets their needs, even if it means paying a little more," he says. "A bargain found in a less-than-advantageous location might look to be a good deal, but its chances for resale may be lower."

The NAR survey found that value of location is unique to the buyer interest. Home buyers with growing families are likely to look for a neighborhood with close proximity to work and schools. Retired home buyers consider availability of shopping a higher priority the survey shows.

"Neighborhoods are key to the type of environment the buyer is searching for," Bill Scott explains. "For example, neighborhoods surrounding elementary schools tend to attract families with young children," he notes. "This won't necessarily change, since families whose children are now grown find other locations more convenient and are apt to sell, creating sufficient turnover for new families with younger children."

Buyers who own two cars also tend to rank closeness to schools higher that shopping, work and other factors such as public transportation, churches and recreational facilities.

"It's important for potential buyers to examine what ranks high on their own list of priorities before they begin the house hunting process," Bill Scott says. "In that why, they'll have a clear idea of what amenities and services are available in the community they want to join."

The value of a house can change after its purchase. However, any change is likely to be gradual and will depend on factors such as the age of home. Older neighborhoods tend to change more gradually. Housed located near an institution, such as an elementary school, are usually a good investment since their worth is related to a factor that is long-lasting, in this case, the school. In some cases, a buyer may want to sacrifice an asset such as close proximity to a school if a larger house further away is more affordable.

"The whole subject of location is a personal choice for the buyer," Bill Scott says. "That's why a real estate professional will interview the buyer to determine his of her interest, priorities and financial position in order to select a range of possible homes to show."

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Bill Scott, President Permian Basin Board of Realtors, Inc.

SEASON TO SELL

Many families ready to sell their homes mistakenly think that the holidays are not a good time to try and market homes. Just the opposite is true. When a home is brightened with holiday decorations, festive lighting, greenery and poinsettias it is very likely more appealing than at any time of the year. For this reason, sellers often find that the holidays are a wonderful time to market a home.



Sutton

Experienced sellers listing their homes at the end of the year often find that home sales will flourish during this busy time for one simple reason. Homes never look better than when they are decorated for the holidays.

Just as CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors' sales associates advise home sellers to make the most of seasonal flowers and shrubs during spring, summer and fall, they also advise sellers to make the most of winter themes. This is a warm, sentimental time of year that lends itself to creative designs in a home. Homeowners with homes listed during the holidays are urged to make a survey of their homes to determine how they can spread the festive season through every room.

There are also buyers who want to close house purchases before the end of the year for tax purposes. With all this going for them, sellers should take advantage of this very favorable period and provide prospective buyers with every reason to fall in love with their home.

A good rule of thumb when preparing a home for sale is to remember that a buyer always examines a home with his or her senses. Mrs. Sutton offers a few simple ideas to help homeowners prepare their homes for holiday sales.

The most obvious idea is to turn the house into the most attractive vision possible. From the first moment a home buyer sees a home it should be a pleasant experience. Front door wreaths are popular and it is amazing how a simple addition like this says "welcome".

Fresh pine garlands draped over doorways and mantels add a lovely touch and a beautiful fragrance to the house. There is an abundance of arts and crafts stores in the Permian Basin. A stroll through one of these stores will give homeowners dozens of ideas that can be adapted for their own homes. Whether you opt for a stylized, contemporary design or an old fashioned country look, there are countless figurines, ornaments, ribbons and bows available to turn your house into a delight.

One of the most important elements in a home is a clean, fresh smell. There are many ways to make a home smell good -- from sprinkling cinnamon in a warm oven to small potpourri cookers, scented candles and holiday fresheners.

None of these additions need to be expensive and many of the decorative ideas -- such as a front door wreath -- are easy for home owners to make themselves. It is actually a nice way to get involved in the sale of your house and enjoy the improvements yourself.

Story submitted by Kay Sutton, broker/owner of CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton, Realtors.

HOW MANY HOMES?

During the past twelve months, how many homes have you sold? Ten, twenty, fifty? How did you attract the buyers? Which marketing techniques were most effective? How did interest rates affect the selling price? Are discount points the same today as twelve months ago?



Noles

Each day, the local real estate market changes. Buyers become more sophisticated and web-literate. Interest rates, discount points and closing costs fluctuate to the tune of the money markets. New homes become available and others sell.

Unless you are involved in local real estate on a daily basis, you're likely to find that yesterday's facts are today's fantasies. So...if you plan to sell your home successfully at the best possible price...you're going to need assistance to overcome the complexities of selling.

Make your choice of a representative carefully. Areas of expertise to be considered include: 1) financing know-how and creativity, 2) experience marketing homes like yours, 3) internet literacy, 4) pricing expertise, and 5) negotiating talent. Real estate transactions require a mix of facts and figures know-how combined with superior people and communication skills.

When selling your home, don't underestimate the importance of obtaining strong representation by a superior real estate agent. Remember, you will be competing against many other homes for the attention of qualified buyers. Your agent-advocate can produce just the right buyer!

This article submitted by Anita Noles, Broker/Owner of RE/MAX of Midland.

WHAT IS A PRELISTING INSPECTION?

A home inspection is a home inspection regardless what you call it or who orders it to be done. When a homeowner decides to have an inspection before ever listing the property it is called a pre-listing inspection. Why do this? Buyers and sellers hire professional inspectors for different reasons. The home inspector goes through the house looking for things that are broken, out of date for not up to local building codes. Buyers have this done so they will know what potential problems they could have with the house they are buying. Sellers will do the pre-listing inspection to determine the condition of their property so they can fix the problems or rethink the price of their home. Also, the pre-listing inspection is a wise idea if you are not occupying the property you are going to sell. If you have actually lived in a house you have a good idea of the condition. If you inherit a house or are selling an investment property you cannot know the condition of it, so it is wise to go ahead and do the inspection. That way you can decide if you want to fix the problems or adjust your price down to compensate and let the buyer worry about fixing things.



Pine

This article submitted by Norma Pine, RE/MAX of Midland.

WHY A TITLE SEARCH

QUESTION: Why is a title search necessary when you buy a home.

ANSWER: Skipping the title search is like buying a new car without a warranty -- except the stakes are higher. Although you may be the only buyer, others may also claim rights to the property. There may be an easement to restrict the use of your land or unpaid taxes. An heir to a former owner may claim a share of the property. A title search will check for any such possible claims and determine if the title is clear. Your deed does not eliminate claims that others may have. It simply transfers the seller's right to ownership to you.



Printz

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LAS COLINAS, Midland's foremost townhouses, behind the gate. 1, 2 & 3 bedrooms, $495 to $695. Open 3-6 pm except Sunday. 697-8770.

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ALL BILLS PAID: One and two bedroom apartments. 501 West Louisiana. Deposit required. Call 683-5161.

LARGE 1 BEDROOM- gas and water paid, carport, free basic cable, very nice neighborhood near duck pond. $250 per month and deposit. 570-5471.

→NEW TODAY←
SUTTON PLACE
TOWNHOMES Garden setting. 1- 2 & 3 Bedrooms. Tired of closet size bedrooms and wall to wall beds? Don't settle for 550 square feet, our smallest unit is 1,050 square feet. Enjoy Sutton Place spacious living. A Midland tradition. Assigned covered parking. Call about our move in special! 682-2423.

NO GIMMICKS! $215/ $285 monthly for one and two bedrooms. 800- 1,050 sq. ft. Separate living, dining. Free cable. Near downtown/ duck pond. 661-3999.

606 BURLESON large 1 bedroom duplex, stove, refridgerator, water paid, $275 monthly $75 deposit. 689-7107.



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MONTH TO MONTH, no security deposit, pay first month's rent and move in! 1, 2, & 3 bedroom townhouses with garages $389 to $589. Leisure Estates, 682-5622.

MOVE ON IN and see why we are so special. On our 1 & 2 bedrooms. $99 Deposit and no rent first month, also have 3 bedrooms. Call or come by Silver Creek Apartments, 2438 Whitmire, 687-0053.

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SAGEWOOD CONDOMINIUMS, 1 bedroom downstairs, private and quiet. Covered parking. Please call 570-4884.

TWO BEDROOM Duplex 2604-B Mariana. $250 monthly. One bedroom duplex- 2402-B College, $225 monthly. Call 684-7535 or 697-2724.

CANYON CREEK
ONE MONTH FREE!
1 Bedroom starting at only $219/mo.
5244 West Loop 250 North
699-7246
Open Sat. 10-6, Sun. 1-5

CLEAN COUNTRY one bedroom apartment, appliances furnished, utilities paid. 3214 SCR 1208. $325 monthly/ $75 deposit. Please call 694-1935.

625 Houses Unfurnished

TWO BEDROOM, one bath. 3704 Amelia. $375 monthly. Deposit and references required. 694-4648, 570-1730.

✔ 6502 SHAWNEE-

(East of Midland Country Club)- Sharp 3 bedroom, 2 bath with 2 car garage, formal dining, large living area with fireplace. Over 1,950 sq. ft. for $750/ month. Roy Proctor, owner/ agent, 685-4141.

625 Houses Unfurnished

RENTALS FROM $235 TO $1,000

1600 1/2 N. D STREET-1BR, 1BA, Carport	$235mo.
5008 STOREY-1BR,1 Living, 1 Bathr	$300mo.
401 TOWN PLAZA CONDO'S-1BR, 1BA, Water Paid, Pool-3309 ILLINOIS	$395mo.
1108-A CARRIZO-2BR, 1BA, Duplex	$395mo.
3804 ANETTA-2BR, 1BA, Carport	$425mo.
2509 W. CO. RD. 132-2BR, 1BA, 2 Liv., Horse Stalls	$450mo.
607 BROOKS-3BR, 2BA, Carport	$595mo.
4609 W. ILLINOIS-3BR, 2BA, 2 Liv	$695mo.
4917 STOREY-3BR, 2BA, 1 Liv., 2 Car	$695mo.
3307 MICHIGAN-4BR, 2 1/2 BA, 1 Car Garage	$695mo.
5114 SUNNYSIDE-3BR, 2BA, 2 Car	$700mo.
4505 FANNIN-3BR, 2BA, 1 Liv., 2 Car	$725mo.
512 PARKWOOD-3BR, 2BA, 2 Car	$725mo.
6502 SHAWNEE-3BR, 2BA, 2 Car	$795mo.
1709 WARD-3BR, 2BA, 2 Car, (6 Mo. Lease)	$895mo.
2307 ABBEY PL-3BR, 2BA, 2 Car	$895mo.
4408 ST ANDREWS-4BR, 2BA, 2 Car	$995mo.
3600 GODFREY CT.-4BR, 3.5BA, 2 Car	$1,695mo.

Langston REALTORS Don & Evelyn Byerly ABR, GRI 682-9495



PROPERTIES FOR LEASE as of December 03, 2000

ADDRESS:	BDRMS:	BATHS:	LEASE:	SEC:
4707 A SHADYLANE	2	1	**$250.00	$200.00
123 C N. GLENWOOD	2	1	**$265.00	$200.00
4315 NEELY #821	2	2	$295.00	$200.00
1808 E. MAGNOLIA	2	1	$295.00	$250.00
500 HOWARD	2	1	$295.00	$250.00
814 N. LORAINE	3	2	$400.00	$250.00
2313 SIESTA LANE	2	2	$525.00	$525.00
4306 FERNCLIFF	2	2	$650.00	$650.00
3801 MARK LANE	3	2	$750.00	$750.00

**ASK ABOUT OUR MOVE IN SPECIAL

NICE TWO bedroom, appliances furnished, $325 monthly, $200 deposit. 2305 Holloway. Call 661-8390/ 682-8586.

HOUSE FOR rent- unfurnished. Three bedroom, living room, bath. $100.00 deposit, $300.00 monthly rent. 682-0155.

BEAUTIFUL THREE bedroom, two bath, single garage, all appliances. No pets! $650 monthly. 620-9222.

CLEAN DUPLEX North West Midland, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, utility room, garage, new carpet, $725 month. 682-4686.

SEVERAL nice homes & apartments, $250-$725. Jeannie Printz, Agent 684-8202.

500 DEVONIAN- 2 bedroom, 1 bath, den fireplace, cross from Jane Long Elementary. $400 Monthly. $400 deposit No call after 8 pm 697-4362.

DUPLEX, 104 Cottonwood (next to Rockwood Manor on North Main), 2 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace. Available October 15th, $350/ $250, 683-5130.

THREE bedroom home, new carpet. $450 & $550/ month plus deposits. 686-9914.

ABNORMALLY LARGE, lots of storage, near school. Multi purpose rooms, 1.5 baths. Rent reduced. 689-7945.

THREE BEDROOMs, 1 1/2 bath, 2 living areas, washer/ dryer connections. $385, plus sdeposit. 694-8834.

1803 N. Main- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, $525 monthly, $300 deposit. References required. 520-3529.

NEAR HOSPITAL, brick veneer two bedroom house on W. Michigan. Built in electric range and oven, vented heat, hardwood floors. No pets please. Call 682-0706.

LARGE THREE bedroom, two bath duplex. Dining room, fireplace, large laundry, fenced yard, garage. 5102-A Rainbow. $700 per month. 697-7097.

VERY NICE 2 Bedroom, 1.5 bath condo, 424-B West Pecan. Attached garage with opener. $475 rent, $400 deposit. 520-8630.

WARM AND Inviting, 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, Bargain $575 month, $550 deposit. 3107 West Illinois. 682-3951.

2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH Apartment. Large parking and patio area, water & gas paid. $329 per month See at 3200 Sage. Apartment number #2 or call 570-1566 after 5 pm.

5 MINUTES FROM downtown- Small 2 bedroom, 1 bath, security bars. $250 monthly. $200 deposit. 925 N. Dallas. 687-1624.

LIKE NEW Three bedroom, two bath, three living, double garage $695. Owner/Broker. 3501 Camarie. (915)523-3701.

GREAT FAMILY neighborhood, 3 bedroom, 2 car garage, fireplace, $850/ monthly. 570-6418 or 687-3387.

3 BEDROOM, 1 BATH, Central heat/ air, ceiling fans, washer/ dryer connections. $475/ monthly $475 deposit. No pets. 694-5742.

→NEW TODAY←
BEAUTIFULLY REDECORATED 1 and 2 bedroom duplexes in quiet neighborhood, $325- $475. Call 697-3484 for Christmas Specials.

AVAILABLE 12-01-00, Large 3 bedroom, 2 bath duplex, fenced, double garage, fireplace, central heat/ AC, storage. After 4:00 520-3505. No pets.

→NEW TODAY←
TWO BEDROOM Duplex near Midland College. All appliances, storage room, fireplace, carport. $495 monthly. 352-7557.

LUXURY PROPERTY Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath, double garage, 4708-B Dentcrest. $695 per month, $350 deposit. Realty Unlimited 550-5609 (Owner Agent)

2 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, Fenced backyard, small storage. 3106 Delano. Please call 570-1597 cell 528-7440.

❤ FREE CASH!!!
(HURRY)!!! Purchase any new home this month and U.S.A. Homes in Midland will make your house payment for 4 months in 2001. Limited time offer, must qualify. 520-2177.

NICE SMALL 2 bedroom, very private, $250, 415 W. Pine, 682-5007 leave message.

DUPLEX NICE 2 bedroom, 11/2 bath, 2 living areas, fireplace, washer dryer, yard, covered parking, storage. 921 North Bentwood. $525 monthly. 685-0878 or 683-7733.

1700 SQUARE FOOT duplex, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, Near Goddard and Emerson. 2605A Haynes, $700 month. 682-8453.

3621 BAUMANN- THREE bedroom, two bath, three blocks from school. $700 monthly, $350 deposit. 689-2432.

LUXURY DUPLEX, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace, fenced, sprinkler. 4704-A Dentcrest. $695 682-7815 or 528-0286.

NICEST DUPLEXES in town. 2400- 2600 West Wadley. 2 and 3 Bedroom 1,530 square feet and up. Washer/ dryer connections, fireplaces, covered parking or garages. $650 (water paid) to $725/ month. Call 686-8126.

3 BEDROOMS, 1 Bath. Large storage building. $450 Deposit/ $450 monthly firm. 2806 Cotton Flat Road. 689-2022.

CHARMING THREE bedroom, remodeled kitchen, new carpet, two door garage. Old Midland. $800 monthly. 699-1000.

→NEW TODAY←
1117 B N. CARRIZO. 2 bedroom duplex. Fenced yard, carport. $300/ month, water paid. 686-9647.

3002 FRANKLIN. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, carport, $500 rent, $250 deposit, available 12-01-00, 685-5066.

TWO BEDROOM, one bath duplex. Close to Lee High and Rusk Elementary. Private backyard. Appliances furnished. Washer/ dryer connections. Water paid. $350 monthly plus deposit. 694-2811.

2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 fireplace, must see to appreciate. $675 rent, $600 deposit. 425-3507.

NEW CERAMIC Tiles/ carpet/ paint, duplexes $375- 1 bedroom, $475- 2 bedrooms, carport, yard. 689-3053.

PATIO HOME- Fresh paint, berber carpet, ceramic tile, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, small yard, Lee High. $800 per month. 697-2728.

CLEAN THREE bedroom, two bath duplex. $575 monthly. $500 deposit. Call 520-2643 for more details.

3 BEDROOM Homes & Duplexes $450- $550/ month + deposit. Williams & Assoc., 694-9663.

THREE BEDROOMS, 1 3/4 bath, washroom, carport. $375 monthly, $150 deposit. Call 684-5310.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, 2 living, 2 car garage, central heat/ air, $650 monthly $400 deposit. No pets. 3116 West Ohio. 697-0000.

A DOLL HOUSE; Extra clean three bedroom, two bathrooms, double car garage. Water and sewer paid, $725 monthly. Call 520-4343.

3 BEDROOM, 2 1/2 BATH, 2 car garage, 2400 sq. ft., 2 story, 909 West Kansas. $800 month. Contact Ken Greene 520-3438.

LEASE PURCHASE, 4302 CEDAR SPRINGS- 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, enclosed garage, central heat, refrigerated air, refrigerator & stove. $450 plus $275 deposit 699-7538.

625 Houses Unfurnished

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, garage, fireplace, water paid, 3801 B Storey. $600. 686-0734/ 687-6406.

GREENWOOD, 3 bedrooms, 2 living areas/ 4 bedrooms, 1 living area, $750/ monthly, 6 month minimum. Call Sandy Hanson, Langston Realtors 495-1233 pager.

COUNTRY LIVING- 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, central heat/ air, new carpet/ paint, $550/ monthly. Call Caleb with Remax 697-9400.

CUTE BRICK 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fenced yard, Lee district $700 monthly. Call Rhonda at Prudential Cooper Realty 689-7700.

3230 CIMMARON- 3 BEDROOM, 2 Bath, pool/ spa, $850 monthly, $500 deposit. Call 697-3719 for more information.

NICE TWO bedroom, one bath duplex, appliances/ water furnished, $385/ $200. No pets. 206-B Mitchell. 570-7465.

640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

3 BEDROOM, 2 1/2 Bath, 2 car garage, fireplace, fans, high ceilings, 1,700 square feet, Northwest Midland, $775/ monthly plus deposit. 685-1980.

FAIRGATE Townhomes, northwest side, 6 and 12 month leases, 2 and 3 bedrooms 1600 sq. ft. livable; all appliances, fans, fireplaces and garages. 697-9566.

1 BEDROOM, 1 bath, downstairs, covered parking, microwave, washer/ dryer, fireplace. French doors to patio. $450. 352-1679.

3 BEDROOM, 2.5 BATH 2 car. Yard for pets. Excellent condition. $750. Call 684-4945.

WALLACE town home, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large kitchen, utility, great storage, $1,300 monthly. 689-3920.

LAFAYETTE PLACE, West Texas most elegant townhouse complex, 2 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, $1,300. 684-0996.

655 Mobile Homes Unfurn.

REFERENCED MANDATORY! Extra nice Solitaire, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 acre, garage, carport, central heat and air, country off ECR 60, $425 lease, $200 deposit. Free water. 687-6790.

3415 COTTONFLATT Rd, Space F, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, fenced yard, washer dryer connections, $275 monthly, $100 deposit, 682-1608 leave message.

NICE GREENWOOD- 2 bedroom, 2 bath, water and dumpster furnished, quite neighborhood, no pets, 683-5669.

COUNTRY LIVING 2 bedroom, 2 bath, mobile home, carport, workshop, storage, 3 acres fenced. 682-4803.

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665 Bus. Prop./ Office Rent.

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OFFICES single or multiple with executive suites available, approximately 5,000 sq. ft. of office space available with 18 offices. Free parking. 4500 W. Illinois. Call 620-1500.

15 OFFICES in free standing building. 4,000 SF. Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 682-9495.

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667 Commercial Property

FOR LEASE: all sizes and types of properties, office, warehouse, retail. 800 to 40,000 sq. ft. Some with fenced yards. 683-8681.

OFFICE/ WAREHOUSE For Lease- 7 offices/ large shop. Approx. 3,238 square feet, shop/ office area./ +/- 12,000 square feet of land paved & fenced. Great Location. $1,550.00 per month. Call (915)689-6341.

668 Retail/ Stores

411 N. Midland Drive retail space for lease. Was beauty shop. For details. 684-8405, 557-0330.

670 Warehouses/ Storage for Rent

WAREHOUSE 20,000 square feet plus and up to 3,000 square feet office. Dock high, four roll-up doors, 22 foot ceiling, RR siding. Contact Jim Martin 498-5116.


NEW
4802 COUNTRY CLUB
Nice investment property or live in one side and lease the other. Side A is one bedroom. Side B is two bedroom. Both sides are equipped with appliances including washers and dryers. This is a Dandy Duplex.


NEW
1005 SINCLAIR
Sunny, bright & delightful! This wonderful home has 3 spacious bedrooms plus a 4th room presently used as a great office. Three living areas, formal dining, 2 fireplaces and plantation shutters. Large kitchen with informal dining.


NEW
2015 COMMUNITY LANE
This 3BR home has been recreated for enjoyment from the circle drive in front to the fabulous backyard where a Master Gardener has worked her magic! Inside you'll find a totally redone kitchen with 5 burner gas cook top. There's a fishpond, 2 arbors, brick walkways and a workshop. Great price - $84,000


1905 WINDDRIFT
Gorgeous wood floors! Enormous kitchen w/large center island, great floor plan with bedrooms separated 2 & 2, plantation shutters, security, huge master closet, & king size whirlpool tub. Listed at $148,000 w/2% Buyer Incentive


4105 DAWN CIRCLE
Located in Skyline Terrace this 4BR/3BA home has a courtyard entry, two super living areas, both with fireplaces & cathedral ceilings. Exercise room or study off MBR, tons of wonderful built-ins and a sunken hot tub with deck surround. Reduced $124,900


2700 ANN DRIVE
If you're looking for a terrific suburban property - this is it! Over 3800 sq. ft. and in super condition, beautiful fencing, pool and spa and 30x40 shop + 4 adjoining offices! This home is Picture Perfect!


PAT PAXTON
Broker Associate

What people are saying about Pat Paxton:

Pat went out of her way to help me, especially explaining things to me as a first time seller (of my Mother's house.)

Katherine
Richmond, VA

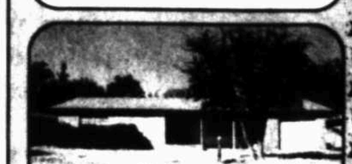
LOTS TO BUILD ON!!!
3400 Godfrey.....$125,000
5465 Juniper Court.....$32,900
709 Pinehurst.....$42,000
4971 Rustic Trail.....$34,500
4973 Rustic Trail.....$34,500

INVESTMENT PROPERTIES!!
3330 Caldera Blvd. #260.....$19,950


3715 GULF
Located close to Elementary & High school, this 3 BR has 3 LA's and is super for entertaining. Wonderful bonus room, perfect for home schooling. $58,900


1405 STOREY
Totally charming home within walking distance of Hill Park. You'll love the wood floors, updated kitchen, delightful sun room and fun gazebo in the backyard! This is a must see house!


6311 DRIFTWOOD
Charming home on the golf course at Green Tree! Plantation shutters, great patios, seq. MBR w/jacuzzi plus separate heated and cooled office. Very well built home! Reduced - $139,000


1007 TARLETON
Cute, cute, cute! Spacious rooms, newer carpet, 3 year old heating and cooling system. 3BR, 2BA, 2 living areas. Seller will pay $1,000 of Buyer's closing costs. $55,000


REDUCED
4901 WHITMAN
You'll love this! Kahler built in 1992, professionally decorated, this 4 bedroom is an easy walk to Santa Rita Elementary. Tile floors in kitchen/breakfast area, spacious laundry room. Sequestered master, security system, 5 ceiling fans, sprinkler system, parking pad and storage building. Reduced $112,900


4809 TEAKWOOD TRACE
Wonderful street appeal and beautiful decor! Living area with 2 story ceiling and fireplace that is the centerpiece of the room. There's an extra large dining with butler's pantry, fabulous kitchen, 4BR, 3BA, plantation shutters, large backyard and more! Home warranty

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U/C
4419 NORWOOD
Newly listed Super Townhome! Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath with great den complete with fireplace, formal dining or study, wonderful kitchen, rear entry garage, outdoor secluded patio and small yard. Only $75,000


2702 WHITTLE WAY
Beautifully immaculate and not to be missed! Hurry to view this gorgeous open, bright 3 bedroom, 2 bath home ready for move in. Spacious den w/ fireplace, all newer tile floors, nice carpet, oak cabinets, formal dining or office/study, 2 garage, sprinklers & gas grill. Call Sandy now! $79,900

Thank You for your friendship, good will, and loyalty
May the happiness and good cheer of the holiday season be yours


3608 JORDAN
Newly listed & perfect! This beautifully cared for 3 bedroom, 2 bath family home has over 2000 sq. ft. of space - Spacious living area with fireplace and formal dining area. Plus window lined dining area in kitchen and super sunporch! Hurry! $88,000


3502 OAKMONT
Newly listed and gorgeous! Kahler built energy efficient 3 bedroom, 2 bath, spacious den w/ fireplace, plus formal dining or study. 2nd living area and 2 car garage. Across from the park with wonderful landscaping, fountain, fish pond and Morgan storage building. $93,500


U/C
3805 NORTHFIELD
This uniquely beautiful 6 bedroom, 6 1/2 bath home has 2 living areas plus a gameroom, gorgeous pool, office or guest house, 2 garage, 3 carport, workshop, plus more. Perfect Condition!.....Reduced! $395,000




Reduced
5011 LOS ALAMITOS
New carpet and tile. Saddle Club South with a beautiful inground pool. This 4BR has a sequestered master, plus an inlaw plan, 3 baths in all and formal dining. Can be a great 3BR, 2 living area.....$139,900




Reduced
4900 LANCASHIRE
Wonderful 4BR, 2 1/2 BA home with lots of built-ins, plantation shutters, great entertaining patio and yard plus a side yard with wide gate for extra parking. $1,000 Decorating Allowance. Will Consider Seller Financing or Lease Purchase.....$119,900




U/C
3303 TRINITY MEADOWS
Newly listed and not to be missed! This 5 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, 2 living area home with formal dining and wonderful kitchen sits on a large corner lot with a 3 car rear entry garage, a breathtaking pool plus a yard for entertaining. Call for your private showing.....$189,900



Reduced
4207 PASADENA
Newly listed super 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, 3 living area home plus 1 car garage. Over 1600 sq. ft. of space with central heat and air, sprinkler system and newer garage door. Hurry to view! $48,000

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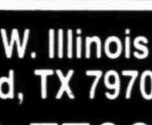

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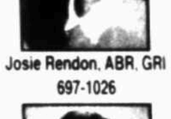
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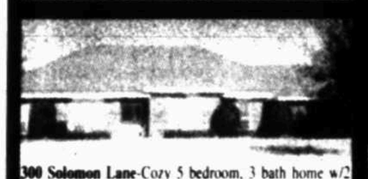
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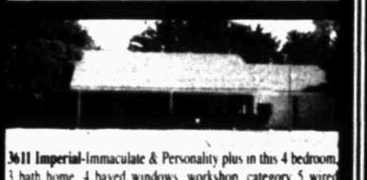
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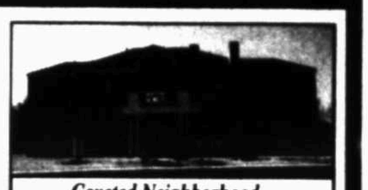
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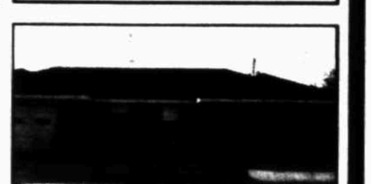


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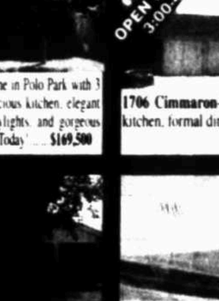


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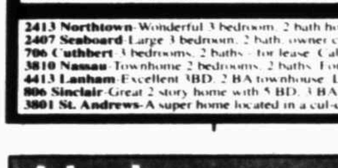
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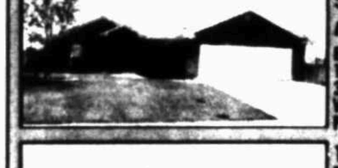
4103 Angelina
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Spotless/Clean/Ready for New Owners, 4B/3B, two living areas, Excellent Location



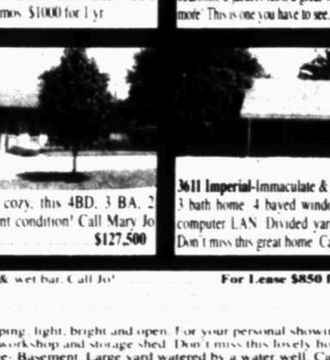
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[illegible] Tile Gallery, RV Parking Pad, Large Home, Excellent Price



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3618 Boyd
$62,000
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[illegible] bedrooms, two baths, two living areas. Recently painted and carpeted. Walking distance to Lee.



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SPENCE.....Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan ..... $ 72,000
GLENEAGLES ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
CAMARIE.....Totally Adorable & Immaculate! 3 bd-2.5 +.5 ba-2 liv-Fresh Paint & Carpet ..... $ 71,500
GRAHAM.....New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours ..... $ 70,200
GREENBRIAR ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
MICHIGAN.....Homey Den: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Cinder Block Fence & Storage-Very Nice ..... $ 69,500
GRAHAM.....By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Convenient Plan ..... $ 69,200
FLARE ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
IMPERIAL.....Cozy Neighborhood: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Spacious Kitchen-Large Fenced Backyard .. $ 67,500
N. D......Much Recent & Fresh: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Remodeled Master Bath ..... $ 66,900
SHELL.....Clean! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Rec.A/C,Heat,Roofing,DW,Kit/Den Ceramic Tile ..... $ 59,900
PECOS ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
LOUISIANA....Old Midland Charm: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Hardwood Floors-Sitting Porch-2 car gar .... $ 58,900
MICHIGAN....Cute/Livable: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Fresh Int.Paint/Tile Flooring/Formica/DW-Move in Ready $ 57,500
CRENSHAW.....Nice Floor Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Separate Formal Dining Area ..... $ 56,900
ROOSEVELT....Cute: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Updates in '98: Kit.Appliances,Vinyl,Carpet,Paper,Paint .. $ 55,500
KANSAS....'Old Midland' Cottage: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Beautiful Hardwood-This Starter Twinkles! .. $ 55,000
PLEASANT.....So Neat/So Clean: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq.Master-Added Insulation ..... $ 54,900
PARKDALE...Great Updated Kitchen: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Living Area-Workshop in Garage .. $ 49,900
STOREY.....Immaculate Yards: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Great Appeal-Lush St Augustine Grass ..... $ 44,000
BENTON.....Interior Updates: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Ceramic Tile-Ceiling Fans-Fenced Yard ..... $ 42,000
HARLOWE....First Home or Investment! 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Fresh Ceramic Tile/Carpet-Neutral Colors . $ 38,900
DELANO.....Cute House: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Well Maintained-Big Divided Backyard ..... $ 36,000
PECOS ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**

THOMAS ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
WALNUT ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
FRANKLIN.....Cute Home: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Ceiling Fans in all Rooms-To Be Sold "As Is" $ 28,000
CLAY.....Starter or Investment: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Central Heat-Storage Bldg-To be sold As-Is .... $ 25,500
BRUNSON.....Investment or Beginner: 1 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Call to See ..... $ 25,000
BRUNSON.....Investment Potential: 1 bd-1 b-1 liv-Poss. Starter ..... $ 25,000
MARIANA...Investor Special: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Sep.Util, Priv.Entrance & Full Bath for Conversion Area $ 24,000
KANSAS.....Duplex: Each side = 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Washer/Dryer-Ready to Occupy ..... $ 19,400
MARIANA ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
BOULDER.....Three Fairmont Condos: Each = 1 bd-1 ba-2 liv-Perfect for Single/Couple/Investor $ 9,250 ea

BIG SPRING RESIDENTIAL

RIDGEROAD... Screened Porch: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Nice Trees-Fresh Paint/Carpet-**REDUCED!** ..... $ 37,900
CONNALLY.....Investor Special: 3 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Sound Home-Needs some updating ..... $ 14,900

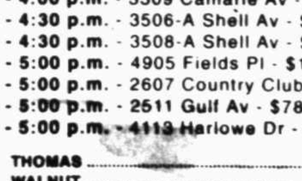
ODESSA RESIDENTIAL

TERRACE CIR...Wonderful Game Room: 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-4 Car Rear Entry Gar C uld be Shop .. $ 117,000
DOE LN....Great Area: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Roofing/Ext Paint-Screened/Covered Porch ... $ 79,900
HAYWOOD....Quiet Neighborhood: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great 1st Home-Trane A/C & Heat-Sprnklr Systm $ 52,500
E. 52ND.....Ask About Seller Financing: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-To be sold 'As-Is' ..... $ 48,500
E. 16TH...Great Starter: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Guest Quarters-Central Air/Heat-Convenie t l ocation .. $ 31,500
N. HANCOCK.....Close to Downtown: 2 ba-1.5 ba-1 liv-Mobile Home-Fenced-V. er Well .... $ 14,900

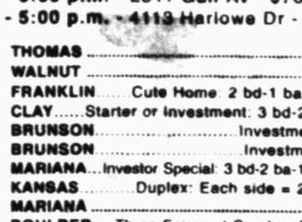
STANTON RESIDENTIAL

W. 4TH.....Comfy Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Kit-Large Wkshop w/220-Cov RV Parking ..... $ 63,800
W. 4TH.....Mob Home: 4 bd-1 ba-1 liv-apprx 27 Ac-apprx 14x70' w/addition apprx 432 sq ft ..... $ 22,900

NEW LISTINGS



3904 Lehigh Drive - $76,000: Nice Home in Skyline Terrace Addition. This 3 bdrm, 2 bath home has a large living area with a fireplace. The curved drive to the front 2-car garage provides super access and great parking for guests and family. Come feel the possibilities this home has to offer as your new home. There's lots of home here for your money's worth. Call CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors 570-8200.



2501 Stutz Place - $107,900: Beautiful Wood Flooring is what you'll find in the hallway, living area and master bedroom of this 4 bdrm, 2.5 bath, 2 living area home. It's so warm and inviting you'll wish you didn't have to wait to come home. The second den can be closed off separately for privacy. The closets are all spacious in this updated home on a corner lot. Get it now - It's move-in ready! Call CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors 570-8200



8203 Canadian Avenue - $88,500: Calling Gourmet Chefs! This kitchen is wonderful with its gas cooktop and spacious island with double sink. This 4 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 living area home is so open, light and airy. And, wait until you see the beautiful bricked fireplace in the great room flanked on two sides by bedrooms. This home is so pretty and well-maintained it won't last long. Hurry if you want to be home here for Christmas. Call Betty Hicks 570-8200/evening 697-8585.

SUBURBAN LISTINGS

N. CO RD 1130....Must See! 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Approx 4 ac-Shop w/Guest Qtrs-**HOME WARRANTY** ... $ 175,000
E. CO RD 102....New in Greenwood: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Reata Ranch Est-Approx 2.59 Ac-Great Plan ... $ 154,900
W. CO RD 52 ..... **UNDER CONTRACT**
KNIFFEN....Much Potential: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-In Ground Pool-Large Barn/Shop in Back-Approx 1.5 Ac . $ 85,000
N. CO RD 1136.....Cute/Private: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Nice Kit-Large Liv-Greenwood Sch-Apprx 5 ac $ 82,800
S. CO RD 1183...Pecans,Pecans & More Pecans: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Approx 5.27 Ac-Drip Systm $ 52,900
W. CO RD 83.....Come Inside: 3 bd-2 ba-1 Liv-Hardwood Flooring-Large Closets-Apprx 2 Acres $ 29,900
S. CO RD 1195...Storm Cellar: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv--Mob.Home-Apprx 3 Ac -6' Fencing Around 2 Ac $ 28,500
S. CO RD 1210.....Large Foyer: 4 bd-1 ba-2 liv-Approx .56 Ac-Concrete Block Fence ..... $ 24,900

LOTS & LAND

DORIS (Odessa).....Res.Rural Lot-Apprx .46 ac-Horses & Mobile Home OK ..... $ 1,200
W. CO RD 1127.....Two Rural Lots - Each Apprx 1 Ac - No Mobile Homes! ..... $ 3,500 ea
S. CO RD 1127...Rural Residential Lot-Approx 1.533 Acres-Greenwood Acres-No Mob Homes ..... $ 6,000
S. CO RD 1312.....Ridgewood Addition Unimproved Lot-Mobile Homes OK-Approx .28 Acre ..... $ 7,000
E. CO RD 108.....Corner Lot behind Greenwood School-Apprx .5 Acre-Great Access ..... $ 8,000
W. 87th (Odessa).....Residential Lot-Northwest Odessa-Approximately .79 Acre ..... $ 8,500
S. CO RD 1122.....19 Lots in Super New Subdivision-Reata Ranch Estates-Pick Yours Today! ..... $ 9,000 ac
S. CO RD 1289.....Approx 3.75 Acres /Rural Residential-Partially Fenced ..... $ 15,000
WESTMINSTER...Two Res Lots-Skyline Terrace West Addition-Great Location-Both Apprx 1/4 Ac $ 15,000 ea
W. CO RD 123 (Odessa).....Ridgewood Subdivision-Apprx .66 Ac ..... $ 19,500
S. CO RD 1218....Apprx 10+Ac-Horses OK-No Mob.Homes-Deed Restricted to Min 1200 Sq Ft Home ..... $ 24,900
HWY 137 (Stanton)....Apprx 19.51 Ac-Res or Agricultural Use-No Mob Homes-No Comm Hog Raising ..... $ 25,000
S. CO RD 1218...Apprx 10+Ac-Horses OK-No Mob.Homes-Deed Restricted to Min 1200 Sq Ft Home ..... $ 25,000
I-20.....22+ Acres-Prime I-20 Frontage ..... $ 385,000
COWDEN ADDN.....10 Lots in 1200 Block of Keith-To be Sold as Package-Land Only ..... $ 400,000
PARKLEA ADDN.....12 Lots in 200 Block of Circle Drive - Zoned Light Retail ..... $ 450,000
E. LOOP 250 N.....Apprx 640Ac - Develop for Country Estates ..... $ 1,248,000

COMMERCIAL

JASMINE.....I-20 Accessible - Zoned IPI ..... $ 8,000
BOULDER....Three Fairmont Condos: Each = 1 bd-1 ba-2 liv-Perfect for Single/Couple/Investor .. $ 9,250 ea
KANSAS.....Duplex: Each side = 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Washer/Dryer-Ready to Occupy ..... $ 19,400
JASMINE.....Great I-20 Access - Zoned IPI ..... $ 19,500
S. CO RD 1210.....Building-Trailer Hookup Available-Paved County Road ..... $ 40,000
BILLINGSLEY.....Planned for Storage Facilities-RV Parking-Approx .97 Acre ..... $ 68,500
ANDREWS HWY.....Hot Corner Location - Near Hospital - High Visibility & Traffic Count - Ideal for Drive-Thru ... $ 75,000
W I-20.....Commercial Retail Location w/I-20 Exit Access-Approx 1.304 Ac-To Be Sold "As Is" ..... $ 80,000
ILLINOIS.....Ideal Downtown Office-Hardwood Floors-Circle Drive-Rear Parking-Near Hospital Areas ..... $ 125,000
W. ILLINOIS...Office Bldg-Cov Prkg-6 to 6 Offices + Copy & Kit-Doctor Lawyer-Shared Businesses $ 190,000
W. INDUSTRIAL.....Ask About Owner Finance-Office + Warehouse-Great Location ..... $ 425,000



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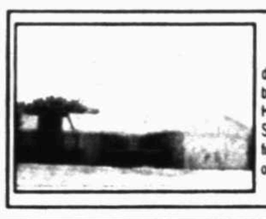
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ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS
Is in this wonderful Troy Hunt custom home in Greentree North with too many special features to list. 3 LA. Master suite fit for a king and queen. 5 car garage and more and more and more **$389,900, MLS #35217**



VISIONS OF SUGARPLUMS
danced through this charming 3 bd. 2 ba. newer home near Henderson Elementary. Spacious living with pretty fireplace. Unbelievable gift tag of only **$59,950, MLS #32569**



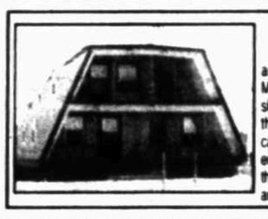
THE GIFT NO ONE WILL RETURN
Wrap this one up and tag it with your name. Bill Brown custom offers 4 bedrooms, 3 baths with master featuring a fireplace and a view of the golf course. 2 spacious living areas, gourmet kitchen, 3 car garage at a bargain price of **$249,500, MLS #35025**



CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY
is always memorable but even more enhanced by this wonderful Greentree home on 4 acres with a pool, barn, corrals, RV garage and more. It can't remain on the market long at only **$157,900, MLS #32220**



WORLD'S LARGEST RIBBON
Should be wrapped around this delightful 2 story Greentree custom on Island Circle. 4 bd plus study, bonus room, den, formals, dream kitchen, 2 patios and much more. **$309,900, MLS #31461**



ENJOY SILENT NIGHTS
and a breath taking view of Midland's skyline and starry skies from the upstairs deck of this suburban bargain. Sing carols and hang stockings by either of two fireplaces, decorate the tree in the large open living area. **$83,900, MLS #20081**



DECK THE HALLS
and walls and stairs of this dramatic tri-level suburban home. 4 bd, 3 ba, 2 LA formals, fresh paint, tile and carpet. 3.25 ac. **$229,900, MLS #26169**



ALL THAT GLITTERS ISN'T GOLD!!
Act quickly and this wonderful new listing can be yours for Christmas to come. 4 bedrooms, 2 LA, pool, spa, recent tile and paint. Located near Racquet Club and listed UNDER $100,000. **MLS #36866**



YULETIDE CHARM
flows through this dreamy designer home featuring hardwood floors, great storage, low-maintenance, 3 plus bedrooms on a quiet cul-de-sac. **$119,900, MLS #32149**



JOLLY OL' VALUE
on a great new listing in Fannin School area. 3 bd, 2 ba, 2 LA on a well landscaped lot with cinder block fence. Needs your special touch for Christmas to remember. Only **$69,500, MLS #36860**

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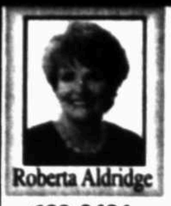
SEASONABLY SCRUMPTIOUS
memorably immaculate and recently redecorated inside and out. This lovely updated and conveniently located home boasts an open plan with sequestered master, gorgeous landscaping and oversized garage. **$114,900, MLS #35637**

To See Multiple Photos or Virtual Tours of These & Other Listings Go To: relocatemidlandtx.com

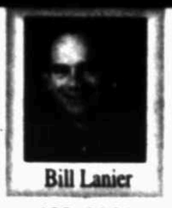
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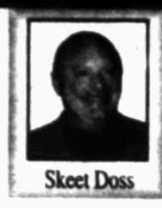
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5 BEDROOMS
4008 Fairwood-Study, Pool, 5 bdrm, custom home, Fabulous! ... $420,000
7 Hialeah-Pool, gated community, pretty updating ... $259,500

4 BEDROOMS
3204 Racquet Club Dr.-Classic elegance; superb plan ... $470,000
6935 Sunrise Ct.-Custom on golf course-4 bedrooms, game room ... $365,000
5009 Mira Vista-New, 4BD, 4BA, flagstone floors ... $299,900
3405 Choate Place-Trinity Estates custom with pool ... $299,900
1700 Storey-Totally Updated & Unique, Must See! ... $299,500
2002 L-Traditional 2 story in Warwick, Great pool ... $285,000
5013 Mira Vista-New 4BD, custom architecture, dazzling! ... $269,900
3600 Trinity Meadows-Huge rooms, wet bar, new carpet ... $235,000
4316 N. Co. Rd. 1241-Country living at its best ... $232,525
5404 Drexel-Custom 2 Story, Open floorplan ... $194,000
2200 Stratford-Polo Park, Gorgeous yard ... $157,900
4800 Bishops Castle-Beautifully mantained, grand den and kitchen ... $156,900
5502 Highland-3 baths, 2 living, office ... $154,900
6006 Allandale-Very special custom home on quiet cul-de-sac ... $135,000
12 Chatham-Professionally Decorated. Updated to a "T" ... U/C ... $128,900
3608 Pinemont-Open floor plan, Fairmont Park ... $114,500
10809 E. Co. Rd. 109-Greenwood Schools, move-in condition ... $97,500
1602 Bedford-Wonderful Old Midland location, nice updating ... $90,000
4713 Cindy Pl.-Completely Remodeled w/mature oak trees & landscape ... $89,900
1004 Sinclair-Established "Old Midland", warm & inviting ... $88,900
5008 E. Hwy. 158-GREENWOOD-4.3 acres, updated, 2 baths ... $79,900
911 W. Michigan-Gleaming hardwoods, great yard, Super ... $77,500
2608 Goddard-Nice plan, convenient neighborhood ... $69,900
3211 Cimmaron-Double Fireplace, Great Area! ... U/C ... $69,900

3 BEDROOMS
2004 Seaboard-Great location, wonderful condition, fabulous decor ... $325,000
1926 Crescent Pl.-Lovely townhouse with pool ... $260,000
2109 S. Co. Rd. 1129-Minutes from the city ... $269,500
809 Canonero-Saddle Club Townhouse with pool ... $229,500
1911 Crescent Pl.-Great one storage plan, bring all offers ... $225,000
2501 Sinclair-Contemporary, Beautiful Townhouse ... $209,500
9 Oaklawn Park-Traditional & spacious, bonus room ... $185,000
5811 Grassland-Super master suite, study, custom kitchen ... $179,500
3708 N. Co. Rd. 1243-Under Contract ... $149,900
2809 Dengar-3/2, Huge Rooms, Very Nice! ... $124,800
3527 Lonoke-New Townhouse, Lovely Features, Wonderful! ... $124,500
2508 Bedford-Updated ... U/C ... $119,900
1300 Godfrey-Beautiful 3 bed, 2 bath, low maintenance ... $116,500
3202 Lockheed-Completely remodeled, 2 1/2 ba ... $109,900
4905 Purple Sage-Kahler Constr., Cul-de-sac ... $104,900
1207 Bedford-Fabulous yard, many updates ... $104,900
2910 Sandhill Circle-Gorgeous 2 ba on cul-de-sac ... $106,900
2608 Hughes-With guest house or office in rear ... $99,900
2506 Idlewilde-Open floorplan w/seq. master ... $94,900
1411 Sparks-Traditional & Charming "Old Midland" ... $89,900
3412 Rosemont-Open floorplan, neutral colors ... $89,900
1009 Neely-Updated inside & out ... $87,500
1210 Missouri-3 bath, Museum district ... $87,000
2503 Frontier-Much new, 3 LA, pool!/ Bring Offers! ... $87,000
2007 Westwind Drive-Like new TH! Tall ceilings, tile ... $79,900
4501 Falcon-Cul-de-sac, Northgate Addition ... U/C ... $78,000
3903 Nasworthy-Quiet cul-de-sac in Northgate ... $74,900
3909 Douglas-Loft & Formal Living ... $74,500
5219 Brazos Ave.-Darling with lots of new, Very Classy ... SOLD ... $74,000
1100 McDonald-Large rooms, corner lot, new garage door ... $69,900
3500 Canemont-Fabulous Fairmont Park. Look at this price ... $69,900
2406 Northtown-Low maintenance home, good condition ... $69,900
702 Broadway-Guest house, hardwood floors, FP, Wonderful! ... $69,900
4506 Patman-Good plan, pretty decor, Ready to Sell ... $69,000
1607 Shell- Location! 3/2, 2LA, 2 Gar, New Carpet and Tile ... $69,000
4303 Country Club-Totally updated, gorgeous yard ... $67,000
3602 Storey-Great 3/2, lots of windows, new carpet ... $64,900
1708 E. Co. Rd. 145-3 Acres, Workshop, Neat! ... $64,900
3213 Shandon-3/2/2, new carpet/paint/tile, ref. A/C to be added! ... $62,900
812 W. Spruce-Great Starter Home, Nicely Updated ... $58,750
4309 Harvard-Updated, 2 baths, 2 living, 1 car garage ... $53,500
3221 W. Michigan-Plus adjacent lot, to be sold "as is" ... $49,500
4501 Monty-2 Living Areas, New carpet & vinyl flooring ... $45,000
4503 Amigo-Darling! Redone! Ref. A/C ... $44,900
5122 S. Co. Rd. 1183 1/2-3 bdrm, 3 bath, fireplace, Mobile Home ... $35,000
402 Hart-Nicely updated, owner to pay closing costs ... $33,000

2 BEDROOMS
21 Oaklawn Park-2B/2.5.5BA, A Dream Come True! ... $269,900
15 Oaklawn Park-Fabulous, updated townhouse ... $195,000
2202 Western-Huge master, completely re-done townhouse ... $110,000
4407-4409 Crocket-Investment Property, 4-Plexes ... $80,000 ea.
1002 Louisiana-Charming, updated, 1 1/2 baths ... $64,500
1206 W. Scharbauer-2 story townhome, 2 1/2 baths ... $62,500
801 North "A"-Charming! Could be 3 bdrms ... $59,500
1501 Kentucky-Charming bungalo ... $33,500
2410 College-1 1/2 baths, open floorplan ... $29,900
1304 College-Charming, hardwood floors ... $29,900

LAND
2408 Bluebird-6+ Acres ... $250,000
N. Garfield-40 Acres, Great potential ... $172,800
FM 150-160 Acres ... $144,000
3900 Sinclair-5 Acres, Zoned Residential ... $100,000
FM 1379-Approx 250 Acres ... $99,000
2106 N. N-Great lot in the heart of Midland ... $62,000
1000 Cuthbert-Zero lot line, patio home areas ... $49,500 ea.
Derby Lane-7 acres - trailer pad ... $25,000
4511-4519 Crockett-Res. Lots ... $6,000 ea.
Co. Rd. 58-Trailer Space ... $4,000

LEASE
4225 Siesta-2 bed, 1 1/2 baths, like new ... $600 mo.
3222 Camarie-3-4 Bedroom, Fannin area ... $800 mo.

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HORSE LOVERS DREAM
4 bedroom, 2 baths, large family room with fireplace, large kitchen, stalls, round arena, roping arena, pipe fencing. Part of the land has built-in sprinkler system.



WHAT A DEAL
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, seq. master, Berber carpet, updated kitchen, great landscaping adds to the fabulous curb appeal.



THIS HOME HAS BEEN TOTALLY REMODELED
New carpet, fresh paint, new vinyl, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, great covered patio, mature trees. A must see.



NEW ALL AROUND
New carpet, fresh paint, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths with 2 living areas, central air. Pretty shade tree in front yard.



3 BEDROOMS, 2 BATHS
2 car garage, over 1800 sq. ft., close to schools and shopping. Call today to view this outstanding property.

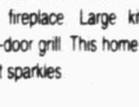


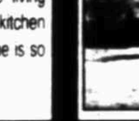
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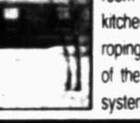
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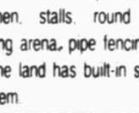
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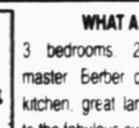

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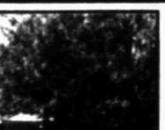

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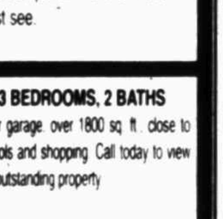

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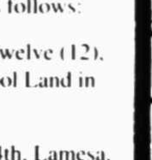
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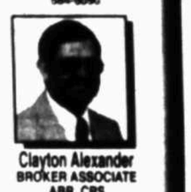
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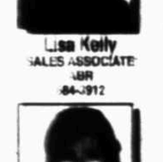
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Huge backyard, 2 br, 2 ba. Call Caleb

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3804 Cedar Springs $45,000
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317 Willowood ..... Reduced $44,900
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1511 N. Marienfeld-Don't Miss This One! $44,900
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4721 Bowie-Cute House $44,500
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402 E. 47TH ST (ODESSA) ..... $40's
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4702 Ric...www.victoriaprintz.com $39,900
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2503 Holloway-College Heights $34,500
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4907 Dixie-Odessa $28,900
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3 QUAIL RUN Jane Wolf 80,000
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2424 HUNTER Amy Johnson 89,900
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1709 CASTER Patti Wallace 79,900
$2,000 Buyer Incentive on this 3/2 w/open living/kitchen plan in Fannin School area.

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4201 LEMONWOOD Patti McClung 149,000
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4726 ASCOT Roy Proctor 84,900
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2828 MARMON Jane Wolf 186,900
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2905 CALDERA Jane Tubbs 165,900
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1002 TARLETON Kathy Crowley
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OPEN 2:5-3:30
3501 PIEDMONT Sharon Hyde 114,000
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3509 PRINCETON Karen Mason 129,900
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OPEN 2:15-3:45
3304 CORO Danny Norwood 114,900
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OPEN 2:30-4:30
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PRINCETON-Lovely 3/2 w/wood floors, located on a corner lot in Old Midland. Side-entry garage **139,900**
MOSS-Terrific TH 3BR/2.5BA, pool, oversized garage w/shop **139,500**
CASTLEFORD-Easy to enjoy this 4BR/3BA home, open floor plan, kitchen w/island, plantation shutters **139,500**
LANHAM-Great patio home. Very spacious, formal dining, huge kitchen, extra RV parking in rear **139,500**
DRIFTWOOD-Custom on the course at Greentree. Loaded w/terrific features and priced to sell **139,000**
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HIGHLAND-Rare find in Grassland for under $140,000! Lovely, light, immaculate 4BR/2.5BA **137,800**
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SPRING MEADOW-Pristine and peaceful, your own retreat! 3/2, sequestered master **132,000**
MOUNT VERNON-Cheerful 3BR, spacious kitchen, bath w/Jacuzzi. Santa Rita area **129,900**
SHANDON-Wonderful drive-up for this 4BR/3LA updated home. Pool, storage building, lots of extras **127,000**
MARMON-What a dream! 4/2 w/2LA, lots of updates, great landscaping **126,900**
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PRINCETON-Absolutely immaculately maintained home w/Austin-like yard. You'll love it **123,900**
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TIMBER LANE-Kahler custom resale. Built 2000. 3BR/2BA, formal dining, 2-car garage **120,000**
KANSAS-Great 5BR/3BA on large corner lot. 3FP, lots of updated in kitchen **119,500**
SENTINEL-Large older home on big lot with pool. 3BR/2FP. Owner anxious **119,500**
TIMBER LANE-Kahler construction w/shaboodles features! 4BR, wood deck, beautiful yard, immaculate & charming **118,500**
VENTURA-Large patio home, flexible floor plan, good condition, easy care yard **118,000**
WINDSOR-Gorgeous pool and convenient location. 3 or 4BR w/in-home office can be entered from side **115,900**
ANDOVER-3BR/2BA/1LA, unique tile floor, plantation shutters, new roof, cul-de-sac location **114,900**
CORD-"Leave it to Beaver" home in coveted Kimber Lea w/4 large bedrooms w/tons of storage **114,900**
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SHANDON-Five great bedrooms, 3 living areas, walk to Lee High **112,500**
FAIRVIEW-Lovely 4BR/3BA w/formals, seq. master, new taupe paint, lots of storage **109,900**
CARPENTER-Fabulous home with pool in Stanton! Much much new! Roof, 2A/C's, kitchen, master BA **109,900**
GLENEAGLES-Wow! Super 3BR in Parker area. Beautifully appointed. Wonderful floor plan **108,500**
MARMON-Popular plan w/two "masters", 2LA, great neighborhood **108,500**
CALDERA-Super Kahler construction shows like new. 3/2 high ceilings every room. Great upgrades **105,900**
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DOUGLAS-Great location on block with lovely homes. Beautiful curb appeal, large rooms. 3BR/2BA/2LA **99,000**
VERDE-Odessa. A decorator lives here. Don't miss this 3 large bedrooms, 3 full baths and 2 living areas **96,900**
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WILLINGHAM-Great 4BR w/great storage, xtra large kitchen, pool, all on quiet street **95,000**
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FANNIN-Beautiful home in Fannin area. Complete remodel. 3/2 w/a great open kitchen/LA **89,900**
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PINE-Great home located in wonderful area near Racquet Club. Tons of sq.ft. for the money **89,900**
LINDORA WAY-Very nice 1997 built! Spacious! High ceilings. Assumable! Lower interest rate! Low equity **89,900**
HAYNES-Fabulous update TH w/lots of new. Walk to Emerson, Goddard and Midland College **89,900**
MISSOURI-Lovely Old Midland area. Lots of new, nice den with fireplace **88,900**
WHITNEY-Offers wanted! Owner will finance. Call Betty for details. 3/2/2/2LA **88,500**
EDGEMONT-Great 4/2 in Fairmont Park w/new tile, carpet & wallpaper! Mint condition **87,500**
SEABOARD-Spacious 4BR w/2LA. Concrete storage building in backyard **87,500**
DENGAR-"Beauty and the Best" dazzling 3BR/2BA. So much new **87,500**
HERMITAGE-Great home in Santa Rita district. Large LA (high ceilings). Great home **87,000**
FRONTIER-4BR/2BA in Fannin district. Priced below appraised value **86,500**
PHILLIP PL-3/2 in quiet cul-de-sac, neutral colors. Big pine trees **86,500**
TERRACE-3/2 w/lush trees & St. Augustine grass. 3LA + office, it's a beauty. Walk to Fannin **85,900**
ELMA-Gameroom plus family room make this really special. Beautiful drive-up, lots of amenities **85,000**
SINCLAIR-3BR/2BA/2LA/2-car. FP, bookcases, landscaped, skylights, many updates, covered patio **84,900**
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BEDFORD-Great 3/2, big rooms, fresh paint, new carpet, plantation shutters. $2,000 buyer incentive **83,500**
NEELY-Contemporary 3/2.5, formal dining, updated kitchen, seq. master, one large LA, Fannin School **83,000**
GULF-Wonderful neighborhood, 3/2, open flowing plan, large rooms, close to schools **82,900**
QUAIL RUN-So inviting! 3 very nice LAs, one w/cozy FP, well maintained, great updating, quiet cul-de-sac **80,000**
MARK LANE-Spacious 3BR/2BA w/oversized LA, enclosed patio + 10x16 storage shed! Hurry! **79,900**
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WHITTLE WAY-Great, totally updated home in Wydewood w/3BR/2BA and a great kitchen **78,900**
ST ANDREWS-4BR/2BA/2-car garage, ceiling fans, white-washed cabinets, pantry, seq. master **77,900**
MICHIGAN-4BR/2BA, well maintained, good location **75,000**
DOUGLAS-4 large bedrooms, abundant storage, lots of new inside, located on a quiet street **74,900**
ASPEN-Low maintenance TH/new tile & carpet. 2/2 plus bonus room **74,500**
FANNIN-Walk to Rusk and Lee. 3/2/2. 2LA, refrigerated air, FP & sprinklered **74,000**
LOUISIANA-Charming Old Midland w/hardwood floors. Remodeled kitchen, in-ground pool & spa qtrs. **72,900**
GARFIELD-Super space, affordable price! Great for home office, elder care, home schooling **72,350**
CULVER-3/2 one-owner home for the pickiest of buyers. Walk to M. Christian. $2,000 towards closing costs **70,900**
DENGAR-Spacious 4BR/2BA/2LA/2FP. Great area **70,000**
SIESTA-Duplex each side 2BR/1.5BA, approx. 1120 sq. ft, great investment property **69,900**
MICHIGAN-Charming Older Midland 3BR, hardwood floors. Ideal location for home office near downtown **69,900**
SAN ANTONIO-A great price for this "Northgate" custom built 3BR/2BA w/rear entry 2-car garage **69,900**
PRINCETON-Nice & spacious 3BR/2BA on big corner lot w/large trees. 2 storage bldgs. Big den w/FP **69,500**
BOYD-So charming and inviting - inside and out **69,500**
NORTH B-Wonderful Old Midland home w/lots of new inside & out on an extra large landscaped lot **69,500**
CAMARIE-Open floor plan, ample rooms, good condition, pretty neighborhood **68,500**
TARLETON-Really nice updated home near Bonham. Such a big lot and wonderful patio and backyard **68,000**
CANADIAN-Lots of new in this 3BR/2BA plus 3% buyer incentive and home warranty **66,500**
SANDS-Totally updated home in Old Midland with a $2,500 buyer incentive **65,000**
MICHIGAN-Beat the heat. 3BR/2BA w/pool **65,000**
BEDFORD-Exceptional 5BR home. New carpet, paint, tile and A/C. A must see **64,900**
BELTON PL-3BR/2BA/1LA/2 car garage in Northgate **64,500**
McDONALD-Spectacular 3BR w/loads of new! Park like yard and large family room **64,000**
BADMANN-Updated to the max! A 3/2 you will love. Storm cellar a bonus! **63,000**
MICHIGAN-One of the best 3BR/2BA home for the price in Midland **63,000**
MOGFORD-Great home in lovely tree-lined neighborhood **62,000**
FANNIN-Nice home near Lee High. New carpet, paint and tile. Priced to sell! You'll be pleased **61,900**
BELAIRE-So nice & clean! 3 BR/3 full baths + a pool. Pretty new carpet throughout **60,100**
SHANDON-4 or 5BR, 1 or 2LA, split level home, 1 car garage in front, 2-car garage in back **60,000**
REEVES-Great property, pretty yard, big kitchen, covered patio, quiet street **59,900**
BEDFORD-Cozy 3BR/2BA w/Berber carpet, tons of storage, workshop & home warranty **59,900**
GULF-Just a close walk to high school & elementary! 3BR/3LA **59,900**
PASADENA-Light & bright 3BR/2BA home. Huge kitchen w/lots of cabinets and much more **57,500**
BOYD-Nice 3/2 in quiet area. Previously used as a lease property. Make offers **56,900**
LEDDY-Lots of new-3BR/2BA/2-car garage. Must see **55,500**
MERCEDES-Super clean 3/2/2, lots of new, HWH & AC. Vacant & ready **55,000**

TARLETON-Great buy on this cute 3BR home w/2LA and large lot. Owner will help w/closing cost **55,000**
BARKLEY-What a nifty house. 3/2, updated througout w/2 backyards, super workshop **55,000**
LIVINGSTON-2BR/2BA/2-car TH, high ceilings, FP, large living area **54,900**
ERIE-New carpet, tile paint in and out. Approx. 1800 sq.ft. and 3BA and fireplace **52,900**
ILLINOIS-Two houses, two blocks from Midland Memorial **52,000**
NICKLAUS-Spotless 3/2, beautiful neighborhood, newer A/C and carpets **51,500**
KESSLER-Very, very clean 3/2 2 gar, new carpet, paint & kitchen sink & more **46,992**
MICHIGAN-Investment property, sold as is. 3BR/2BA/2LA w/hardwood floors **45,000**
ERIE-3BR/2BA, new carpet, newer tile, newer paint **42,000**
COLLEGE-Great investment property w/smaller house behind it. To be sold as is. Both are leased **40,000**
VERSAILLES-What a buy! New tile throughout this 3/2, recent roof, HWH, central heat & air **39,900**
STOREY-"Rental re-do", clean and under $40,000. Brick 3BR/1BA **39,500**
ILLINOIS-Home or investment property zoned office. 2BR/2BA, 2FP, water well **39,000**
STOREY-New paint, carpet, floor covering. Owner will help with financing **39,000**
VERSAILLES-Fixer upper! Priced for a complete re-do at tax appraisal price **38,600**
MICHIGAN-Old Midland cottage w/generous sized bedrooms, gleaming hardwood floors, charming **37,500**
HARLOWE-Neat and well maintained, cozy and inviting, carpet allowance **37,500**
COWDEN-2BR/1BA/1LA, bonus room, garage, hardwood floors, Berber carpet, brick fence **37,500**
DEVONIAN-Owner financed, new paint and carpet **35,000**
HILL AVE-Darling 2/1CA-CH w/new int. paint, carpet, composition roof and wood deck in last 1.5 yrs **35,000**
HILL-Owner will finance this remodeled home. Don't miss it **34,900**
TANNER-3/1, good schools, fixer-upper by buyer **33,500**
ROOSEVELT-Cute and charming! Lots of new in '99. Could be 3BR/1LA or 2BR/2LA. Great buy! **32,900**
WASHINGTON-Doll house! Lots of new in this 3BR/1BA, central heat & air **32,500**
CROCKETT-3BR/1BA, storage unit, very clean, storm doors, ceiling fans **30,000**
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ANN DR.-Fabulous suburban 4BR w/pool, spa, 30x40 shop plus 4 offices **248,900**
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E. CO. RD. 98-Stoneridge Subdivision. Better than new! 4/3.5/2LA on 1.79 acres, workshop w/overhead door **196,900**
N. FM 1788-Wonderfully charming 2 story, 10 acres, barns, stables, bunkhouse, riding arena **165,000**
W. CO. RD. 125-3 yr. old stunning 3BR/2BA/3 acres 100'x75' fishing pond. 40'x30' separate shop, office w/1/2 bath **154,850**
CAROL LANE-Country living in the city in this spacious home that includes acreage and horse stalls **149,900**
E. CO. RD. 110-Wow! 4 BR/3 full & 2 one-half baths, 3 LA's on 2 acres **149,900**

CARDINAL-Exceptional country property. 4/3, 2.5 acres, Pecan orchard, workshop, shady yard **149,500**
W. CO. RD. 98 1/2-Tremendous space & amenities in the country. 4BR/3.5BA plus gameroom **139,900**
W. CO. RD. 140-Mini ranch, approx. 27-28 acres, nice 3/2, 2-story brick home. 3-car garage, guest house **139,900**
W. CO. RD. 52-Fabulous country home located near airport. 3/2 w/large wonderful shop, acreage for animals **124,900**
HWY. 137-3BR/2BA/3LAs, large rooms. Pecan orchard, screened-in porch **115,000**
W. CO. RD. 140-Larger than it looks! 4 bedrooms, pool, unfinished 2BR guest house, much more **115,000**
W. CO. RD. 1213-One owner home w/airpark access! Unique 3BR/2BA w/beautiful ceilings & abundant closets & storage **110,000**
S. CO. RD. 1184-3/2 w/20x40 workshop. 3 horse stalls, 2 barns, alarm system, pipe fence, 1.42 acres **108,500**
S. CO. RD. 1185-Just a terrific house -country living at its best! New carpet, wood floor - den, barn, 2.65 ac. **104,500**

N. CO. RD. 1130-Looking for country? Don't miss this 3BR/2BA completely remodeled **96,000**
FM 307-Greenwood schools, 5 acres, restricted in are, larg: 3BR/3BA. Giant rooms, nice drive-up **94,900**
E. CO. RD. 120-One-owner spotless 3BR/2BA on 1 acre in restricted Ridge heights. Workshop + 1 horse stall **89,900**
E. CO. RD. 104-Need 2LA or 4BR/1LA Greenwood school district **70,000**
E. CO. RD. 105-Front kitchen, seq. master and sprinkler system all in Greenwood **67,500**
S. CO. RD. 1178-Cozy suburban 2BR/2.5BA w/lots of new plus barn, storage shed and more **67,000**
E. CO. RD. 108-Perfect pool, 4BR/2BA, cul-de-sac type street. Greenwood schools. 2-car garage + 2 car carport **65,900**
E. CO. RD. 105-Super Greenwood home looking for new owner. Light & bright w/newer paint, carpet **62,000**
S. CO. RD. 1135-So nice 3BR/2BA on approximately 1.9 acres. Greenwood schools **47,000**
E. CO. RD. 128-Very nice 3BR/2BA, just remodeled, new well, septic (paint side & out) and carport **47,000**

LOTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY

10 ACRES-Middle of Green Tree North **160,000**
BLUEBIRD-12.212 acres available across from the ball park. Can be sub-divided **146,520**
GODFREY-Large, approximately 1 acre lot in Trinity Estates **125,000**
BLUEBIRD-7.18 acres. Can be sub-divided **86,220**
ISLAND CIRCLE-One of the last lots available in prestigious Green Tree North across from the water **85,000**
CARDINAL LN-Two 3.997 acre lots, great country living in the city, city water available **64,000**
SUNRISE-Desirable .79 acre lot facing golf course in Green Tree North **58,000**
GOLF COURSE-Wonderful location! **47,000**
PINEHURST-Excellent residential lot in Saddle Club East **42,000**
L-Rare and beautiful lot in museum district, special site **37,500**
RUSTIC TRAIL-Great Green Tree North residential lot! **34,500**
RUSTIC TRAIL-Super Green Tree North residential lot **34,500**
JUNIPER CT.-Wonderful, large lot in Green Tree South **32,900**
SADDLE CLUB EAST LOTS-Prestigious - only a few remaining **25,000-40,000**
EDGEBROOK DR.-Great .29 acre corner lot in coveted Mockingbird Heights. Ready for a new home **29,900**
RIVERA CT.-Owner/Agent. Great lot in Saddle Club East on cul-de-sac. Only a few remaining **28,000**
ELM ST. & LAMESA RD.-Lot could be commercial location **22,500**
CONNELL-Three lots, I-20, 1 blk. from Rankin Hwy. - directly West of motel ..... **20,000 each**
NEW JERSEY-Zoned for home or mobile. 2 city lots **8,000**
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GASTON-Lot in Permian Estates **2,000**
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WOLFCAMP CIRCLE-2 commercial lots Reduced, make offers ..... **CALL**
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FLORIDA & L ST.-1 acre zoned commercial ..... **CALL**
COTTONFLAT RD.-1.7 acres commercial lot ..... **CALL**
E. CO. RD. 120-2 story office bldg. Corner Rankin Hwy **150,000**
ST. ANDREWS-Great investment opportunity to own super, well maintained duplex **79,900**
ILLINOIS-Reasonable office building. Block next to hospital. Sold as is **79,900**
E. HWY. 158-Commercial property has income producing potential! Call LA for details. 2BR/2BA MH **79,900**
HWY. 80E-Good corner lot, 1.95 acres in busy commercial area on Hwy. 80 ..... **74,900**
W. CO. RD. 125 #3-8000 sq. ft. warehouse/office between Midland/Odessa. Covered parking, lease $1,000/mo **60,000**
COUNTRY CLUB-Great duplex equipped with all appliances. Super investment too **45,000**
CALDERA #280-Great investment buy! Two units available, $23,900 each **19,950**
W. ILLINOIS #10-Centrally located 2BR/1.5BA condo. Lovely pool area **18,000**
BOULDER #804-2BR/2BA/1LA, FP, second level faces Loop 250 ..... **12,000**
BOULDER #307-Cutest and cleanest 1BR condo on mart-at. Stove & refrigerator included. Price to sell quickly **8,000**
BOULDER-6 units, great price for investment. Pool & tennis court ..... **6,500-11,000 each**

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RIDGE HEIGHTS-6 fantastic lots, prices vary ..... **CALL**
FM 1788 & W. CO. RD. 30-26.07 acres, water wells, high traffic area **156,420**
S. HWY. 349-10.2 acres **120,000**
N. CO. RD. 1248-39.20 acres in N/W area adjacent to additional 39.2 acres **98,000**
S. CO. RD. 1223 1/2-Trailer park, 18 spaces between Midland & Odessa along I-20 ..... **54,900**
W CO RD 160-Prime acrage between Midland/Odessa off of 1788 on W Co. Rd. 160. No mobile homes. Restricted **45,000**
S. COTTONFLAT-Acreage on S. Cottonflat - over 16 acres - owner will finance **16,500**
N. CO. RD. 1244-New water well and electricity installed w/in last year! City water will be avail. in future **15,000**
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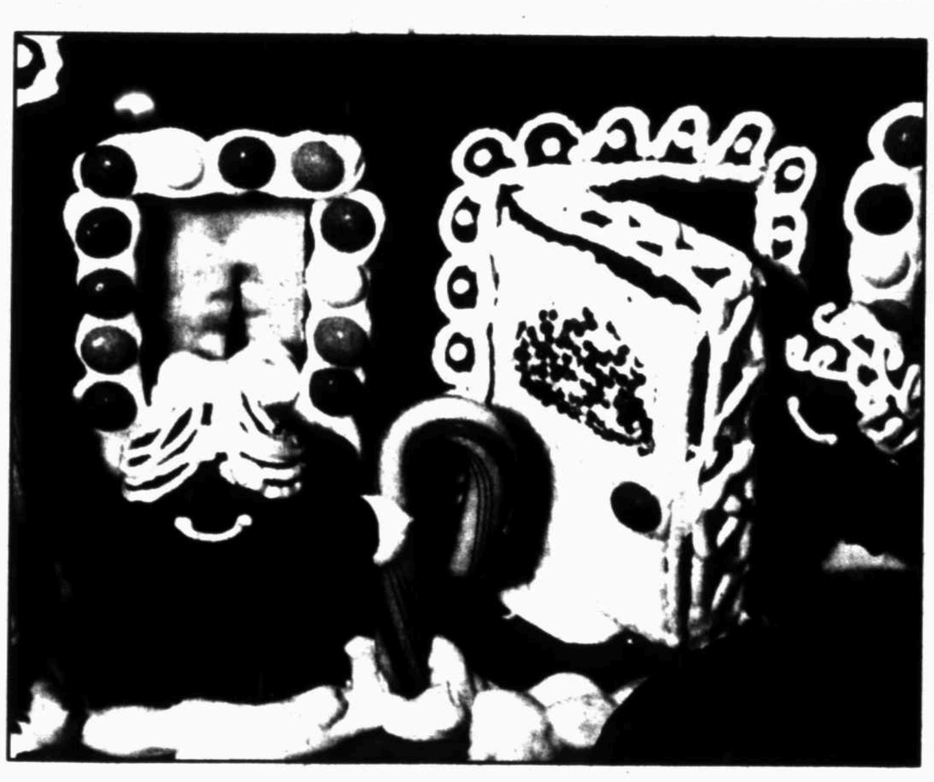
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West Texans bring baked art to life at museum

Teri Vestal
MRT Correspondent

Long ago, deep within Germany's most darkened forest, Hansel and Gretel unknowingly happened upon one of the world's most sweetly unique and fascinating discoveries ... the gingerbread house.

Reading about it with Brothers Grimm is one thing, but experiencing the wonder of these imaginative works first hand at the Museum of the Southwest, is quite another.

It's usually during the Christmas season that gingerbread makes its most impressive appearance. For anyone interested in discovering for themselves what the seasonal magic of gingerbread-making is all about ... a stroll through the Museum of the Southwest's Gingerbread House display will no doubt bring to life the uniqueness of this baking art tradition that is alive and well in the hearts of West Texans.

Enthusiastic participants in this year's contest, sponsored by the museum in association with Christmas at the Mansion, have added to the level of competition and given thousands of area residents another reason to come to the mansion and celebrate as a community.

Twenty local contestants gathered at the museum Nov. 16 with their original masterpieces in hand to present their entries for the contest the museum hopes becomes an annual event. The charm of this traditional Christmas confection is uniquely personal and comes in all shapes and sizes. From small churches to medium-size log cabins to large-scale homes that would appear grand in any fairy tale, there is inspiration in these enchanted pieces of baked art as a theme or an idea carefully planned and brought to life.

As one peers into the tiny windows that appear to be stained glass or notices the arrangement of colorful flowers in countless window boxes, it's not hard for the mind to wander and imagine the unimaginable — a real house of candy.

Then, in the blink of an eye, it's back to reality, realizing those windows are of course, not stained glass, but clear poured hard candy painted to look like stained glass. And as for window boxes full of colorful flowers — it's icing swirled, curled and dotted. Just one glance at these gingerbread wonders won't satisfy the eye. The finishing touches on each creation are intricate and inventive. Ever thought about using shredded wheat cereal on your roof? It's cheap, looks great and seems to hold firm when sitting in a deep bed of sugar and frosting.

Eleven judges had a tough job meticulously scoring each entry, but did so by using standards that would enable them to give great consideration to the fine and important details of each house. Jeweled with candy, frosting, and some of the most interesting attachments that one could ever imagine, the houses were placed in four categories with prizes being awarded for first through fourth places.

The categories are: professional (bakers, restaurants, caterers); general adult (18 and over); teen-age (12 to 18); and children (12 and under). The judges

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AT TOP: Anna Adair won second place with this entry in the general adult category of the gingerbread house contest at the Museum of the Southwest. ABOVE: Detail from Tresa Reed's entry, which won first place professional. AT RIGHT: Susan Yarborough, of the Hillcrest School, won first place child with this entry. AT RIGHT CENTER: First place in the general adult category was taken by Mona Morrissey. AT FAR RIGHT: Detail from Jean Jeffords' entry, which took fourth place professional.

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Christmas at the Mansion

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

THE THIRD ANNUAL "Christmas at the Mansion," which opened to the public over Thanksgiving weekend at the Museum of the Southwest, continues with holiday festivities through Jan. 2. It is attracting crowds of observers to view the historic Turner Mansion, home of the museum, in all its seasonal splendor. One of the most popular attractions is the Southwest Express model train display, which is one-of-a-kind design built especially for the museum.


Harrison

On the Saturday night prior to the grand opening, approximately 350 persons gathered together at the museum for a festive Preview Party.

The three-piece combo, "Sound Investment," provided lively music as the guests enjoyed a cocktail buffet and viewed the museum's beautifully decorated rooms, with a special trip to the Stables Gallery, where the train exhibit is housed, adjacent to the museum's entrance. They also had the opportunity to participate in a silent auction of gingerbread houses and get a head start on their holiday shopping at the Christmas Gift Shop.

Santa was on hand to welcome the partygoers. Among them were **G.W. Brock with his daughter, Michell Brock; Dee Ann and Jeff Salehi, Debbie and David Logan, Debbie and Randy Bruno, Wyoma and Whit Whitlow, Amy and Dr. Mark Fredrickson, Jim Blakemore, Polly and Ferrell Davis, and Cathy (Mrs. Ken) Burgess,** escorted by her son, **Kenneth**, a student at New Mexico Military Institute.

Mary (Mrs. Henri) de Compiegne is chairman of this year's event.

"WHO 'DUN' IT?" That was the question at the fourth annual Mystery Dinner Theatre benefitting The Gladney Center of the Permian Basin. The Nov. 18 event included a mystery spoof, "It's Murder in the Wings;" dinner, and a silent auction.

Since this year's play was set in the 1960s, the evening took on an ambience typical of that decade in decorations and some of the attendees' attire, such as tie-dye shorts, go-go boots and peace beads.

Held at the Yucca Theatre, the play was presented by local actors. The consensus from them is that for this fund-raiser, staging a full-scale production for only one night is well worth the effort. Proceeds help The Gladney Center in creating families through its adoption programs.

Among those seen in the crowd were **Judy Canon, the new director of Gladney's Permian Basin Regional Office,** and her husband, **Mike; Jess Ann Thomason, Frances and Dr. Charles Younger Gwyn and Don Sparks, Susan and Craig Atchison, Gayle and Thomas Miller, and Sue and James Hearne.**

Chairmen of the fund-raiser were **Val and Jeff Sparks**. Co-presidents of the Permian Basin Auxiliary of Gladney are **Kristin and Jim Andrews.**

THE NEWEST fund-raising project of the Midland Symphony Guild debuted on Nov. 16 at the Petroleum Club. "Tabletops" featured centerpieces and table decorations by some of the leading interior designers and merchants of Midland.

A viewing period of all innovative designs was followed by a wonderful lunch of chicken piccata with lemons and capers and informal modeling of holiday clothes by Robbie Casey's. The Lindsayan Quartet provided entertainment.

Debbie (Mrs. James) Van Stavern, guild president, stated that the fund- raiser will provide support for the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale, Inc.

Two hundred and forty guests attended the event. Among those seen in the crowd were **Dollie Ballenger, Harriet (Mrs. Harvey) Herd, Pat (Mrs. Lloyd) Innerarity, Mary Lou (Mrs. Mark) Wilson, Jean (Mrs. George) Donnelly, Celia (Mrs. Word) Wilson, Jan (Mrs. Joe) O'Neill, Carolyn Winkler, Margaret (Mrs. James) Purvis, Joanne (Mrs. Harvey) Langston, Pam (Mrs. Hal) Rasmussen, and Paige (Mrs. William M. Jr.) Kerr.**

"Tabletops" chairmen were **Jeannine (Mrs. Robin) Donnelly, Kathy (Mrs. Michael) Grella, and Janet (Mrs. Jud) Walton**.

THE GREENS of Plantation Golf Course overlooking the Pacific Ocean in Kapalua, Maui, Hawaii, was the setting for the wedding of former Midlander **Dr. J. Brian Porsch and Penny Barber** of Dallas at sunset on Nov. 11.

Following the ceremony, the couple hosted a dinner at the Plantation House Restaurant.

Among those included in the celebration were the groom's mother, **Barbara Porsch** of Midland; his grandmother, **Hannah Hays of Taylor,** and his siblings and their spouses, **Michael and Shelly Porsch Chetty** of Houston, and **Clayton and Paula Porsch** of Kansas City, Mo.

While in Hawaii, the entire group, including the bride and groom, enjoyed a traditional luau, sightseeing, and snorkeling expeditions.

On the morning of the wedding, the groom's brother and best man, **Clayton Porsch**, treated him to surfing lessons, all duly recorded on film.

Prior to the wedding, the groom's mother hosted an open house to introduce Penny to friends in Midland. Among those attending were **Mrs. Roberta Bain**, Brian's first grade teacher at Rusk Elementary School; his kindergarten teacher, **Mary Ann (Mrs. Dale) Stice**, and childhood and school friends, **Renee Floyd Rogers, John and Shailette Dunnam Abbott, Burt Stovall, Philip Holt, Brett and Beth Ann Muehlbrad, and Teresa and Scott Schafenberg**.

Dr. Porsch attended Lee High School, Midland College and the University of Texas-Austin before graduating from Baylor Dental College. He is in private practice in Richardson. Mrs. Porsch is an independent consultant for property management companies.

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DEAR ABBY

Rumor of affair clouds woman's return to work

DEAR ABBY: I have been stuck at home on worker's comp for a year, but will be returning to my job in a few days. Unfortunately, a rumor has gone around at work that my fiance (who is also employed there) is having an affair with one of our co-workers.


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This woman visits our home regularly and has been a friend to both of us. The rumor stems from the fact that people at work see my fiance and her joking and playing around, and assume they have something going on — especially since I'm not there.

Abby, I know that nothing is going on between them. My fiance is devoted to me, and we have a perfect, loving relationship.

My question: What, if anything, should I do about this rumor? When I'm back on the scene, I'm afraid it's going to make our working environment uncomfortable for all three of us. I want these people to know that the rumor is not true, and they should mind their own business. — ANXIOUS IN NIAGARA FALLS, N.Y.

DEAR ANXIOUS: Do nothing about the rumor. To bring it up will only fuel the gossip. If someone mentions it, say you've already heard about it and then change the subject. When you're back on the scene, interacting normally with both your fiance and your co-worker, the rumor should die a natural death.

DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Hopeful in Kentucky," the man whose wife is a gambler, was right on the money. Pathological gambling was first identified as a mental disorder in 1980. According to the American Psychiatric Association, pathological gambling can be identified if a person exhibits at least five of the following 10 symptoms:

(1) Is preoccupied with gambling.

(2) Tries unsuccessfully to control, cut back or stop.

(3) Gambles with increasing amounts of money.

(4) Becomes restless or irritable when attempting to cut back or stop.

(5) Gambles as a way of escaping problems or relieving feelings of helplessness, guilt, anxiety or depression.

(6) After losing money gambling, often returns to get even.

(7) Lies to family members, therapists or others to conceal the extent of gambling.

(8) Commits illegal acts such as forgery, fraud, theft or embezzlement to finance gambling.

(9) Jeopardizes or loses a significant relationship, job, or educational or career opportunity because of gambling.

(10) Relies on others to provide money to relieve a desperate financial situation caused by gambling. — ERIC GEFFNER, PH.D., CERTIFIED COMPULSIVE GAMBLER COUNSELOR, BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF.

DEAR DR. GEFFNER: After that letter appeared, several readers wrote to point out that people with gambling problems should contact Gamblers Anonymous, P.O. Box 17173, Los Angeles, CA 90017, or call (213) 386-8789. The Web site is: www.gamblersanonymous.org.

Also, the National Council on Compulsive Gambling, a nonprofit organization, refers gamblers to qualified mental health professionals who have been trained to work with gamblers and their families. The hotline number is: 1-800-522-4700.

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SKYWATCH

By Gene & Connie Hardy

During the cold December dusks of oncoming winter, Venus is the huge white "evening star" shining in the southwest. Bright Jupiter and pale golden Saturn to its upper right dominate the high eastern sky. The lovely little Pleiades star cluster is above them, and orange Aldebaran is below. Far beneath Jupiter, Orion the Hunter is rising into good view in the east. The whole winter circle will be easy to discern later in the evening, or as the month rolls by.

Early in December evenings, the "autumn star" Fomalhaut is still visible to the southern horizon shining far below the Moon.

On the 9th, the Moon, Jupiter, Saturn, and fainter orange Aldebaran form a tight bunch in the east. They have been doing this once a month since last summer, but this is the first time they've been up in good view as early as twilight.

This month's full moon, called the long night moon or moon before yule, will occur on Dec. 11. And, by 11 p.m. Aldebaran, Jupiter, and Saturn shine directly to the moon's right.

Just two days later, the annual Geminid meteor shower, usually one of the year's best, should be at its peak late in the night of the 13th. But, because of the bright moonlight, viewing will be hindered.

For early risers on Dec. 19, look southeast for the moon shining above an orange Mars and blue-white Spica. Then, the next day, the moon, Mars and Spica will form a slightly curving line in the southeast before dawn. The bright star well to their upper left is the "spring star," Arcturus, putting in an early seasonal appearance just for early risers.

On Dec. 21, the winter solstice occurs at 7:37 a.m. This is when the sun is farthest south for the year and begins its six-month return northward, defining the start of winter in the northern hemisphere.

On the 25th, we will have a new moon as well as a "Christmas eclipse." This will be a partial solar eclipse over North America, beginning around sunrise in the west and around midday in the east. That will put the actual event in Texas between first contact at 9:40 a.m. to maximum eclipse at 10:50 a.m. The moon will pass between Earth and the sun, taking about a 30 percent "bite" out of our view of the sun.

Just please remember: Never look directly at the sun! Sunglasses won't even begin to protect your eyes, so don't try! Damage to the retina of the eye is not felt at all, but can be permanent. Use an approved solar filter covering the lens of your binoculars or telescope, or one of the "paper" methods. By holding one paper with a pin-pricked hole allowing the sunlight to shine through onto another paper, you can observe the moon's movement create a shadow across the circle of the sun projected on the paper.

On the 28th and 29th, Venus and the crescent moon are closely paired in the southwestern sky during and after dusk.

On Dec. 10, look for a special program on the Discovery Channel about the International Space Station. It will feature the three astro(cosmo)nauts and what it's like living and working together on their four-month mission in space. Any future astronauts among our readers who would like to look forward to a job in space or on Mars within the next 30 years may find the program fascinating.

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BAKED: Cookie homes too good to eat

(From 1E)

were: architects Gary Vandergriff, Mark Wellen and Jim Rholenberry, Realtors Roberta Aldridge and Patti Wallace; builder Chuck Wallace; chef Serge Eberhard, retail arts and crafts store owner Ruth Sims; art teacher Jack Hickman; and artists Charlotte Seay and Mary Griffith.

Contestants followed guidelines provided to them by the museum and judges made their final choices using a point system to score the visual characteristics of each house: edible materials used, structure characteristics (such as roof and walls), building surface, non-use of shellac, architectural integrity, imaginative use of candy, originality, creativity and overall appearance.

The museum presented winners with cash prizes of $300, $200, $100 and $50 and all participants were recognized for their outstanding efforts:

■ Professional category: Tresa Reed, first; Pilar Carrasco of Midland's Racquet Club, second; James McCrary of Odessa's The Club@ Mission Dorado, third; and Jean Jeffords of Monahan's Elegant Cakes, fourth.

■ General adult category: Mona Morrissey, first; Anna Adair, second; Cindy Rankin, third; and Kathleen Meyers, fourth.

■ Children's Category: Diana Endris' fourth-graders at Hillcrest School of Midland received a blue ribbon for their outstanding contribution to the contest.

Few children and teens entered this year, but the museum plans to promote the contest to children and teens next year, said Anne Hover, museum volunteer and chairwoman of the event.

"We want all age groups to join in on the fun with us next time," she said.

The contestants are as different as their entries. Mona Morrissey, first-place winner in the adult category, is a full-time mother and experienced at creating gingerbread houses.

She said she was first inspired as a teen-ager while living in Lawrence, Kan. Making a gingerbread house for the holidays continues to be a Christmas tradition in her home.

"Planning usually starts in October and for about three weeks before the contest, I have parts of my gingerbread house all over the kitchen, sometimes even going into the other rooms," Ms. Morrissey said. "I used to use patterns, but now I just cut and recut the gingerbread. I'm not a baker. I couldn't pipe a line of frosting to save my life."

Her talent speaks for itself in Ms. Morrissey's Ambassador's House, which she affectionately refers to as her "art noveau" creation.

In the same category, second-place contestant, Cindy Rankin, a local florist and mother, said "This was the first time for me to enter a gingerbread house contest. I saw an ad in the newspaper and thought it would be fun. I would definitely do it again."

She added that the time spent building her house was around 15 hours spread over four days before the contest. She recommended the Internet as a resource for recipes, patterns and information on gingerbread houses. She was surprised and amazed at the competition this year and credited the other contestants for their impressive entries.

The children's category winner, Candyland, was prepared by 10 students representing Hillcrest School. It's a festive entry and looks just like a classroom of gingerbread pupils.

For wedding cake decorator Tresa Reed, who won first place in the professional category, it was her first try at making a gingerbread house for competition.

"I've always wanted to make a house. My mother made them when I was small. When I read about the contest, I decided that I would just go for it."

Ms. Reed said that constructing the house was a bit more challenging than she first thought it would be and the feeling of accomplishment was well worth the effort. She would like to compete again next year.

Ms. Hover said she was pleased and in awe of the response and generous attitude displayed by the participants.

"All of the contestants this year wanted to donate their houses for silent auction. It's this kind of community spirit that gives this festive display even more community appeal," she said. "The proceeds benefit and support our museum and these fund-raisers are very important.

The gingerbread houses will be on display at the museum through Jan. 2.

SEED FOR THOUGHT

Old roses: Grabbing interest of planters for over 20 years

Deborah Benge Frost

A steady increase in of interest in old roses has taken place over the last 20 years and for very good reasons. Old, heritage or antique roses grow on their own roots, have excellent pest resistance and great longevity even under difficult conditions. They are also beautiful, fragrant and unusual. Since they grow on their own roots they are also easily propagated from cuttings and now's a good time to do that.

Rooted cuttings is a fairly easy technique that has allowed old roses to be handed down from one generation to another, one family member to another and from friend to friend. While it isn't 100 percent successful it will result in 50-75 percent success, so be sure to take several cuttings to ensure that you'll end up with a few successfully rooted plants.

Rose cuttings don't require special equipment or structures, just a little time and tending. Dr. William Welch, TAEX State Horticulture Specialist, as made huge contributions to the old rose resurgence, industry and species availability, provides these guidelines for propagating old roses.

When to take cuttings

November through February is the best time for taking cuttings from old roses. Late fall is an especially good time because there are usually a few roses still on ever blooming types to help with identification.

How to take cuttings

The easiest part to root is the tip of a stem that has recently bloomed. Ideally, these tips have withered flowers, or hips, beginning to form. The flower head or hips should be removed down to the first set of healthy leaves. Cuttings should be 6-8" long and be cut from the parent plant with a sharp or shears at a 45 degree angle. It's important to take a cooler, ice, plastic bags, and moist paper towels so the cuttings can be stored in a cool moist location until they are prepared for sticking. The sooner they are stuck the better.

The use of rooting hormones is not necessary, but it is helpful in promoting good rooting. There are a number of rooting hormone powder products on the markets. Some folks even use willow water, which has been found to induce rooting and suppress damping off. Willow water is prepared by taking one inch long sections of willow branches, cut horizontally and lengthwise and put in a pan of rain water that has been brought to a rolling boil. The water should be allowed to sit overnight. After removing the branches the water is then ready for use. Recut the rose stems for better uptake of the willow water and allow them to soak for a while. The willow water can be used for the first watering after cuttings have been stuck, too. Selecting the location and sticking the cuttings

Selecting the site for sticking the cuttings is very important. For rooting purposes, you'll want to find a location that has bright light, but no hot direct sunlight, such as an east or north facing flower bed that easy to keep moist. The location should have well drained moist soil. Soil should be highly amended with several inches of compost, composed pine bark mulch or peat moss that is well tilled.

Foliage on the lower half of the cutting should be removed, but allow leaves on the upper portion to remain. Dip cut end and stem portion that will go into the soil in rooting powder (tap excess powder off stem), soak in willow water or even with no treatment they are ready to stick into rooting media. Use a pencil or dibble to make a hole for each individual cutting. This will protect the cutting and prevent rooting powder from being scraped off. The cuttings should be stuck several inches into the planting media. Place cuttings 6-8 inches apart in the row and mark each row with the rose name using a permanent marker. Some growers will use a large plastic or Styrofoam cups with drainage to plant into and then plant these into the soil. This method requires more careful monitoring because they will dry out faster.

Other methods of planting include planting into flower pots and placing a plastic bag over the cutting to act as a mini greenhouse. Or the entire pot can be encased in a plastic air filled bag closed with a twisty tie. A stick or wire inside the pot can keep the plastic from resting on the leaves or stem of the cuttings. This keep humidity high while the cutting is developing roots. Sometimes a glass jar is placed over the cutting for the same effect. Make sure these do not overheat in direct sun. Care during the rooting period

It is especially important during the early rooting period to keep the soil moist and the cuttings from drying out. Check the soil frequently by sticking your finger 1" into the soil. If very cold weather is predicted, cuttings should be covered until the weather stabilizes.

Over the next couple of months the cuttings will form what is called callus tissue. In the spring roots will develop from this callus tissue. This is an equally important time for keeping soil moist but not wet. With any luck at all the cutting should have good rooting by April or May. It's a good idea to keep cuttings in place until the next fall or winter. Transplanting to a permanent home

By late fall or winter plants should have enough roots to be moved to a permanent location. During the dormant season plants may be dug with a root ball or as bare root plants. Moving them and replanting them quickly without delay will result in less stress. Prune any long shoots either before or soon after moving. For best results, plant in a location that receives at least 6 hours of direct sunlight. Varieties to consider

Old Blush (China; large shrub or climber), New Dawn (Climber), Ballerina (Hybrid Musk: large mound shape), The Fairy (Polyantha; small), Madame Plantier (Alba; shrub), Mozart (Hybrid Musk), Zephirine Drouhin (Bourbon; thornless climber) Lady Banksia (Large climber), Cramoisi Superieur (China), Mutabulis (China; large), Climbing Pinkie (climber), Mrs. B. R. Cant (Tea), Cecile Brunner (Polyantha; climber or shrub), Marie Pavie (Polyantha; small), Marie Daly (Polyantha; small), and Belinda's Dream (Shrub rose) are just a few of the hundreds of antique roses to choose from. These are all heritage roses that have been grown in our area.

Don't miss this excellent time of year to try your hand at propagation. For more information concerning antique rose and propagation, call the County Extension Service at 498-4071.

This and all Texas Agricultural Extension Service information is available to the public regardless of race, color, sex, age, national origin, socioeconomic level, or veteran status.

AROUND TOWN

Midland County Public Library Children's Dept.. Storytime theme will be "Going" Shopping from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Dec. 5 and 6 in the Kaleidoscope Room.

...**VAN- Visually** Impaired Men's Support Group will meet 10 a.m. to 11 Dec. 5. The speaker will be ex-marine Bill Taylor. The Women's group will meet 10 a.m. to noon Dec. 6. The Christmas tree will be decorated. Please bring a sack lunch. Coffee and refreshments will be provided. Meetings are held at the Van House, 2908 W. Ohio. For more information call 694-2648...

...**World's Largest** Christmas Party will be held at the Midland Center from 4 to 7 p.m. Dec. 7. Holiday music, silent auction items and 20 area restaurants and businesses will provide the "feast." Advance tickets are $7 and group packs of 20 are $99 (payment must be received by noon Dec. 6).

Tickets will be $10 at the door. They can be bought by mail or in person at the Midland Chamber of Commerce, 109 N. Main, Midland, TX 79701...

...**The Permian** Basin Geological and Geophysical Auxiliary (PBGGA) will hold their annual Christmas party from 4 to 6 p.m. Dec. 7 at the home of Cathy (Mike) Party. For more information call 694-8913.

...**AARP and** the Midland Community Theater join together to provide a discounted ticket ($6) to all national AARP members and family members on Sunday, Dec. 10 at 2 p.m. for Charles Dickens', "The Christmas Carol." Call toll-free 1-877-926-8300 to make your reservations by Dec. 6. Pick up tickets at the box office at the theater beginning Dec. 7 and up to the day of the performance. Local contact: 687-2588...

...**Architects of** Midland's first Sundial will be giving a demonstration on how it works at 2:30 p.m. today between the Museum of the Southwest and Marian Blakemore Planetarium. Katherine Curry, senior girl scout, wanted to give something special to the community and at the same time earn the "Gold Award." She and Laura Atkinson constructed the sundial . "Star of Bethlehem: A Mystery Revealed" will follow the demonstration at 3 p.m...

...**Big Spring** State Hospital volunteer Services Council is taking donations for patients' Christmas gifts in the form of grooming supplies, card games, house shoes and monetary donations to buy jogging suits for them. Volunteers are needed for the gift-wrapping session from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 4, or helping patients with gift selections on their annual trip to The Dollar Store, prepare foods for the patient Christmas parties to be held Dec. 14 and men and women to sing in the annual Christmas caroling at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 4. For more information call 915-268-7535 or 268-7533.

...**Midland Christian** Women's Club will hold a Holiday Fashion Luncheon at Green Tree Country Club from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Dec. 5. The program will include a style show by Dunlap's and Karen Fisher, member of Alliance singing group will perform. A free nursery is provided at a local church and mothers are asked to bring a sack lunch for their child. The club is non-denominational and has no membership or dues. The cost of the luncheon is $11. Please call 682-5851 or 684-5213 for reservations...

...**Hospice of** Midland's Remembering Our Children support group for grieving parents will hold it's next meeting at 7:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 4 at the Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas. Meetings are held the first Monday of each month or the second Monday if the first is a holiday...

New editor named to Lifestyle department

From Staff Reports

Mary Dearen, who joined the Midland Reporter-Telegram in 1981, has been named Lifestyle Editor.

The appointment effective immediately, was announced by Midland Reporter-Telegram Editor Meta Minton.

Ms. Dearen, who most recently served as special projects editor, will oversee the Lifestyle sections including Books, Food, Home & Garden, Parenting, Listen Up! and ¿Que Pasa.? As special projects editor, she was in charge of the Religion and Monday Morning pages and she will continue in that capacity.



Dearen

As Lifestyle Editor, Ms. Dearen will direct the writing and editing talents of Richard Acosta, Lana Cunningham, Johnnye Montgomery, Emily Baker, Marilyn McKnight Harrison, Jean Starnes and Katie Boden among others.

She is the wife of local author Patrick Dearen. They have a son, Wesley, 10, a fifth-grader at Anson Jones Elementary School.

New Suit: Dress-up can still be casual

By Suzanne C. Ryan
The Boston Globe

Men's khakis pants, which revolutionized the dress code of corporate America in the 1990s, are headed for retirement this fall — to be replaced by the most unlikely of garments: the business suit.

After a series of fashion industry shows this week and last in New York and in Milan last month, the suit is reemerging as a hip option for men.

"When you look at some of the top names — Prada, Gucci, and Dolce & Gabbana — they all filled their runways with suits," says Dan McCampbell, men's fashion director at Saks Fifth Avenue. "You could have counted the suits (shown) last spring on one hand."

Do these shows signal the end of "business casual," just when such venerable companies as Boston law firm Hale and Dorr are no longer requiring their attorneys to wear suits?

Relax. Most of the suits being presented aren't uptight. A new category of suit — dressy casual — is making its move as the new century unfolds. Created for work and play, these suits are tailored but have modern design elements: no upper chest pockets, flat-front slim trousers, hidden jacket buttons, no jacket linings, smaller lapels.

Fabrics are in colors such as olive green, and pinstripes are made of subtle reflective materials or in colors such as berry. Some fabrics have stretch material in their weaves for comfort. And many of the suits are presented with no ties, just a shirt with an open collar.

"This is a brand-new kind of feeling" in menswear, says Alan Bilzerian, owner of self-named boutiques in Boston. "It's a mood change. Society is now transforming. Everybody looks way too casual. The suit is the thing that men have always been able to rely on for business, going out at night, traveling."

Indeed, fashion insiders say men are hungry for more elegance in their wardrobes. While no one is advocating a return to the buttoned-down stiffness of yesteryear, the dress-down casual look is unacceptable to some.

"We are coming up on 10 years of casualization. Khakis and cargoes are not happening," says Tom Julian, a fashion trend analyst for New York ad agency Fallon McElligott. "Designers are reinterpreting the suit for a new audience and new lifestyles. What is the modern suit? I think the idea is that individualism (instead of uniformity) is now required."

Says designer Ron Chereskin, who unveiled his collection Thursday, "My whole show is definitely casual dressy. I think it's a tremendous movement right now." Chereskin presented about 10 "non-matching suits" — essentially a group of sports coats paired with pants of similar colors. "The whole idea is to get much more out of your wardrobe."

From a cultural perspective, fashion analysts contend that the new look signals that men are freer to express their feelings in society. "When you wear a suit and tie, all your feelings are kept inside. You have self-restraint," says Ruth P. Rubinstein, associate professor of sociology at the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York and author of "Dress Codes: Meanings and Messages in American Culture."

"These new fashions are saying, 'No, men can express their feelings,' . . . 'I don't take life so seriously.' The suit is less an image of authority and self-denial," she said. "The use of color (or hidden buttons or funky pinstripes) enriches you and

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HELL ON WHEELS

Recount funds could be better used

By Jean Starnes

In Church on the twenty-sixth of November the account of Elijah against the 450 worshipers of Baal was read from Kings I in the Bible. While listening to it, I thought, "Why didn't he demand a recount? I felt sure that he would find a few who thought they voted for God.



Starnes

I can understand the desire for tile first recount, and maybe the second, but not not the third. And, especially not the hand-counted one. Do they keep sorting those ballots until Al Gore finally has enough in his stack for him to be declared the winner? I think the money spent on hand counting the votes of people who don't have enough sense to read a ballot and punch are the correct hole could be put to better use.

When Gore stands up and states he's only demanding this for "all the voters in the the country", I want to tell him this one voter wants him to sit down, shut up, and accept defeat like a man. The only people who elected him for anything sent him to Congress in 1976, but most of those Tennesseans voted for George W. Bush for President this year. Shouldn't this tell the rest of us something? Al Gore might have received more votes if he hadn't been so closely affiliated with Bill Clinton the last eight years. Clinton lost all of my respect when he did what he did with Monica and then lied under oath about it. He didn't do us mothers any favors in teaching our kids to be truthful And, then he said he lied for Hillary's sake. That line compares with causing all this bedlam over recounting the ballots 'for the voters' sake."

Even while saying that, Gore didn't mean all the voters. Due to a post mark error he agreed to throwing out a bunch of ballots from our service men and women who are overseas. Shouldn't these people's votes be considered more important than those in Florida who are unable to push a pointed stick through a piece of paper?

On Nov. 7, 2000, Election Day, it snowed in Midland. I remember because I was out in it and trying to hurry home to find out who our next president will be. Three weeks later I'm still trying to find out.

I imagine the Texas Aggies would like to demand two or three recounts of their points against the Texas Longhorns this year. Using the Gore technique, the Aggies might come out winners.

The opinions expressed in this column are strictly mine, but I bet a lot of you agree with me.

Jean Starnes is a columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

STARS: Jupiter and Saturn come out for New Year's

(From 2E)

Question for the month: What was the star of Bethlehem? Answer: No one really knows for sure, but there has been much speculation and many theories down through the ages. Was it a comet? A supernova? A special conjunction of planets and stars?

2000 years ago, at the time of the "star of Bethlehem," astronomy was closely associated with the practice of astrology, both having to do with the stars, as the "astro" indicates. Learned persons who studied the stars were considered "wise men" or magi.

Today, with all our technology and ability to "go back in time" with computer programs of the sky, we still can't pinpoint the exact astronomical phenomenon that took place. There is no definitive date of the birth of Christ, so, we can only estimate somewhere between 7 B.C. and 2 or 3 A.D. from all historical and biblical sources.

Come join us at the Planetarium for a wonderous trek through the ages that blends science with religious belief for our holiday season show, "Star of Bethlehem: A Mystery Revealed." This beautifully depicted docu-story filmed on location at the Ancient Spanish Monastery in Florida by Jack Horkheimer will probably answer your questions with as much authority as anyone anywhere. Show schedule now includes a Sunday 3 p.m. program as well as the usual Friday 8 p.m. time.

At midnight of New Year's Eve, step outdoors and look at the eternal stars and planets, ever glorious in all the cosmos' splendor! High in the west will be bright Jupiter, with golden Saturn below it and Aldebaran to the upper left. Bright white Sirius, the brightest star in the sky, will be blazing at its highest due south. Midway from Sirius to Jupiter, Orion will be chasing Taurus the bull. What wonders of the night sky and all of space will we witness in the coming year? We heartily wish you a very Merry Christmas and a truly Happy New Year of joyous skywatch-

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CLUB NEWS

Twentieth Century Study Club, TFWC

Twentieth Century Study Club met in the home of Dollye Ballenger with Jean Adams and Maridell Fryarr as co-hostesses. Marlyn Butler presided. Members recited pledges to the American and Texas Flags. The collect was led by Olga Banks and Judy Roberts called roll. Jackie Cary was elected third vice-president at the TFWC Western District meeting held in Big Lake. Gladys Bo Fryar was voted into the club. Maridell Fryar brought guest, Dallas Allen. Dollye Ballenger, author of "Ike's Kids," spoke about her experiences of early ranch life in West Texas. For more information call 694-3538.

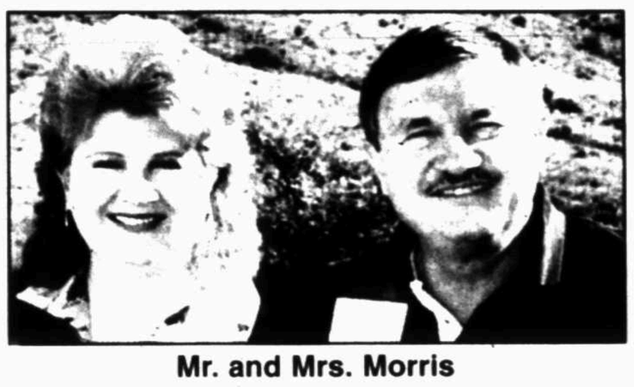
Chapter DD of the PEO Sisterhood

Chapter DD of the PEO Sisterhood met in the home of Kay Smith with Kelli Ham as co-hostess. The "Make it, Bake it, Take it" fund raiser was held to send money to the PEO Educational Projects. Lynn Green was welcomed as a new member. Her mother, Joan Chason, from North Carolina was a guest.

Preceptor Eta Upsilon Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi

Preceptro Eta Upsilon Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met recently in the home of Genell Emerson with Virginia Earhart acting as hostess. Ms. Earhart presided over the meeting and called upon Secretary Cel Wiginton and Treasurer Genell Emerson for their roprts. Peggy Brown, Social Chair, announced plans for a dinner out and evening at the moves one weekend in November. Beverlye Bristow reported on results from the telephone committee and Cel Wiginton reported that our meetings in December will be rescheduled due to the holidays. Deverly Acker reported that plans are being made to participate in the "Dress a Live Angel" program this year fr a Chapter Christmas Project. Ms. Emerson gave a report on profects for the Bourtique Auction. Ms. Earhart gave a program on "History of the Halloween Celebration."

En Amie Book Review Club



Mr. and Mrs. Morris

En Amie Book Review Club will meet for luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Dec. 13 at Green Tree Country Club. Ty Morris, Jr. and Linda Morris, accompanied by Linda Sellers, will present a program of Christmas music.

Morris studied the German language at the Goethe Institute and taught music and English in a German School. Since 1974 he has served as Minister of Music at Crestview Baptist Church and has led conferences at Glorieta and Ridgecrest. His is director of The Century Men, Southern Baptist ministers who minister through song around the world.

Mrs. Morris has a music degree and studied voice at Southwestern Seminary. She is a published composer as well as vocalist, accompanist and handbell ringer. She was church pianist at Crestview from 1973 to 1998. She also participates in mission projects.

Green Tree Women's Association

The Green Tree Women's Association will host their last event of 2000 on Tuesday, Dec. 12, social 11:30, lunch 12 p.m. in the ballroom. Sue Roseberry will provide entertainment for this event. Ms. Roseberry is a graduate of the College of Santa Fe where she obtained a degree in performing arts, she has conducted workshops and appeared in concerts across the United States.

Sue has recorded live with the UNAC Mass Choir and in 1993 appeared in a star-studded salute to Madame Mattie Moss Clark along with gospel greats Vanessa Bell Armstrong, Bebe Winans, Daryl Coley, Kirk Franklin and the Clark Sisters.



Roseberry

Most recently she appeared with Karen Clark-Sheard in a musical drama, "Sex-the Silent Killer." Reservations can be made by calling 694-8413.


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Alpha Cheer Force, all star cheerleading team of the West Texas Tumbling and Trampoline Academy, qualified to compete at the NCA, ASC, ABC and ACA National Championships in January and February. Coaches of the team are Charles and Sherry Johnson. Team members are Kenzi Watson, Tracy Richardson, Mindy Mathis, Leann Williams, Kari Cooper, Kendra Elliott, Lauren Logan, Kimberly Anderson, Kayton Watson, Rendi Burrell, Sam Watson, Christen Aldredge, Brittany Howell, Mercy Stack, Mary Stack, Sabrina Reynolds, Emily Grissom, Lauren Afghahi, Kristen Stoltz, Parker Crouch, Lauren Burr, Kristen Willis, Heidi Willett, Teanna Smith, Kim Vandiver, Jonna Stringer, Ashley Jordan, Riley Givhan and Anneleis Willet.

Latisha Danelle Potter of Midland was inducted into the Delta Mu Delta Business Honor Society at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. The honor society aims to promote higher scholarship in training for business and to recognize and reward scholastic attainment in business subjects.

Midland West Rotary Club — Justin Horne, a senior at Midland Lee High School, was selected as a Midland West Rotary Club Student of the Week. He is the son of Harold and Vicki Horne.

His School activities include National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Texas Scholars and varsity basketball.

His community activities include DFYIT, First Baptist Church and First Baptist Youth Group. His honors include Who's Who Among American High School Students, All American Scholar and International Foreign Language awards.

Horne plans to attend Texas A&M University.



Horne



Rogers



Philpy



Morris

Robert Rogers, a senior at Midland Lee High School, was selected as a Midland West Rotary Club Student of the Week. He is the son of Joe and Renee Rogers.

His school activities include National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Texas Scholar, varsity football and baseball.

His community activities include DFYIT, Christmas-in-April, Meals-on-Wheels, Confederate Air Force Air Show volunteer and Acolyte at St. Nicholas Episcopal Church. Honors received include Who's Who Among American High School Students and All-American Scholar.

Rogers plans to attend a four-year university.

Downtown Rotary Club

Mary Jane Philpy, a senior at Trinity School, has been selected as a Downtown Rotary Club Student of the Week. Her parents are Mark and Liza Philpy. Her school activities are contributing to the school literary magazine, Chapel acolyte, school tutor, campus guide, varsity volleyball, Creative Writing Club, Political Discussion Club, French Club and Chapel Prefect. Her community activities include Symphony Belle, teen court volunteer, Sunday school teacher, Holy Trinity Episcopal Church Youth group/Bible study and Junior Daughters of the King. Her honors include DAR Good Citizenship award, Peck Wakefield Memorial award, Who's Who of American High School Student, Who's Who Most Outstanding Senior, All-American Scholar, ranking Scholar, Summer Honor Society, TAPPS Ready Writing, Literary Criticism and Photography district and state awards.

Ms. Philpy plans to attend a four-year university.

Lauren Morris, a senior at Trinity High School was selected Downtown Rotary Club Student of the Week. Ms. Morris is the daughter of Tommy and A'Dell Morris. Her academic activities include manager of varsity volleyball, co-founder of senior girl's club, member of Model Organization of American States and TAPPS academic team. Her community activities include Christmas in April, Dress a Live Doll, Senior Tutoring Program, Walk for Juvenile Diabetes, and Permian Basin food bank.

She is a member of Soma Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, National History and Government Award, honor roll, and the John Ben Sheppard Youth Leadership Conference.

Ms. Morris plans to attend Texas A&M in the fall.

Award's principles put quality back in schools

By Chris Burritt
Cox News Service

STOVALL, N.C. — Out here amid the trailer homes and rusty-roof barns, where education was headed down a rutted road to mediocrity, lessons from corporate America are rejuvenating Stovall-Shaw Elementary School.

School districts across the country are putting to work in classrooms successful methods from the corporate world. Some of the most dramatic changes are happening here in North Carolina in such unlikely places as Stovall.

The elementary school looks ordinary. It's been around for 50 years, a red-brick fixture in rural, blue-collar Granville County, just south of the Virginia line. Yellow buses park out front. A crackly voice from the public address system echoes through the main hallway, which, like most of the building, has the personality of apple butter on toast. Walls are beige, the floor brown.

But in Anne Fitz's sixth-grade classroom, the students are fixed on Tamsin Norris. The 11-year-old is wandering around with her eyes closed.

"You have to find me where my voice is," said Fitz, 36, a teacher for 14 years.

Tamsin's classmates giggle as she bumps into desks. When she nears the teacher, the game ends. Then the lesson begins.

"What was the one thing that she lacked?" Fitz asked, walking among the two dozen students.

"Vision," they said. "Eyes."

"What is vision?" asked Fitz, making a point that symbolizes the importance of setting goals and other business principles in the state's education reform.

"You can achieve your goals if you can envision what they look like and see how to get there," said Fitz.

Borrowing from the business world, administrators and teachers at Stovall-Shaw Elementary set goals to solve problems ranging from bathroom cleanliness to student attendance. They use flow charts to prepare lesson plans and to organize how students go from their classrooms to the gymnasium for physical education.

Fitz's students started the school year by debating and writing a vision statement. Each student signed it, and Fitz posted it on the dark green chalkboard at the front of the cramped classroom. Students can revise it at any time.

Part of it reads: "We will show respect, cooperation, and acceptance of others."

The exercise is part of Fitz's belief in empowering students to think and act on their own. It's also the mantra of total quality management, a corporate concept finding a place in classrooms.

'CUSTOMER SERVICE'

Across the country, principals and teachers who use business techniques to organize their schools and classrooms report higher standardized test scores, better attendance and less disruption and violence among students.

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TUESDAY
BREAKFAST: French toast sticks, juice and milk
LUNCH: pizza, pasta salad, English peas, oranges, milk
WEDNESDAY
BREAKFAST: cereal, graham crackers, juice and milk
LUNCH: fiesta salad, pinto beans, lettuce-tomato, salsa-cheese, fruit, milk
THURSDAY
BREAKFAST: pancakes, bacon, juice and milk
LUNCH: lemon baked chicken, macaroni and cheese, green beans, sliced bread, fruit, milk
FRIDAY
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WEDNESDAY
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THURSDAY
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FRIDAY
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EDUCATION DEADLINES

Deadline for all education items is 2 p.m. Friday that is 10 days before the Sunday the item is to run.

Deadline is the same whether the item is mailed in, brought in or sent by e-mail or over the computer modem.

As with all free editorial items, education news is published on a first-come, first-served basis, as space allows.

The Reporter-Telegram reserves the right to edit all submissions to conform to Associated Press style and space allowances.

MAKING THE GRADE

Making the Grade section honors high school and college students' academic achievements. Items submitted for Making the Grade must be no more than 100 words in length.

Items that are not accepted are:

- Announcements of students applying to colleges.
- Announcements of students being accepted to colleges.
- Students' places of employment or hobbies.
- United States Achievement Academy winners because USAA will not verify honorees.
- Junior high school honors.

Use of photographs:

- Photographs will NOT be used with scholarship announcements.
- Photographs will NOT be used to announce college graduations since we do not publish photos for high school graduations either.
- Photographs WILL be published for Students of the Week presented by Midland Lions Clubs and Rotary Club.

EDUCATION IN BRIEF

Included in Education in Brief will be:

- Announcements of all upcoming school and education-related events.
- Announcements of teacher academic honors.

Submissions should be no more than 100 words in length.

OTHER

Photographs will NOT be published with "Top Dawg" and "Top Rebs" that are submitted for each six-week period.

Students are not announced individually for being named as Duke Talent Identification honorees or being named to Who's Who Among American High School Students. These students are announced as a group when the press releases are received from the organizations.

University Interscholastic League winners:

- Lists will be published of all UIL winners in all categories — speech, debate, writing, math, vocational technology, etc. — for students winning first through third places in all divisions — district, regional, state.
- Photos will be taken of students who win first place at state or who place in state categories which make them eligible for national competitions.

Cheerleader honors:

- Cheerleader awards from summer camps and competitons — including sweepstakes awards — are announced with education news.
- Squad photos will be published for first place in the state competition awards.
- Squad photos will be taken of cheerleaders leaving to perform at Rose Bowl, Orange Bowl and other prestigious events.
- Photos will not be taken of squads for just receiving invitations to attend such events.

Junior high school honor rolls:

- The Reporter-Telegram has had an agreement with MISD for many years to publish a lengthy list of junior high school honor roll students every six weeks.
- Other junior high school honors — including other academic achievements, end-of-year academic awards, academic pep rallies — will not be published.

High school honor rolls are not published; instead high school academic honors will be published in Making the Grade.

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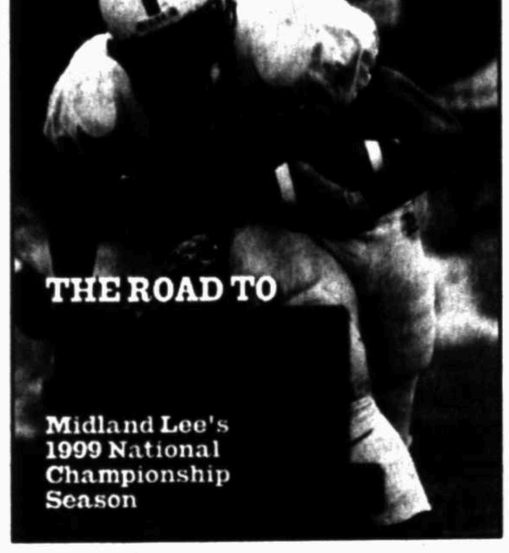

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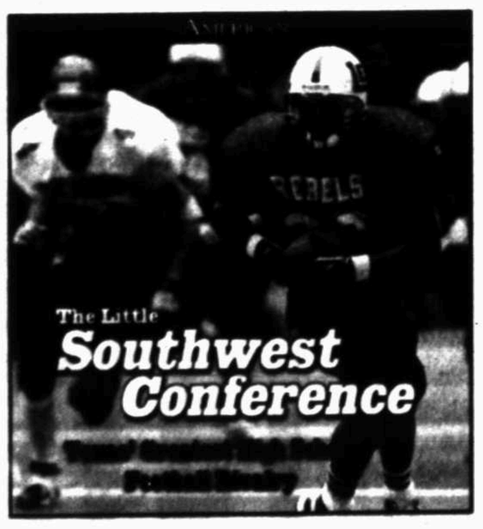


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SCHOOL: Public education is made up of students, parents, local and state governments

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focusing on customer service," said Mike Ward, sounding more like a salesman than the North Carolina superintendent of education.

In public education, Ward said, the customers include students, parents and the local governing boards and state legislatures that dole out tax dollars to schools.

Until recent years, customers weren't getting much for their money in North Carolina, historically laggard in national student achievement.

In 1997, national educators took notice of the Tar Heel state. The National Education Goals Panel reported that students in North Carolina and Texas had scored the greatest average gains in state testing of reading, writing and math basic since 1990.

Recent state test results show improvements as well, with 69 percent of North Carolina's 1.2 million students scoring at or above grade level on tests in reading and math. Six years ago, 53 percent were capable of grade-level work.

The goals panel commissioned a study to explain North Carolina's progress. Published in August, it concluded that cooperation among educators, the business community and state government in a six-year initiative called "Total Quality in Education" has played a big role.

"We see it as a way to engage business expertise in partnerships that will really help transform education," said Peggy Siegel, the North Carolina report's author.

As director of business and education leadership initiatives at the National Alliance of Business, a nonprofit organization in Washington, Siegel is at the forefront of the movement to instill business principles in classrooms.

Starting in 1991, Pinellas County, Fla., was among the first places in the nation to embrace business methods across its entire district. In seeking a way to assess the performance of its program, the Tampa Bay district adopted the criteria of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

Numerous other school systems — including North Carolina's — have modeled their programs on Pinellas County's. They, too, have adopted the Baldrige criteria to judge their results.

Congress established the prestigious award in 1987, the year Malcolm Baldrige died. As President Ronald Reagan's commerce secretary, Baldrige had realized many American businesses needed to restructure themselves dramatically to compete globally.

Baldrige envisioned a rigorous competition among U.S. corporations that would measure improvements in planning, productivity, profitability, treatment of employees and customer service. Managed by the Commerce Department and the private sector, the award has emerged as a widely accepted model of business excellence.

This year for the first time, the Baldrige competition is open to educational organizations. That category attracted 16 nominations (the organizations haven't been disclosed). President Clinton and Commerce Secretary William Daley are expected to announce the winners soon.

Using the Baldrige criteria, school districts share a common rulebook for measuring their performance. It breeds cooperation and competition among schools, answering some critics of public education.

"The missing element in public education is not a missing set of Baldrige principles," said John Hood, president of the John Locke Foundation, a think tank in Raleigh. "It is the competition that makes those principles important." TEACHERS' VIEWS MIXED

The increasing savvy of North Carolina's education reforms drew a national award last month. The National Alliance for Business selected the North Carolina Partnership for Excellence as a recipient of a distinguished performance award.

The nonprofit partnership is an offshoot of North Carolina's six-year effort to incorporate business practices in the classroom. Shortly after he was elected governor in 1992, Jim Hunt met with state business leaders, who complained that partnerships between companies and schools had done little to improve student achievement.

Leaders started anew in 1993, creating pilot projects in six school districts, including Granville County. Using the Baldrige criteria to judge results, school officials teamed up with nearby corporations and colleges.

In Granville County, an official with IBM helped the superintendent figure out how to make the district's budget process work more smoothly. It involved the principles of individual schools taking greater responsibility for deciding how much money they need.

"What's cool is that schools are empowered to do this," Davis said. "They are now fixing problems that I do not even know we have."

Encouraged by improving student achievement, the state Legislature began allocating funds in 1995 to expand the pilot project. It has now spread to 45 school districts, which have volunteered to incorporate business practices. The goal is to reach all 116 districts by 2002.

"North Carolina has taken such marvelous flight," said Chris Harwell, a trainer for the Pinellas County school district who has worked with North Carolina educators.

Not all teachers embrace the new methods, not even in districts like Granville County, where efforts have been under way the longest.

"This too shall pass — that's the attitude among some teachers," said Fitz. But for her, a return to tradition, with teachers being the undisputed boss, would be unthinkable.

"I do not want to be a boss; I want to be a leader," Fitz said. "Listen to the difference. Which one sounds more appealing to you?"

And then there were none: gorillas disappear in the mist

By Jack McClintock

The mountain gorilla of Central Africa, largest and rarest of the apes and one of our closest relatives, is down to several hundred individuals. If it ever goes extinct, there will be headlines around the world and cries of anguish about what could have been done.

We're good at noting the disappearance of distinctive creatures, because we've had to do that so many times before. They become what Harvard biologist E.O. Wilson calls animal celebrities.

Because handsome animals like the mountain gorilla attract attention, they stand a better chance of surviving than their more obscure, and much more numerous, brethren.

But fame didn't save the dusky seaside sparrow. And it may not save the giant panda, the Sumatran rhinoceros, the Chinese river dolphin or the leatherback turtle.

In the past 20 years, thanks to revolutions in computing and genetics, we know more about the marvelous genetic diversity and surprising kinship of species on Earth. But just as biologists are beginning to reckon the importance of biodiversity to the planet's history and health, the species themselves are vanishing.

In the United States alone, we've recently documented the loss of the Santa Barbara song sparrow; the blue pike of the Great Lakes; and Sampson's pearly mussel, a freshwater bivalve mollusk native to the Wabash River in Illinois and Indiana.

Other plants and animals have probably slipped away, unnoticed.

Elsewhere, the tally mounts too. We've lost the strange gastric brooding frog of Australia, which incubated its young in its stomach and gave birth through its mouth. During the brooding period, the mother's stomach stopped producing acids. If scientists had learned how that acid production was shut off, it might have helped them develop a new ulcer treatment for humans.

We've also probably lost the brilliant golden toad, once a tourist attraction in the forests of Costa Rica. The list of extinctions is frighteningly varied.

"We're on the verge of the seventh great extinction," Wilson says. While cosmic accident or climate change used to be the cause of such biological cataclysms, humans alone are responsible for nearly every loss of species in the past few thousand years.

Since the advent of Homo sapiens, Wilson says, extinctions have occurred 100 to 100,000 times faster than before, principally because we have degraded and destroyed forests, spread agriculture, introduced animals into new environments and polluted the planet.

There are at least 10 million species on Earth, and experts estimate we're killing 30,000 of them each year.

Some scenarios predict that nearly 50 percent of all living species could be lost in the next 50 years. That's the kind of world we may be entering — a period Wilson dubs the Age of Loneliness.

Habitat loss is the single biggest problem. In Hawaii, two-thirds of the original forest cover has been destroyed, half of the islands' 140 native bird species are extinct and 30 more are endangered. Birds of wider range are dying too.

Our primate cousins are particularly vulnerable because they depend on shrinking tropical forests and endangered ecosystems for foraging. Although most have made it through the last 100 years, an estimated 20 percent will be at severe risk of extinction within the next two decades.

Extinction is not always a remote event. The African violet has all but vanished from its native Kenya and Tanzania. Urban expansion recently wiped out a wetland fern that lived just outside Cape Town, South Africa.

"Extinctions are occurring right under our noses," says David Given, chairman of the World Conservation Union's Plant Conservation Committee.

Exactly what we're losing isn't known, because about 90 percent of the disappeared are unknown invertebrates — mostly insects — that thrive in tropical rain forests. And insects make the world as we know it work. They play a crucial role in pollination, they devour detritus and they contain pests.

Indeed, our own survival depends on the survival of other species. Studies show that the more biologically diverse a region is, the more species it contains and the more resilient it is to environmental perturbations. And ecologists already know that the loss of a species can have a devastating ripple effect.

David Hawksworth, former director of the International Mycological Institute, estimates that every time one plant goes extinct, at least 15 other organisms also vanish.

To understand how ecological systems stay healthy, biologists study so-called keystone species, whose behavior helps shape the distinctive features of an ecosystem.

The elephant, for example, digs water holes, clears paths in the forest, replenishes soil and spreads seed through its dung (some seeds will not germinate unless they have passed through

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FASHIONS: Work place can remain fashionable

(From 3E)

makes you feel good."

Next fall, consumers can expect suits of every style. Designer Joseph Abboud presented 40 suits on Saturday with such elements as unlined jackets, small cargo pockets on the pants, and no shoulder padding. Paul La Fontaine, design director for Claiborne Menswear, sent 10 suits down the runway last Thursday with, among other things, hidden buttons and pocket zippers, flat-front pants, stretch fabrics, and fabrics in colors such as reddish brown and olive green.

To be sure, these won't be acceptable in every workplace and may not appeal to all ages. "It's a little ahead of the curve right now," says Debra Greenberg, president of retailer Louis Boston. "The movement of men (in fashion) is very slow. It took them all this time to get the casual idea."

Still, she says, there is an entire generation of men under 35 intrigued by the idea of a suit. "It's a novelty to them. They truly have grown up without (formal) clothing as we know it. We're selling suits to young computer guys who want to look like they've made it. . . . It's going to be cheeky to them."

Mary Lou Andre, president of wardrobe management company Organization by Design, says the business-casual movement has actually prepared men to be more open to the dressy-casual suit. "Almost every single man has a business-casual day so they're in the stores, they're looking, they're thinking," she says. "They've been coached and educated through the media and their employer that there is room for more than two looks (work and non-work) in their closet.

"If designers can translate the fantasy looks of the runway into a reality at the store level, they have a huge opportunity."

But will everyday men, many of whom have become quite comfortable in khakis, embrace these new suits?

John McGee, the owner of Mamma Maria restaurant in Boston's North End, thinks so. "It's an easy way to get dressed," says McGee, 40. "The whole crisis of the dress-down day is that no one knows what to do, other than throw on khaki pants. This is a one-stop relaxed way to dress. You don't have to wear it with ties. You can wear it with an open neck or a turtleneck."

Says Jeffry Pond, a Boston architect, "I enjoy dressing up to go to the theater or out to dinner. I was brought up that way. I can't imagine meeting with lawyers and bankers without wearing a suit. I know things are much more casual than they used to be but I think society could use a little bit of that formality. We like to believe we're all friends and chummy but we aren't really. Politeness and courtesy are all about making our interactions work. Formality in dress is a part of that as well."

Pond, 54, steers clear of traditional suits in navy and charcoal. "I don't want to have that much of a uniform on. I prefer to feel that the suit I have on is a little bit out of the ordinary." Currently, his wardrobe includes a green-brown suit and a bright tomato-red number. "It's not a usual color," he says. "That's what gets me excited."

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WEDDINGS

SPECK-ESCHBERGER

HOUSTON-Grace Presbyterian Church Founder's Chapel in Houston was the setting for the 3 p.m. Oct. 21 wedding of Jennifer Lynn Speck and Sean Eschberger, both of Orlando,Fla. Robert Poteet officiated.

Parents of the bride are Walter and Toye Speck of Houston. The bridegroom is the son of Craig and Mary Eschberger of Midland.

Tamaleah Khieu and Lourdes Brown were honor attendants for the bride, who was also attended by Stephanie Rios, Kelly Bouldin and Michelle Carrasco.

Eric Eschberger was honor attendant for his brother, who was also attended by Mike Bouldin, Nathan Lambert, Joe Speck, brother of the bride, and Louie Garza. Ushers were Jason Heller and Jesse Solano.



Mrs. Sean Eschberger

After a wedding cruise to the Bahamas, couple lives in Orlando.

CLAYTON-BOHANNON

Marcy Kim Clayton and Christopher Ryan Bohannon, both of Lubbock, were married at 7 p.m. Nov. 18 at Westmont Christian Church in Lubbock. Bob Bohannon and F. M. Small, grandfathers of the groom, officiated.

Parents of the bride are Carolyn Sue Clayton of Lubbock and Dennis and Debbie Clayton of Midland. Parents of the bridegroom are Steve and Sherri Bohannon of Lubbock.

Attendants for the bride were her sisters Candace Clayton, Kim Turney and Amy Crocket and Taylor Cooper. Attendants for the bridegroom were his brother, Brandon Bohannon, Devin Oakly, Jack Bohannon and Jordan Cooper. Ushers were Chad Floyd and Steve Croyle.

The bride graduated from Monterey High School and attends Texas Tech University.



Mrs. Christopher Ryan Bohannon

She is employed with Dr. Robert F. Bloom. Her husband graduated from Monterey High School in Lubbock and is employed with Matric Design Contractors.

After a wedding trip to Cloudcroft, N. M., the couple lives in Lubbock.

CAUDILL-BEAL, III

SNOWMASS, COLO.-Alisha Dawn Caudill of Lubbock and Carlton Evans Beal, III of Midland, were married 5 p.m. Nov. 11 at Snowmass Chapel in Snowmass, Colo. Dr. Edgell Franklin Pyles officiated.

Mother of the bride is Marilyn Jo Collier of Lubbock. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Franklin Collier of Lovington, N.M. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Evans Beal, Jr. of Midland.

His grandparents are Mrs. Carlton Evans Beal of Midland and the late Carlton Evans Beal and Mrs. Orval Edmond Nanny of Riviera and the late Orval Edmond Nanny.

Holly Davila was honor attendant for the bride, who was also attended by Claire Cristina Pedregon and Rosemary Grace Pedregon. Carlton Evans Beal, Jr.



Mrs. Carlton Evans Beal, III

was honor attendant for his son. Ushers were Lance Gordon Johnstone and David Christopher Pedregon.

After a wedding trip in Aspen, Colorado, the couple will live in Blackwell.

ANNIVERSARIES

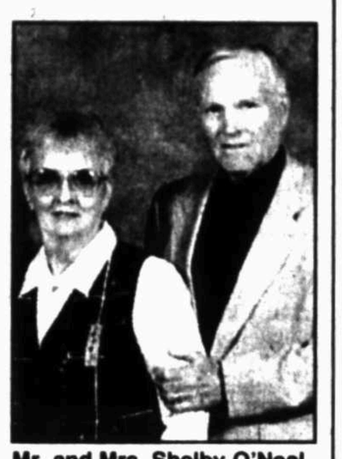
Couple Celebrates Golden Anniversary

ODESSA — Shelby and Evelyn O'Neal celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a family gathering on Nov. 23 in Odessa at the home of their daughter. The couple's children hosted the event.

Shelby and the former Evelyn Wood were married on Nov. 29, 1950 at the First Baptist Church in Lovington, N.M. They have three children—Donna Pittmon of Odessa, Vicky Barr of League City and Terry O'Neal of Midland, as well as six grandchildren.

They lived in Hobbs, N.M. an Andrews before being transferred to Midland in 1965. O'Neal, a WWII veteran, retired from Exxon in 1982 after 34 years of service.

His wife is a homemaker and a member of the High Noon Ladies' bowling league.



Mr. and Mrs. Shelby O'Neal

ENGAGEMENTS

GRESSETT-HUGGINS

Emily Kate Gressett and Jason Brant Huggins, both of Midland, are planning a 7 p.m. Dec. 30 wedding at First Baptist Church in Midland. Parents of the bride-elect are Steve and Cheryl Gressett of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Mack Huggins Jr. and Lisa Huggins also of Midland. Ms. Gressett, a 1998 Lee High School graduate, is attending the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. She is an associate manager for Eddie Bauer. Her fiance graduated in 1998 from Midland High School and is attending Midland College. He is employed with Wet Water Wash, Inc.



Emily Kate Gressett and Jason Brant Huggins

HAM-DYKSTRA

Traci Arlaine Ham, of Crosbyton, and Jarin Louis Dykstra, of Durant, Okla., are planning a wedding at 6 p.m. Dec. 16 at First United Methodist Church in Crosbyton.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Max and Anne-Marie Ham of Crosbyton. She graduated from Crosbyton High School and is currently a student at Baylor University.

The groom-elect is the son of Ann and Juan Brummett of Midland and Dean Dykstra and Heather Daly of Dakota Dunes, SD. He is a graduate of Christian Liberty Academy and Southeastern Oklahoma University and is employed with ISC Computers.

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AROUND TOWN

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MILESTONE EVENTS

The Reporter-Telegram publishes announcements of milestone events — including engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements; quinceneras; and bar mitzvahs and bat mitzvhas — free of charge.

Deadline to have an announcement published in the Sunday paper (including wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements) is 2 p.m. Friday 10 days prior to the publication date.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS: There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, engagements should be published in the paper no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

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ANNIVERSARY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — are also accepted for publication up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

PAGEANTS

Announcements of pageant winners are published for teen-age and adult winners only. Photographs are published of winners, not runners-up or contestants. These announcements will be published on a space-available basis.

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Forms for weddings, engagements and anniversaries are available in Lifestyle office.

All materials should include the signature and telephone number of the person submitting them. Photographs may be submitted with wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements, but are not required. A portrait of the bride-elect or engaged couple may be submitted with engagement announcements. Portrait photographs of the bride only or of the wedding couple may be submitted with wedding announcements. A different photo must be submitted for engagement and wedding announcements.

Anniversary photos should be current. Vertical photos are preferred. Both black and white, and color studio quality portraits are acceptable from wallet size up to 8x10. Polaroid shots are not accepted.

Photos can be picked up from lifestyle department, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be enclosed for the photo to be returned by mail.

Welcome garden gifts feature utility

By George Bria

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) — To please a gardener with a holiday gift, think useful. What can he or she do with it in the garden?

Tools and accessories hit the spot; things like trowels, spades, pruning shears, watering cans, gloves. They're welcome because they easily get lost or misplaced and seem always in short supply.

Utility doesn't necessarily mean homely. Functional can be beautiful and some items are also crafted to look nice.

Take, for example, so rudimentary a staple as plant supports. Kinsman Company of Point Pleasant, Pa., (800-733-4146; www.kinsmangarden.com) offers English-made, 3-foot-tall steel stakes featuring tops in the shapes of butterflies, bees, song sparrows and squirrels in durable black finish. They're $11.95 each.

Online shopping has made gift hunting a lot easier for people who may not be gardeners themselves but are looking for presents for relatives and friends.

Go to www.garden.com and click your way to a page featuring 28 practical suggestions at prices ranging from below $5 to a blower vac at $89.99. Featured are aprons, shoes, gloves, pruners, kneeler seats, watering cans, tote bags with tools, electric trimmers, wheelbarrows. Click on each pictured item and you get a full description.

Most gardening outlets have web pages today but they still mail out catalogs for people who

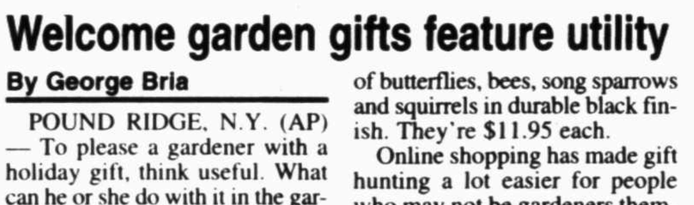
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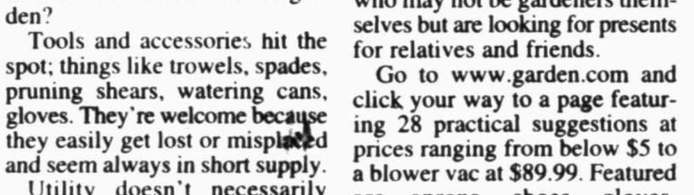


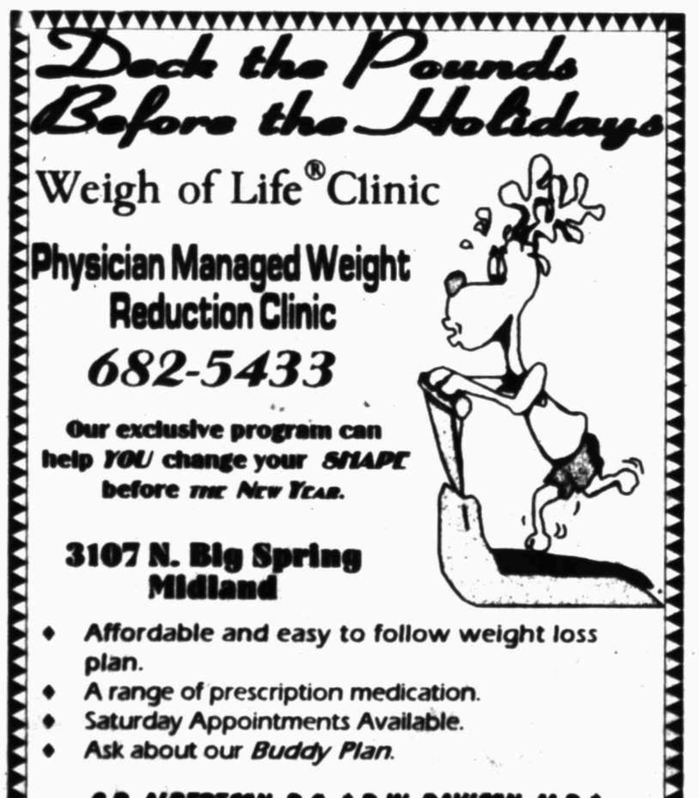


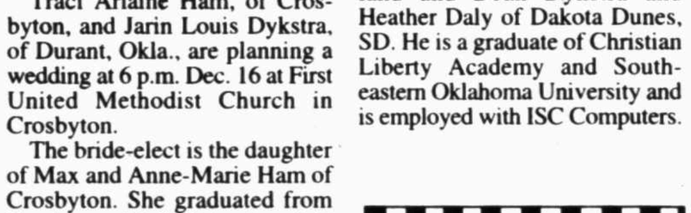
















What's doing in Tampa: a lot more than ballot counting happing in Florida

By Sara Kennedy

Tampa's downtown is seeing a flurry of development that promises new shopping, dining and entertainment, most of which will be ready when the city is host to Super Bowl XXXV and a colorful accompanying round of festivities in January.

A complex called Channelside is scheduled to open in mid-January with 230,000 square feet of shops, restaurants and theaters overlooking the channel where cruise ships dock. Its simple pastel structures are designed to pull visitors outside — with plazas and plenty of alfresco dining — and there's a 3-D IMAX theater.

Now open nearby are the Florida Aquarium, the Ice Palace — a downtown concert site and home of the Tampa Bay Lightning hockey team and the Garrison Seaport Center, where three cruise ships call. Looming over it all is the 27-story Tampa Marriott Waterside, which opened in March, the chain's first all-new hotel in Florida in 14 years. It faces the 600,000-square-foot Tampa Convention Center, which city officials say is now attracting bigger conventions.

Downtown also benefits from the continued expansion in recent years of its hottest night life district, Ybor (pronounced EE-bore) City, on its northeastern edge. This former cigar-manufacturing center, founded in 1886 by the Spanish businessman Don Vicente de Martinez-Ybor, houses 200 clubs, restaurants, art galleries, hotels and high-tech businesses over 10 square blocks. There have been fires on two blocks in the last year, but rebuilding is planned.

The $45 million Centro Ybor, 1600 E. Eighth Ave., an upscale entertainment and dining complex set around an outdoor plaza, opened Oct. 5. It features GameWorks, a high-tech, interactive video game room designed by Steven Spielberg.

By late next year, all these new attractions should be tied together by nine air-conditioned streetcars on a new 2.5-mile track connecting downtown, Channelside and Ybor City. A high-speed rail link with Orlando is also being debated, a subject given greater urgency by the joint Tampa-St. Petersburg-Orlando bid for the 2012 Olympic Games.

For now, though, Tampa will have to be satisfied with this country's biggest sports event. Only a few minutes' drive from downtown is the site where the Super Bowl will be played: Raymond James Stadium, with its 103-foot replica of a pirate ship that fires smoke, flame and souvenir footballs after a touchdown by the home-team Buccaneers.

EVENTS

Tickets for Super Bowl XXXV, on Jan. 28, were all accounted for long ago. Fans without a ticket (which cost $325 to $400 each) can entertain themselves at the N.F.L. Experience, a football-related theme park at the stadium with kicking contests, football-card shows and other attractions. It takes place in a giant tent Jan. 20 and 21 and 25 to 28. Tickets, $10 to $15, may be bought through Ticketmaster, (813) 287-8844.

Taste of the N.F.L., featuring 32 top chefs from each National Football League team's city, paired with a former or current player, allows patrons to sample food and wine. Proceeds benefit food banks. It takes place Jan. 27 at the Tampa Convention Center, 333 South Franklin St. Tickets, $400, from (952) 835-7621 or www.tasteofthenfl.com.

To coincide with Super Bowl weekend, the fancifully homegrown, annual Gasparilla Parade and Pirate Festival has been moved up a week to Jan. 27, the day before the game. It will feature 105 floats, 32 krewes (or clubs) tossing trinkets to the crowd and 15 bands. The city is expecting a half-million onlookers along graceful Bayshore Boulevard. Bleacher seats, $18, from (813) 353-8108 or www.gasparillapiratefest.com.

Other Super Bowl-week information is at www.visittampabay.com.

Through Sunday, Dec. 3, the Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, 1010 MacInnes Place, features Rogers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella," with Eartha Kitt and Deborah Gibson. Tickets, $22.50 to $64.50; (800) 955-1045; www.tampacenter.com.

"Trans-Atlantic Dialogue: Contemporary Art In and Out of Africa" is on view Dec. 5 to Jan. 28 at the Tampa Museum of Art, 600 N. Ashley Drive; (813) 274-8130; www.tampamuseum.com. It includes about 40 works by 14 artists, either Africans who have worked or lived in Europe or African-Americans who have visited Africa. Among them are Jean-Michel Basquiat, Amir Nour and Winnie Owens-Hart. Admission, $5. Closed Monday.

SIGHTSEEING

When the state completed a new highway bridge across the bay to St. Petersburg in 1997, a group of citizens organized to save the old one. It is now the 2.6-mile Friendship Trail-Bridge, where Gandy Boulevard meets Tampa Bay. Fishing decks hang along the sides, and walkers, runners, Rollerbladers and bicyclists use the top, which closes at dark.

Only 15 minutes by car northeast of downtown is a chain of wilderness parks spread over 17,000 acres, a refuge for bald eagles, boars, armadillos, deer and foxes. The parks are crisscrossed by hiking and biking trails and a seven-mile paved loop for skating through beautiful and tranquil woods. It begins at the Flatwoods site, 14302 Morris Bridge Road; (813) 987-6211.

Nearby is Busch Gardens, 3000 E. Busch Blvd., a 330-acre theme park built around a zoo with more than 2,700 animals, representing 330 species. Homo sapiens can be observed on six different roller coasters, including Gwazi, a double wooden coaster that flings its riders in opposing trains through six 50-m.p.h. fly-bys. Daily admission is $48.76; $45.56 for ages 55 and older, $39.22 for ages 3 to 9, and free under 3. Information: (888) 800-5447 and www.buschgardens.com.

The Florida Aquarium, 701 Channelside Drive, (813) 273-4000, www.flaquarium.org, opened in 1995. Its beautiful exhibits feature thousands of native plants and animals, including awesome sharks and rays. General admission is $12.95, $7.95 for ages 3 to 13.

Next door is the Mediterranean-style Channelside development, with plenty of new restaurants, many with outdoor tables facing the water. It includes Pop City, (813) 229-2489, an entertainment center opening in January with video games, an expansive billiard area, a high-tech dance floor and a sports bar.

One of Tampa's restored architectural gems is the Tampa Theater, 711 N. Franklin St., built in 1926 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In its eclectic, ornate "Florida Mediterranean" interior, a purplish-blue ceiling glistens with twinkling stars and dreamy clouds produced by machine. Visitors are also often treated to live concerts before movies on the theater's classic Wurlitzer organ. General admission $6.25; matinees, $4; (813) 274-8286 or on the Internet at tampatheatre.org.

WHERE TO STAY

The Tampa Marriott Waterside Hotel, 700 S. Florida Ave., (813) 221-4900 or (800) 228-9290, fax (813) 204-6373, www.marriott.com, opened March 1. It has a dramatic, three-story vaulted lobby and 717 guest rooms. Amenities include a business center, big outdoor heated pool, a fitness center and salon. The breakfast buffet for two at Cafe Waterside (ask for it when making reservations) is a bargain, adding $10 to the price of the room. Doubles, $99 to $234.

Minutes from downtown in Ybor City is the Hilton Garden Inn Ybor, 1700 E. Ninth Ave.; (813) 769-9267, fax (813) 769-3299; www.hiltonybor.com. Built in 1999, it has 95 rooms, a pretty garden and a spa and fitness center. A Continental breakfast, $5.95, is served in the big, bright lobby. Doubles, $99 to $159.

Budget: Down the street from Raymond James Stadium is the family owned Tahitian Inn, 601 S. Dale Mabry Highway, (800) 876-1397, fax (813) 877-6218; www.tahitianinn.com. The 62 rooms are in a quiet residential neighborhood with dense, attractive plantings to reduce street noise. It has a heated outdoor pool and simple rooms done in emerald green and mauve. Doubles, $69 to $89.

Hampton Inn and Suites, 8210 Hidden River Parkway, (813) 903-6000 or (800) 426-7866, fax (813) 977-3343, www.hamptoninn.com, is set in a wooded area five minutes from the wilderness parks. Rates for the 127 rooms include Continental breakfast, and beer, wine and hot hors d'oeuvres 5:30 to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Among the other amenities are an outdoor pool and a fitness center. Doubles, $75 to $115.

Luxury: Near the airport is the 445-room Hyatt Regency Westshore, 6200 Courtney Campbell Causeway, (813) 874-1234 or (800) 233-1234, fax (813) 281-9168; www.westshore.hyatt.com. Built in 1987, it was recently redone in understated beige and apricot tones. It offers two outdoor pools and a fitness center, but what really sets it apart is its lavish setting on 35 acres, much of which constitutes a wildlife preserve. The hotel has two highly regarded restaurants, Armani's and Oystercatcher's. Doubles, $154 to $259.

WHERE TO EAT

Anne Kearney, the owner of Peristyle in New Orleans, helped develop Zazarac, a stylish new restaurant at 3702 W. McKay Ave. in South Tampa; (813) 350-0481. With its elegant wood and brass decor and contemporary southern Louisiana dishes, it became an instant hit. Dinner for two with wine costs about $100.

The Branch Ranch Dining Room, 5121 Thonotosassa Road, Plant City, (813) 752-1957, serves hefty, homemade Southern specialties such as country ham or fried chicken family style. It's in a modest building with big windows amid orange groves about 20 minutes east of Tampa at Exit 10 of I-4, and it makes a nice excursion. Dinner for two with wine is about $45; closed Monday and Tuesday.

Across the river from downtown, the Cafe European, 113 S. Hyde Park Ave., (813) 254-9458, is always crowded with those seeking good food at reasonable prices. Dessert is always great — the pudding-like petit pot au chocolat ($3.50) is a chocolate lover's dream. Closed Sunday.

CapdeVila's at La Teresita (just La Teresita to the locals), 3248 W. Columbus Drive, (813) 879-9704, near Raymond James Stadium, has been serving Cuban and Spanish fare for decades. Dinner for two with wine, $12.

Mel's Hot Dogs, 4136 E. Busch Blvd., (813) 985-8000, by Busch Gardens, is pedestrian: counter service and plain laminated tables. But Mel Lohn sure has a way with dogs, and there's no better example than the Bacon Cheddar Dog Basket, an all-beef hot dog on a poppyseed bun with cheese and bacon, French fries and homemade coleslaw or baked beans. Dinner for two with beer, $14.

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Shopping around: what's new on the Web

By Everett Potter

The Internet is a constantly evolving tool for travelers. As 2001 dawns, there are Web sites that provide increasingly specific travel information and others that attempt to sort through thousands of airfare deals and hotel rates. Here are some sites that can help travelers. Some are new sites while others are existing sites that have been updated. They may save the savvy traveler money as well as time.

Travelocity.com (www.travelocity.com) has a feature called Dream Maps that's made for anyone with wanderlust. A map of the United States, Canada and part of the Caribbean is displayed, with major cities marked. On an adjacent space, travelers fill in their departing airport, the amount they want to spend (from $100 to $1,000) and the number of passengers.

For example, selecting $200 fares from LaGuardia in late November, 17 fares popped up next to their respective cities, including an $88 fare to Boston and a $160 fare to New Orleans. Click on a displayed fare and travelers are taken directly to Travelocity's booking page. There are also Dream Maps for Eastern and Western Europe.

Expedia.com (www.expedia.com) has greatly expanded its ski coverage, with profiles of more than 80 resorts that are ranked for skiing ability, romance and dining. Each resort has links for booking airfare, accommodations and rental cars, including real-time availability for hotel rooms. Expedia has also extended its cruise section, relying on the commentary and reviews of veteran cruise journalist Douglas Ward. Users can now see cabin photos and layout diagrams. Currently, Expedia.com is working with 18 cruise lines, eight of which accept online bookings. The others can be booked via the telephone with an Expedia.com cruise specialist.

Travelers in the market for cheap flights should bookmark Airtech (www.airtech.com). It offers space-available airfares for very flexible travelers who can leave on very short notice. It uses a FlightPass, which is good on regularly scheduled flights as well as charters. Travelers book their tickets by providing a four-day departure window and get a last-minute notice of their departure time. Currently, Airtech has one-way FlightPass fares to Europe for $169 and to the Caribbean for $250. During April, tickets to Hawaii cost $129. Taxes are extra. Airtech also has a list of hotels that can be booked at the last minute and they offer courier flights as well. A competitor, Airhitch (www.4cheapair.com), works in a similar fashion.

For research alone, here are four sites worth looking at. Official Travel Info.com (www.officialtravelinfo.com) has links to

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GARDEN: Dirt-digging tools can be great gift

(From 6E)

may rather shop by mail. Looking through this year's crop, I found gifts suitable to various budgets.

If you're feeling generous, you can gift-wrap a 16-piece tool kit for $75 from Brookstone's, 17 Riverside St., Nashua, N.H., 03062 (800-351-7222; www.brookstone.com). The kit includes trowel, weeder, cultivator, transplanter, two pruners, grass shears, kneeler pad, multi-pattern hoze nozzle, power stream nozzle and six different hose connectors, all in a snap-tight case.

For the gadget oriented, Brookstone offers at $29 what it calls a gardener's computer featuring a metal probe you stick in the ground to read pH, light and moisture levels. An accompanying booklet shows correct needs for most plants, trees, flowers, vegetables, herbs and fruit.

In live plants, amaryllis has long been a welcome gift. If you want to splurge, White Flower Farm, P.O. Box 50, Litchfield, Conn., 06759 (800-503-9624; www.whiteflowerfarm.com) offers a "Connoisseur's Collection" set of eight at $145, each potted bulb berthed in a wicker basket with Spanish moss. In plain green nursery pots the set comes at $119. The firm says each bulb is guaranteed to produce two flower stems, each with at least four blooms, and they can easily be grown on from year to year.

Bulbs may be ordered in fewer numbers, a three-bulb set coming at $62 and a single bulb at $21.

Indoor grow lighting maintains steady popularity for starting seeds and displaying plants. A neat little item comes at $39.95 from Gardener's Supply Company, 128 Intervale Road, Burlington, Vt., 04591 (800-863-1700; www.gardeners.com). It consists of a 9-watt full spectrum light that turns on and off automatically. A moisture sensor tells you when the plant needs water. The unit accommodates a plant up to 12 inches tall in a pot up to 5 1/2 inches in diameter.

A larger tabletop model with two 4-foot fluorescent bulbs comes at $149. It features a pull chain adjustment system for easy raising or lowering the light fixture.

For the indoor gardener who is away from home frequently, Gardener's Supply offers so-called plant minder trays that hold enough water to keep your plants properly moist for two weeks at a time. The principle is that they water from the bottom, moistening the roots. They come in two sizes at $19.95 and $14.95.

Humming bird feeders make nice gifts. A California firm named Bird Central (877-461-0903; www.birdcentral.com) offers many models in a $36-$38 price range.

High-tech or old-fashioned instruments to attract both mind and eye come from Wind & Weather, 1200 N. Main St., Fort Bragg, Calif., 95437 (800-922-9463; www.windandweather.com). If money is no consideration, you might delight your gift recipient with a wireless home weather station at $990. It gives temperatures, humidity, barometric pressure, rainfall, wind speed, wind direction, wind chill.

If you prefer wind direction by weathervane, there's a huge selection with prices ranging to $1,950 for a hand-crafted copper blue heron. A much more modest, but nostalgically familiar rooster comes at $199.

There are also sun dials galore, starting at $198.95 with a simple old-fashioned one on a 2-foot-tall cast iron pedestal, the dial enhanced with Browning's verse, "Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be."

GONE: Animals disappear one by one

(From 5E)

an elephant's digestive system).

Sea otters control the population of sea urchins that feed on kelp, thus protecting kelp forests, which in turn shelter a variety of marine life and protect coastlines from wave erosion.

Unfortunately, we may not learn that a species is a keystone until it's gone and takes others with it.

Some organisms are beyond saving because they can no longer reproduce in the wild. The cafe marron, native to Rodrigues, a tiny island off Mauritius, is a wild relative of the coffee plant that might contribute genes that would allow coffee-growing in a wider range of soils and elevations, except there's only one plant left. A cutting flown to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew in London lived, but it can't set seed because of a faulty stigma. Eventually, it will die off.

"If someone burned down the Louvre, you can be sure people would be outraged," says Russell Mittermeier, president of Conservation International. "We're burning down nature's Louvre, and no one pays attention."

Even the most thoughtful and well-funded zoo programs handle only about 2,000 of the 24,000 species of mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians known to exist, E.O. Wilson says. So for an endangered species the zoo may be more of a hospice than a rehabilitation center.

Rescuing all threatened species is impossible. However, Norman Myers, British ecologist and author of "The Sinking Ark," offers one solution. Collaborating with 100 other conservation scientists, he has tallied 25 biodiversity hot spots, covering less than 2 percent of Earth's land area but containing 44 percent of vascular plant species and nearly 40 percent of four important vertebrate groups. The areas include the Mediterranean region, New Zealand, the southern tip of South Africa, much of Brazil, and the Pacific Coast of the United States from southern Oregon down to Mexico's Baja California.

Myers says that if we spend our limited conservation funds there, we'll protect the most species per dollar. He and his colleagues estimate the cost would be $500 million a year for 10 years.

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In Iowa: Khrushchev slept, ate, played, hiked here

By Betsy Rubiner

Garst Farm Resorts looks like a classic Iowa homestead, but it occupies a unique place in history: Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev of the Soviet Union visited in 1959 in an effort to improve his country's agriculture. A hybrid, as its name suggests, the farm resort is a true agricultural operation that takes overnight guests and offers activities like riding, fishing and hiking. It's a form of agritainment, or agritourism — a growing sideline for struggling family farmers and small rural towns.

By the time I visited Garst Farm with my husband, Dirck, and children, Noah, 8, and Lily, 7, we were well acquainted with agritainment. We'd done the corn mazes, hayrides and farm-animal petting zoos. But we'd never slept near a pungent feedlot or peered into a manure lagoon or learned how to make silage.

For three days in September we played farm family, living in Hollyhock Cottage, a former chicken coop next to the resort's main lodging, a bed-and-breakfast. Comfortable and not too cute, the cottage had one bedroom with a queen bed, a living room with a bunk bed and futon, a bathroom and a well-equipped kitchen. Beyond the cottage was a large yard, a white picket fence, pink hollyhocks and a huge cottonwood tree followed by a gravel road, weathered barns, cattle in the feedlot and buffaloes in the pasture. (Raising cattle and buffaloes is a main enterprise now.) A truck carrying silage rumbled by day and night.

We were clearly impostors — without real farm families' chores and pressures, removed from rural debates over corporate farming, hog confinement lots and genetically modified food. It was easy to romanticize. Slicing tomatoes in the kitchen, hearing the screen door slam as the kids ran out to visit the buffaloes, I almost felt like an old-style farm wife (albeit with air conditioning, a microwave and plans to leave.)

Although the resort's facilities are scattered across 4,500 acres of Garst family land, its heart and soul is an old white clapboard farmhouse (now the B&B) with a shady, well-tended lawn sloping down to rural Highway 141. This is the former home of Roswell Garst, a colorful farmer and irrepressible salesman of hybrid seed corn who dared to do business with the Communists despite stormy East-West relations.

By the 1940s, hybrid seed had revolutionized American food production and eating habits. It increased the quantity and quality of livestock feed, which, in turn, increased the supply and consumption of meat. This agricultural innovation, and others, caught the attention of Khrushchev, who was eager to improve Soviet farming and the dismal Soviet diet.

Hearing of Khrushchev's interest, Iowans including Garst encouraged the Soviets to come witness the wonders of modern American agriculture. Several exchanges followed. In 1958, Garst and his wife, Elizabeth, visited the Khrushchev family at their Black Sea dacha. On Sept. 23, 1959, at the height of the cold war, the Khrushchev family visited the Garsts in Coon Rapids — accompanied by National Guard troops and seven busloads of journalists. A photograph of Garst and Khrushchev admiring a healthy ear of corn made the cover of Life magazine.

In the end, Garst sold about $1 million worth of hybrid seed corn to the Soviets. Some American farmers disapproved. Others praised Garst for "sowing seeds of friendship."

The Garsts remained on their Coon Rapids farm until they died, Roswell in 1977, Elizabeth in 1996. Ten months after Elizabeth's death, their granddaughter Liz Garst opened the resort.

The bed-and-breakfast, one of several resort lodgings, is unremarkable from the outside, but it is full of memorabilia from the Khrushchev visit, and the guest book includes names of visitors from the former Soviet Union.

With few scheduled activities on tap, we were left to find our own fun. We learned about the farm by taking a self-guided tour. Trudging around the cattle operation, dutifully reading a helpful pamphlet, we labored to keep our children interested. The weather was unseasonably hot and humid. Tiny biting flies defied our insecticide. But we all perked up when we walked through Feed Alley and met the cattle eye to eye.

We got a glimpse of no-nonsense agribusiness at a nearby seed-corn processing plant run by Garst Seed Company, which the Garst Family no longer owns. "What's that?" Noah shouted as he spotted a huge semitruck hoisted almost vertical by a hydraulic lift outside the sprawling plant. Ears of corn tumbled from the truck.

Twenty-two miles south, at the Guthrie County Fair in Guthrie Center, Noah was fascinated by mud bog racing — pickup trucks spewing mud as they raced through bogs. Both children enjoyed a pioneer-farm exhibit where they carded wool, panned for gold and made arrowheads.

The children's favorite activity was a two-and-a-half-hour scenic trail ride through resort property — just us four, led by our plucky guide, Loretta Carpenter. We were not experienced riders. But Loretta had us trotting, navigating a wooded trail and forging the Raccoon River where, to everyone's amusement, my horse, Cinnamon, started kicking, leaving me half soaked.

With local dining options limited to a drive-in, a steak joint (since closed) and a bowling alley grill, we cooked most of our meals and ate on a picnic table at the cottage. Before leaving Des Moines we'd visited the downtown farmers' market, stocking up on produce, bread, sticky buns, pie, salsa and pasta. The market is held on Saturday morning from May through October.

We did eat one breakfast at the B&B so we could hear Liz Garst's frank, affectionate yarn about her prominent family. As we ate egg casserole and fruit salad with five other guests, Liz spoke about her grandfather's passion for new ideas like hybrid seed corn and his clever methods of selling them to skeptical farmers. The highlight was an account of Khrushchev's visit as seen through a child's eyes.

Among the farmhouse's photographs is one of Liz, at age 8, sitting on the lap of Khrushchev's wife. Conspicuously missing is the day's most famous photograph — of Roswell Garst, annoyed, throwing silage at pushy reporters. My children listened wide-eyed as Liz recalled how her grandmother was so horrified by Roswell's "crude" behavior that she gathered her grandchildren and sternly told them "Don't you ever throw silage!"

ACCOMMODATIONS

Garst Farm Resorts, 1390 Highway 141, Coon Rapids, Iowa 50058, (712) 684-2964, fax (712) 684-2887, www.farmresort.com, is open year round. It is about 70 miles northwest of Des Moines and 100 miles northeast of Omaha.

The main building has five rooms, three with private bath, including one that is wheelchair-accessible; $90 and $110. Two rooms with shared bath are $60 and $75, including breakfast but not the 5 percent Iowa sales tax.

At the four other places to stay, breakfast is extra, at $6 a person: Hollyhock Cottage and Woodland Carriage House have three rooms each, a bath and a small kitchen; $120. Hollyhock sleeps six. Woodland sleeps seven. Oakridge Farmhouse, which sleeps 13 with 10 beds in five bedrooms, and has a large kitchen and two baths, is $180 to $300. And 805 River, a rustic three-season cabin that sleeps six with three rooms but no kitchen, is $60 the first night, $30 after that. Camping is $7.50 a tent per night. The gift shop sells farm products, including frozen buffalo meat, beeswax candles and pressed flowers.

WHAT TO DO

A self-guided farm tour and drive by the seed-corn-processing plant, free. One- or two-hour guided tours of Garst Farm, the processing plant and an alternative farm must be arranged in advance; $25 a group for each hour. Guided two-and-a-half-hour trail ride on horseback is $35 to $65 a person, depending on the size of the group. Longer rides are available, as are horse-drawn carriage rides and draft-horse wagon rides.

Hiking and fishing on resort property are free to overnight guests. Pole rental is $5. Bait is $1.50 for a dozen worms. Canoe rental is $15 per canoe for a half-day trip, plus $15 a group for transport of boats and people. Mountain bike rental is $6 an hour, $15 a day. The astronomy tour is $10 a person, $30 a family. The resort sets aside around 500 acres out of the 4,500-acre property for whitetail deer bow hunting (nonresidents need an out-of-state hunting license); the season runs through Dec. 1 and from Dec. 18 to Jan. 10.

Coon Rapids also has an aquatic center, a golf course, tennis courts, racquetball, a bowling alley and an asphalt nature trail for walking and cycling.

WHERE TO EAT

141 Cafe and Ice Cream Shop, 501 S. Fifth Ave., Coon Rapids, (712) 684-5741. Homemade lunch and supper specials including broasted chicken with two side dishes, $4 to $6; pork tenderloin sandwich, $3. The menu is the same at both meals.

David's Milwaukee Diner at the Hotel Pattee, 1112 Willis Ave., Perry, (888) 424-4268, hotelpattee.com; Midwestern and contemporary international cuisine with extensive wine list. Dinner entrees include apricot-cured Amana pork chop, $14.95, and Iowa prime beef tenderloin with seared foie gras, $31.95. Wines start at around $15. Sandwiches are also available at both lunch and dinner, and there is a children's menu. All three meals are served.

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the convention and visitors' bureaus of more than 1,000 cities in 29 countries. Planning a trip to Stavanger, Norway, or Kelowna, British Columbia? There are links at this site. Another reliable site is Kasbah: The Travel Search Engine (www.kasbah.com), which has evolved into one of the best all-around search engines on the Web.

As the name suggests, it is travel-specific, and it has extensive links for worldwide travel. Best Read Guide International (www.bestreadguides.com) focuses on small American cities, resort towns and regions, providing lodging, dining and sightseeing information. It's an eclectic mix of places, ranging from Aspen, Colo., and Juneau, Alaska to Hilton Head, S.C., and Traverse City, Mich.

On a given day, there might be feature stories on Broadway-style entertainment in Palm Springs, Calif., as well as historic house tours in Edgefield, S.C.

Boulevards.com (www.boulevards.com) is an index with links to alternative news weeklies and guides to cities across the United States. The list includes several dozen cities, from Albuquerque, N.M., to Washington, D.C. The listings are particularly good on music, nightlife and dining. For those who plan to travel a bit further, the site also has links to Havana and Tokyo.

GORP (www.gorp.com) was one of the pioneer adventure travel sites and it has become even better. There are more stories on sea kayaking, climbing and skiing than ever before, along with an increasing amount of how-to information on gear choice and health. The GORP travel section posts and describes nearly 4,000 adventure travel trips from a variety of adventure travel outfitters. That makes it a great place for research and price-comparison shopping.

The RoadsideAmerica.com (www.roadsideamerica.com) site is a treasure trove of kitsch that can be found along America's highways and byways. Looking for the grave of Elsie the cow, beloved symbol of Borden's Milk? Trying to find a mermaid museum in Weeki Wachee, Fla.? Or maybe the world's largest twine ball, located in Darwin, Minn., is on the itinerary? This site has all of these attractions and close to 700 others, with descriptions and directions.

For those heading to more dangerous places, Fielding's DangerFinder (www.fieldingtravel.com/df) gives advice on travel to places like Colombia, Sudan and Sri Lanka, with tips on not getting arrested and encountering land mines.

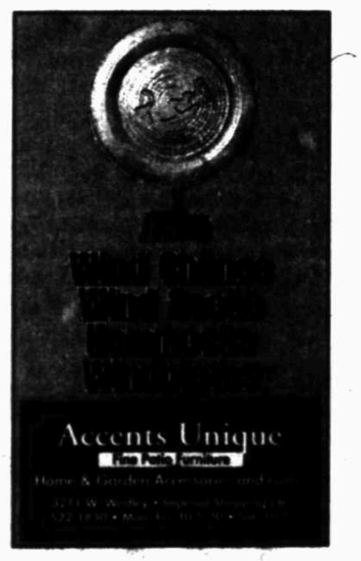
Finally, while there's not a great deal that the average traveler can do about airline delays, there is one site that can show where those delays are occurring at a given moment. The Air Traffic Control System Command Center (www.fly.faa.gov) gives airport delay information for the major U.S. airports. The solution? FlightArrivals.com (www.flightarrivals.com). With arrivals information for major airports, this is the dream site for anyone who has ever waited for a flight to arrive.

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Spring, winter interim registration underway

Early registration is underway for spring classes and the Winter Interim session at Midland College in the Student Services area of the Scharbauer Student Center. Students may early register for both sessions 8 a.m.-5 p.m. through Dec. 8.

The Winter Interim session, which lets students earn three hours of college credit in just 12 days, is Dec. 18-Jan. 4. Students also may register for the session 8-9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 18.—the day classes start.

Scheduled classes are: Business Principles, Composition and Rhetoric, Technical Writing, Survey of American Literature, Federal and State Government I, U.S. History Since 1877, Integrated Software Application and Public Speaking.

Also, two other courses—Composition and Literature and Appreciation of Music are taken by computer over the Internet.

Sociology In Underdeveloped Countries, taught by Mike Schneider, is a sailing class to the West Indies.

Most of the classes will transfer to upper level institutions, but students should check with a counselor to insure that specific classes are transferable.

Classes will run for four and a half hours each day, between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Class times may vary at the instructor's discretion.

All TASP requirements apply to courses taken during the interim session.

Spring semester classes begin Jan. 16. Registration for the spring session begins again, Jan. 2, after the Christmas break.

A special registration day with extended office hours, 8 a.m.-7:30 p.m., will be Wednesday, Jan. 10.

HSCE orientation

The Health Sciences Continuing Education program will hold an orientation for students interested in Medication Aide, Massage Therapy, Nurse Aide, Phlebotomy, Health Unit Coordinator and Food Service at 5:30 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 14 in the Davidson Family Health Sciences Building at Midland College. For more information, call 685-4603.

Poetry contest awards

The public is invited to attend the Hilda Simmons Levitt Poetry Awards ceremony, 6 p.m. Dec. 4 in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center. The annual ceremony honors Midland College students for excellence in poetry writing.

Dr. Christopher Ellery, judge of this year's contest, will read from his work. Dr. Ellery is Associate Professor of English at Angelo State University and a recent Fulbright Lecturer in American Literature at the University of Aleppo, Syria.

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Best part of Abell-Hanger scholarship can't be measured in dollars and cents

I was asked to aid in making the programs for a fund-raiser for High Sky Children's Ranch. While carefully constructing these programs, the employees of High Sky came in to meet me. They, of their own accord, each informed me of the services it provides to children and families. They told of their personal experiences with High Sky over the years. From then on, I felt that I was important, and that I was making a difference, even if all I did was clean up or help paint a room. Every visit to High Sky was a learning experience. I walked away with much more than a signature stating my hours of work. I discovered that individuals who are in need of care and service from others sometimes have a difficult time asking for it. They feel that "begging for help" is an enormous blow to their personal pride. My "behind the scenes" efforts were an excellent way of helping people without them personally having to ask for it. This kind of "behind the scenes" service, to me, is the most valuable. The benefits received by the residents of High Sky from my efforts are great. However, what I gained from community service is priceless.



Hinterlong

The experience and knowledge I gained from my community service greatly surpass the 40 hours of work I gave to High Sky. I believe that without the community service requirement on the Abell-Hanger Scholarship Form, I would not have had the experiences and understanding that I have today from giving to others. I used to think that the best part of the Abell-Hanger Scholarship was the financial assistance. Now I know that the best part is the part that can't be measured in dollars and cents – the priceless gift of 40 hours of community service to me and to those I helped.

Katie Hinterlong



Becky J. Graham



Veronica Montoya



Leah Patton



Elizabeth York

Katie Hinterlong, Becky J. Graham, Veronica Montoya, Lean Patton and Elizabeth York were each awarded $500 scholarship checks for their essays about their volunteer experiences as Abell-Hanger Scholarship students. Abell-Hanger students perform community service in return for scholarships that pay for tuition and books at Midland College.

Students find themselves changed by volunteering

Excerpts from the Abell-Hanger winning essays

"Last year at high school I needed to obtain 40 hours of community service ... I thought I would never be able to obtain 40 hours of community service before the semester ended. Little did I know, these 40 hours would effect the rest of my life. During my community service hours I worked Greenwood Elementary school. . .I never knew how much I could learn from five and six year olds. . .

As we reviewed what they had learned that day, to my amazement, they remembered every answer word for word, even from the early morning hours of class. They thrived on learning whatever was thrown their way. . .They taught me to receive knowledge as a privilege and not to waste it.

. . .The children view everything as a game and as fun. . .cheering up even the biggest grinch. The kids take life day by day, not planning ahead for obstacles coming their way ... They are very caring and loving. They are not selfish or envious or anything or anyone. . .

The 40 hours went by faster than I wanted. I enjoyed tutoring the kids. Yet, little did I know, most days, I was getting the tutoring. . .The Abell Hanger program is not only a way to help me through college financially, it also gave and will give me a chance to give back what is given.

Becky J. Graham

"...Forty hours isn't much, and in return, one could only benefit from the experience. I never imagined that I would benefit as much as I did. Not only was the task simple, but I also received some very valuable experiences. I came to understand that this scholarship's intentions are to get young citizens involved in their community while acquiring useful experience in the work force. . .

For my first task at West Texas Legal Services, one of the lawyers had me read the constitution! I had never experienced that before, but it truly inspired my love for government to grow even stronger. . .I was also able to experience the need that many citizens of my town have for government-provided legal services. . .

I was thankful for the opportunity to feel good about myself because I felt useful, and because I was allowed to work alongside wonderful people. Most importantly, I was thankful because working in a law firm had always been my dream. . .

It seemed like the 40 hours flew by in a heartbeat. . .I acquired knowledge of the legal practice and of secretarial work. I also made wonderful, important friends. From then on, the motivation to help my community has persevered, and it has formed an important aspect of my life. In the end, the time invested for this task has paid off many times over.

Veronica Montoya

"Through the community service I learned more than just how to be more outgoing. I also learned important job skills and the value of helping others...

Making people happy was a big part of my volunteer work. It made me realize that helping others is enjoyable. Since I volunteered at two very different places—at AMOS, a place for the less fortunate to get food and clothing at a much lower cost and the Confederate Air Force—I saw how different kinds of help affect people.

On the small scale, just making the customers at the gift shop happy gave me a good feeling inside. On the larger scale seeing those people who came into AMOS looking so depressed and sad because they could not afford to properly feed or clothe their children go away from that building with smiles on their faces just gave me an indescribable feeling of goodness.

That feeling of goodness leads to a feeling of self-worth. Self-worth leads to confidence and more self-esteem. These feelings were the extra push that I needed in order to be more social. I am still a quiet and reserved person, but now I am no longer afraid to be put into new and unfamiliar places.

By doing all of this community service I became more of a leader than a follower, an experienced worker instead of a lazy teenager, and a helper instead of a taker.

Leah Patton

"...Because of my interest in various forms of therapy, I decided to help at Memorial Rehabilitation Hospital. . .In visiting (the patients) and assisting with various activities, I hoped to brighten their day. They always did this and much more for me through their kindness and care. I began to look forward to visiting them. . .

In observing the caregivers' relationship with the patients, it was clear to me that this type of job would be a wonderful opportunity to encourage and give joy to others. At a time when it is easy to become discouraged by slow progress and sometimes distant goals. . .It is difficult to imagine what some of the long-suffering patients deal with daily in physical pain and mental angst, but I know that it is a great blessing to them to have caring staff members.

Because of my time at the hospital, I have decided to go into speech therapy. This field is a marriage of my attraction to language and my passion to care for others. . .I thank the Abell-Hanger Foundation for getting me and other students involved in our community.

It is my hope that young people will seek ways to improve what is in their sphere of influence so that together, society as a whole may be bettered.

Elizabeth York

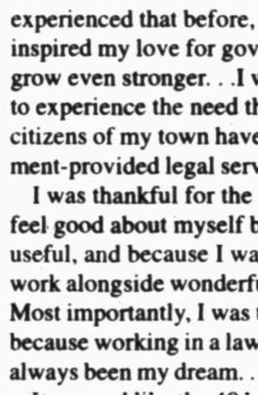
Midland College Events

Honor society inducts 48 new members

Phi Theta Kappa inducted 48 students in a candlelighting ceremony Nov. 27 in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center.

Phi Theta Kappa was designed to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students. To achieve this, the organization provides opportunity for the development of leadership and service.

To qualify for induction, students must have a 3.5 grade point average and have at least 12 hours of college credit.



New inductee Pamela Truitt signs in with Phi Theta Kappa advisor Chloice Shofner.

Phi Theta Kappa officers are Ana Bustamante, president, and Jay Vaden, vice president. Phi Theta Kappa advisers are Aline Collins, Chloice Shofner and Dale Westfall.

The following students were inducted:

Sheila Anderson, Loretta Boler, Matilda Bretado, Chris Brian, Marissa Brown, Lauren Burns, Michelle Byrd, Bryan Chatwell, Ami Copeland, Matthew Daniel, Rebecca Dominguez, Celina Flotte, Catherine Gloria, Kortni Gutierrez, Erin Hill, Katie Hinterlong, Sommer Jobe and Kyle Kelley.

Also, Caleb Kimpel, Daryl Kraemer, Courtney Leon, Devyn McLain, Evie Martinez, Lindsey May, Jennifer Moore, Yvette Moore, Candace Murrill, Rebecca Nuessle, Diann Owens, Jeff Parker, Carrie Patterson, Rod Phares and Brandi Roberts.

Also, Steven Rybicki, Lorena Sanchez, Tracy Skinner, Clinton Snow, Natalie Snow, Rachel Stewart, Stava Thomas, Daphanie Toro, Pamela Truitt, Carolyn Wallum, Erica Watkins, Laura Weatherman, Wendy Welsh, Angelia Wilson and Marissa Zubia.

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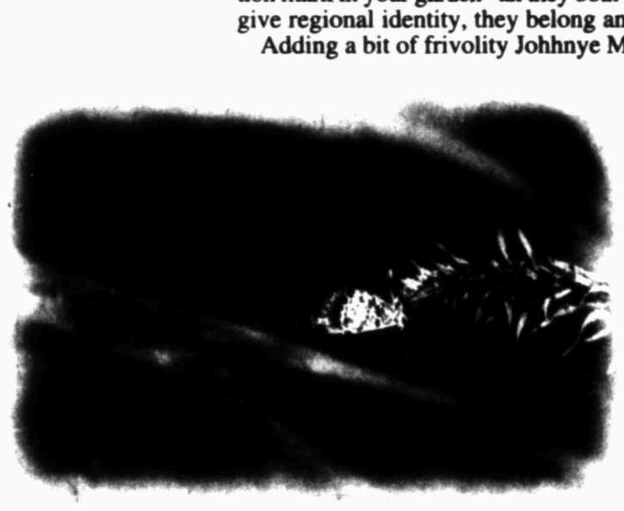
'Where flowers bloom, so does hope'

By word of mouth as well as by the written word, wordsmiths of the Llano Estacado Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas have brought forth quality information on the values and uses of natives. Insight can be gained into the psyche of these members by recalling expressions they used in the Reporter-Telegram's Wild on the Prairie series of articles published during the past year or so.

For instance, Burr Williams writes "gardens extend the house to include outdoor rooms" and "gardeners create joy for the former Deborah Hartley, adds "using native plant emissaries that are found growing everywhere around us enriches our daily lives in countless ways."

Andra Chamberlin advocates "what you gain from native gardening cannot be measured but it is guaranteed to fill the heart" while Chuck Chamberlin shows his bent by stating "native grasses fir comfortably and put an exclamation mark in your garden" an they both believe that "natives give regional identity, they belong and they show it."

Adding a bit of frivolity Johhnye Montgomery exhorts "at harvest time don't spoil the fun by cleaning up, leave you plants alone as every flower becomes a four-star restaurant for something or other — birds, butterflies, bees..."



Betty Lewis suggests that addiction is rampant in today's society and good humoredly illustrates her own addiction to wildflowers. by writing that she "identified 18 varieties in three-tenths of a mile while lackadaisically (her word!) picking up trash for her bicycle club." This proves wildflowers can be enjoyed where one encounters them.

Those touring the gardens of Llano Estacado members have beautiful memories of the landscapes they viewed and will understand Jean Reid's optimistic assessment "West Texas can be a virtual Garden of Eden."

Kathleen Fields delightfully encourages us to "get outside today and spend some time with one of your favorites (native plants). Serenity may just drift your way and quietly fill your soul as you gaze at the beauty around you."

Lady Bird Johnson, whose name is a near synonym for wildflowers, is our country's preeminent wildflower enthusiast. She penned a motto using only six words "Where wildflowers bloom, so does hope." These few simple words pack quite a wallop and are included in an inscription dedicating a hill country garden to her. Located in LBJ State Park the plaque is attached to a boulder and is inscribed "May this Native Plant and Wildflowers Garden forever remind us of Mrs. Lyndon Johnson's gracious gift of awareness about the environment and the human spirit. August, 1997." Written underneath this statement is her very meaningful quote "Where flowers bloom, so does hope." Mrs. Johnson.

For this writer, natives and butterflies are inexorably entwined. One of the loveliest sights in nature is that of butterflies glissading from wildflower to wildflower. Butterflies coming to native gardens receive a full package of benefits just for brightening the gardens with their fairy like beauty. The package includes host plants, nectar sources, moist soil for imbibing water, basking sites and over wintering hideaways as well as simply nighttime sleeping accommodations.

With morning cup of coffee in hand I was outside absorbing the coolness of a new day when my eyes alighted on a Giant Swallowtail who was still at roost on a dead twig of a sumac tree. The Giant Swallowtail lives up to his name with a wingspan of 4-6". He was sleeping with his giant butterfly wings fully opened and held that pose while we closely examined his wing patterns and even when Don's flash bulbs lighted his sleeping quarters. This happenstance turned my focus toward plants that butterflies utilize as roosting places.



My summer observations revealed that most butterflies roost with their wings closed, but there are exceptions. They roost either high or low, on the outside on plants or in the foliage, hidden and camouflaged by their surroundings or in the open as if on exhibit. I found no absolute pattern, different species have different preferences. The only given is that one must follow the butterflies' example of being early risers if your aim is to see them before they vacate the premises.

Sleepy Orange butterflies preferred to sleep amid the dense foliage of salivas and asters in a hide-and-go-seek mode. Occasionally I could exclaim "I spy!" but usually I would espy them after they were "home free." One morning seven or eight Sleepy Oranges were lying nearly flat on the grass as if in the last throes of death but after watching them awhile I realized they were tilting on their sides to orient first one side and then the other towards the sun to absorb the warmth of its rays. Sulfurs absolutely never alight with their wings open even to bask. The only time you glimpse the topside of their wings is while they are flying or with wings backlit by the sun.

Common Mestras and Buckeyes spent the night on Frogfruit while the greenish Lyside hung limply among the needles of a pine tree. The Question mark's dead leaf pattern allows him to escape detection as he roosts on a tree trunk. He resembles a loose piece of bark until his bright orange-topped wings are opened; then the butterfly is quite visible.

Lynda Johnson's Queen butterflies chose the south side of her large Vitex tree for their royal boudoir - I suppose they needed a Queen-sized bed.

Suman, Western Soapberry and Mesquite trees provided popular overnight lodging for several species of butterflies on our two acres.

A Sleepy Duskywing's name also referred to his condition the morning we found him on a ranch south of Midland. He was well camouflaged as he slept in a shin oak thicket which is his proper habitat. The duskywing was a tree hugger and has resourcefully wrapped his wings around a shin oak twig thus forming his own personal sleeping tent.

A few years ago the freshness of an autumn dew gave a sparkle and liveliness to everything in our pasture except for the butterflies who sparkled but were too cold to be lively. They were immobilized on their roosts until the sun evaporated the dew and warmed them. Only then did they exhibit any signs on life. Among the butterflies scattered on various plants such as Paper Daisies, Tidestromia and Mesquite trees was a tiny Pygmy Blue who had selected the bowed head of a careless weed for its designer bed. Pliny the Elder, the Roman naturalist, though caterpillars came from the dew that formed on trees - if he'd been with me that morning he might have thought that butterflies did, too.

Even though native gardens aren't specifically designed to be Butterfly Best Westerns, they just naturally are. This may not be important scientific information but it has been an interesting and enjoyable native plant and butterfly experience for me.

Perhaps you've now gained some insight in to this writer's psyche?!





Clockwise from top: Note the intricate underwing pattern of a sleeping American Lady, whose "big eyes" seem to be wide open.

A Questionmark can mimic a loose piece of bark or a dead leaf.

A pair of Checkered Whites have reservations for a double occupancy suite.

The Giant Swallowtail (underside) lives up to its name with a wingspan of 4" to 6".

A lowly, careless weed provides a designer bed for a Pygmy Blue, North America's smallest butterfly.
A Dainty Sulpher brightens a fall tidestromia plant.

The upperside of a Giant Swallowtail.

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PERMIAN BASIN
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Basin may see more deep horizontal drilling

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

New ultra deep MWD tools developed by Schlumberger, could open the door to deep horizontal gas drilling in the Permian Basin.

The tools, recently employed in drilling the world's deepest horizontal well in the Villafortuna-Trecate field of Italy, were able to withstand extremely high bottomhole temperatures in an Eni well which was drilled to a total depth of 21,066 feet with a horizontal lateral of 184 meters. The new high temperature technology system provides real time gamma ray measurements, and continuous inclination and direction at temperatures above 356 degrees F.

"We think the SlimPulse tools, especially designed for hot wells, could have application for deep horizontal drilling in the Permian Basin," said Frank Hood, a Schlumberger engineer who helped direct the Agip project. "We are very pleased at how the tools performed at this depth and temperature. The retrievable MWD tools performed far beyond our expectations."

The 21,066 feet of the Italian project is in the same depth range as many of the deep and hot wells drilled in the Delaware Basin in the seventies.

Mel Riggs, chief financial officer for Clayton Williams, said tools that could perform at that depth and temperature could open the door for horizontal potential in deep gas drilling, but he was unsure about re-entering many of the original deep wells in the Delaware Basin, some of which were drilled over 20 years ago.

"You run into tremendous mechanical problems in these old wells. Sometimes it is better just to come up the hole and recomplete in a different formation."

Hood said the primary limitation to drilling at temperatures exceeding 300 degrees Fahrenheit is batteries.

"Our batteries are designed for hot hole drilling, but you still have to take care. If a battery blows up it could ruin some tools."

He said the tools would also open the door for horizontal geothermal drilling.

"Most of the deep extended-reach wells in the U.S. are in the 16,500 to 18,500 foot range, so the door has definitely been opened on new potential," said Hood.



Schlumberger's Training Center in Sugarland, Texas, includes a rig used to train crews in deep drilling. The company has developed new ultra-deep MWD tools that could encourage deep horizontal drilling in the Permian Basin.

Briefing

Chevron gives FTC more review time

SAN FRANCISCO — Following informal discussions with staff at the Federal Trade Commission, Chevron volunteered to refile its pre-merger notification and report form under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act.

Chevron's initial submission, made on Oct. 23, was followed by an informal request from the Commission staff for additional information about the business of the two companies. In response to that informal request, Chevron and Texaco have been providing information to the staff on a voluntary basis. Under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Act, the Commission must make a formal request for any additional information it wants from the companies within 30 days of their original filing, or from any subsequent refiling. Chevron's refiling gives the Commission and staff more time to review the information submitted by Chevron and Texaco before the staff must determine what additional information, if any, it will formally request.

Michael Petroleum buys Enogex wells

HOUSTON — Glenn Hart, president and CEO of Houston-based Michael Petroleum Corp. announced that MPC has paid Enogex Exploration $7.5 million for its interests in 72 producing wells and 22,500 acres in the Lobo Wilcox Trend in Webb County, Texas. Sixty-one of the 72 wells are operated by MPC. Total proved reserves for the acquisition are estimated at 16.6 BCFE, of which 36 percent are proved developed reserves.

"We are very excited about our Enogex acquisition," said Hart. "MPC remains committed to the Lobo Trend. Our 2001 drilling budget anticipates capital spending in excess of $40 million to drill 38 wells in the Trend."

Located in Webb and Zapata counties, the Lobo Trend of South Texas is one of the largest onshore natural gas producing regions in the United States.

Plains to redeem Series G stock

HOUSTON — Plains Resources has called for redemption substantially all of the outstanding shares of its Series G Preferred stock at 105% of stated value. Each share of Series G Preferred stock has a stated value of $500 per share and bears a dividend of 9.5% per annum.

Holders of shares of Series G Preferred outstanding on December 31, 2000, will have a right to receive a cash redemption price of $525 per share plus accrued and unpaid dividends. Pursuant to the Certificate of Designation governing this series of preferred stock, shares of the Series G Preferred may be converted into Plains' common stock at anytime prior to the close of business on December 26, 2000, at an effective conversion price of $15.00 per share.

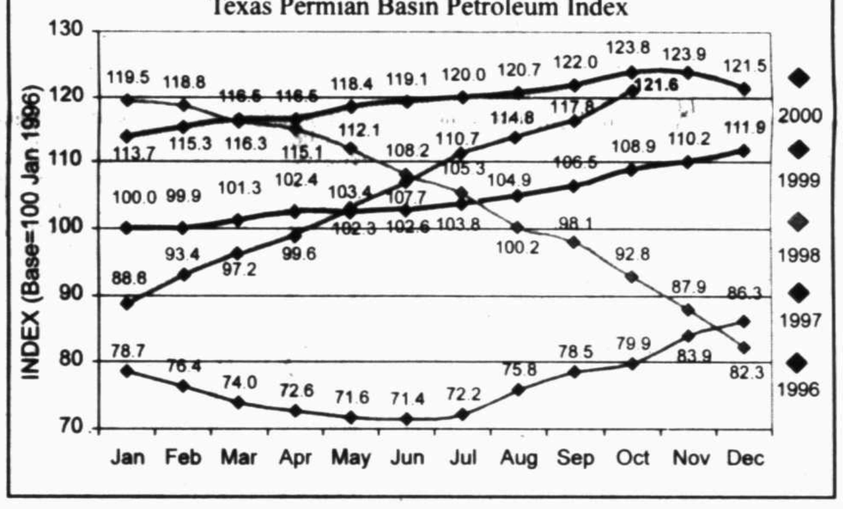
The company also announced an exchange offer pursuant to which holders of the Series G Preferred could exchange their shares for an equivalent number of shares of a new Series H Preferred stock, plus a cash payment in an amount equal to accrued and unpaid dividends. The new Series H stock is convertible into the same number of shares of common stock as the Series G Preferred, but does not bear a dividend and does not contain a mandatory redemption feature. In addition, if not earlier converted or exchanged, the Series H Preferred will automatically convert into common stock on September 30, 2001.

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First American Bank — Oil and Gas at a Glance

THE PERMIAN BASIN OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY
Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index



Petroleum Index ready to pass November 1997 peak

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Fueled by a 77.4 percent increase in average crude prices and a 65.4 percent increase in average natural gas prices, the Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index is closing in on the peak reached in November 1997.

The index, provided by Amarillo Economist Karr Ingham, jumped to 121.6 in October from 117.8 in September and is 52.2 percent above the 79.9 seen in October 1999. Ingham uses January 1996 as the base for his index. The index has risen for 16 consecutive months.

If the index does not surpass the peak next month, he said, it most certainly will in the next month.

"It should be pointed out that the increases are largely driven by those indicators that are directly price-based — the monthly average prices for oil and gas and the value of oil and gas production. Other indicators, while improved over year-ago levels, have not yet returned to pre-downturn levels."

One indicator, oil and gas employment, posted a solid increase in October, jumping 6 percent over last October, he said, but the year-to-date average for 2000 is only 1.7 percent above the year-to-date average for 1999.

Ingham explained that "It's not that the oil and gas industry doesn't want to employ people, it can't find them. And those it does find, it ends up having to pay them more. It's difficult to staff rig crews, and fewer rigs and crews means rigs are at a premium.

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Internet could provide royalty issue solutions

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

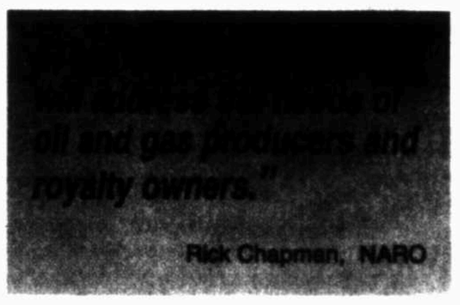
A new internet alliance could put thousands of America's royalty owners more in touch with their royalty interests, says Rick Chapman, CEO, National Association of Royalty Owners (NARO).

In the past, mineral owners, many of whom inherited highly fractionalized mineral interests, have not been very active in tracking or managing their royalty interests, because of an information gap. But that could change soon thanks to a proposed strategic alliance between the National Association of Royalty Owners and Novistar, an Internet company.

"This is an alliance that will address the needs of oil and gas producers and royalty owners by the sharing of information and expertise between the two on-line communities," said Chapman.

He said the alliance would not only result in a wide-range of on-line data to help royalty owners stay better informed about their assets, including accounting, geology and pricing, but will also feature an on-line school to instruct royalty owners on how to use the on-line data and information to better manage their mineral interests. The alliance will also offer a means for accessing professional industry expertise on related issues.

"A membership survey indicates a majority of our members are already using the Internet, so this program will not be much of a stretch," said Chapman.



Rik Williams, president of Novistar, said the alliance will improve operations for oil and gas producers by producing better informed royalty owners and reducing the number of royalty owner phone calls and checks written. Williams said it costs producers between $4 and $15 to write a check, and large producers can write as many as 20,000 checks per month.

"This alliance of shared information will not only reduce producer cost, but will establish more trust between producers and mineral owners," Williams said.

Chapman said it is often difficult for royalty owners to stay informed about their properties because the weather, geography, market, pricing, business practices, and regulations change for each well they own. "We see the internet as a solution to that problem, by providing instant, accurate and secure data."

Williams said the Internet offers royalty owners speed, agility, interaction and quick execution, but issues will need to be worked out to establish genuine value for both royalty owners and producers. Those issues include: the posting of accurate data, ownership of data and security.

John Paul Pitts

Presidential Museum planning should start early

The perfect use for the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification may be in sight — providing the next President of the United States is a man from Midland, Texas.


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Highly visible, located adjacent to the airport, midway between Odessa and Midland at the juncture of two major highways — 1788 and 191, only a few miles from Interstate 20 and the Confederate Air Force Museum, it has been suggested that the CEED location would be the perfect location for the George W. Bush Presidential Library. Easy access would assure its use by scholars from around the world.

The attractive facility already has a distinctive pond, auditorium, classrooms, and office. This space could be utilized as-is and added on to become an even more beautiful and distinctive presidential library.

Moreover, it is a logical choice. The University of Texas at Austin has Lyndon B. Johnson's library and Texas A&M has the President George Bush library. Where better to put the President George W. Bush Library — the Ball Park at Arlington?

A presidential library at the CEED location would be good for Midland, Odessa, the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, the oil and gas industry and the entire region. Best of all, it would be a good use for a first-rate facility that has been floundering in the back waters of academic politics — searching for purpose — since Texas Governor Bill Clements opened its doors on March 28, 1988.

During the dedication ceremony Governor Clements said "Today we break ground on the future of the Permian Basin. Indeed, we break ground on the entire future of the state of Texas. As we turn the dirt, we also turn a page in our history. Let me assure you there is a happy ending."

The ground has already been broken at CEED, the location dedicated to the future of Texas — perhaps the nation.

George W. Bush is not even out of the chute, yet win or lose, he is already destined for the history books. If he does not prevail against the legal system, he will become one of the most talked about presidential candidates in history because of the historic nature of this election.

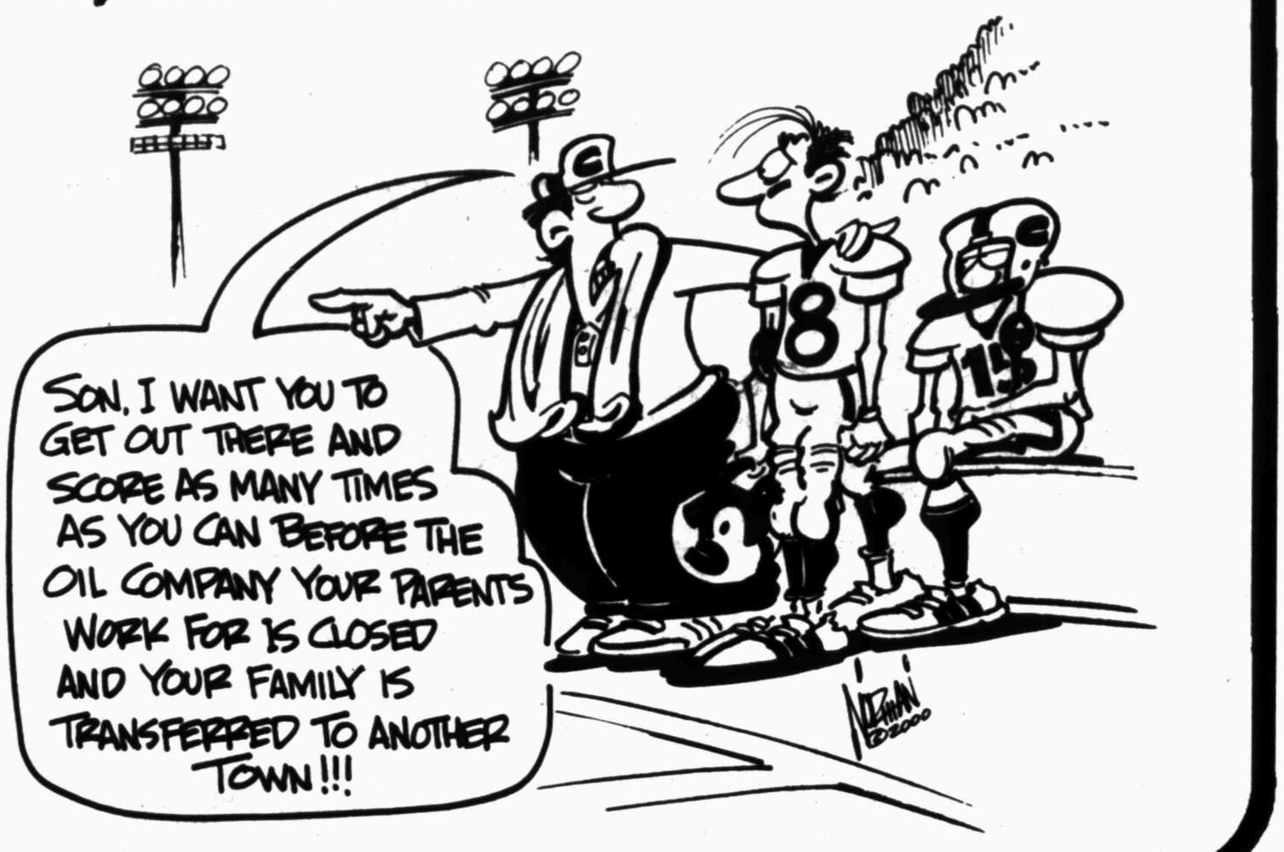
But, if he takes office, the task of overcoming an attitude in which half the people think he stole the election and squaring off against the many critical and treacherous issues facing America in the years to come could forge him into one of America's great presidents.

It would be a coup, indeed, if Midland and the Permian Basin could become a continuing and vital link in the legacy of one of America's great presidents. The time for planning for the George W. Bush Presidential Library should begin the day he is inaugurated and it should begin in Midland.

John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Reporter Telegram.

Bidness

By Norman Johnson



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That will correct itself, but not on a dime."

Marvin Wynn, president and chief executive officer of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, which sponsors the index along with First American Bank and the Reporter-Telegram, said he's pleased the petroleum index is up 52 percent over the last year and is almost back to pre-downturn levels.

The strength in the index, he said, is driving and will continue to drive, the regional economy, but the area's dependence on the energy industry leaves the regional economy vulnerable, he pointed out.

"As the major oil company jobs have left, though activity is up, it's not showing up as jobs in our local market," Wynn said. "It's showing up in field jobs on other counties. We've lost administrative and technological jobs that won't come back as they did. As we transition to independents, as they take over properties from the majors, they still w t be creating jobs at the same level."

Bobby Norman, president of First American Bank, said he was encouraged that energy prices appear to have stabilized at a high level and said there's perceived strength in the $25 a barrel range.

"First, OPEC isn't taking any action, and they're also talking about a target price in the $25 to $28 range," Norman said. "Gas prices have set record highs so the price scenario looks good for the near-term."

But, he said, with all the activity that has occurred over the last 12 months in terms of prices and drilling permits, "We're still seeing an annual rate of decline in production volumes in both oil and natural gas of 2 to 3 percent."

Kinder Morgan to buy GATX terminals, pipeline

HOUSTON — Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. has signed a definitive agreement with GATX Corporation to purchase its U.S. pipeline and terminal businesses for approximately $1.15 billion, consisting of cash and assumed debt. Primary assets included in the transaction are the CALNEV Pipe Line Company and theransaction is subject to standard closing conditions and is expected to close in the first quarter of 2001.

For the year 2001, following the closing of the GATX acquisition, Kinder Morgan management is targeting:

— $0.30 to $0.50 of growth in KMP distributions per unit

— $0.15 to $0.25 of growth in KMP earnings per unit

— 30 to 40 percent growth in KMI earnings per share (between $1.62 and

$1.75 earnings per share) compared to previous expectations of 20 to

30 percent growth (between $1.50 and $1.62 earnings per share)

"We are comfortable with the lower end of these ranges even if we assume no additional acquisitions in 2001, and we are targeting the higher end of these ranges assuming that we make a reasonable amount of acquisitions in 2001," Kinder said.

Initially, KMP intends to fund the transaction with a commercial-paper facility. This interim financing will be reduced within six to nine months of closing through proceeds from potential follow-on asset sales, permanent debt financing and equity financings. "We expect most of the equity to be raised through a new structure that will allow KMP to access institutional markets for its common units," Kinder said. "In addition, KMI intends to maintain its pro-rata share of KMP common units by purchasing additional KMP common units for cash. Long-term, KMP intends to keep its overall debt to total capital ratio near its current 40 percent level."

CALNEV is a 550-mile refined petroleum products pipeline system originating in Colton, Calif. and extending to the growing Las Vegas, Nev. market. It transported an average of 112,000 barrels of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel per day in 1999. CALNEV interconnects in Colton with KMP's Pacific operations, a 3,300-mile refined petroleum products pipeline system that transports more than one million barrels per day of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel to destination markets in Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico and Oregon.

"CALNEV is an ideal fit with our existing operations in the West," Kinder said. "We believe rapid population growth in Las Vegas and other western markets will continue to drive consumption of refined petroleum products. As a result, we project volumes on Pacific and CALNEV to grow more than 3 percent annually."

CFPL is a 195-mile refined petroleum products pipeline system consisting of a 16-inch gasoline pipeline and a 10-inch jet fuel and diesel pipeline transporting product from Tampa to the growing Orlando, Fla. market. It transported an average of 85,000 barrels of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel per day in 1999. "CFPL fits perfectly into KMP's strategy of acquiring fee-based assets in high-growth markets," Kinder said.

KMP is also acquiring 12 terminals from GATX, which have a storage capacity of 35.6 million barrels for both petroleum products and chemicals. The largest of these terminals are located in Houston, New York, Los Angeles and Chicago, with a total capacity of approximately 31.2 million barrels. The other terminals are located in Philadelphia, Portland, Ore., San Francisco and Seattle. In addition, KMP is acquiring six other terminals from GATX with a capacity of 3.6 million barrels that are part of the CALNEV and CFPL pipeline systems.

"These fee-based terminals are ideally situated across the United States and are essential to the distribution of petroleum products and chemicals in the U.S.," Kinder said. "They also are a good match for our existing assets, as KMP pipelines currently receive petroleum products from or inject them into three of the terminals that we are acquiring on the West Coast."

Conoco, Ocean make commercial find

HOUSTON — Conoco and Ocean Energy Inc. announced that drilling on their Magnolia deepwater prospect in Garden Banks Block 783 of the Gulf of Mexico has confirmed the standalone commerciality of the discovery made in May 1999.

Conoco is the operator and holds a 75-percent working interest in a two-block unit that includes Garden Banks 783 and 784. Ocean Energy holds a 25-percent working interest in the two-block unit.

The Magnolia GB 783 No. 2 appraisal well, a 6,000-foot westerly step-out from the discovery, was drilled to a total depth of 17,435 feet. The well encountered oil bearing sand in excess of 400 net feet, with 300 net feet in one continuous unit. After logging operations were completed, the well was sidetracked 3,000 feet to the southwest to provide an additional penetration of the main pay sand. The sidetrack encountered 400 net feet of oil-bearing sand.

"We are optimistic about this field," said Rob McKee, Conoco's executive vice president of worldwide upstream operations. "The appraisal well was a bold step-out from the original discovery, and the sand thickness in both wells exceeded our expectations."

"Further appraisal will now focus on sizing and optimizing the development," McKee said. "Other attractive targets within the overall structure have been identified. In total, the field could yield more than 150 million barrels of oil equivalent in future production. The partnership will continue this appraisal work as soon as the current well information has been studied."

"While we are still defining the size and scope of the discovery, we are pleased with the results to date and have high expectations for future drilling," said James T. Hackett, Ocean Energy chairman, president and chief executive officer. "This discovery is another step forward in Ocean's successful deepwater Gulf of Mexico program."

Plains to evaluate restructuring alternatives

HOUSTON — Plains Resources has retained Petrie Parkman & Co. to assist it in evaluating strategic restructuring alternatives intended to optimize the value and value- creating ability of each of its upstream and midstream business segments. The alternatives to be evaluated include, but are not limited to, a spin-off or split-off of either the upstream segment or midstream segment, a spin-off or special dividend of certain units of Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. and potential asset sales. Any modifications to the existing structure will depend on a number of factors including tax efficiency, critical mass and other considerations. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that any modifications will be made.

"Over the past nine years, we have built a solid and strategic base of cash flow and income-generating assets in each of our upstream and midstream segments," said Greg L. Armstrong, President and Chief Executive Officer. "However, our somewhat complex corporate structure, which involves two separate publicly-traded vehicles on different stock exchanges, and the diverse nature of the investor bases of these two vehicles dictate that we evaluate alternative structures in an effort to unlock the value for the company's stakeholders and position each segment to perform at optimal levels."

Namedropping



Burch

PHIL BURCH has joined Key Energy Services as treasurer. He will be based in the company's Midland operating headquarters and report to **THOMAS K. GRUNDMAN**, Key's chief financial officer. Burch comes to Key from Parker Drilling, where he spent 19 years in various treasury operations.

The board of directors of Midland Energy Library has appointed **SHEILA DEVORE** manager of the facility. Ms. DeVore currently serves as office manager.

She succeeds **GAY RULLA**, who will retire effective December 15. Ms. Rulla has been with the library since its inception in 1985.

A. ROBERT KUKLA has been named vice president, global procurement, for Marathon Oil Co. He formerly served as regional manager in the company's Midland office.

BRIDGEVILLE, Pa. — **W. HENRY HARMON** has joined Union Drilling Inc. as president and chief executive officer. He most recently served as chief executive officer of Columbia Energy Resources, a subsidiary of NiSource.

Meetings

Kuwait field topic of SEPM meeting

The Permian Basin section, SEPM (Society for Sedimentary Geology) will meet Tuesday at the Midland Center beginning with lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Dennis Dull with Texaco will present a program on "Integrating Sequence Stratigraphy and Multiple 3-D Geostatistical Realization in Constructing a Reservoir Model of the 'Second Eocene', Wafra Field, Partitioned Neutral Zone, Kuwait."

Additional information is available at 683-1573 or at the PBS-SEPM website, www.wtgs.org/pbs-sepm.

Baker Hughes, Schlumberger form joint seismic venture

HOUSTON — Baker Hughes Inc. announced the formation of its Western GECO seismic venture with Schlumberger Limited.

Western GECO is comprised of the seismic fleets, data processing assets, exclusive and nonexclusive multi-client surveys, and other assets of the Western Geophysical division of Baker Hughes and Schlumberger's Geco-Prakla.

The former president of Western Geophysical, Gary Jones, has been named president of Western GECO.

Under the terms of the transaction, Baker Hughes received approximately $500 million, including approximately $493 million in cash and the balance in certain working capital credits. In the transaction Baker Hughes retained certain working capital and other assets of its Western Geophysical division, valued at approximately $100 million. The company disposed of a portion of these assets prior to closing and expects to liquidate the balance to further reduce the company's outstanding debt. Baker Hughes' cash proceeds from the transaction were used to reduce debt. Western GECO is owned 70% by Schlumberger and 30% by Baker Hughes.

Although the venture was just formed, regulatory approval is pending in certain jurisdictions including the United Kingdom.

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Exxon Mobil, Shell may have to delay completion of Caspian field

LONDON (Bloomberg) — Exxon Mobil Corp. and Royal Dutch/Shell Group may have to delay development of a Caspian Sea oil field in order to build facilities to separate larger-than-usual amounts of sulfur and natural gas from oil.

The companies, together with BP Amoco Plc, BG Group Plc, Total Fina Elf SA, Statoil AS, Eni SpA, INPEX of Japan and Phillips Petroleum Co., are exploring the Kashagan field off the Kazakh shore, which by some estimates may be the largest oil deposit found in decades.

"We have to deal with substantial quantities of high sulfur to deal with and a potential gas stream (of) 16 to 18 percent, pretty high by world standards,' said Keith Dallard, general manager of the Offshore Kazakhstan International Operating Co., as the group of companies is known. "Unless we have a robust solution for gas, we'll not be developing the oil field."

The group would take the gas and re-inject it into the field to increase pressure and facilitate oil production or it may export the gas, in either liquefied or gas form, Dallard said.

The two latter options will require Offshore Kazakhstan to build a liquefied natural-gas plant or a gas pipeline. It will also have to build facilities to separate sulfur, making the oil's quality better and its transportation easier.

"Over a half of our expenditure (in the field) could be for gas and sulfur-related facilities, not just for oil," Dallard said.

After the group drilled the first appraisal well in Kashagan in June, estimates of the field's reserves have ranged from 9 billion to 50 billion barrels of oil. If proven, the Kashagan will likely spur investment in oil exploration in the Caspian Sea and in building oil pipelines there.

Offshore Kazakhstan won't release its estimate of Kashagan reserves before more exploratory work is done, Dallard said. The group is now drilling the second appraisal well there.

Offshore Kazakhstan plans to announce soon its operating budget for next year, which will exceed this year's $160 million as exploration accelerates. The group will nominate by January an operator for the field, who will have a greater degree of control over the project's management, though major decisions will be made by the group's operating committee.

Plains Resources increases upstream capital budget by at least 50 percent

HOUSTON — Plains Resources Inc. announced that its Board of Directors had approved the company's proposed capital plan for 2001.

The company's upstream plans call for spending approximately $120 million in 2001, excluding potential acquisitions. This amount is approximately 50 percent higher than 2000's estimated upstream capital expenditures of $80 million.

Approximately $100 million or 85 percent of these capital expenditures are earmarked for exploitation projects in California.

The 2001 capital program incorporates the results of various analyses and reservoir studies performed over the last few years, and includes the drilling and completion of approximately 217 total wells, including 56 injector wells. In addition, plans call for constructing a gas processing plant and a water processing plant at one of its fields in California to enable the company to generate its own fuel supply and to dispose of produced water.

Activities to be conducted in 2001 include a variety of primary, secondary and tertiary recovery projects that are anticipated to expand the company's proved developed reserve base, offset normal production decline and generate a year-over-year production increase of approximately 10 percent. Due to the multi-year nature of many of the capital projects, the company anticipates generating a comparable year-over-year production increase in 2002 even at a reduced level of capital spending.

Plains Resources is an independent energy company engaged in the exploration, acquisition, development and exploitation of crude oil and natural gas. Through its majority ownership in Plains All American Pipeline, L.P., the Ccompany is engaged in the midstream activities of marketing, gathering, transportation, terminalling and storage of crude oil. The company is headquartered in Houston.

Bighorn starts up Wyoming pipeline

TULSA — Bighorn Gas Gathering, L.L.C., a limited liability company whose partners are affiliates of CMS Energy Corp. and Northern Border Partners, L.P. completed and placed in-service a 56-mile, 20-inch diameter extension of its gas gathering system in Sheridan County, Wyo.

This major extension of Bighorn's existing 100 mile natural gas gathering system will serve the gathering needs of gas producers in Sheridan County, including CMS Energy's exploration and production unit CMS Oil and Gas Company, Pennaco Energy, and J.M. Huber Corp. J.M. Huber, a Houston-based exploration and production company, has entered into a long-term agreement with Bighorn covering gas production from approximately 100,000 acres of dedicated property. Initial production will be provided by Huber from their Prairie Dog prospect where approximately 250 wells have already been drilled.

The gathering system extension was constructed from Bighorn's western terminus in southeastern Sheridan County, west to Township 57 North — Range 83 West, where Huber's production is located.

Bighorn Gas Gathering, L.L.C., which began service in December 1999, serves the northern part of the Powder River Basin and is capable of gathering approximately 250 million cubic feet per day of coal bed methane gas. It delivers gas to the Fort Union Gas Gathering System and other U.S. markets via interstate pipelines connected to Fort Union. Bighorn has gathering agreements with CMS Oil and Gas Company, Denver-based Pennaco Energy and J.M. Huber Corp. Bighorn has long-term contracts with producers covering gas production from approximately 800,000 acres of dedicated property.

Bighorn will have the ability to provide gathering services to other gas producers through its Sheridan County extension.

Noble Affiliates gets stake offshore Vietnam

HOUSTON — Noble Affiliates, Inc. announced that its wholly-owned indirect subsidiary, Samedan Vietnam Limited, has acquired oil and gas exploration rights in blocks 12W and 12E in the Nam Con Son basin offshore Vietnam.

Block 12W rights were granted by a production sharing contract entered into on November 17, 2000 between Petrovietnam on behalf of the Vietnamese government and Noble. The block is located approximately 250 miles offshore southeast of Ho Chi Minh City (formerly Saigon) in an average water depth of 300 feet. Samedan will be operator of the block with a 78 percent interest. Its partner with a 22 percent interest is Opeco Natural Gas, an affiliate of a U.S. based independent oil and gas company. Petrovietnam will have the right to acquire a 15 percent working interest in any development that may occur.

Concurrently, Samedan acquired from Opeco a 78 percent interest and operatorship in an existing production sharing contract covering adjacent block 12E.

In total, the blocks encompass 1.6 million acres, 1.25 million acres net to Samedan's interest. Both oil and gas have been tested on the blocks in wells drilled by previous operators, but the discoveries were not developed. The company intends to drill two exploratory wells on the acreage during 2001.

BP Amoco to buy back debt

London (Bloomberg) — BP Amoco Plc, the world's third-largest publicly traded oil company, offered to buy back $1.05 billion of debt or 6 percent of the company's total to reduce costs and use extra cash.

The bonds to be repurchased were inherited with the $33.1 billion takeover of Atlantic Richfield Co. and mature after 2015, the company said. BP had net debt of $17.2 billion at the end of September.

Like its rivals, BP this year has reported record profit, boosted by oil prices that are among the highest in a decade. BP in the third quarter earned $3.8 billion, a record for the company, which was formed in 1909.

Goldman, Sachs & Co. is managing the offer.

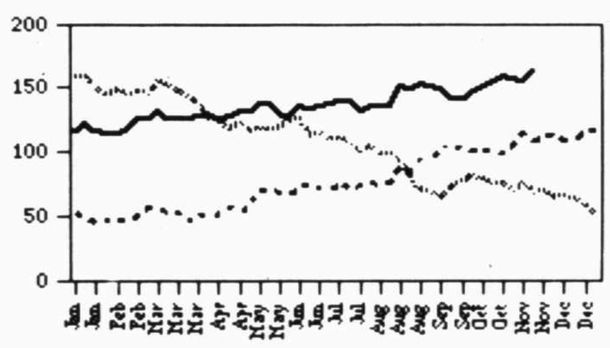
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Ector	6	Dickens	1	*N.M. TOTAL*	*51*
Glasscock	3	Floyd	0		
		Gaines	10	Basin Total	163
				Year Ago	106



Rig Count information provided by Hughes Christensen

Osprey Energy building pipeline to new Louisiana producer

BRIDGEWATER, NS — Osprey Energy Ltd. is building a pipeline to tie-in the Crosby 36A Well to the Crosby 25 well in its Northern Louisiana property which it expects to complete before month's end.

The Crosby 25 has the infrastructure to process production from both wells and is tied-in to the main commercial pipeline. An independent Geological and Economic Evaluation, dated October 1, 2000, states the Proved Reserves for the 36A Well to be in excess of 7.8 Billion cubic feet of gas (BCFG) and over 270,000 barrels of oil (BO). The Proven Reserves for the 25 Well are over 3.3 BCFG and over 226,000 BO.

This property, which exceeds 20,000 acres in four parishes (counties), has nine Austin Chalk Wells, each with a total depth in excess of 18,000 feet, three Cotton Valley Wells, each with a total depth in excess of 14,000 feet, and one salt water disposal well. The prior owner, Union Pacific Resources, drilled, equipped, and tied in 11 of the wells to existing pipelines in 1997 and 1998.

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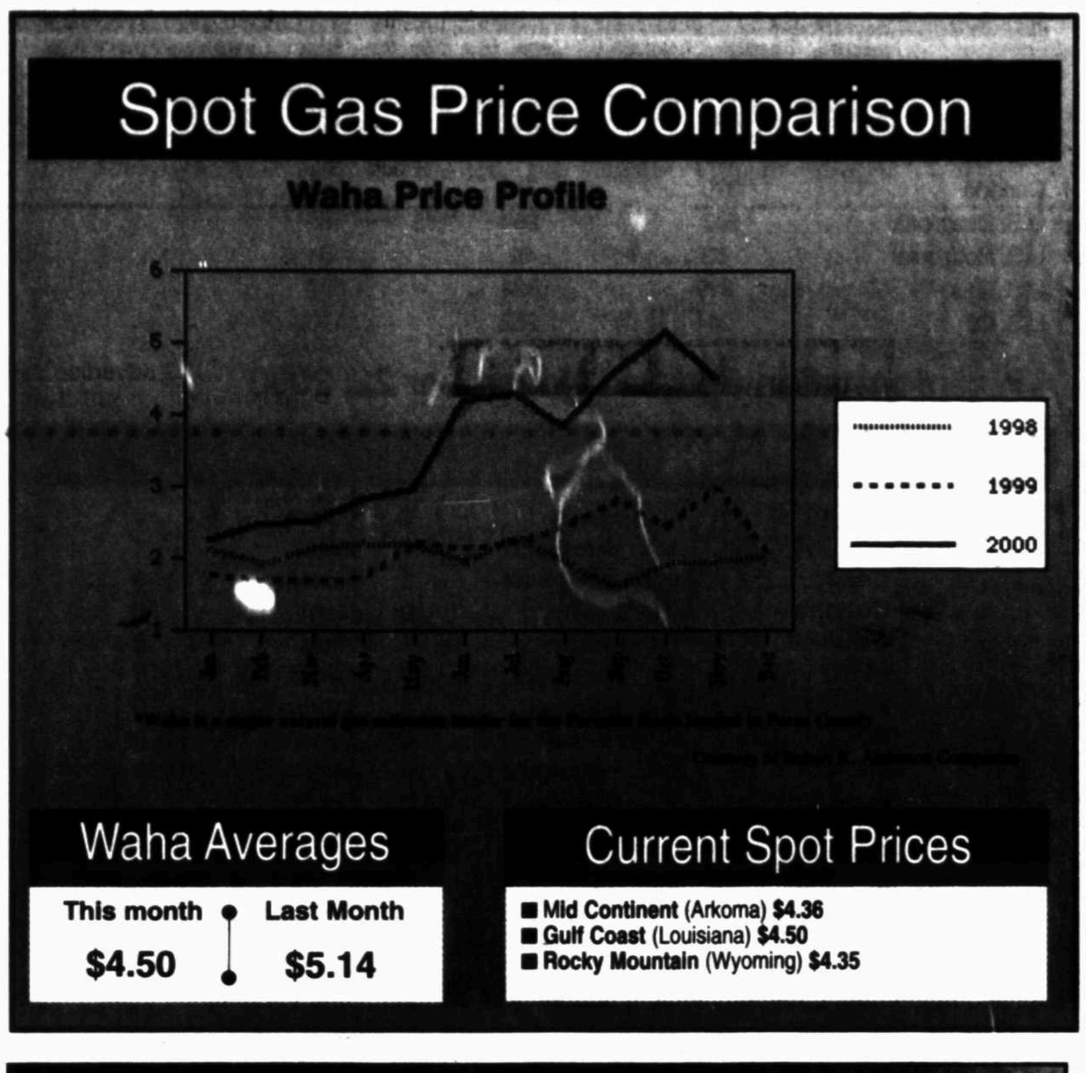
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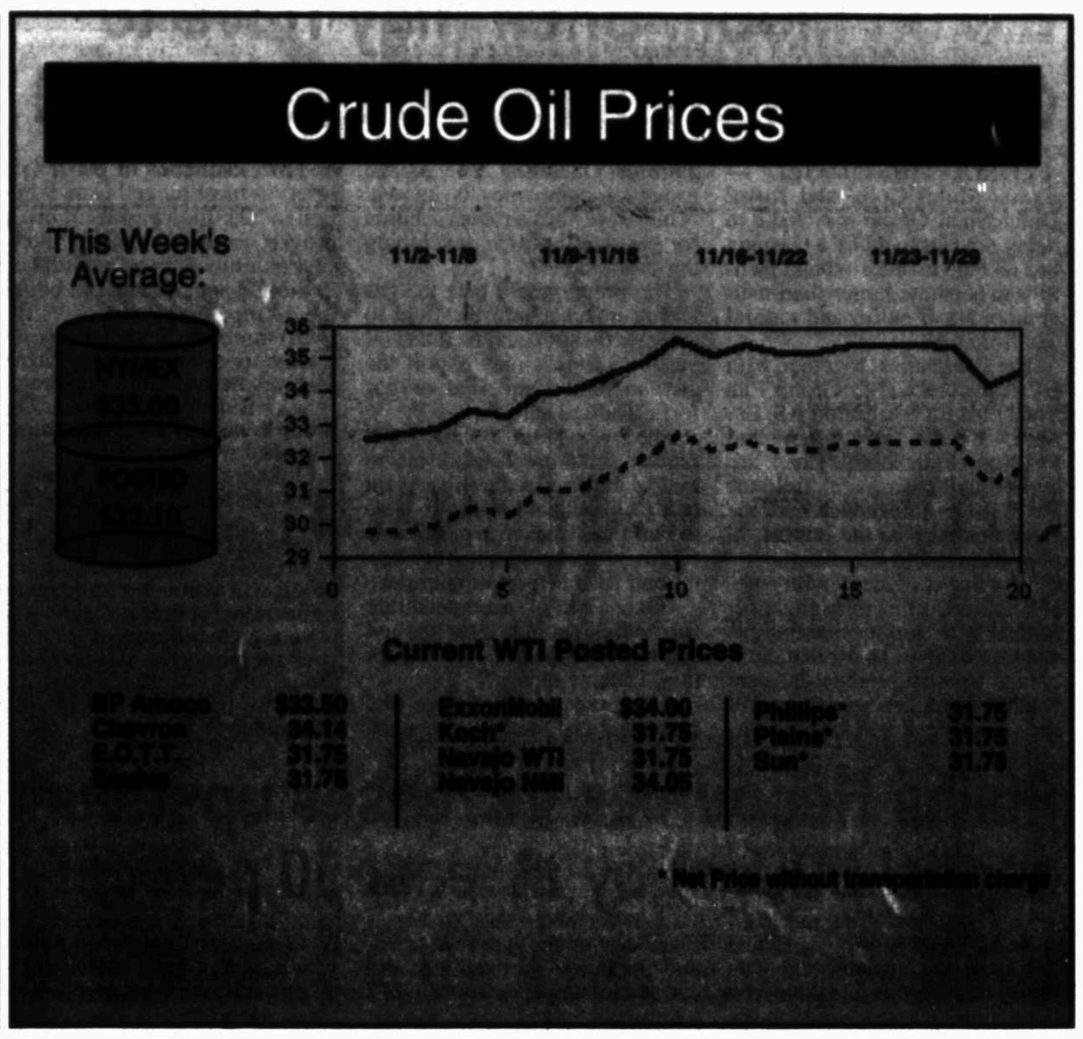
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Union Pacific Res. Co.
Montgomery, W. C. 'A' #6
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; GC & SF RR Co.; A-2139, Blk 1, Sec 3; 400 FNL 785 FEL of lse; 400 FNL 785 FEL of survey; 11.50 miles SW of Ozona; obj:7600; permit #501362; API #105-38474

Union Pacific Res. Co.
W. C. Montgomery GU 'D' #11
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; GC & SF RR Co./C. E. Schaver; A-5577, Blk J, Sec 8; 660 FSL 560 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 2200 FWL of survey; 11.90 miles SW of Ozona; obj:7600; permit #501361; API #105-38475

Union Pacific Res. Co.
Montgomery, W. C. #53
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; TC RR Co.; A-3470, Blk AAA, Sec 1; 840 FSL 330 FEL of lse; 1000 FNL 330 FEL of survey; 12.50 miles SW of Ozona; obj:7600; permit #501360; API #105-38476

Union Pacific Res. Co.
Union Pacific #78
Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; GC & SF RR Co.; A-2141, Blk 1, Sec 1; 526 FSL 2987 FEL of lse; 526 FSL 2362 FWL of survey; 9.80 miles SW of Ozona; obj:7600; permit #501359; API #105-38477

Irion County

Cox, John L.
Scott, J. R. Estate "52" #3
Ketchum MT. (Clear Fork)-D; H & TC RR Co./A. F. Smith; A-1024, Blk 14, Sec 52; 467 FNL 1600 FWL of lse; 467 FNL 1600 FWL of survey; 6.00 miles SW of Barnhart; obj:4600; permit #501132; API #235-33794

Meadco Properties
Sheen 3084 "A" #2
Andrew A. (Canyon)-D; H & TC RR Co./W. D. Sheen; A-1006, Blk 28, Sec 3084; 467 FSL 467 FWL of lse; 467 FSL 467 FWL of survey; 21 miles NE of Barnhart; obj:7900; permit #501397; API #235-33795

Midland County

Arco Permian
Tippett, June #80
Pegasus (Devonian)-D-Horizontal Well; T & P RR Co./J. T. Ragsdale; A-1356, Blk 40, T4S, Sec 18; 700 FSL 700 FWL of lse; 700 FSL 700 FWL of survey; 21 miles S of Midland; obj:12500; permit #501191; API #329-34417

Runnels County

Cheetah Investments, Inc.
Flanagan #1
Lindemann (Jennings)-Recompletion; Domingo Diaz #532, LOT 30; A-115, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 5 miles SE of Hatchell; obj:3900; permit #501187; API #399-33028

Sutton County

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Meckel #46
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; GC & SF RR Co./J. L. Davis #14; A-934, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 500 FSL 5930 FEL of lse; 500 FSL 650 FEL of survey; 6 miles N of Sonora; obj:6050; permit #501510; API #435-35277

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
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Deberry Heirs Unit #5
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Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
Shurley 99 #7
Sawyer (Strawn, North) & Sonora (Ellenburger)-Recompletion; H.E. & W.T. RR Co.; A-322, Blk B, Sec 99; 1400 FWL 2038 FNL of lse; 1400 FWL 2038 FNL of survey; 3 miles SW of Sonora; obj:7520; permit #501478; API #435-34728

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Barton #13
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; H. E. & W. T. RR Co.; A-325, Blk B, Sec 105; 500 FNL 550 FEL of lse; 500 FNL 550 FEL of survey; 3 miles NW of Sonora; obj:6720; permit #501445; API #435-35274

Burlington Res. Oil & Gas Co.
Barton #14
Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; H. E. & W. T. RR Co.; A-325, Blk B, Sec 105; 2040 FNL 482 FEL of lse; 2040 FNL 482 FEL of survey; 3 miles NW of Sonora; obj:6720; permit #501444; API #435-35273

Upton County

Hallwood Pet., Inc.
Coseka/Saxon-Kenney "A" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./Hall, J G; A-1414, Blk 39, T5S, Sec 14; N/A of N/A of lse; 660 FNL 1320 FEL of survey; 6 miles W of Midkiff; obj:9350; permit #501454; API #461-34114

CMS Oil & Gas Co.
Zinn #9501H
Amacker-Tippett, E. (Devonian)-D-Horizontal Well; C.C.S.D. & R.G.N.G. RR Co.; A-58, Blk D, Sec 95; 660 FNL 682 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 1980 FWL of survey; 20 miles NW of Rankin; obj:13000; permit #501417; API #461-34113

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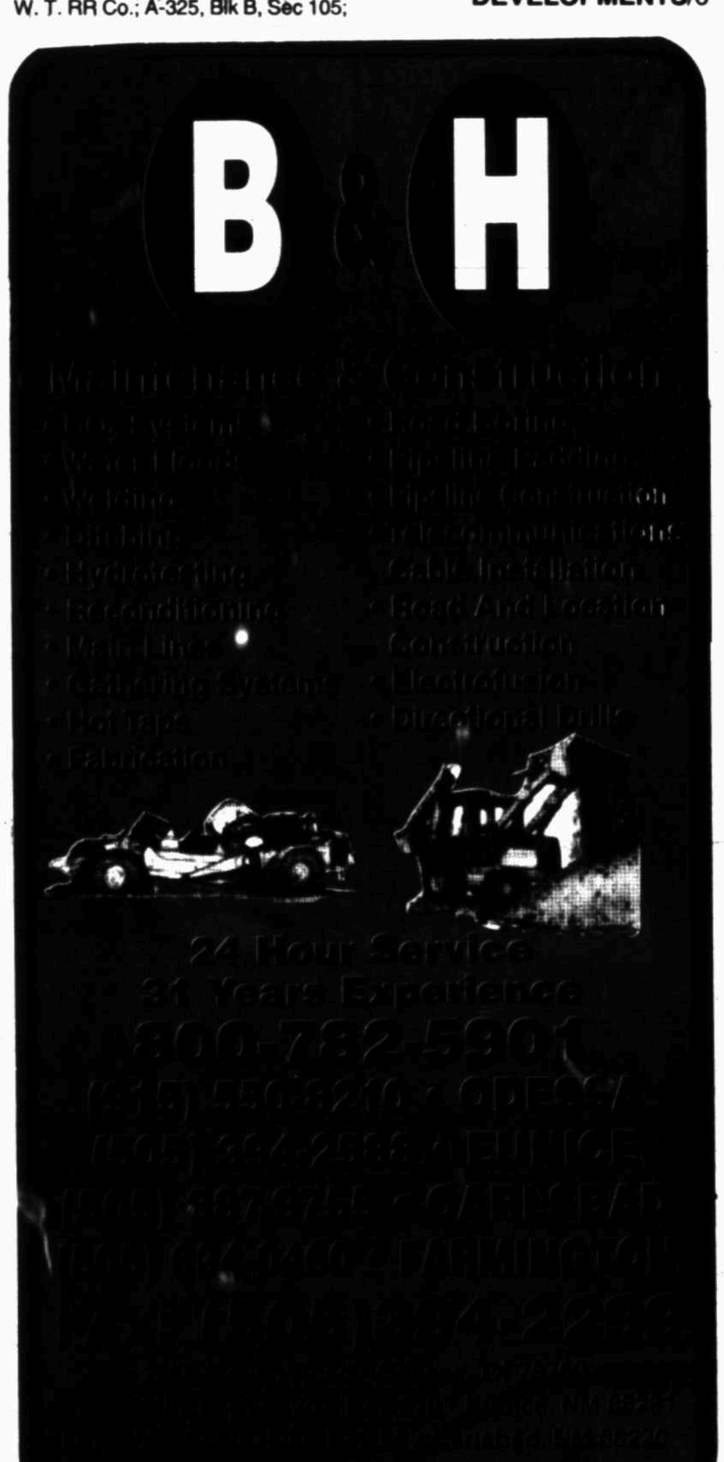
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Crane County

Williams Oil Co.
Edwards, C. Jr A #2
Armer (Clear Fork)-Recompletion;

DEVELOPMENTS/6



Wildcats

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Concho County

Daubert Oper. L.L.C.
MCR #2
Wildcat-D; T & N O RR Co.; A-886, Blk 72, Sec 117; 1715 FWL 2283 FNL of lse; 1715 FWL 2283 FNL of survey; 3 miles SE of Eden; obj:1900; permit #501413; API #095-31926

Irion County

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Sugg 25 #1
Wildcat-D; H & TC RR Co.; A-243, Blk 1, Sec 25; 2164 FNL 1981 FEL of lse; 2164 FNL 1981 FEL of survey; 6 miles NW of Mertzon; obj:7100; permit #501599; API #235-33797

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
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Terrell County

Eog Res., Inc.
Noelke "2" #1H
Wildcat-D-Horizontal Well; TC RR Co./D. W. McKay; A-1535, Blk A2, Sec 2; 4492 FWL 642 FSL of lse; 1044 FEL 642 FSL of survey; 3 miles S of Sheffield; obj:9300; permit #501595; API #443-30844

Upton County

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Pembrook Unit #647
Wildcat-D; E L & RR RR Co./H. C. Mc Caleb; A-663, Blk O, Sec 4; 8586 FEL 17958 FNL of lse; 660 FEL 2130 FNL of survey; 18 miles N of Rankin; obj:8500; permit #501539; API #461-34115

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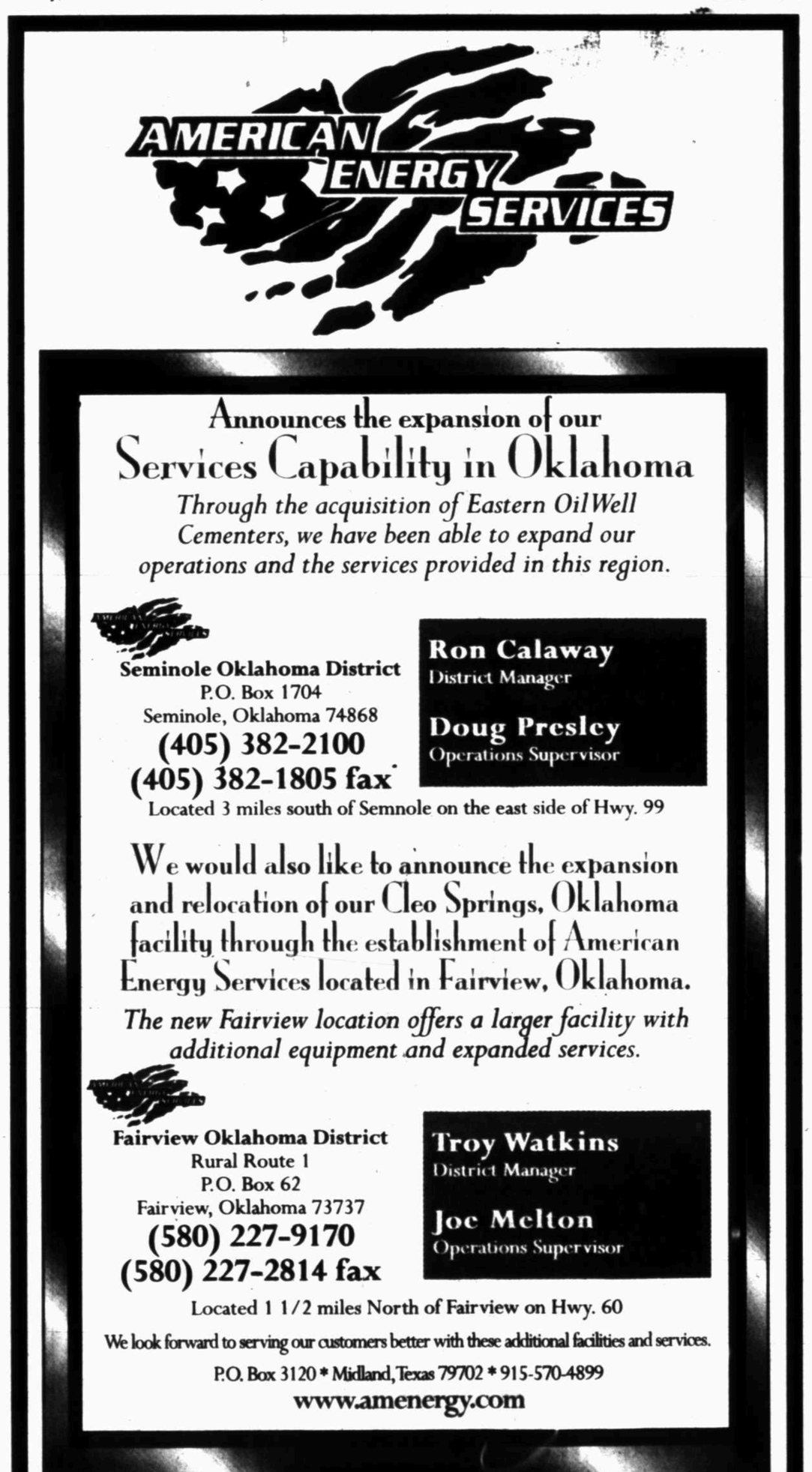
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Andrews County

Aspen Expl., Inc.
University 18 #1
Wildcat-D; UL; A-000000, Blk 6, Sec 18; 485 FSL 1006 FWL of lse; 485 FSL 2326 FWL of survey; 20 miles NE of Andrews; obj:12750; permit #501169; API #003-38688

WILDCATS/6



ExxonMobil affiliate makes deepwater oil discovery on Angola offshore block

IRVING, Texas — Exxon Mobil Corp. announced that its affiliate, Esso Exploration Angola (Block 15) Limited (Esso), has made a deepwater oil discovery, its ninth oil find on Angola Block 15.

The discovery, named Batuque-1, encountered an oil-bearing reservoir that flowed at a test rate of 5,200 barrels per day. The well was drilled in 2,400 feet (725 meters) of water to a total depth of 12,400 feet (3,770 meters). It is located 220 miles (350 kilometers) northwest of Luanda.

Esso and Sonangol have previously announced eight Block 15 discoveries, with the Saxi and Mondo discoveries in 2000, the Chocalho and Xikomba discoveries in 1999, and the Hungo, Kissanje, Marimba and Dikanza discoveries during 1998.

Block 15 represents a world-class development opportunity with recoverable hydrocarbon potential in excess of 3 billion oil-equivalent barrels. Planning for multiple developments is underway with the first due to come on stream in 2004.

An ExxonMobil subsidiary, Esso Exploration Angola (Block 15) Limited (Esso), is operator for Block 15 with a 40 percent working interest. Other co-venturers include BP Exploration (Angola) Limited (26.67 percent), Agip Exploration B.V. (20 percent) and Statoil (13.33 percent).

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- **Reporting flexibility**— The cornerstone of the Questa system is the ability to see the data in a format that is defined by the user. Because of the diversity of our client base, the Questa Software System has a wide variety of reports and a large number of format options for each of those reports. Because of the accessibility of the database, custom reports can be created by utilizing a report writer such as Crystal Reports or Microsoft Access along with many others.
- **Ease of use**— The Questa Software System was developed for the quick, seamless, heads-down entry of data. For example, screens can be customized in the Revenue Distribution module to allow users to enter data from purchasers' checks in the same format that you receive it.
- **Features and functionality**— With over 17 years of improvements and development, the Questa Software package has evolved into a leader in the oil and gas software industry by meeting the needs of our clients at a fraction of the cost of competing software systems.

At the same time, Questa Software Systems has always utilized up-to-the-minute technology in such a way that it is easy for clients to use. Some examples of this are: using EDI for the transference of funds through the CDEX system for revenue distribution, the electronic filing of P1 and P2 and other state production regulatory reports, and the implementation of Citrix and Microsoft Windows Terminal Server for the remote entry of production data from remote district field offices.

Questa is proud to support some of the most aggressive operators in the Permian Basin. Companies like Pure Resources, Prize Energy, WG Energy and Concho Resources rely on Questa Software to provide the technology needed to easily move data into the system from multiple acquisitions and to extract their existing data in a user-friendly format. Questa has converted large amounts of acquisition data for companies importing accounting, land, production and drilling information. Data and its related attributes and histories can be imported at a fraction of the cost of doing it manually. Whether the original data is on mainframes, minicomputers or network-based systems, Questa has converted data with minimal disruption of daily routines.

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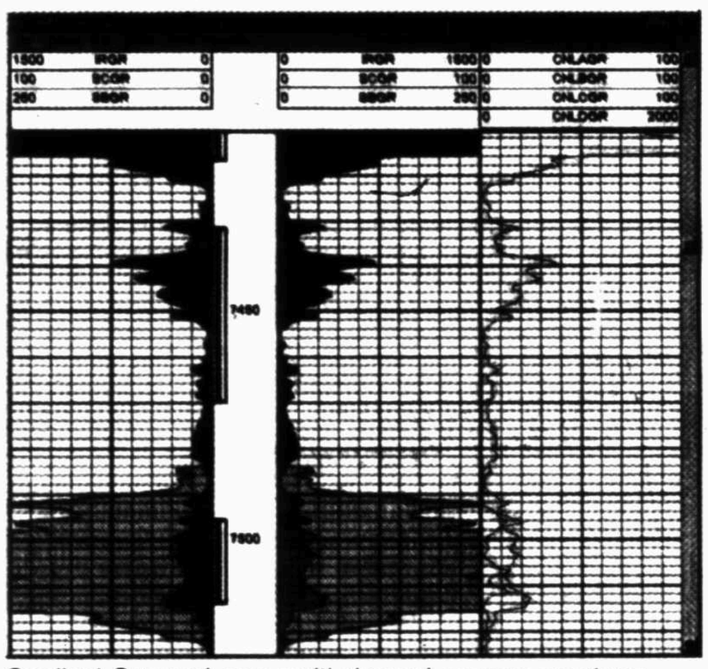
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Cardinal Surveys' new multi-channel gamma spectrum logs are available in the field, immediately after logging passes are completed. For more information on how you may obtain a log like this, call Cardinal at 580-8061 or visit www.cardinalsurveys.com.

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For example, real-time data would alert the operator if the treatment was being placed in a known water-bearing interval. It is also possible to log the well both in real time and at a later date.

This type of log is very useful in monitoring a variety of well workover techniques, says Cardinal president Steve McLaughlin. "Operators may monitor acid treatments, polymer placements, cement (squeeze) jobs and fracture treatments," he notes.

Running a temperature log in conjunction with Gamma SpecTrol logging gives an even more complete picture of a well treatment, because they help determine frac height. Since the temperature log reacts to the height that took injection, it is likely to indicate the created frac height, not necessarily the propped height.

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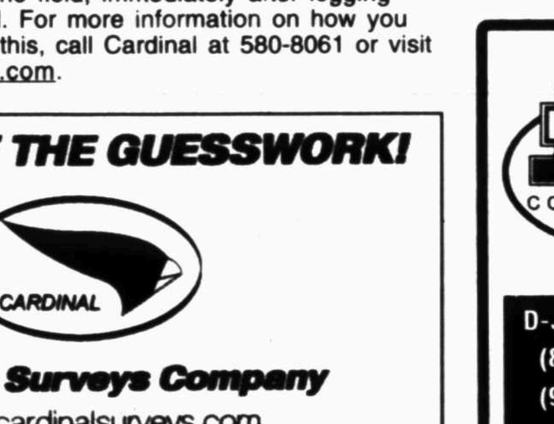
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Development Wells

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PSL/C. & J. Edwards; A-1041, Blk B-17, Sec 9; 660 FEL 660 FNL of lse; 660 FEL 1980 FSL of survey; 25.00 miles NW of Crane; obj:6470; permit #501139; API #103-00797

Ector County

Phillips Pet. Co.
Clyde-B #181
Goldsmith (Grayburg) & Goldsmith, East (Grayburg)-Recompletion; T & P RR Co.; A-794, Blk 44, T1S, Sec 14; 4022.25 FNL 4011.25 FWL of lse; 1290 FSL 1320 FEL of survey; 3 miles SE of Goldsmith; obj:4202; permit #501199; API #135-36731

Occidental Permian LTD.
Witcher, J. E. -PB- #25
Foster-D; T & P RR Co.; A-213, Blk 43, T2S, Sec 25; 110 FNL 665 FEL of lse; 1430 FNL 1980 FWL of survey; 1 mile W of Odessa; obj:4600; permit #501212; API #135-37899

Phillips Pet. Co.
South Cowden Unit #626W
Cowden, South-Recompletion-Directional Well-Sidetrack; T & P RR Co.; A-140, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 17; 5 FNL 6604 FEL of lse; 5 FNL 1410 FWL of survey; 5 miles SW of Odessa; obj:4850; permit #501076; API #135-37278

Phillips Pet. Co.
South Cowden Unit #627W
Cowden, South-Recompletion-Directional Well-Sidetrack; T & P RR Co.; A-140, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 17; 5 FNL 5694 FEL of lse; 5 FNL 2535 FEL of survey; 5 miles SW of Odessa; obj:4950; permit #501075; API #135-37280

Phillips Pet. Co.
South Cowden Unit #628W
Cowden, South-Recompletion-Directional Well-Sidetrack; T & P RR Co.; A-140, Blk 42, T3S, Sec 17; 5 FNL 7817.80 FEL of lse; 5 FNL 100 FWL of survey; 6 miles SW of Odessa; obj:4850; permit #501074; API #135-37279

Howard County

Atropos Prod. Corp.
Guthrie 86 #3
Signal Peak (Wolfcamp)-D; W & NW RR Co./A. G. Anderson; A-1104, Blk 29, Sec 86; 1980 FEL 1985 FSL of lse; 1980 FEL 1985 FSL of survey; 8 miles NE of Forsan; obj:8100; permit #501198; API #227-35609

Martin County

Energen Res. Corp.
McAdams, Garner #3
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-198, Blk 36, T1S, Sec 7; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of lse; 1957 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 4 miles NE of Stanton; obj:9600; permit #483985; API #317-34215

Energen Res. Corp.
Dickenson "20" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./R. L. Slaughter; A-1153, Blk 37, T1S, Sec 20; 660 FNL 660 FWL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FWL of survey; 8.50 miles SW of Stanton; obj:9400; permit #501604; API #317-34302

Energen Res. Corp.
Dickenson "20" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./R. L. Slaughter; A-1153, Blk 37, T1S, Sec 20; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of survey; 8.50 miles SW of Stanton; obj:9400; permit #501602; API #317-34301

Energen Res. Corp.
Dickenson "20" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./R. L. Slaughter; A-1153, Blk 37, T1S, Sec 20; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 8.50 miles SW of Stanton; obj:9400; permit #501601; API #317-34300

Mi and County

CMS Oil & Gas Co.
Hence "A" #1D
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-208, Blk 39, Sec 27; 2001 FSL 696 FEL of lse; 2001 FSL 696 FEL of survey; 13 miles S of Midland; obj:6200; permit #501151; API #329-34414

Energen Res. Corp.
Dickenson "20" #2
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./R. L. Slaughter; A-1441, Blk 37, T1S, Sec 20; 660 FSL 1980 FWL of lse; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL of survey; 8.50 miles SW of Stanton; obj:9400; permit #501603; API #329-34425

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Midkiff Unit #7112A
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./J. M. West; A-1005, Blk 38, T4S, Sec 28; 3308 FNL 1980 FWL of lse; 1980 FSL 1980 FWL of survey; 15 miles SW of Spraberry; obj:9000; permit #501600; API #329-34426

Pecos County

Huntington Energy, L.L.C.
Price, Mary #806
Crossett (5300FT.) & Crossett, S. (Detrital) & El Cinco, East (Detrital)-D; H & GN RR Co./M E. Brooks; A-5614, Blk 12, Sec 8; 2000 FEL 2800 FSL of lse; 625 FWL 8200 FSL of survey; 10 miles N of Bakersfield; obj:5500; permit #501168; API #371-37035

Marathon Oil Co.
Yates Field Unit #40B62
Yates-Recompletion; I & GN RR Co.; A-727, Blk 1, Sec 61; 9883 FNL 10695 FEL of lse; 804 FSL 2420 FWL of survey; 1.50 miles S of Iraan; obj:1999; permit #501165; API #371-35632

Graham, Bill J. Oil & Gas Corp.
I R T "29" #2
Pecos Valley (Wichita-Albany) & Pecos Valley, S. (Ellen, SE)&(Waddell)-Re-Enter-Directional Well-Sidetrack; H & GN RR Co.; A-483, Blk 10, Sec 29; 853 FSWL 467 FSEL of lse; 2173 FSWL 467 FSEL of survey; 11 miles SW of Imperial; obj:7500; permit #501122; API #371-30684

Reeves County

Pitts Energy Co.
Horry #8
Worsham (Cherry Canyon)-Re-Enter; H & GN RY. Co.; A-34, Blk 6, Sec 49; 980 FNL 467 FWL of lse; 980 FNL 467 FWL of survey; 14 miles NE of Pecos; obj:6400; permit #501588; API #389-30986

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Gaines County

Aroc (Texas) Inc.
Tetens "A" #5
Harris (San Andres)-D; PSL/LB Elam; A-728, Blk A-22, Sec 16; 500 FSL 330 FEL of lse; 2320 FWL 500 FSL of survey; 12.40 miles S'LY of Seminole; obj:5200; permit #501254; API #165-35649

Aroc (Texas) Inc.
Tetens "A" #4
Harris (San Andres)-D; PSL/LB Elam; A-728, Blk A-22, Sec 16; 330 FNL 330 FEL of lse; 2319 FWL 2314 FSL of survey; 12.12 miles S'LY of Seminole; obj:5200; permit #501253; API #165-35648

Garza County

Maynard Oil Co.
Slaughter "H" #104
Happy (Ellenburger)-Recompletion-Horizontal Well; T & NO RR Co./J. P. Lester; A-1034, Blk 2, Sec 42; 660 FNL 1928 FEL of lse; 2022 FSL 1928 FEL of survey; 12 miles S of Post; obj:8300; permit #501146; API #169-32693

King County

Hunt Oil Co.
Burnett, S. B. Estate "GG" #23
GG (Strawn 5400)-Recompletion; W. C. Blakey/A. L. Jay; A-1184, Blk T, Sec 48; 14600 FWL 3600 FSL of lse; 1046 FSL 2947 FS'LYEL of survey; 15 miles SE of Guthrie; obj:5980; permit #501117; API #269-31196

Knox County

Cholla Pet., Inc.
Thorman, F. W. #15
Valley View (Tannehill)-D; H. & T. C. RR Co./F. Genn; A-1606, Blk 13, Sec 66; 2629.80 FNEL 3059.30 FSEL of lse; 2629.80 FNEL 3059.30 FSEL of survey; 11 miles W'LY of Knox City; obj:2600; permit #501105; API #275-32162

Mitchell County

Schlachter Oper. Corp.
Strain, E. T. "A" #5
Sharon Ridge (1700)-D; GEO. J. Reiger #1, LOT 10; A-714, Blk 97, Sec N/A; 415 FWL 330 FSL of lse; 1800 FEL 737 FNL of survey; 10 miles NW of Colorado City; obj:1860; permit #501262; API #335-34194

Schlachter Oper. Corp.
Strain, E. T. #19
Sharon Ridge (1700)-D; GEO. J. Reiger #1, LOT 10; A-714, Blk 97, Sec N/A; 1666 FEL 400 FSL of lse; 1666 FEL 400 FSL of survey; 10 miles NW of Colorado City; obj:1860; permit #501261; API #335-34193

Schlachter Oper. Corp.
Strain, E. T. #20
Sharon Ridge (1700)-D; GEO. J. Reiger #1, LOT 10; A-714, Blk N/A, Sec LOT 10; 2063 FWL 330 FSL of lse; 2063 FWL 330 FSL of survey; 10 miles NW of Colorado City; obj:1860; permit #501260; API #335-34192

Schlachter Oper. Corp.
Strain, E. T. #21
Sharon Ridge (1700)-D; GEO. J. Reiger #1, LOT 10; A-714, Blk 97, Sec LOT 10; 330 FWL 319 FNL of lse; 330 FWL 1000 FSL of survey; 10 miles NW of Colorado City; obj:1860; permit #501259; API #335-34191

Yoakum County

Occidental Permian LTD.
Wasson ODC Unit #696
Wasson-D; J. H. Gibson; A-17, Blk D, Sec 803; 911 FNL 2603 FWL of lse; 911 FNL 2603 FWL of survey; 3 miles NE of Denver City; obj:5400; permit #500294; API #501-34469

New Mexico

Chaves County

Yates Pet. Corp.
Getty PS 18 Fed #5
T6S, R26E, Sec 18; 1980 FSL 1060 FWL of Pecos Slope; 16 miles NW of Elkins; Rot 4250 Abo; API #30-005-63286

Yates Pet. Corp.
Allied AUS State #2
T9S, R26E, Sec 33; 1980 FSL 660 FWL of Foor Ranch; 12 miles NE of Roswell; Rot 5970 Pre-Permian; API #30-005-63287

Yates Pet. Corp.
Canner "AUF" St Com #1
T10S, R27E, Sec 30; 660 FSL 660 FWL of Comanche Springs; 16 miles E of Roswell; Rot 6820 Ordovician; API #30-005-63285

Eddy County

OXY USA Inc.
OXY The Bug State #1
T17S, R28E, Sec 21; 1160 FSL 1937 FWL of Empire; 12.5 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 10,500 Morrow; API #30-015-31363

SDX Res. Inc.
Williams Fed #3
T17S, R28E, Sec 29; 890 FSL 990 FWL of Red Lake; 12 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 3500 Qu/GB/SA; API #30-015-31364

Mack Energy Corp.
Mesilla State #1
T17S, R30E, Sec 16; 2310 FNL 330 FEL of Loco Hills; 1 mile N of Loco Hills; Rot 4900 Paddock; API #30-015-31367

Mack Energy Corp.
Mesilla State #2
T17S, R30E, Sec 16; 1650 FNL 990 FEL of Loco Hills; 1 mile N of Loco Hills; Rot 4900 Paddock; API #30-015-31366

Mack Energy Corp.
Pawnee State #2
T17S, R30E, Sec 16; 1650 FNL 2290 FEL of Loco Hills; 1 mile N of Loco Hills; Rot 4900 Paddock; API #30-015-31368

Marbob Energy Corp.
Trapper 13 St Com #1
T19S, R31E, Sec 13; 1980 FNL 1980 FEL of Lusk; 8.5 miles NW of Halfway; Rot 13,000 Morrow; API #30-015-31362

Lea County

Marathon Oil Co.
Barracuda 9 State #1
T17S, R33E, Sec 9; 989 FNL 818 FWL of North Learnex; 5.5 miles E of Maljamar; Rot 11,500 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-35247

Marathon Oil Co.
Barracuda 9 State #2
T17S, R33E, Sec 9; 2209 FNL 505 FEL of North Learnex; 5.5 miles E of Maljamar; Rot 11,500 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-35248

TMBR/Sharp Drlg. Inc.
Angell Marathon "13" State #1
T17S, R35E, Sec 13; 990 FSL 990 FWL of NE Vacuum; 6 miles NE of Buckeye; Rot 7800 Blinebry; API #30-025-35249

Harvey E Yates Co.
Atlantic Deep 32 St #7
T18S, R33E, Sec 32; 1980 FNL 780 FWL of South Corbin; 11 miles NE of Halfway; Rot 13,700 Morrow; API #30-025-35237

Marbob Energy Corp.
Lusk Deep Unit "A" #19
T19S, R32E, Sec 17; 660 FSL 1650 FWL of Lusk; 8 miles NW of Halfway; Rot 12,500 Morrow; API #30-025-35244

Marbob Energy Corp.
Lusk Deep Unit "A" #20
T19S, R32E, Sec 17; 1980 FNL 660 FWL of Lusk; 8 miles NW of Halfway; Rot 12,500 Morrow; API #30-025-35245

Apache Corp.
Livington #15
T21S, R37E, Sec 4; 3196 FSL 426 FEL of East Hare; 6 miles E of Oil Center; Rot 4700 San Andres; API #30-025-35224

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Exxon Mobil Corp.
University Lands B #1
Wildcat-D; UL; A-000000, Blk 4, Sec 42; 1019 FSL 1685 FWL of lse; 1621 FNL 1685 FWL of survey; 5.80 miles NE of Andrews; obj:11000; permit #501514; API #003-38689

Crane County

Crownquest Oper., LLC
Crump 48 #1
Wildcat-D; PSL/P. J. Lea; A-831, Blk 32, Sec 48; 665 FNL 848 FEL of lse; 1792 FWL 1985 FNL of survey; 9 miles W of Crane; obj:7850; permit #501542; API #103-34774

Glasscock County

Royalty Land & Dev. Co., Inc.
Blalock "B" #B2
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./D. W. Brunson; A-930, Blk 35, T3S, Sec 8; 203 FWL 334 FSL of lse; 203 FWL 2309 FNL of survey; 13 miles NW of Garden City; obj:8600; permit #501437; API #173-33041

Howard County

Sharp Image Energy, Inc.
Sellers, Nellie "A" #1
Wildcat-D; W & NW RR Co./W. R. Harral Jr.; A-1572, Blk 29, Sec 146; 467 FWL 467 FNL of lse; 467 FWL 2178 FSL of survey; 10 miles E of Forsan; obj:7500; permit #501366; API #227-35610

Midland County

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.
Elkin "44" #1
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./J. W. Hollingsworth; A-703, Blk 38, T1S, Sec 44; 467 FSL 1980 FWL of lse; 467 FSL 1980 FWL of survey; 1 mile E of Midland; obj:11800; permit #501120; API #329-34415

Discovery Oper., Inc.
TXLV 37 #1
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co.; A-213, Blk 39, T3S, Sec 37; 660 FSL 1980 FWL of lse; 660 FSL 1980 FWL of survey; 14 miles S of Midland, obj:10600; permit #501568; API #329-34427

Pecos County

Riata Energy, Inc.
Mooers "B" #5
Wildcat-D; H & G. N. RR Co.; A-537, Blk 10, Sec 137; 1700 FNL 2150 FWL of lse; 1700 FNWL 2150 FSWL of survey; 24 miles NE of Ft. Stockton; obj:4000; permit #501102; API #371-37034

Riata Energy, Inc.
Ratliff State #7
Wildcat-D; H & G. N. RR Co./F. Martinez; A-6723, Blk 10, Sec 134; 900 FEL 1900 FSL of lse; 900 FSEL 1900 FSWL of survey; 26 miles NE of Ft. Stockton; obj:4000; permit #501394; API #371-37043

Riata Energy, Inc.
Valley "O" #4
Wildcat-D; H & G. N. RR Co.; A-585, Blk 11, Sec 115; 750 FWL 750 FNL of lse; 750 FWL 750 FNL of survey; 24 miles NE of Ft. Stockton; obj:4000; permit #501393; API #371-37044

Riata Energy, Inc.
Longfellow #1203
Wildcat-D; E. L. & RR Co./T. S. Talley; A-5563, Blk 108, Sec 12; 660 FEL 4240 FNL of lse; 590 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 26 miles S of Ft. Stockton; obj:9000; permit #501383; API #371-37037

Riata Energy, Inc.
Longfellow 600 3 #4
Wildcat-D; H. C. Kingston/T. S. Talley; A-5561, Blk 600, Sec 3; 484 FNL 1818 FEL of lse; 484 FN'LYNL 1818 FEL of survey; 27 miles S of Ft. Stockton; obj:10000; permit #501382; API #371-37036

Ward County

Pogo Producing Co.
Texaco "15-20" #2
Wildcat-D; PSL/A. B. Winter; A-1280, Blk B-20, Sec 15; 2104 FSL 2166 FWL of lse; 2104 FSL 2166 FWL of survey; 7.50 miles SE of Monahans; obj:7000; permit #501573; API #475-34676

Pogo Producing Co.
Schaffner "4-29" #2
Wildcat-D; PSL/W. A. Estes; A-1238, Blk B-29, Sec 4; 1840 FSL 1963 FWL of lse; 1840 FSL 1963 FWL of survey; 10 miles SE of Monahans; obj:7000; permit #501572; API #475-34677

WTG Expl.
McDaniel "A" #1
Wildcat-D; H & TC RR Co.; A-260, Blk 34, Sec 165; 786 FNWL 660 FNEL of lse; 786 FNWL 660 FNEL of survey; 10 miles NW of Pyote; obj:5999; permit #500017; API #475-34670

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Dawson County

Pablo Energy, Inc.
Martha "A" #1
Wildcat-D; Hutchinson CSL, LGE. 279, LAB. 70; A-477, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 1100 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 1100 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 12 miles SW of Lamesa; obj:12600; permit #501390; API #115-33066

Terry County

Trail Mountain, Inc.
Mabee #1
Wildcat-D; S.K. & K/P. J. Ross; A-720, Blk D-11, Sec 20; 1250 FNL 1300 FEL of lse; 1250 FNL 1300 FEL of survey; 7 miles S of Sundown; obj:8500; permit #501587; API #445-31933

Vintage agrees to buy Cometra Energy

TULSA — Vintage Petroleum, Inc. has signed a definitive agreement to purchase 100 percent of the common stock of Cometra Energy (Canada) Ltd. for approximately $46.3 million in cash at closing.

Shares of Cometra are being purchased from Electrafina, which is part of Groupe Brussels Lambert SA. The transaction is scheduled to close on or before December 8, 2000, with an effective date of September 1, 2000. The purchase price is anticipated to be funded from cash flow and Vintage's unused availability under its bank revolving credit facility.

"The acquisition of Cometra marks our initial entry into Canada and Trinidad. It also establishes Western Canada as a new core area for Vintage, complimenting our existing core operating areas in the U.S., Argentina, Bolivia and Ecuador. This acquisition establishes an immediate producing presence in Western Canada and brings an ongoing exploitation and exploration program with a significant number of upside opportunities. With our new Canadian team and attendant exploration prospects in place, we have taken an important step toward expanding our North American exploration effort as well as created a springboard for additional acquisitions," said S. Craig George, CEO.

The Cometra properties consist primarily of 13 producing fields, principally in the provinces of Alberta and British Columbia with additional fields in Saskatchewan, certain processing and pipeline facilities and 146 thousand net undeveloped acres. Vintage will operate approximately 50 percent of the wells, which have a total current net daily production averaging approximately 12 MMcf and 635 barrels of light crude oil or a combined 2,670 barrels of oil equivalent (BOE). The realized oil price for the production recently averaged approximately 93 percent of the NYMEX price while the average price of gas is approximately 67 percent of the NYMEX reference price of gas.

Vintage estimates preliminary capital expenditures of approximately $6.5 million in 2001 for identified exploitation and exploration projects arising from the acquisition, primarily in Canada. In addition, an exploration commitment is also in place to drill three wells in the long established productive region of southern onshore Trinidad.

NGPL to extend system into St. Louis market

HOUSTON — Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America, a wholly owned subsidiary of Kinder Morgan, Inc. will extend its system into the metropolitan east area of St. Louis and that it has entered into a contract with Dynegy Marketing and Trade that will anchor the project.

NGPL will construct approximately 47 miles of pipeline from Centralia, Ill. to a point on Illinois Power Company's natural gas distribution system in the east St. Louis market. The pipeline will have transportation capacity of 300,000 decatherms (Dth) of natural gas per day. The $35 million, 24-inch lateral project is expected to be completed in June of 2002.

NGPL and Dynegy entered into a number of long-term, natural gas transportation and storage contracts, including a 10-year agreement effective June 1, 2002, which will provide Dynegy with 90,000 Dth of natural gas per day via the new pipeline. In addition, NGPL and Dynegy entered into various other firm transportation agreements totaling another 98,000 Dth of gas per day sourced from NGPL's Gulf Coast and Amarillo pipelines beginning as early as Dec. 1, 2000.

"We are delighted to build into the St. Louis market and interconnect with Illinois Power Company," said Richard D. Kinder, chairman and CEO of KMI. "The pipeline project and related agreements ideally demonstrate our ongoing strategy to expand our natural gas pipeline services into growing markets currently not connected to NGPL, and to increase throughput on our system by adding electric load to our extensive pipeline network."

According to Larry F. Altenbaumer, president of Illinois Power, the NGPL project effectively creates a new supplier for a geographical area that until now has been served by just one natural gas transportation company.

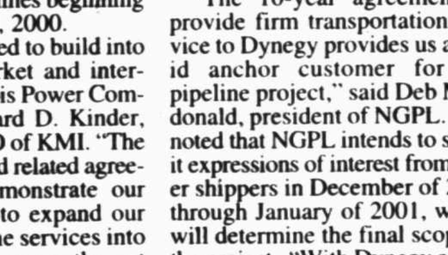
"This new connection to Illinois Power's system will help open competitive opportunities to natural gas customers in the metro east area of St. Louis. It not only provides for a new delivery point to service customers directly, but also to fuel electric generation in the area," Altenbaumer explained.

"The 10-year agreement to provide firm transportation service to Dynegy provides us a solid anchor customer for the pipeline project," said Deb Macdonald, president of NGPL. She noted that NGPL intends to solicit expressions of interest from other shippers in December of 2000 through January of 2001, which will determine the final scope of the project. "With Dynegy as our anchor customer, we will build the new lateral into the St. Louis market regardless of whether we receive other expressions of interest. We anticipate a strong response, however, given the size of the market and the potential for additional gas-fired power generation."

Kinder Morgan, Inc. is one of the largest midstream energy companies in America, operating more than 30,000 miles of natural gas and products pipelines in 26 states. It also has significant retail distribution, electric generation and terminal assets. KMI, through its general partner interest, operates Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P.

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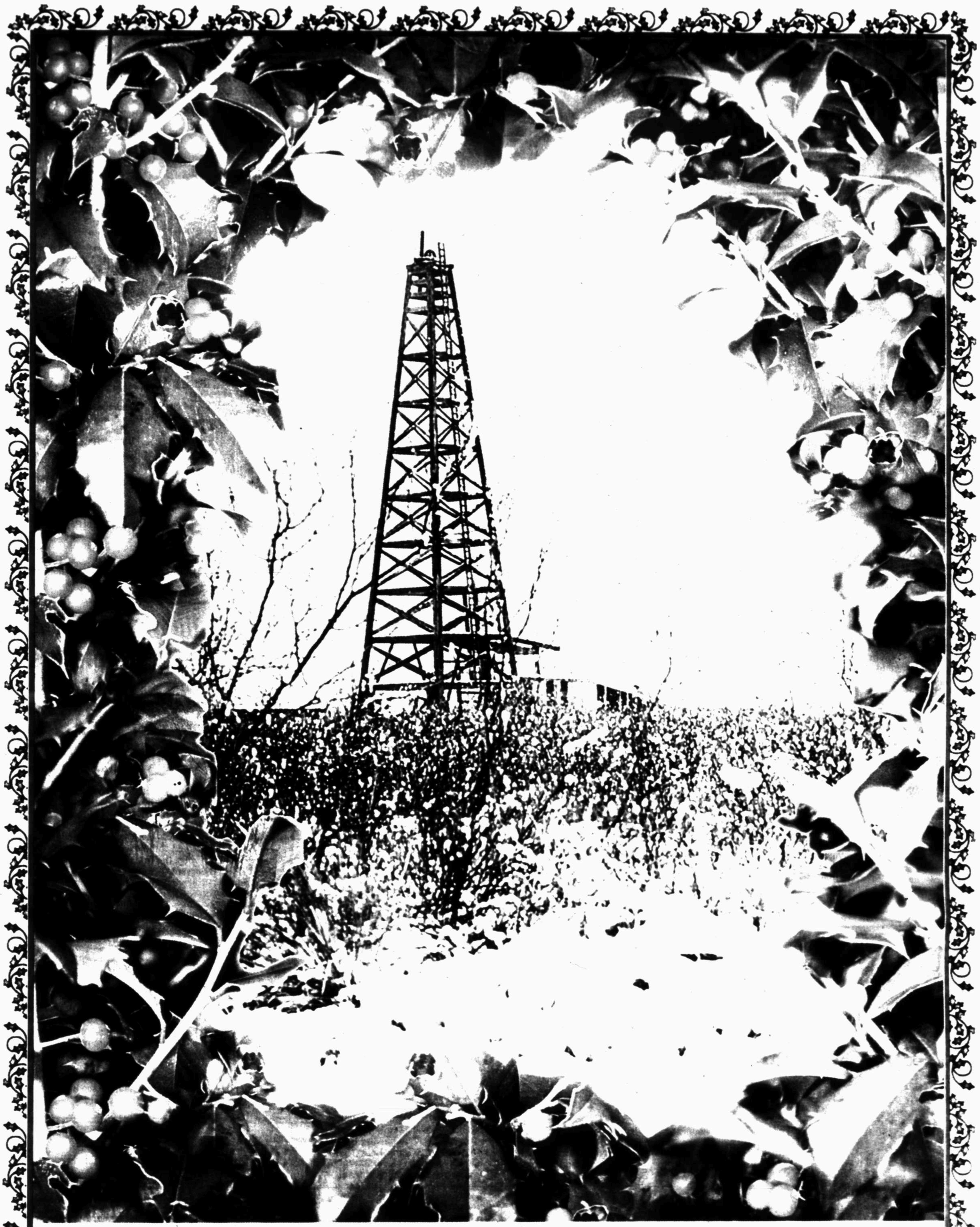


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Completions

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SDX Res. Inc.
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Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 24; 1800 FNL 2310 FWL; EL 3490 GL; TD 2980; PBTD 2947; Spud 6-19-00; Comp 7-25-00; production is through treated perfs:2043-2268; Treat:3780 gals 15% NEFE, 56154 gals Viking 30 + 100480# 16/30, 35180# 12/20; IP:9-14-00 Pump 24 hrs 1 BO, 330 BW, 0 MCF; API #30-015-30997

SDX Res. Inc.
Kersey State #1
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 32; 2018 FSL 330 FEL; EL 3670 GL; TD 4075; PBTD 4045; Spud 5-16-00; Comp 7-14-00; production is through treated perfs:2330-2608; Treat:26,000 gals 20# gel, 7500 gals 15%, 95000# 16/30, 35000# 12/20; IP:9-12-00 Pump 24 hrs 40 BO, 39 BW, 30 MCF, GOR 750; API #30-015-30888

SDX Res. Inc.
Kersey State #2
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 32; 844 FSL 330 FEL; EL 3670 GL; TD 4104; PBTD 4051; Spud 5-25-00; Comp 7-12-00; production is through treated perfs:2514-2718; Treat:3822 15% NEFE, 95000# 16/30, 60000# 12/20; IP:8-16-00 Pump 24 hrs 31 BO, 41 BW, 45 MCF, GOR 1452; API #30-015-30889

Lea County

Layton Enterprises Inc.
El Zorro Fremont Fed #2
Allison; T9S, R36E, Sec 1; 1880 FNL 1350 FEL; EL 4039 GL; TD 12485; PBTD 12465; Spud 7-2-00; Comp 8-12-00; production is through treated perfs:12378-12480; Treat:1000 gals 15% Hcl; IP:10-18-00 Pump 24 hrs 36 BO, 240 BW, 0 MCF, Gty 45; API #30-025-34703

Conoco Inc.
State B-19 #2
Wildcat; T18S, R37E, Sec 19; 2275 FNL 1215 FEL; EL 3742 GR; TD 7950; PBTD 7836; Spud 3-21-00; Comp 4-11-00; production is through treated perfs:5506-5572; Treat:2750 gals 15% Hcl; IP:Shut In; API #30-025-34936

Joe Melton Drlg. Co. Inc.
New Mexico G State #13
Eumont; T21S, R36E, Sec 26; 660 FNL 2050 FWL; (Re-Entry of Exxon Corp., P & A, Old TD 3890); EL 3550 GL; TD 3890; PBTD 3858; Re-Entered 9-12-00; Comp 9-18-00; production is through treated perfs:3584-3809; Treat:2000 gals 15%, 448 bbls wtr, 140 tons CO2 & 942 sx sd; IP:9-20-00 Flow 24 hrs 7 BO, 0 BW, 401 MCF, 16/64" Ch, TP 120, GOR 49850, Gty 33; API #30-025-04788

Roden Oil Co.
Miro "35" Fed #1
Wildcat; T26S, R35E, Sec 35; 1250 FNL 1000 FWL; EL 3040 GR; TD 16500; PBTD 14520; Spud 4-23-00; Comp 10-9-00; production is through treated perfs:13026-13290; Treat:4000 gals 20% gel NEFE, 46,000 gals foamed 15% ZCA acid; IP:10-7-00 Flow 24 hrs 218 BO, 28 BW, 408 MCF, 19/64" Ch, TP 500, CP Pkr, GOR 1872, Gty 48, SI; API #30-025-34897

Texas RRCD 7C

Concho County

Le Clair Oper. Co., Inc.
Baethge #2
Concho County-Completion; H. J. Bacon; Blk 72, Sec 2; 467 FSL 2800 FWL of survey; 7 miles N of Eden, to pump 130 barrels of water; production is through treated perfs:2998-3006; TD 3362, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 3234, PBTD 3072; GE 1914

Le Clair Oper. Co., Inc.
Whitworth "B" #1
(New Field)-Completion; Gottlieb Lopenstein; Blk 601, Sec 1739; 2200 FNL 2000 FEL of survey; 14 miles NE of Eden, for a calculated, absolute open flow of 1,100,000 ft of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs:1807-1811; TD 2200, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 1944, PBTD 1935; GE 1640

Crockett County

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
Couch 22 #10
Ozona (Canyon Sand oil)-Completion; HE & WT RR Co.; Blk QR, Sec 22; 1650 FSL 925 FEL of survey; 8 miles SW of Ozona, to pump 85 barrels of 41 gravity oil/day, plus 240,000 ft of gas daily, & 35 barrels of water, w/gas-oil ratio of 2823; production is through treated perfs:6369-6996; TD 7100, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 7086, PBTD 7058; GE 2517

Rosewood Res., Inc.
Midway Lane (1100) #137
Midway Lane (Permian oil)-Completion; League 4 CCSL; A-1689, Blk 4, Sec NW; 528 FSL 1275 FEL of survey; 15 miles NW of Ozona, to pump 2 barrels of 32 gravity oil/day, & 66 barrels of water; production is through treated perfs:1131-1225; TD 1239, where 5 1/2 in casing was set at 1238, the PBTD; GE 2647

TED Inc.
Divide Meadows Ranch #1
Cresson (San Andres oil)-Completion; HM Barker; A-5357, Blk GG, Sec 48; 1441 FSL 3380 FEL of survey; 7 miles NE of Sheffield, to pump 1.5 barrels of 35 gravity oil/day; production is through treated perfs not available; TD 2145, the PBTD; GE 2612

Devon Energy Prod. Co.
Couch 30 #16
Ozona, NE (Canyon Sand)-Completion; G. Sandoval; Blk QR, Sec 30; 1593 FSL 2123 FEL of survey; 10 miles SW of Ozona, for a calculated, absolute open flow of 3,550,000 ft of gas daily, w/gas-liquid ratio of 63,876-1; Gravity of condensate is 68.8 degrees; production is through treated perfs:6350-6950; TD 7100, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 7065, PBTD 7012; GE 2504

Reagan County

Concho Res. Inc.
Wright Ruby #5
Spraberry (Trend Area oil)-Completion; L & SV RR Co.; Blk B, Sec 47; 2640 FSL 1320 FWL of survey; 21 miles N of Big Lake, to pump 27 barrels of 38 gravity oil/day, plus 38,000 ft of gas, & 78 barrels of water, w/gas-oil ratio of 1407-1; production is through treated perfs:6265-7820; TD 7925, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 7923, PBTD 7872; GE 2663

Upton County

Mobil Producing TX. & N.M.
Pegasus Field Unit 3 #4204
Pegasus (Devonian gas)-Completion; T & P RR Co./H. L. Jarboe; Blk 41, T4S, Sec 48; 3313 FSL 7227 FWL of survey; 18 miles SE of Odessa for a calculated, daily volume of 1,549,00 ft of gas, w/gas-liquid ratio of 13,587-1; Gravity of condensate is 59-1 degrees; production is through treated perfs:11,764-11905; TD 13,163, where 5 1/2 in casing was set at 9097, PBTD 12,866; GE 2901

John L. Cox
Powell 35 #5
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Completion; T & P RR; Blk 40, T5S, Sec 35; 660 FNL 1320 FWL of survey; 24 miles N of Rankin, to pump 34 barrels of 38 gravity oil/day, plus 37,000 ft of gas daily, & 18 barrels of water, w/gas-oil ratio of 1088-1; production is through treated perfs:7206-9334; TD 9405, where 4 1/2 in casing was set at 9405, PBTD 9395; GE 2801

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Crane County

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
McKnight, M. B. #189
Running W. (Wichita-Albany)-Completion; PSL/M. B. McKnight/M. C. O'Neal; Blk B-17, Sec 24; 660 FNL 5940 FWL of lse; 28 miles NW of Crane; Comp 7-30-00; Test 8-14-00 24 hrs tested, 1 1/2" X 1 3/4" X 24', 29 BO, 70 MCF, 167 BW, 2414 Gas-Oil Ratio, Flowing Tubing Pressure 150, Oil Gravity 35; Top of Pay 5156; TD 5718; PBTD N/A; Perfs:5302-5527; Treat:48 bbls 15% HCL 1425 bbls Spectra Frac G-3000; permit #494416; API #42-103-34729

Ector County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Mooers #7
Goldsmith (Clear Fork)-Completion; T & P RR Co.; Blk 44, T1N, Sec 21; 1318 FNL 125 FEL of lse; 3 miles NW of Goldsmith; Comp 6-26-00; Test 7-10-00 24 hrs tested, Pumping 2.5 X 1.75 X 20 RHBC; Calculated 24 hr rate 15 BO, 30 MCF, 76 BW, 40 Oil Gravity, 40 Casing Pressure, Gas-Oil Ratio 2000; Top of Pay 6070; TD 6270; PBTD 6270; Perfs:6070-6270; Treat:ACD- 3500 gal. 15% NEFE HCL FRAC- 25,000 gal. Gelled fluid X 73,000# 20/40 frac sand, 6 PPG; permit #494405; API #42-135-37823

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Mooers #8
Goldsmith (Clear Fork)-Completion; T & P RR Co.; Blk 44, T1N, Sec 21; 100 FSL 1319 FWL of lse; 3 miles NW of Goldsmith; Comp 6-27-00; Test 7-7-00 24 hrs tested, Pumping 2.5 X 1.75 X 20 RHBC; Calculated 24 hr rate 36 BO, 30 MCF, 106 BW, 40 Oil Gravity, 40 Casing Pressure, Gas-Oil Ratio 833; Top of Pay 6070; TD 6260; PBTD 6260; Perfs:6070-6260; Treat:ACD- 3500 gal. 15% NEFE HCL FRAC- 25,000 gal. Gelled fluid X 73,000# 20/40 frac sand, 6 PPG; permit #494406; API #42-135-37824

Duke, Williams to purchase pipeline from Coastal

HOUSTON — Subsidiaries of Duke Energy and Williams announced their intent to jointly purchase The Coastal Corp.'s 100 percent interest in Gulfstream Natural Gas System, L.L.C.

The purchase, expected to be finalized during the fourth quarter 2000, is subject to federal regulatory approvals and conditioned upon completion of the Coastal/El Paso Energy Corporation merger. Financial terms of the purchase were not disclosed.

"We have recognized for some time that the market will support only one new pipeline into the State of Florida," said Cuba Wadlington Jr., president and CEO, Williams' gas pipeline group. "The market will now be able to clearly see a single, viable competing pipeline into the state."

"Our purchase of the Gulfstream project accelerates our entry into the Florida market," said Robert B. Evans, president of Duke Energy Gas Transmission. "We will work expeditiously to ensure adequate pipeline capacity by June 2002. This will help satisfy the projected 10,000 megawatt electric generation growth expected by 2007 and provide a choice among suppliers."

"The agreement to sell Gulfstream is a significant step forward in completing the requirements of the Federal Trade Commission for the close of the Coastal/El Paso Energy Corporation merger," said David A. Arledge, chairman and chief executive officer of The Coastal Corporation.

"Until the merger is complete, Coastal will continue to develop and market Gulfstream, will ensure that the project moves forward as scheduled and will remain fully committed to its many stakeholders in Florida," said Arledge.

The $1.6 billion Gulfstream pipeline project has achieved two key milestones in the FERC approval process: preliminary determination on non-environmental issues and a favorable draft environmental impact statement. The company anticipates FERC approval in first quarter 2001. The projected in-service date is June 2002.

Gulfstream has precedent agreements with 10 large Florida utilities and power-generation facilities representing long-term commitments for the majority of its 1.1 billion cubic feet of natural gas per day capacity. Gulfstream's proposed 744-mile pipeline is designed to primarily serve Florida utilities and power-generation facilities that plan on using high-efficiency, natural gas turbines to meet the incremental demand for electric energy.

Upon completion of the purchase, Duke Energy and Williams will proceed with the development of the Gulfstream project in lieu of the Buccaneer pipeline project, jointly being developed by Duke Energy and Williams to serve new markets in Florida.

Duke Energy, a diversified multinational energy company, creates value for customers and shareholders through an integrated network of energy assets and expertise. Duke Energy manages a dynamic portfolio of natural gas and electric supply, delivery and trading businesses — generating revenues of nearly $22 billion in 1999. Duke Energy, headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., is a Fortune 100 company traded on the New York Stock Exchange.

Williams, through its subsidiaries, connects businesses to energy and communications. The company delivers innovative, reliable products and services through its extensive networks of energy-distributing pipelines and high-speed fiber-optic cables.

The Coastal Corporation is a Houston-based energy holding company with consolidated assets of $16 billion and subsidiary operations in natural gas transmission, storage, gathering/processing and marketing; oil and gas exploration and production; petroleum refining, marketing and distribution; chemicals; power production; and coal.

Coastal and El Paso Energy Corp. announced on Jan. 18 a definitive agreement to merge Coastal with a subsidiary of El Paso, subject to various approvals. The merger is expected to be completed during the fourth quarter of this year.

Pogo Producing drills two successful Gulf explorers

HOUSTON — Pogo Producing Co. has drilled two successful exploratory wells in its extensive leasehold inventory in the Gulf of Mexico, it was announced by Paul G. Van Wagenen, chairman and chief executive officer.

"We are delighted to find multiple high quality reservoirs containing significant hydrocarbons on two of our exploratory blocks in the Gulf and are now following up with more exploratory delineation drilling on these two fields as well as our other planned fourth-quarter exploratory projects."

The Main Pass Block 61 No. 1 wildcat well was drilled on Pogo's 100% owned two-block complex at Main Pass Blocks 61 and 62. The well, located in 92 feet of water, was drilled to a total depth of 7,276 feet and discovered 96 feet of net oil pay below 7,000 feet. The reservoir quality encountered by the discovery well was determined to be excellent. The well will set up several delineation wells, the first one of which has just been spudded and will test the same reservoir, which could be as large as 800 acres, at a location approximately three-quarters of a mile away in Main Pass Block 62, to a position about 150 feet downdip from the Main Pass Block 61 No. 1 discovery well. The objective depth in the new well can be reached in approximately two weeks. Pogo's geoscientists have now identified additional prospects on two different, but geologically similar features elsewhere on this two-block field.

Elsewhere in the Gulf, Pogo (a 50% owner) and its partners in Ewing Bank Blocks 871 and 872 have drilled a discovery well, the Ewing Bank Block 871 No. 1, located in 932 feet of water, encountering two finite pay intervals totaling some 134 net feet of pay. The deeper pay interval was flow-tested at a daily calculated rate of approximately 4,300 barrels of oil and 2.9 million cubic feet of natural gas. Another fine reservoir was encountered at a shallower depth but was not tested immediately. Drilling has also started on a delineation well to explore these same intervals some 1-1/2 miles from the discovery well.

Van Wagenen said, "We are excited by the prolific test rate, but even more pleased about the potential we see in several additional drill sites we have identified in this field."

Houston Exploration completes offshore discoveries

HOUSTON — The Houston Exploration Co. announced three new offshore discoveries. The discoveries are located offshore Louisiana and Texas. Details are as follows:

South Timbalier 317 No. 1

This exploration well was spud late August. The initial well has been drilled to a total depth of 9,666 feet. On a sustained production test, from perforations 5,896 feet to 6,040 feet MD, the well flowed 1,584 barrels of oil and 900 Mcf/d on a 18/64 choke, 2,410 psi FTP. Based on the test results from this well the Company anticipates rates of 3000 barrels of oil per day. Potential reserves are estimated at 12 million barrels of oil. Additional undrilled fault blocks offer unrisked exploration potential of an approximately 12 million barrels of oil. This discovery will require a new 8-10 well platform to be installed in 457 feet of water. First production is expected in late fourth quarter 2001 or first quarter 2002. Houston Exploration is the operator and has a 55% working interest. Houston Exploration also owns a 50% working interest in South Timbalier 318, Ewing Bank 908 and Ewing Bank 952, which are contiguous with South Timbalier 317. Drilling plans for these blocks are enhanced with this new information.

Mustang Island 726 No. 1

This well has been drilled to 5,309 TVD. Over 100 feet of net oil and gas pay was encountered between 4,077 feet and 5,070 feet TVD. This discovery will require a platform to be installed in water depth of 80 feet. First production is expected in late second quarter 2001. THX has a 55% working interest in this block. A second test well in Block 726 is currently drilling.

High Island 115 No. 3

This exploration well was spud late August and has recently been completed and tested. The well was drilled to 10,368 TVD to test the shallow prospect on the Block. Approximately 26 feet of net gas pay was encountered at 9,739 feet. The well has been completed and tested at a rate of 6,243 Mcf and 82 barrels of condensate per day. A flow line will tie this well to an existing platform for processing. First production is expected in January 2001. Houston Exploration owns a 78% working interest in this prospect. The deep prospect on Block 115 will be tested by another exploration well in 2001.

Houston Exploration will continue its offshore exploration program with wells at: High Island 138, High Island A-589, High Island 115 (deep prospect), and East Cameron 285. The Company will also drill development wells at Mustang Island A-31 and Mustang Island A-22. These additional wells have grossed unrisked reserve potential of approximately 200 Bcfe and are expected to spud in the first quarter of 2001.

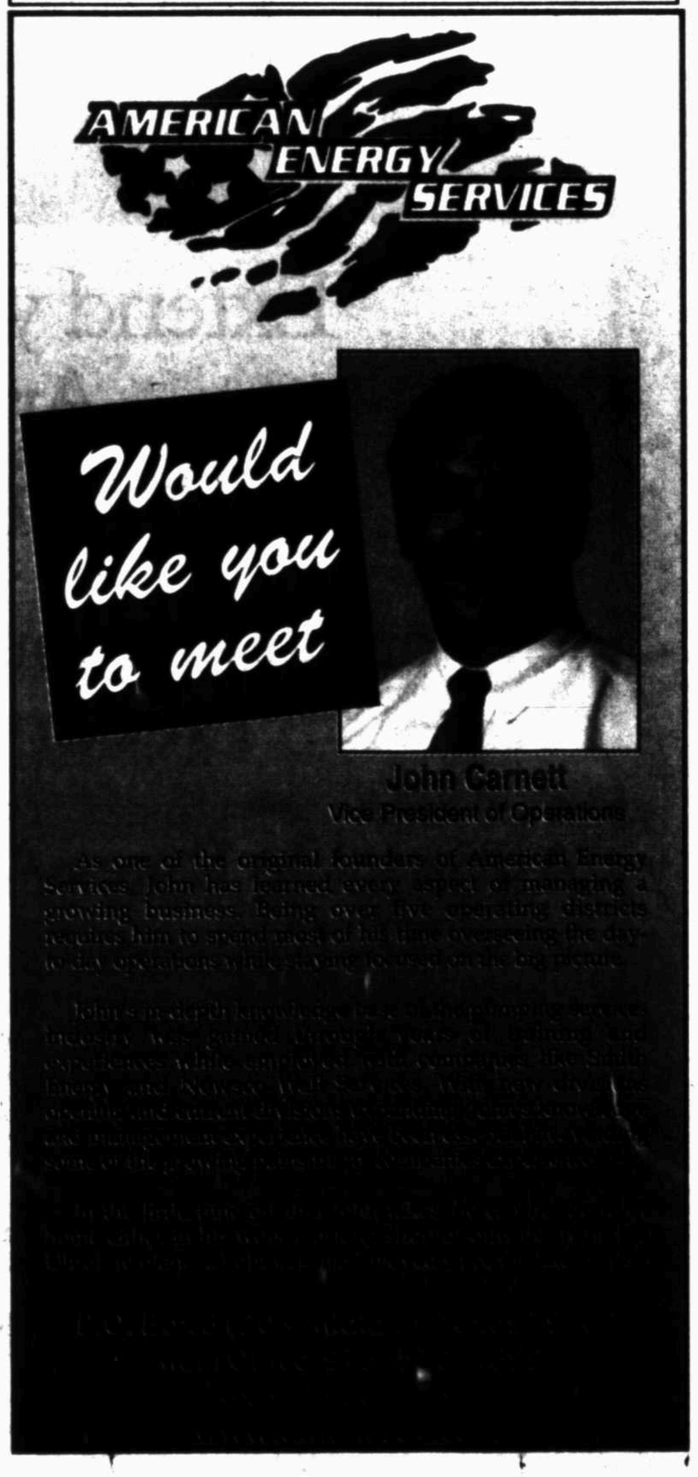
The Company is also pleased to announce that it has been awarded 7 leases from the Western Gulf of Mexico Lease Sale 177 held in August. The new lease blocks are Matagorda Island A-5, Matagorda Island 714, Matagorda Island 715, Galveston 390, High Island A-4, High Island A-591 and Sabine Pass 40. Additionally, The Company was also awarded 5 leases bid in the Texas State Waters Lease Sale held in October.

Houston Exploration will issue monthly reports on the Company's operations to update investors and the financial community.

The Houston Exploration Company is a Houston-based independent natural gas and oil company engaged in the exploration, development and acquisition of domestic natural gas and oil properties. The Company's offshore properties are located in the Gulf of Mexico and its onshore properties are located in South Texas, the Arkoma Basin, South Louisiana, East Texas, and West Virginia.


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'NUNCRACKERS'

Play takes famous story, puts some humor behind it

By Georgia Temple

The sisters of Hoboken have a recent addition at their convent — a television studio paid for with the prize money won by Sister Amnesia. They plan to tape their first Christmas special this coming weekend. The event offers Permian Playhouse audiences a nonsense evening of "Nuncrackers."

"I think all the 'Nunsense' musicals are hysterical, but this is one of the funnier ones," said Darci Georges, who is playing the Reverend Mother. "It takes the 'Nutcracker' that's so famous and really puts some humor behind it. I think people who have never seen the 'Nutcracker' will want to go see it after they see this."

"Nuncrackers: The Nunsense Christmas Musical," onstage at the Odessa theater at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 10, includes the sisters audiences have come to know and chuckle with — Sister Mary Hubert (Brenda Myers), Sister Robert Anne (Charlotte Martin), Sister Mary Leo (Kristin Rosson) and Sister Amnesia (Cherri Timms).

"When Colby (Landers) told me I had the part, he told me it was because I could play a dumb, airhead blonde really well," Ms. Timms said. She laughed, then continued, "Which I took to be a compliment."

The role was one Ms. Timms had wanted to play since seeing a "Nunsense" production several years ago at Texas Tech University.

"The girl that played Amnesia

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AT TOP: Schuyler Stallcup pulls Amanda Stallcup to sit down in the Permian Playhouse production of "Nuncrackers." ABOVE: Cherri Timms as Sister Amnesia, Darci Georges as Mother Superior, Brenda Myers as Sister Mary Hubert and Charlotte Martin as Sister Robert Anne, huddle around a fire singing as Kyle Rosson as Father Kyle and Shari Story as Sister Shari, accompany. AT LEFT: Schuyler, from left, Amanda, Cory Hildebrand, Ashley Bryand and Chance Bretz announce themselves as Sister Rober Anne, played by Charlotte Martin, looks on. ABOVE LEFT: Vonnie Downey as Father Virgil, poses as Sister Julia while making a fruit cake with rum.

Photos by Tim Fischer



Lone Star Brass Quintet and percussionist, Derron Bell, at left.

Unofficial member brings beat to quintet

By Georgia Temple

When Oklahoma native Derron Bell was old enough for the school band, he knew what instrument he wanted to play.

"I liked the idea of hitting things to play music," said Bell, who joined the Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra as percussionist this season. "I started with snare drum and bells, and then it grew from there. Now, I play probably 100 different instruments."

He's also the newest unofficial member of the Lone Star Brass Quintet.

"I'm obviously not one of the five brass players, but I am sort of a new addition," said Bell. "And I will be playing with them for the whole year."

Audiences have the opportunity to hear the LSBQ and Derron during the ensemble's holiday performances, set for 8 p.m. Saturday at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave., and 2 p.m. Dec. 10 at First United Methodist Church in Odessa. For tickets information call 563-0921.

"We've got a real positive energy with the addition of Derron," said French horn player Carol Deats. "And we've got the continuity that results from the five of us having been together for several seasons. We keep developing a maturity because we've stayed together a few years as a group, and it's wonderful."

Unlike those who spend their time with a single instrument, Bell said he "would hate to

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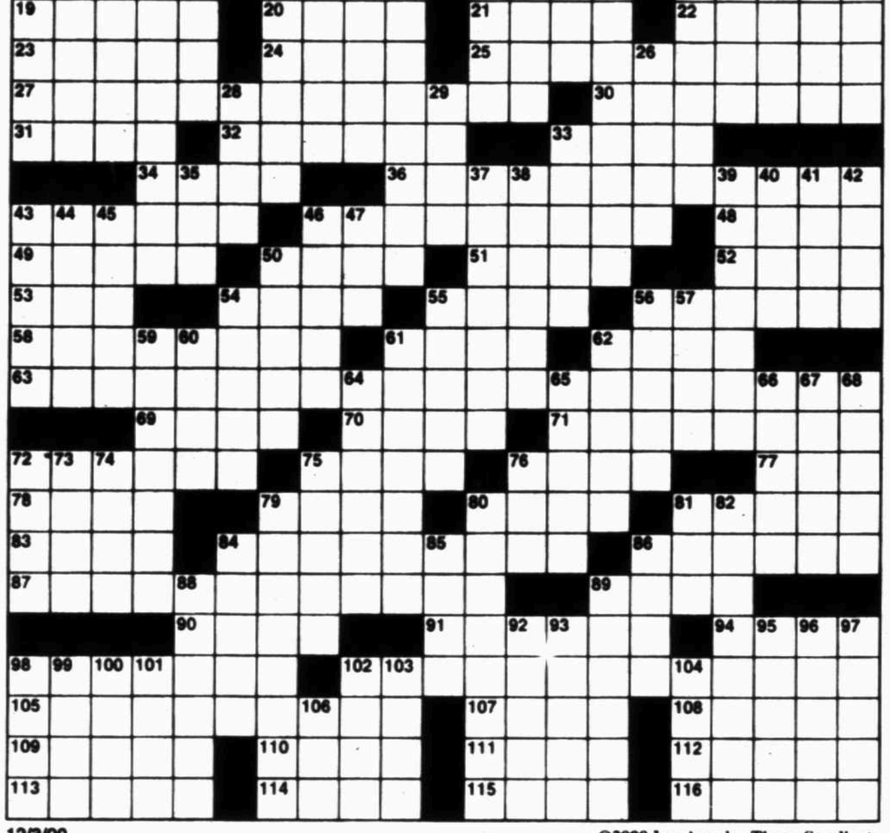
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109 Sheer linen
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114 Family favorites
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Jacqueline Bigar's Stars

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Dec. 3, 2000:

Tension often surrounds your judgments about what you need to do for your home and family. Lighten up on yourself. Don't push others, but think about possibilities. Your diplomatic skills will earmark your success. Others see you as unusually bright and resourceful, and they frequently seek you out. If you are single, romance flourishes because of your natural charisma. If you are attached, remember how much you care about your partner before you make issues out of inconsequential stuff. PISCES serves as an anchor.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Know that you don't have to do much. Others seek you out, and popularity soars to a new level. Listen to someone at a distance. This person has a totally different perspective. Swap information. You could be disturbed by changes you think you need to make. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.
This week: Use your resourcefulness, and you'll hit the bull's-eye. Enjoy the applause.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Focus on your friends and what you love. Someone makes a heartfelt inquiry. You might inadvertently be causing yourself a problem here. Stay focused on the results. You're happiest with groups. A partner could be unusually testy. Tonight: Where the party is.
This week: You might need to reverse your plans. Adapt and flow. You succeed at what you want on Thursday.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Take in all the possibilities around you. You could be a bit overloaded with others' demands. A partner or close friend doesn't mean to be so testy, but he's out of sorts. Remain helpful to this person as he seeks out answers or different alternatives. Tonight: Others take their cue from you.
This week: Don't allow anyone to get under your skin on Monday. Know what you want, and aim for it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Make an overture or reach out for another. How you look at a situation could change considerably after you get feedback. Get into a holiday project, like addressing Christmas cards or doing Santa errands. Consider loved ones at a distance first. Meanwhile, don't forget an important call. Tonight: Relax if you can.
This week: Creativity whirls when exchanging ideas. Harness one of these ideas and make it a reality.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Examine your potential with another. Question what it is you want to do. Think twice before making more of something than necessary. A child or loved one could be acting in a contrary manner. Sort through your ideas rather than making ultimatums. Tonight: Talk to a trusted partner.
This week: Work with a partner, even if you need to readjust. From Tuesday on, seek out experts when in doubt.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You might not be seeing a situation as clearly as you think, especially if it involves family and domestic issues. Someone might pontificate, but he probably has some logic behind his thinking. For the moment, go along with others until you are more sure of yourself. Avoid power plays. Tonight: Say yes to another.
This week: You might need to regroup one more time. Success meets your efforts from Tuesday on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Make an effort to think through, rather than reacting to, what is going on with another. Though the issue at the crux of the problem could be money, you still don't need to react. You might opt to get a project or work completed. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.
This week: Screen calls and avoid distractions. You do want to get something done this week, right?

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Your creativity emerges. You might feel a risk is well-timed, but you might actually be wise to wait. Don't push too hard, and understand your limits. For the moment, curb spending and be more cautious. Another might throw a tantrum to get what he wants. Tonight: Frolic like a child.
This week: Creativity demands spending right now. Think of a different, more effective way to achieve your professional goals.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★ You might have a bad case of foot-in-mouth disease. Use time in your favor. Refuse to blurt out anything that might be difficult to take back. Think about what is important here in the long run, especially with family and a personal matter. Allow another to be on the warpath without you. Tonight: Mosey on home.
This week: You might have to rethink plans again. Use your creativity and imagination.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You could be sabotaging yourself and saying or doing things that really don't serve you. If you feel unusually tense, take a walk or go exercise. You could be tired and out of whack. You might be better off canceling plans rather than continuing with such a hectic pace. Tonight: Easy works.
This week: Have a long, hard talk with yourself on Monday. Make a resolution and start living it at work and at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Use self-discipline with spending. While others might be carefree with a buck, you don't need to be. Look at ramifications. Refuse to get caught up in thinking like the Joneses. Do only what is good for you right now, even if it means being a bit uncomfortable for a while. Tonight: Take in a movie.
This week: Toss a costly idea aside. Reorient yourself on a less materialistic, more caring level.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Your personality helps another get off his position. You might understand this person a lot more than either of you realizes. Laughter and humor mix. Don't be conned into a responsibility that you don't want. Say no if need be. Remember, you don't need to be on call. Tonight: Your smile wins the day.
This week: Revamp business plans. Aim for gain financially. You like the results.

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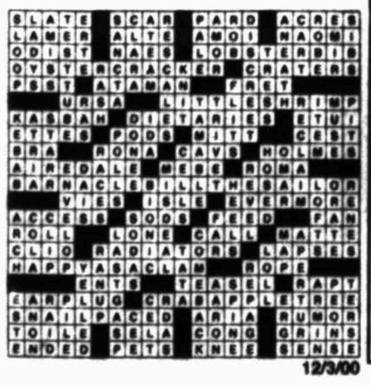
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We must set the scene. It was the semifinal of the 1943 Spingold Team Championship in New York. At the halfway point of one of the matches, a team captained by Jigger Dornbusch was trailing a powerful squad led by Howard Schenken by more than 1,000 points (in those days scoring was by total points). Spearheaded by Dick Frey and Lee Hazen, the Dornbusch team had staged a tremendous rally, but the match was crawling along at a snail's pace. With one board still to play, Frey announced that he had to leave to make the last train home to Great Neck, so captain Dornbusch was pressed into service to play the last board.

Unaware that his team was back in the match and thinking that his team needed a large swing to win, Dornbusch pressed on to a grand slam in hearts on this, the final hand. All the tricks were there for the taking provided declarer took a first-round trump finesse — the percentage play with a 6-2 fit. Unfortunately Dornbusch first cashed a high heart and could no longer avoid losing a trump trick for down one.

When scores were compared, Dornbusch was stunned to learn that, had he been content to play a partscore in hearts, his team would have won! Known for always doing the right thing, Dornbusch offered to jump out the window. A team meeting resolved to reject the offer — after all, Dornbusch did not know the state of the match when he had to enter the fray. The four players reconvened, however, and because of Frey's precipitate departure, by a 3-1 vote decided to accept a similar offer from Frey should it be tendered. It never was!

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE



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THE ARTS CALENDAR OF EVENTS
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBITION: Internationally recognized collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport. Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 12-5 p.m. Call 563-1000. Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

Arts Assembly of Midland: EXHIBIT: The third annual Art in the Park, featuring four sculptures by Texas artists Sherry Owens of Dallas, Nancy Wilson Pfeifer of Kingwood, Joe Barrington of Throckmorton, and Robbie B. Barber of Woodway. The yearlong exhibit is at Windlands Park, 1000 W. Dengar. EXHIBIT: Toy Truck by Jim Robertson, and Milestone 1995 by Tim Glover, sculptures on display in Centennial Plaza, 687-1149. Free.

Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "The Star of Bethlehem: a Mystery Revealed," 3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: EXHIBIT: Double Vision, photography by Steve Goff and B. Kent Moss, closing today. EXHIBIT: All About Eve, ceramic sculpture by Jean Cappadonna-Nichols, through Dec. 31. Museum gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811. Free admission.

First Presbyterian Church: CONCERT: Annual Christmas concert by the children's choirs, 5:30 p.m., 800 West Texas, 684-7821.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBIT: John Chinn of Lubbock, James Robert Pace of Tyler, and Carol Bailey of Midland, closing today. Modern and contemporary art are featured. Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Thurs.-Sun. or by appointment, 1114 N. Big Spring, 685-9944. Free.

Thomas Kinkade Signature Galleries: EXHIBIT: 2101 W. Wadley, Suite 12, 682-9911. Hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12-5 p.m. Sunday. No admission charged.

Midland College: ART SALE: Annual Student Hallway Art Sale, benefiting the art department scholarship fund, 1-4 p.m., Allison Fine Arts Bldg. EXHIBIT: Annual Student Fall Art Show, through Dec. 8, McCormick Gallery, Allison Fine Arts Bldg., Midland College campus, 3600 N. Garfield. Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m. Call 685-4770. Free.

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSIC: "A Christmas Carol," 2 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBIT: Stones Unturned, records of Confederate veterans buried in Fairview Cemetery, 301 W. Missouri, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 2-5 p.m., call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

Midland County Historical Society: HISTORIC HOME: Z. Taylor Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 N. Weatherford, guided tours give fine capsule of Midland County History - open by appointment, call 682-2931. Free. Also available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

Midland Gallery: EXHIBIT: An eclectic collection of art from around the world, 4410 N. Midkiff, Suite D-8A. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. or by appointment. Call 694-8761.

Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: PERFORMANCE: Holiday Pops, 7 p.m., Holiday Inn Centre, Odessa, 563-0921. Admission charged.

Museum of the Southwest: HOLIDAY EVENT: Third annual Christmas at the Mansion fundraising event features holiday activities and exhibits including decorated trees, gingerbread houses, miniatures, caroling, Santa, shopping, and Southwest Express train exhibit, continuing through Jan. 2, Tues.-Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m. Free admission; charge for train exhibit. EXHIBIT: Reflections of a Journey: Engravings After Karl Bodmer, through Jan. 7, Southwing Galleries. EXHIBIT: Herb Rather: Watercolor, part of the Contemporary Artist Series, through Dec. 31, features the work of this nationally known artist from Lampasas, Texas, Here and Now Gallery. EXHIBIT: John James and John Woodhouse Audubon, through Jan. 7, 2001, Hogan Gallery. EXHIBIT: In the Third Dimension: Sculpture selections, through Jan. 7, 2001, Sculpture Gallery, Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 683-2882. Free.

Odessa College LRC: 201 W. University. Call 915 335-6646 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

The Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: EXHIBIT: Magic School Bus: Inside the Earth, through Jan. 8. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1500 I-20 West, 683-4403. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues.-Sat., 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 915 332-7123. Admission charged.

Proteus Gallery: EXHIBIT: Despoblado, an exhibit of photographic images by Midlander Jim Geitgey, through Jan. 27, 112 W. 5th St., Odessa, 580-4244. Hours are 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tues.-Fri., 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Sat. Free.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 1-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., 4901 E. University, Odessa. Call 552-2806. Free.

White-Pool House Museum: Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 E. Murphy St., Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

First Presbyterian Church: CLASSES: Fine Arts School, fall semester Sept.11- Jan. 19, 800 W. Texas, 684-7821. Tuition charged.

The Haley Library and History Center: EXHIBITS: Permanent collections including paintings, bronzes, firearms and artifacts that exhibit pioneer settlement of the Great Southwest, spur collections, saddles from ranching pioneer families, and archival collections including photographs of turn of the century ranch life. The library houses 30,000 volumes on settlement of the region and the cattle industry. 1805 W. Indiana. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 682-5785. Free.

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSES: Theatre School, Session II, through Dec. 8, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-2544. Tuition charged.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

Ellen Noel Art Museum: VIDEO: "Christmas at Ripon Cathedral," Brown Bag Art Education Series, focusing this month on the subject of Christmas and art, 12-1 p.m., 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811. Free.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: Splash! Bang! Boom! interactive science exhibit, exploring the properties of matter and energy. EXHIBIT: My Town, a two-story interactive cityscape, the latest permanent exhibit. EXHIBIT: Beach Babies, a toddler room built just for ages under 3. EXHIBIT: West Texas Keys, an aquarium exhibit. Museum hours are Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Featured today is a luncheon with caroling by local choirs, 1705 W. Missouri. Call Cindi at 683-2882 to reserve, necessary due to limited seating. Admission charged.

Parker House Ranching Museum: Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work, also featuring area local history exhibits. Currently on display, Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys memorabilia. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wed.-Sat., 1118 Maple, Odessa, 1-915-335-9918. Free.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

American Airpower Heritage Museum/Confederate Air Force: HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE: Attractions include gift shop, refreshments, and live entertainment, 4-6 p.m., 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, 563-1000.

Midland Chamber of Commerce: WORLD'S LARGEST CHRISTMAS PARTY: 14th annual Christmas mixer and auction, with holiday music, 100 silent auction items, food and a cash bar, 4-7 p.m., Midland Center, 105 N. Main, 683-3381. Admission charged; discounted tickets and group ticket packs available in advance, 109 N. Main.

Midland Community Theatre: CLASSIC: "A Christmas Carol," through Dec. 17, 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Featured today is a tea with live musical entertainment, 3-4:30 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "The Star of Bethlehem: a Mystery Revealed," 8 p.m. every Friday except holiday weekends, Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

Gallery 1114: OPENING RECEPTION: Former Gallery members from the past 17 years return for a special exhibit, 7-9 p.m. Exhibit continues through Jan. 21, 1114 N. Big Spring St., 685-9944. Free.

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Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: CONCERT: Christmas concert by the Lone Star Brass, 8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas, 563-0921. Admission charged.

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Bring your cameras for pictures with Santa from 2- 5 p.m. Other attractions include gingerbread houses, carolers, and Christmas Shop at the Mansion, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free admission; admission charged for Southwest Express train exhibit.

The Arts Assembly of Midland maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; email artsmid@iglobal.net; http://www.iglobal.net/arts.

PLAY: Comedy take on 'Nutcracker' comes to Permian Playhouse

(From 1F)

was Bethany Carter, and she was brilliant," Ms. Timms said. "And I wanted that part. When I heard that they were going to do 'Nuncrackers,' I originally wasn't going to audition after 'Big River' because this is like seven shows in a row for me, but it was just too big of a chance to pass up. It's just a really fun part."

The last time Brenda Myers was seen on the Playhouse stage she was wearing a habit. She played a nun in "The Sound of Music." To play the "Nunsense" Sister Mary Hubert, Ms. Myers said, "You have to be loud. You have to be stern. And you also have to have an impeccable sense of humor."

The production came at a time when Ms. Myers needed to stay busy.

"I needed a distraction at this time in my life," said Ms. Myers. "We had a couple of deaths in the family within two weeks. And we found out about this just after we found out my baby granddaughter was having seizures. And my husband said, 'Why don't you go tryout for that play?'"

Charlotte Martin, who has been in several Midland Community Theatre productions, is making her stage debut at the Playhouse, as Sister Robert Anne. She is the educational director for the Playhouse and is also serving as the choreographer for "Nuncrackers."

"It's really hard, honestly, because I have to not only teach the dances but also participate in them," Ms. Martin said of balancing the two responsibilities. "We will be rehearsing, and I will have to stop and move out and watch what they are doing, and then go back. There are quite a few songs that I have by myself, and I have to choreograph those songs also. And, of course, I am my worst critic, so I am continually changing those every night.

"But, it's been a lot of fun also. It definitely gives me a firsthand knowledge of what the other actors are going to be able to do in character and in costume."

Directed by Colby Landers, the musical also features Shari Story as the musical director and Tom Laney as the percussionist. Tickets for the production are $14 for adults and $12 for seniors and students. For reservations call 550-5456 or (915) 362-2329 or go by the Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St.

In addition to the familiar nuns, the show also features five students played by Chance Bretz, Ashley Bryant, Amanda Stallcup, Cory Hildebrand and Schuyler Stallcup and a priest, Father Virgil, played by Vonnie Downey.

Downey ran lights for the Playhouse's 1999 production of "Nunsense."

"I knew it was a good, comedic, fun time," Downey said of "Nuncrackers." "Since there was a man's part in this, I was really wanting to get on stage and do it. Father Virgil is also a radio show host, and he's there to give them some pointers. He gets to be both serious and funny in different scenes."

Rounding out the cast is a choris comprised of Kyle Rosson, Lorraine Wilson and her son, Bryan Ortega. Ms. Wilson became involved at the Playhouse through her son, who is a member of the Kaleidoscope Company, the theater's youth performing troupe.

"I just love to be up here now," said Ms. Wilson. "I feel like I'm the student, and he's the adult."

Ms. Wilson will be seen by Playhouse audiences in her second role on stage and is working to overcome her "little shyness. I can smile and act and dance but singing I still need to work on."

Shyness isn't a problem for the children in the show.

"I like doing plays, and I like acting," said 9-year-old Cory, who plays a child and the Mouse King in the nuns' production of the famous Russian "Nutcracker" ballet.

"I think it's really neat, and I'm glad I could be in it," 9-year-old Ashley said of "Nuncrackers."

"I just like to act, and I like to sing," said 9-year-old Chance. "My teacher says I'm real dramatic. And I have been going to a Catholic school all my life, and I just like to perform."

Sibling rivalry played a part in Schuyler's decision to audition for "Nuncrackers."

"My sister, Holly (who is 12), she's been doing a lot of plays up here," said the 7-year-old. "I decided if Holly can do it, I can do it. And I guess I was right."

Holly also played a role in influencing her 9-year-old sister, Amanda, to audition for "Nuncrackers."

"My sister was trying out for the Kaleidoscope Company, and one of my friends came up here and said she was going to audition for the play," recalled Amanda, who was at the theater at the time. "And I saw my mother, and she thought it might be a good idea. And so I tried out and I got it. I've been in short skits. This is my first real big play at the Playhouse."

Guiding the children and the nuns is Ms. Georges, a veteran of the Playhouse stage who is reprising her Reverend Mother role from 1999.

"The pressure is on, but that's OK," said Ms. Georges, who has discovered in recent weeks the meaning of the theater term, "the show must go on."

"I broke my elbow in a car accident Friday after Thanksgiving," Ms. georges said. "I was scared that if they cast it, I would stick out so much that it would take away from the humor of the other nuns So, it's not cast."

Ms. Georges is wearing her arm in a sling that she removes when she is on stage. That changes Dec. 10.

"The day that we close, I'm going to have it put in a cast," Ms. Georges said. "I wanted this part so bad that even a broken elbow wasn't going to keep me from doing it."

Ms. Georges sees the role of the Reverend Mother in the "Nunsense" musicals as the character onstage that "guides the ship. You either sink or swim. This is such a strong cast that it's been real easy rowing this time."

DRUMS: Percussionist's favorite instrument is the marimba

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be stuck on one.

"Sometimes, it's overwhelming because you can't just practice one and become really good at it. And there are people who devote their life just to orchestra or just to drum set or just marimba, but I would rather play all of them."

He does have a favorite instrument.

"My biggest love is the marimba, which a lot of people in this part of the country don't know about," said Bell, noting that he plays "all types of percussion."

When he goes home in the evening, it is the marimba — a large wooden percussion instrument with resonators, resembling a xylophone — that he practices the most.

"I'd like to be a concert marimbist," said Bell. "And I'm planning on doing some concerts here once I really get my practicing underway because it's something very unique. Not a lot of people have seen or know about it."

The concerts mark Bell's first with the LSBQ, which is a performing ensemble of the MOS.

"I am just brand new at this but I know that adding some percussion will add a lot of things like jazz and Dixieland," Bell said of performing with the quintet. "In the future, I'm hoping that we will do different kinds of things, maybe even some percussion solos. I would like to arrange some jazz tunes and maybe sing, maybe play some marimba with them."

Although these concerts highlight Bell performing on several selections with the LSBQ, the featured artist is not a percussionist, but an organist — Rebecca Sawyer of First Presbyterian Church.

"There's no greater sound than brass and organ together," Ms. Deats said. "And Becca's got some really flashy fingers and feet going on that organ."

"This is quite an honor," said Ms. Sawyer. "They're such wonderful musicians it's great fun for me to get to play with them. And it's a lot of fun that Ted Hale, in particular, has taken an interest in the sound of the organ combined with the brass."

Ms. Sawyer is referring to Sonata, Opus 42, Finale by Guilmant, which has been arranged by Hale.

"It's noteworthy that our own Ted Hale arranged the Guilmant for brass and organ," said Ms. Deats. "And that was quite a feat on his part. It took a lot of intelligence and time and talent."

Brass has such a "bright quality," Ms. Sawyer said, that she "doesn't have to hold back anything. I can play full organ, and it's not too much for them, so that makes it real exciting for me."

The rest of the program for the "Pipe Dreams" concert includes "O Come, O Come Immanuel," an 8th century Gregorian chant; "Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals" by Elert; the "Overture to Colas Breugnon" by Kabalevsky; Concerto VIII "Christmas Concerto" by Corelli; the "Hallelujah Chorus" by Handel; and several season favorites including "The First Noel," "Wassail Song" and "What Child is This?"

"We have three virtuoso pieces," Ms. Deats said. "The Overture to 'Colas Breugnon,' the 'Christmas Concerto' and the Guilmant sonata.

"The Kabalevsky is a very technically demanding piece, and we're in fact playing string and woodwind parts as well as what we would normally play when we play with the orchestra. And we have a lot of brilliant passages with spectacular finger technique and tonguing.

"The 'Christmas Concerto' is a fairly standard baroque piece. It features a lot of contrast, a lot of antiphonal effects and that typical baroque spun-out feeling of perpetual motion. It's a very exciting piece."

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Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Dec. 3-9

Sunday, Dec. 3

Open house

Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, Fairmont Park Shopping Center, Wadley and Midland Drive, will host a Holiday Open House with Santa and Mrs. Claus from 1 to 5 p.m. today. The public is invited for free photos with Santa, free photo holders, refreshments and door prizes. Ornaments from Miss Cayce's will be personalized free of charge.

Artwork

Dollye Ballenger is showing her artwork in the Garden Room of the Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy. 349, through December.

Ms. Ballenger is a well known local artist.

Monday, Dec. 4

Library events

The Midland County Public Library will host Four Ever Friends, an a Capella quartet of West Texas Harmony, a Sweet Adelines chapter, from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. Monday in the downtown library's lobby area.

A book review/brown bag lunch program will be held Dec. 5. Jackie Hendricks will review Christmas Gift! by Ferrol Sams.

Legend, a singing group from Midland High School, will perform at noon Dec. 13. Woodwind Quartet will perform at 4:15 p.m. Dec. 14 and Crestview Handbell Choir at noon Dec. 18.

Concert

ODESSA — Dos Amigos will present Pat Green and his band on Dec. 20. Tickets go on sale today.

Green has five CD's to his credit, including his February release "Carry On." Cory Morrow and his band will open the show.

KNFM 92.3 is sponsoring the event as part of its "Texas Music Concert Series." Advance tickets are $15. They are available, to 18 year olds and up, at Endless Horizons, Dos Amigos and Dollar Western Wear in Midland and Odessa. Tickets will be $18 on the day of the show. Persons 18 to 20 will have a $3 surcharge at the door. For more information call 915-368-7556.

Thursday, Dec. 7

Christmas party

The World's Largest Christmas Party will be held at the Midland Center from 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday.

Holiday music, silent auction items and 20 area restaurants and businesses will provide the "feast." Advance tickets are $7 and group packs of 20 are $99 (payment must be received by noon Dec. 6). Tickets are $10 at the door and may be purchased by mail or in person at the Midland Chamber of Commerce, 109 N. Main, Midland, TX 79701.

Exhibit

Gallery 1114, 1114 North Big Spring Street, will display works of former member artists Thursday through Jan. 21. The opening reception will be 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday.

Hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, or by appointment. For information call 685-9944.

Fall concert

First Presbyterian Church will host The Permian Basin Homeschool Singers Fall Concert at 7 p.m. Thursday in the sanctuary.

The 70-voice choir will perform works from the Music Man, The Sound of Music, Mary Poppins and Christmas songs. The public is invited and admission is free.

Saturday, Dec. 9

Concert

The Midland Downtown Lions Center, 200 Plaza, will host Tiny Lynn & Band from Lubbock from 8 to 11 p.m. Saturday.

Admission is $7.50 per person. The public is welcome. The event is sponsored by 45 Plus Dance Club. For more information call 699-5202 or 694-1869.

Luncheon

The Permian Basin Poetry Society will hold its Christmas luncheon from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Wild Scallion restaurant.

Members and guests are asked to bring something red costing up to $5 for the annual gift exchange. For more information call 520-4679.

Open house

ODESSA — The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin is holding its annual Open House from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday.

Permian High School "Satin Strings" will provide entertainment. Children's activities and stories, and a book signing with Jackie Zweiger, illustrator and Dr. Frances Johnson, author will take place. Refreshments will be served.

"Going Home," illustrations by David Diaz are on display through Feb. 15. "Young at Art," illustrations by Caldecott Award Winners will also be on exhibit. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. and closed Monday.

■ For more briefs, see today's local section

Holiday tea

ODESSA — The Globe of the Great Southwest will hold its second annual English Holiday Angel Tea at Anne Hathaway Cottage, 2308 Shakespeare Road, at 3 p.m. Saturday.

Cost is $10 per person. Angel ornaments will be available for a $10 donation. These may be placed on the Globe Theatre Angel Honor Tree in honor of loved ones. Proceeds go to the Globe English Garden account. For information call 332-1586 or 580-3177.

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