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Cup runneth over

In the third overtime, the tired eyes of Texas finally gazed upon the Stanley Cup. Brett Hull scored on a rebound as the Dallas Stars won, beating the Buffalo Sabres 2-1 Saturday night./**1C**

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Dozens stranded by area flash floods

By Rick López and Ed Todd
Staff Writers

At least a dozen cars succumbed to a flash flood that filled local ditches and draws and even left one man stranded on the roof of his car.

Forecaster Michael Young at the National Weather Service at Midland International Airport reported that 1.26 inches of rain fell Saturday night.

The rain, ranging from a drizzle to a downpour over a four-hour span, brings the year's rainfall to 5.57 inches, which exceeds the normal rainfall to date of 5.36 inches, Young said.

The late-night downpour began at around 9 p.m. It completely filled both the Scharbauer and the Northwest draws with murky, streaming water — an occurrence some Midlanders say is rare.

"It's terrible. I've never seen anything like this," said JoAnn Baldwin, who has lived in Midland for 15 years.

As Ms. Baldwin's boyfriend, Richard Hubbard, drove her to work, their car stalled right over the Scharbauer Draw bridge at A Street.

As the rain came down faster, the scenario grew more frightening, she said.

Before she knew it, the water was cresting above the bridge. For about 30 minutes, they waited for help. No one offered any, so the couple stepped into the thigh-high water and pushed the vehicle by themselves into a 7-Eleven parking lot.

Others who drove through that area met the same fate.

Veronica Moreno's new Grand Am also stalled at that intersection. As she tried crossing A Street, her car sank into a water-filled road dip. When she opened the door to push her vehicle, an inch of water seeped into the interior.

"I could feel the current move the car when I got out," Ms. Moreno said. "I thought it was going to push it into the ditch."

Within an hour, at least eight cars stalled at that intersection, said Janet Carr, an assistant manager at the 7-Eleven there. She and the rest of the store's employees watched in awe as the brave drivers fell victim to the flood.

"It's weird. The rain started out light, then it stopped. Then, when it started again, the water (in the draw) started rising. All these people were getting stuck," Ms. Carr said. "I've never seen it this bad."

Her co-worker, Minnie Pancha, hesitated driving home to her apartment on Caldera Boulevard.

"I'm not going to do anything that risky," she said. "It's too scary."

Stranded motorists helped push each other out of the gushing water. They waited at the store's parking lot for the water to recede.

Other parts of the city suffered similar damage.

At the corner of Terrell Street and Louisiana Avenue, an old Cutlass Supreme was submerged in water. According to police dispatchers, the driver climbed on top of his roof and waited for police to arrive.

North Midland residents also suffered quite a headache. Take, for instance, Lisa Kales, who pulled over to the side of the road and waited for the storm to pass. Minutes later, she realized she had driven into a mud pit.

"My car's sunk in mud. It's up to the front axles," Ms. Kales said, while using a nearby pay phone.

At Best Buy, Ms. Kales said the roof leaked for the first time since she's worked there. Employees used trash cans to collect the drops, but another problem surfaced: about 2 inches of water gathered near the sliding doors.

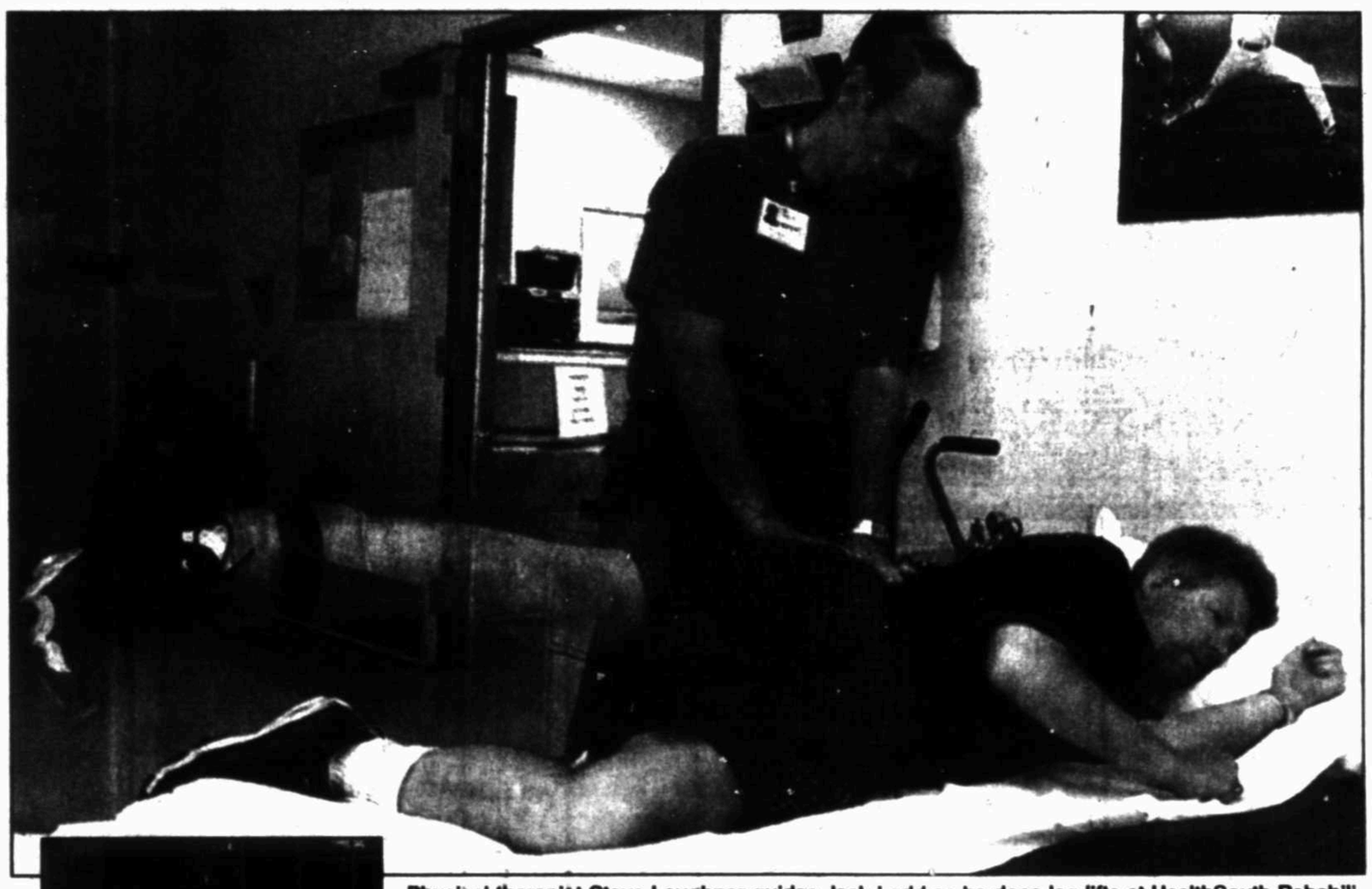
"It's been a while since I've seen a flood like this," she said.

The rain spurred other emergencies throughout the city, which called for dump trucks, fire trucks and even barricades.

At the corner of Tyler Street and Mulberry Avenue, waist-deep water gushed along a draw — where small frogs swam eastwardly, despite the troubles swirling around them. Blocks away, abandoned cars gave other motorists a grim warning of dangers ahead.

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Father's Day





Physical therapist Steve Laughner guides Jack Ladd as he does leg lifts at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital. Ladd is recovering from a stroke he suffered in August. Ladd, left, spends time with his family: Jack Jr., 15, clockwise from top left, Glenn, 12; his wife, Connie, CiCi, 4, and Dougie, 3.

Local lawyer recovering from stroke through perseverance, love, support

Jack Ladd is steadfast, which is the way a father ought to be — a good, loving and dutiful father, and not just on Father's Day but everyday.

He perseveres, not just for himself, but mostly for family in adversity and in good times but particularly in trials.

"I just keep hammering until the nail goes in."

That's part of Ladd's character and the character of a surviving and resilient stroke victim.

He has been hammering pretty hard lately and particularly since Aug. 13, 1998, when a stroke linked to a defective basal artery literally laid him down hard.

It was a test that threatened to not only dampen his spirits but, at age 48, to end his active law career and to radically change his image as

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Story by Ed Todd *Photos by U. Frank Williams Jr.*

Chamber studies Vision 2000 ideas

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

The Midland Chamber of Commerce board is reviewing the work done by Vision 2000 as a way to establish its focus.

After all, what better way to lay out the chamber's goals and objectives than to best utilize the extensive research done by others?

Chamber of Commerce Chair-Elect Buddy Sipes explained at the board's annual retreat last week what the chamber would do with that information, comparing the process to canning.

"It's like making preserves. You take a bunch of fruit and water and you boil it down till there's nothing left but the good stuff."

Similarly, the chamber retreat was a stage for nine different presenters offering the fruits of their studies in nine different task forces of Vision 2000.

Sipes said the chamber would take from that four or five main objectives to pursue for the coming years.

Boiling down all that information, however, might be quite a task.

The nine task forces reporting were: City/County Services and Promotion, Health and Social Services, Arts/Sports/Parks, Seniors and Housing, Transportation, Youth Issues, Economic Development, Education and Facilities.

In search of cooperation

Gerald Nobles, on behalf of the City/County Government

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Survey seeks community input

What do you think the priorities should be for Midland as we enter the 21st century?

Inserted in today's Midland Reporter-Telegram Lifestyle Section, you'll find a special one-page pullout, "Community Participation Survey."

The survey has been prepared by Midland Vision 2000 and Beyond. The information gathered through the survey will be used to help the task forces involved in the goal-setting of Midland Vision 2000 develop a set of objectives for the community in the next decade.

It is important the surveys be returned to the Midland Chamber of Commerce office within a week, so your voice can be heard as the final data will be compiled.

The pullout in today's Midland Reporter-Telegram can be folded conveniently into a prepaid postal mailer.

We invited all our readers to join in the Midland Vision 2000 process.

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Gary Ott



Get ready, Midlanders, the out-of-towners are coming already.

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Texas Place: Youth program helps mend families



During a session at Texas Place, Eddie Davila, left, and Ricky Garrett, listen to counselor Henry Rand (who can be seen in mirror) talk about AIDS.

Brian Adamcik Reporter-Telegram

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Thirteen-year-old Equilla Davis was on a fast track to nowhere. Her misdeeds reached to such depths that administrators at her schools would rather transfer her than deal with her.

"I was really bad at school," the Midland girl admitted. "A while back I started a fight while I was at San Jacinto Junior High. That's when they transferred me to Abell. That's how bad I was."

■ **More about Texas Place**/4A

Equilla's mother, Alma Davis, said her daughter was out of control and she had no idea how she was going to improve the situation.

"I was having so many problems with her," Ms. Davis said. "She was always fighting, talking back to teachers. You name it, she did it. I had her enrolled in programs hoping it would help, but nothing did."

Indeed, she had almost given up hope of finding a way to help her little girl deal with her anger when she heard about a program called Texas Place. Almost immediately, Ms. Davis said she could see a difference in her daughter's life.

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Serbs pull out ahead of schedule

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Packing into armored vehicles, trucks and buses, Serb troops accelerated their pullout from Kosovo on Saturday and NATO said the soldiers may be gone well ahead of their midnight deadline tonight.

Peacekeepers met with ethnic Albanian rebels in an attempt to prevent them from embarking on a new reign of terror to fill the vacuum left by the retreating Serbs.

On the streets of Pristina, the Kosovo capital, the number of NATO security checkpoints grew noticeably, especially in the neighborhood of the rebels' offices.

There were about 40,000 Yugoslav troops in Kosovo before an international peace deal reached June 9 ended NATO's 78-day bombing campaign against Yugoslavia. Only 3,000 to 5,000 remain, and "it would not be unreasonable to expect" that they could all be gone by noon today, peacekeepers' spokesman Lt. Col. Robin Clifford said Saturday.

Peacekeeping officials talked Saturday with the Kosovo Liberation Army about how the ethnic Albanian rebels will demilitarize, as required under the Kosovo peace plan. No details of the meeting were available.

NATO also was making preliminary plans for the arrival of more Russian peacekeepers as part of the agreement reached Friday to deploy 3,600 Russian soldiers in Kosovo under Russian command in sectors assigned to the United States, France and Germany.

The first group of investigators for the international war crimes tribunal inspected sites Saturday of reported atrocities, said Paul Risley, a tribunal spokesman. He said more extensive work would begin early next week and that "the number of sites being reported to us is certainly larger than investigators anticipated."

Officials have estimated that 10,000 or more ethnic Albanians were killed in Serb massacres; some 90 mass grave sites have been reported.

Serb civilians fearing ethnic Albanian retaliation continued fleeing Kosovo. Several thousand people in tractors, cars and trucks on Saturday jammed the road across the border from Kosovo between Raska and Usce, 150 miles south of Belgrade.

The anger that ethnic Albanians harbor toward Serbs was dramatically evident Saturday in the devastated village of Zlokucani, as residents used a tractor to smash down the bust of a Serb symbol of ethnic cooperation.

Peacekeepers continue to uncover evidence of revenge attacks by ethnic Albanians. On Friday, German peacekeepers taking over a rebel-held police station in Prizren, Kosovo's second-largest city, found 15 Gypsies and ethnic Albanians, many of them bruised and bloody and chained to radiators. An elderly man bound to a chair appeared to have died shortly before the Germans arrived, spokesman Lt. Col. Dietmar Jeserich said.

Reports of abuse and violence multiplied: a Serb couple found dead on their doorstep, a 16-year-old Serb killed in a country road ambush.

In Orahovac, 30 miles southwest of Pristina, a delegation led by Lt. Col. Gen. Obrad Stevanovic of the Serbian special police urged the last 3,000 Serbs in town to leave, German forces said. NATO troops on Saturday set up roadblocks around the city's Serb quarter to keep rebels out.

The leader of the Serbian Orthodox Church pleaded with his flock to stay in Kosovo, which Serbs consider the cradle of their culture. To set an example he moved back Friday to the northwestern Kosovo city of Pec.

Serbian Deputy Prime Minister Miolvan Bojic, in a statement carried by the official Yugoslav news agency Tanjug, called on Serb refugees from Kosovo to join organized convoys and return to the province within 48 hours.

"Knowing how difficult it is for you, dear citizens, we government ministers, our deputies and other state officials will follow you on your journey home," Bojic was quoted as saying.



AP Photo

Italian Army B.O.E., Bonifica Ordigni Esplosivi, anti-mine division NATO soldiers, unload a mortar bombs container from a Serb Army truck found on a road in the town of Gjurakovac, southern Kosovo, Saturday. The truck was loaded with anti-personnel and anti-tank mines and mortar bombs.

Clash with riot police sparks possible campaign theme in upcoming elections

By Sam Dillon
N.Y. Times News Service

NAUCALPAN, Mexico — The fatal shooting of a young municipal worker this week by a police officer here provoked a rampage of partisan violence that could affect the outcome of closely watched gubernatorial elections next month in Mexico's most populous state.

On Thursday, union activists loyal to President Ernesto Zedillo's governing party attacked municipal police in this industrial suburb governed by the opposition, vowing to avenge the killing by police the day before. The violence suggests that police abuse is likely to be a potent campaign theme as Mexico moves toward presidential balloting next year.

Naucalpan is a city of 1 million residents in the state of Mexico, a region of smoky factories and gritty slums adjoining Mexico City. The state has for 70 years been governed by Zedillo's Institutional Revolutionary Party.

Gubernatorial elections are scheduled for July 4, and Jose Luis Duran, who two years ago won election as Naucalpan's first opposition mayor, has taken a leave of absence to run as the candidate of the pro-business National Action Party, called PAN.

Statewide opinion surveys show Duran to be closing a modest lead held by Ricardo Montiel, the PRI candidate. Higinio Martinez, the candidate of a leftist party, is running a distant third.

All three candidates have sought to capitalize on public distress over crime and police corruption, which are rampant all across Mexico and which no party has battled with much success.

On Wednesday afternoon, two Naucalpan police officers attempted to detain Mauricio Martinez Hernandez, a 25-year-old city waterworks employee, and one of the officers shot him dead when he attempted to flee, in disputed circumstances. Naucalpan's acting mayor said in an interview Saturday that the killing followed a dispute between Martinez and the officer over a woman; local PRI leaders insist the shooting occurred after Martinez resisted police attempts to rob him.

Angry residents gathered around Martinez's body, the officers fled in their squad car, and local PRI leaders, shouting at the crowd, immediately blamed the killing on Duran. Within hours of the shooting, thousands of handbills headlined "Killer Police, Duran's Legacy!" were being distributed across the state of Mexico. In one city north of Naucalpan, state police officers were seen distributing the leaflets, National Action officials said.

On Thursday, during a public display of Martinez's coffin in the Naucalpan plaza, leaders of his union, which is affiliated with the PRI, urged about 1,000 municipal workers to take vengeance. Some 300 laid siege to the Naucalpan police headquarters and city hall, shattering windows with rocks and engaging in hand-to-hand combat with 500 helmeted riot police officers, some of whom appeared to have fired their service revolvers. Several officers were dragged away from police lines, disarmed and beaten. One officer's leg was broken.

At least 30 people, including seven officers, were injured and at least one union worker was wounded by gunfire. Five police cars were destroyed, city officials said.

Naucalpan's police have arrested the officer accused of shooting Martinez. The other is a fugitive. The investigation of the death, however, appears most likely to be caught up in the partisan warfare, because jurisdiction falls to state detectives who work for the PRI governor.

The Naucalpan violence took center stage in the campaign for the governorship, Mexico's most important electoral contest before presidential balloting next year. But it was not immediately clear who would be hurt and who would benefit.

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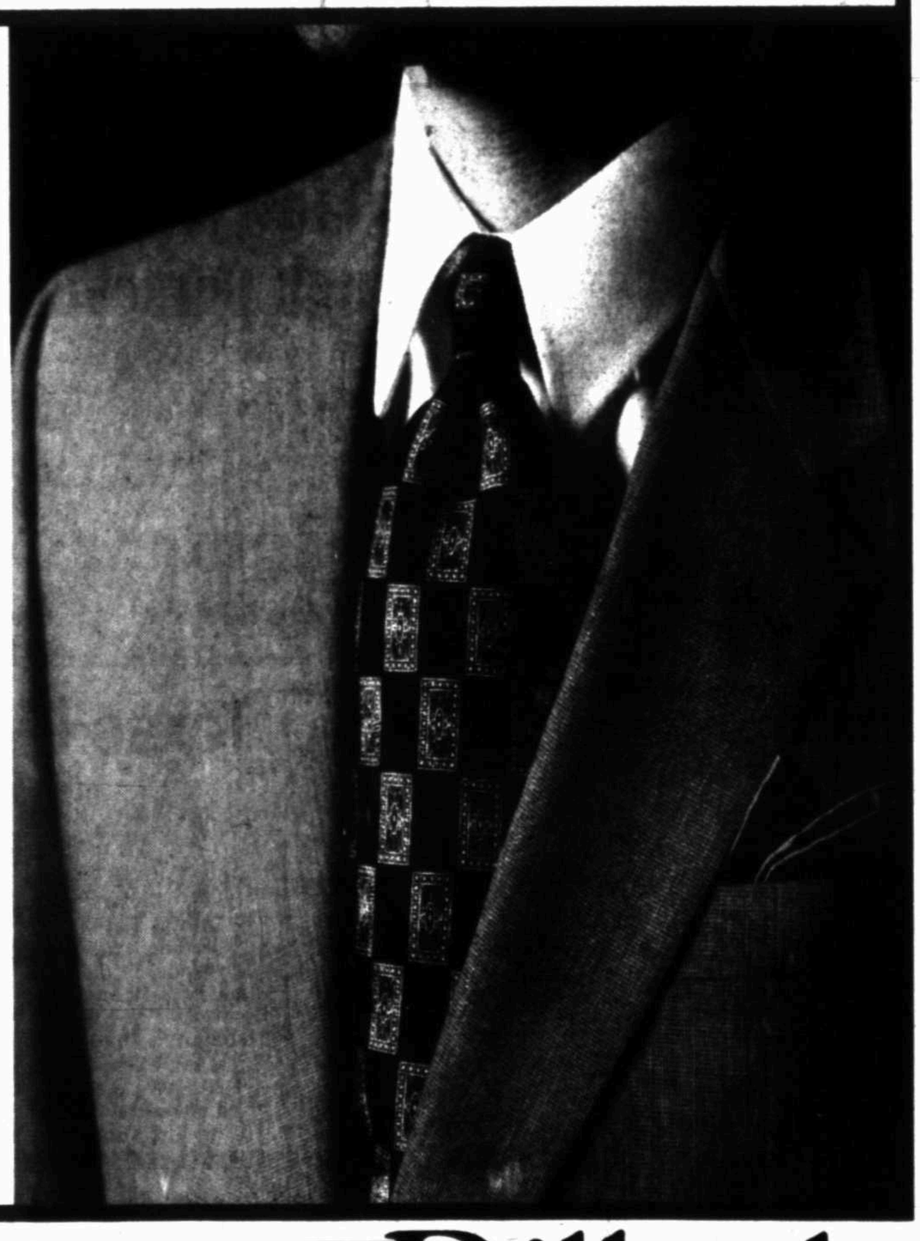
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World leaders, Russia at odds over aid

COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — World leaders were blocked by Russia on Saturday from adopting a Kosovo rebuilding program that excludes Slobodan Milosevic's regime. They held out the possibility of fixing Belgrade's bombed-out power plants and roads for humanitarian reasons.

Though Russia's objections prevented a tough stand against the Yugoslav president, the leaders prepared to offer Russian President Boris Yeltsin a badly needed economic boost.

Yeltsin, angry over NATO's 78-day bombing campaign against Belgrade, was described as "in a fighting mood." He will arrive here today.

President Clinton, French President Jacques Chirac and British Prime Minister Tony Blair have been the most outspoken in their opposition to assistance for Milosevic. But Sandy Berger, the national security adviser, said the summit's final communique would be silent about banning help for Milosevic because Russia refused to go along.

Berger also said it was an open question whether restoring Belgrade's electricity might be covered by humanitarian aid. A European official said rebuilding roads could be covered.

Meeting in this ancient cathedral city, the presidents and prime ministers of eight nations worked on a plan to ease the burden of $69 billion in Soviet-era debt.

They also were expected to endorse quick resumption of $4.5 billion in Western loans for Moscow that were suspended when Russia's economy collapsed last August.

While the leaders conferred, at least 20,000 people, led by Irish rocker Bono of the band U2, held hands to form a human chain around Cologne. They protested the summit's $100 billion debt-relief plan for poor nations, calling it inadequate.

"We appreciate the absurdity of how it looks, spoiled rock stars on this serious issue," Bono said. He presented a petition to German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, the summit host, and talked directly with British Prime Minister Tony Blair.

Meeting in a modernistic art museum, the leaders moved toward approval of Clinton's proposal to increase aid to help Moscow control of its nuclear arsenal.

The United States has pledged $4.2 billion, and Japan has offered $200 million to dismantle nuclear weapons, dispose of plutonium, decommission nuclear submarines and employ Russia's arms scientists in civilian jobs.

Preparing for talks with Yeltsin, Clinton conferred with Russia's new prime minister, Sergei Stepashin.



AP Photo

President Clinton, center, and German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, right, are surrounded by children in Cologne on Saturday, the second day of the G8 summit. Leaders of the seven most important industrial nations and Russia are meeting at the summit over the weekend.

Berger said Stepashin told the president that Kosovo "obviously had put a strain in our relationship" but that "it's important to move beyond" that dispute. Berger said Clinton agreed.

But Yeltsin still appeared angry. He was quoted in a magazine interview as likening the bombing of Yugoslavia as an attempt "to drag us back into the Stone Age."

"In our eyes, an extremely dangerous precedent for solving conflicts has been set," the Russian leader told Der Spiegel. He complained that a "NATO-centered model" of European security ignored Russian interests.

Yeltsin spokesman Dmitry Yakushkin said Yugoslavia is the most important issue for Yeltsin, adding, "He is in a fighting mood."

"A major aim by Russia is to secure its place in the world arena," Yakushkin told reporters. Berger, asked about Yeltsin's fighting mood, said, "I don't know what to make of that."

Officials said Kosovo and a Balkan rebuilding program was the major topic of the leaders' dinner Friday night. Arguing for aid to Serbia, Stepashin was quoted by Chirac as saying that "the conduct of one man must not penalize 10 million Serbs."

But Clinton and other allied leaders held firm in insisting Milosevic must not benefit from the reconstruction program.

"We would very much like it to include Serbia," Berger said, "but not so long as Serbia is led by an indicted war criminal.

Serbia is the dominant of Yugoslavia's two remaining republics. Kosovo is a Serbian province.

Berger said it was difficult to imagine paying for rebuilding a country that did not share Western values of democracy, tolerance and human rights.

"I know that is not the Russian view because there has been some discussion of this issue in the context of the communique," Berger said. "I believe the communique probably therefore will not address the issue."

All of the leaders have signaled a willingness to provide humanitarian aid to Yugoslavia, and there were varying interpretations of how to define that. Berger suggested it might include rebuilding bombed power plants, as well as food, medicine and basic human needs.

He said the line between humanitarian and reconstruction aid was blurred, and that restoring electricity "is one of the toughest examples. ... It doesn't know what side of the line it's on."

Guenther Burghardt, a political director at the European Commission, said the European Union was preparing a package of $480 million a year over three years in "humanitarian assistance" covering the immediate needs of refugees returning to Kosovo.

However, that money would pay for rebuilding roads and other items that may be seen as economic and not strictly humanitarian aid, Burghardt said.

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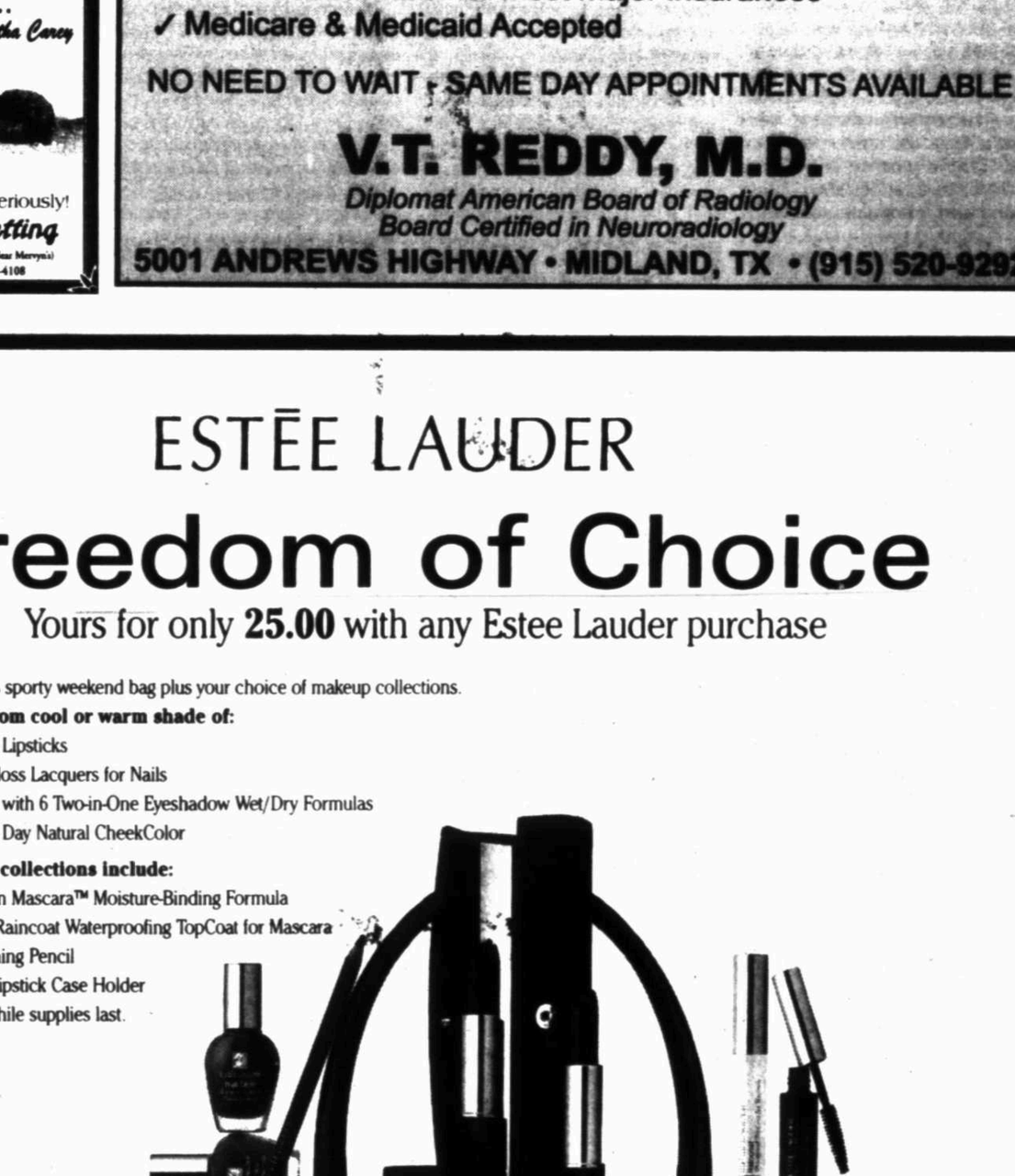
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VISION: Youth issues committee wants to involve kids in programs already available

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Task Force, identified one of his group's main goals as combining some functions of the city and county governments.

"Possibly accounting, purchasing and elections are some services that could be combined," Nobles said, adding that doing so could save a good portion of money.

Some suggestions for spending those savings were for disaster relief, a learning center or a public library, though many additional uses could be considered.

Nobles' task force also thought that ensuring long-term water supplies and governmental support of economic development were high priorities.

"How do we get those bodies to support economic development? By revitalizing downtown," and painting signage to promote the area, he said.

He suggested that putting non-profit organizations in downtown offices would lend the appearance that the district is thriving.

New Health Service; Mass Transit

One deficiency unearthed by the Health and Social Services Task Force was that the indigent and elderly have transportation needs in relation to health care service.

Eileen Piwetz told of a nurse practitioner who asked 100 patients why they had missed appointments

"Twenty-five percent said it was because they didn't have transportation to get there."

Ms. Piwetz also passed along findings that better and additional services are needed for long-term geriatric care. Additionally, a need for a breast care center and a regional health services clearinghouse were identified as needs.

Ways to occupy spare time

Mary Lou Cassidy heads up the task force formerly known as the Leisure Task Force. As head of that committee, Ms. Cassidy's first official act was to change the name to Arts/Sports/Parks.

That previous name, "sort of implied that we were sitting around drinking pina coladas on the beach," she joked.

The subject matter of her group was anything less than humorous. Ideas being advanced among the task force center on the need for a performing arts center, an expanded branch library, historical preservation and development, a central ticketing office for local events and an IMAX theater.

Ms. Cassidy said the toughest thing about work on leisure activities is catching up with the work that's already been done.

"We sort of had our goals preordained," she said.

Architectural studies have already been done and presented on a performing arts center and in the area of sports; plans for a sports complex are heading into the final phases before construction.

"That was so preordained they started without us."

Other ideas presented were an expo center and indoor facilities for volleyball and basketball.

The Expo Center also falls into this category. The board behind that facility has plans and cost estimates as well as a location in place.

A great place for senior citizens

According to Schatzie Tighe, who spoke on behalf of the Seniors and Housing Task Force, Midland is becoming quite a mecca for retirees. Some 3,300 retirees have joined the community since 1987, making attraction of retirees a prime goal and motivator for other services.

Ms. Tighe said that because of the influx, Midland needs more "geriatric-trained medical personnel, more affordable nursing homes, assisted living for low income seniors and a senior community center on the north side of town."

Ideas about housing have not yet been identified by the group, she reported.

Traveling Midland style

Everybody has to go somewhere at sometime, whether by foot, plane, train or car. Because transportation is a long-standing issue, the task force responsible for its goals looked even further down the road than 2000.

One of the long-range suggestions established by the Transportation Task Force would be to build a four-lane connection from Midland to Lubbock. Enhancement of on/off ramps along Interstate 20 and development of a southwestern corridor to Mexico were also key ideas in the committee's sights.

It's for the kids

Though ideas costing millions of dollars and involving thousands of people were discussed by the various groups speaking, none seemed to pique public interest as much as the presentation by the Youth Issues committee. Chairman Shane Stokes fielded several questions, with the audience adding additional ideas.

He said his group had concluded that youth problems in Midland can't necessarily be solved by adding more programs but by getting more young people involved in the programs already available.

"There are a lot of really good programs available but a lot of people are missing the boat by not getting their kids involved," Stokes said.

Which leads to another need.

He said that "if we get more kids involved, we'll need more volunteers," which was an idea supported by Big Brothers/Big Sisters representative Sandy Tisdale.

Ms. Tisdale said a boy in her program has to wait an average of 18 months before being paired with a mentor because there aren't enough volunteers available.

Stokes also discussed the need for more mentors not only for children but for parents as well. He also addressed the need for more community support and involvement in parenting classes.

Fueling future growth

Ken Burgess addressed a topic close to the chamber's own heart — economic development.

The Economic Development Task Force hasn't yet identified any action goals. It has, however, determined Midland's strengths and weaknesses in the area of economic development and fields that could benefit from economic development. Those included developing medical research programs, developing petroleum-based value added products, promoting tourism, and becoming a regional distribution hub among other ideas.

One area the group identified as a possible goal was to ensure that public schools are adequate to accommodate a swell in the local population.

Education

Developing trust and communication were two of the top priorities set out by Karen Nicholson in briefing the chamber on educational issues.

"There are people in our community whot don't trust the school board and there are people on the school board who don't trust the administration," said Ms. Nicholson, adding that before successful communication and therefore positive results to occur, trust must be established.

She emphasized that the Education Task Force wasn't devoting all its efforts to MISD, but a large part because of the number of students served by the district.

"We're setting education goals for the whole community. We're not trying to micro-manage the schools."

Ms. Nicholson also identified the need for more parental involvement in schools, citing studies showing educational success in proportion to the amount of parental involvement. She also pointed out the need for investment in education.

"Is education valuable?" she asked.

Bricks and mortar

Whether it's sports, education, transportation or any other task force focus, chances are services offered in those realms need a building at some point in their existence. That's where the Facilities Task Force comes in.

Lu Ann Morgan updated the chamber on the top priorities of the committee she serves on as being a sports complex, performing arts center, convention center, expo center, a new high school and renovation of current high schools and community centers.

"We decided to go for the dreams of bricks and mortar," Ms. Morgan said.

She added that in search of those dreams the cost is of less concern than the vision of what those facilities will do for Midland.

"Vision is what it's all about," she concluded.

The next chapter in the opus of Vision 2000 will be the collection of data gathered in a survey appearing in today's Midland Reporter Telegram. Chamber officials asked that surveys be returned to the chamber within the next week.

PROGRAM: Counselor says success rate of Texas Place is hard to gauge

(From 1A)

"After I got her into Texas Place I could see an improvement right away," the mother said. "They work with her on issues and I can see that she is getting better.

"It is not always easy for her. Sometimes she doesn't want to go, when she knows what the topic is going to be that day. She will say she is sick or just doesn't want to go, especially when they are covering a topic she doesn't want to deal with. But I push her to go. That is where she is getting better. Also, when I have a problem with her I can't handle I will call them (Texas Place). They are just so good with her. I don't want her to end up going down the wrong path."

The program is so effective, Ms. Davis added, that she wished all her children could have benefited from what Texas Place has offered Equilla.

"Equilla's two older sisters (18 and 19) both already have kids," Ms. Davis said. "One is married and the other is a single mom. I don't think either of them would be in that situation if I had put them in Texas Place when they were younger."

Even Equilla admits that she owes her turnaround to the people and the program at Texas Place. She said that she has now seen the error of her ways.

"After my mom enrolled me into Texas Place I have changed my whole attitude toward people," she said. "I used to get so mad when anyone told me anything. If someone gave me attitude, I would deal with it by fighting with them. Now I've learned to deal with my problems and not get so angry all the time. Because of what I have learned here, my mom and I hardly fight anymore. We can actually sit down and talk to each other like normal people."

More than dealing with her anger, Equilla said she has also learned things that will help her stay safe.

"We learn about HIV, AIDS, and how to avoid drugs," she said. "I think it's nice that you can talk about your emotions and how you're feeling. It's a great place, you get to talk with people who understand you, and I really think it could help you if you want it to."

Others agree.

Midlander Norman L. Briscoe, father of Carnie, 15, found himself in a similar situation as Ms. Davis. He was having trouble with his daughter and he needed help. But once Texas Place came into the picture he said he couldn't believe the turnaround he saw in his little girl.

"My daughter was in a very hostile mood," Briscoe said. "I had her in other programs around town but nothing seemed to work. Then MHMR (Mental Health and Mental Retardation) told us about Texas Place.

"That moment was the best thing that ever happened for me and my daughter. It was like light and dark, someone hit the switch. Ted (Ted Ward, one of the counselors at Texas Place) has been fantastic in his work with my daughter. He has really helped her get over her depression. She is like a whole different person.

"I tell everyone I know about this place," he added. "It's a godsend, plain and simple. Ted and Glenda (Glenda Collins, the other Texas Place counselor) stay in touch with me and let me know what I can do to be there for my daughter. And being a single dad ... every little bit really helps."

Carnie shared her father's enthusiasm about her improvement. She said the program has helped her deal with her problems and take a positive outlook on life.

"It helps you a great deal if you want it to," Carnie said. "They really boost you up here. My self-confidence is really high now. If anyone is having a hard time right now, I think it (Texas Place) could really help you if you want it to.

"Because of their (Texas Place) help, I have been able to get my grades up from all 'Fs' to all 'Bs'. I have learned not to get so angry at every little thing and to take responsibility for my actions. Even my home life has turned around since I have been here.

"You don't have to be afraid here. No one will laugh at you and they understand you here. No matter how bad you think your problems are or what your problem is, they will understand. They pay so much attention to you that you feel comfortable and it's easy to come out of your shell."

But is the program 100 percent successful?

Mary Milliren, a counselor at Milam Elementary School, said that she has seen positive results, but because the program deals with prevention it's hard to put the results in a percentage form.

"Texas Place works in the prevention area," she said. "If you educate a child about the dangers of drugs and alcohol it will give them the skills to be responsible and make good decisions. It's not 100 percent effective, of course, but it is hard to judge success rates with a program like this."

However, the 50 to 70 young people at Texas Place are only a small number in comparison with the number of kids who are living the lifestyle the program tries to protect them from.

According to a 1998 report from the Permian Basin Regulatory Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, the following is a list of the number of juveniles involved in alcohol- and drug-related crimes in Midland County:

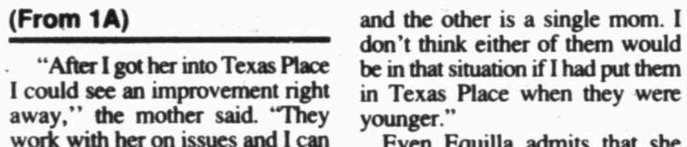
- Total drug use violations — 174
- Total drug possession — 168
- Total drug abuse-sale/manufacturing — 44
- Total DUI (Driving Under the Influence) — 7
- Liquor law violations — 108

The report also showed that overall in Midland County in 1998 there were 50 alcohol- related deaths; 11 drug-related deaths; 10 alcohol-related injury accidents and 11 drug-related injury accidents.

WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 94	High 88	High 93
Low 65	Low 67	Low 66

Today's forecast calls for mostly cloudy skies with a high in the mid-90s. Winds will be from the southeast at 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms and a low near 65.

Monday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the upper 80s.

After an overnight low of 70, Saturday's high reached 91, compared to the record high for that date of 107 set in 1951. The record low of 56 was set in 1985.

Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall Saturday	1.26 in.	High	91
Rainfall Friday	0.00 in.	Low	70
Total for month	2.73 in.	Normal high	94
Total for year	5.57 in.	Normal low	67
Normal total (year to date)	5.36 in.		

Sunrise ... 6:43 a.m. **Sunset** ... 8:57 p.m.

National forecast

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 8:00 p.m. EDT.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Abilene,Tex	90	69		cdy
Atlanta	78	60		clr
Atlantic City	78	49		cdy
Austin	92	68		cdy
Baltimore	78	50		cdy
Baton Rouge	88	65		cdy
Boston	72	56		cdy
Bridgeport	76	55		cdy
Brownsville	89	75	.12	cdy
Buffalo	77	51		cdy
Chicago	77	58		cdy
Cincinnati	78	54		cdy
Cleveland	74	48		cdy
Colorado Springs	83	52		cdy
Dallas-Ft Worth	91	68		cdy
Dayton	76	52		cdy
Daytona Beach	86	75	.33	rn
Denver	86	56		cdy
Des Moines	77	59	.04	cdy
Detroit	74	55		cdy
Fargo	68	57		cdy
Flagstaff	84	44		cdy
Flint	74	50		cdy
Green Bay	77	52		cdy
Honolulu	86	73		clr
Houston	90	70	.01	cdy
Huntsville	80	63		cdy
Indianapolis	76	59		cdy
Jackson,Miss	88	58		cdy
Jacksonville	80	72		cdy
Las Vegas	107	79		clr
Lincoln	68	61		cdy
Little Rock	85	61		cdy
Los Angeles	69	56		clr
Memphis	87	65		cdy
Miami Beach	80	76	.83	rn
Milwaukee	71	56		cdy
Mpls-St Paul	65	59	.03	cdy
Mobile	86	66		cdy
Montgomery	84	69		cdy
Nashville	83	58		cdy
New Orleans	88	70		cdy
New York City	79	62		cdy
Newark	80	56		cdy
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Phoenix	107	84		cdy
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Richmond	77	54		cdy
Sacramento	88	56		clr
Salem,Ore.	72	54		cdy
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Savannah	80	63		cdy
Seattle	65	53		cdy
Shreveport	88	62		cdy
Sioux City	70	62		cdy
Sioux Falls	69	57	.23	cdy
South Bend	76	57		cdy
Spokane	71	49		cdy
Springfield,Ill.	76	61		cdy
Springfield,Mo.	73	58	.28	cdy
Syracuse	78	47		cdy
Tallahassee	88	69		cdy
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	88	73	.09	rn
Toledo	76	48		cdy
Topeka	69	58	.30	cdy
Tucson	100	76		cdy
Tulsa	72	62	1.03	cdy
Tupelo	85	64		cdy
Waco	93	70		cdy
Washington,D.C.	79	57		cdy
W.Palm Beach	79	73	.56	rn
Wichita	69	60	.18	cdy
Wichita Falls	93	69		cdy
Wilkes-Barre	76	46		cdy

Organization reaches out to help future of Midland

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

It was nine years ago that the MHMR (Mental Health and Mental Retardation) and Permian Basin Community Centers worked to develop a program for at-risk area youth.

The fruit of their labor is called Texas Place, an adolescent substance-abuse program that may be among Midland's best-kept secrets.

"MHMR and the Permian Basin Community Centers verified through judges and teachers that a program was needed for at-risk kids in Midland," said Ted Ward, a Texas Place counselor. "Grants were applied for and the program grew from there."

Texas Place —which is funded by the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse —is one approach to helping young people, ranging in age from 7 to 17, deal with problems such as drug and alcohol abuse.

However, unlike some other programs, Texas Place takes its work a bit further. In addition to the counseling for the older teens, Texas Place has programs for younger children that deal with prevention.

"We think it's important to try to not only deal with the problem but help keep it from happening," said Glenda Collins, another of the Texas Place counselors. "We want to help kids who have problems, but we'd rather work with kids now and keep the problems from happening."

A typical day at Texas Place begins with homework and a snack, according to Ms. Collins. The students who have homework go to the "homework room," where they are encouraged to finish their school assignments and where they have access to a tutor.

Once the homework is done, the young people can play games, watch television or do other activities. They are encouraged to talk to counselors if they need to.

"We let the kids know we're available to talk about any problems they may be having," Ms. Collins said.

Ward said in order to keep young people from "falling through the cracks," Texas Place works with a wide range of people from the child's life.

"We keep in constant contact with the child's teachers, parents, principal and whoever else we need to make sure everyone who is involved with the care of the child is on the same page," he said. "If we all know what's going on with a kid then we can all work together to help that child."

Ward added that if they hear about something that happened at school or somewhere else they may ask the child if he wants to talk about it. However, the ball is in the child's court. They must make the first move.

Ms. Collins said the young people get to Texas Place in a number of different ways. Some are referred by principals, judges and parents, while others come because they want to change.

Mary Milliren, a counselor at Milam Elementary School, said that she tries to recommend children who could benefit from prevention training.

"The kind of child we end up referring to Texas Place may be at-risk for future drug or alcohol abuse," Ms. Milliren said. "They have a low self-esteem and could be open to negative peer pressure Maybe there is drug or alcohol abuse in their family or their neighborhood."

Regardless of how they got into the program, once the young people are at Texas Place Ms. Collins said the counselors work hard to see to it that the children receive the help they need.

"We have strong relationships with the schools," she said. "We pick the kids up after school on the days they are supposed to come to Texas Place. When a kid comes here we let them know that they are in charge. We had some new kids enrolled who didn't show up. So I went by their home and picked them up. They were not use to people caring enough to follow up on them. It made a big difference to them that we did."

Although helping children is the goal at Texas Place, not all young people need what the program offers, Ward acknowledged.

"Texas Place is not for everyone. Some kids don't want to be here and other kids don't need to be here. When we run into such a case, we will refer them to the Boys Club, Big Brothers-Big Sisters or other programs. If a child needs to be in another program we explain to them what they have to do before they can come back."

To be eligible for Texas Place, a young person must meet at least two of the following criteria:

- currently experimenting with alcohol or drugs, or have a family member who is a substance abuser;
- experiencing school problems — such as increased absenteeism, declining grades, frequent suspensions, and repeated visits to school administration for disciplinary action;
- sexually active or pregnant;
- economically disadvantaged;
- inadequate supervision or care;
- committing delinquent acts or socially unacceptable behavior, or time spent in a juvenile detention center or otherwise involved in the criminal justice system;
- victim of sexual, physical, or psychological abuse/neglect;
- troubled relationships with adults or peers;
- dropped out of school, untrained or unemployed;
- personal or family difficulties/problems.

Counselors said, however, that even if someone does not meet the criteria for individual, family or group services he can participate in on-site alternative activities if accompanied by a current client or if he has been referred by a mental health/substance abuse agency or placed on a waiting list for the counseling segment of the program.

Once enrolled a youth can stay until they and the counselors think they are ready to leave. However, once a young person has reached the 17-year-old limit set by Texas Place, and need additional counseling, they will be referred to people who can help.

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For more information, questions, or appointments, please contact the staff at Texas Place at 570-3394.

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DOWNPOUR: TxDOT activated anti-flooding pumps

(From 1A)

Near the Wadley-Barron Park, where runoff brought the pond's water level to near cresting at the three retaining walls, the rain measured 1.63 inches.

At the Highway 191 underpass at Loop 250, a pickup stalled in a 3- to 4-foot pool. The motionless vehicle scared off other motorists on 191's eastbound lane. Some cars drove in reverse for half a mile to exit the closest ramp.

"I've never seen anything like this," said Don Caldwell, one of Saturday's weather watchers who has lived in Midland for 11 years. "I'd hate to be the cleanup crew tomorrow."

Anti-flooding pumps were activated by the Texas Department of Transportation at the overpass at Andrews Highway and Texas Highway 191. So were other pumps at the underpass of Farm-to-Market Road 1788 and Business 20 and the underpass of State Highway 349 and Front Street, according to TxDOT maintenance worker Zane Honeyfield.

The Texas Department Public Safety said there were no emergencies in the Midland area.

The Midland County Sheriff's Office reported flooding areas southeast of town along Cloverdale Road.

Falwell's paper claims 'demonic legend' behind Lilith Fair name

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — The Rev. Jerry Falwell's newspaper, which previously claimed that a popular "Teletubbies" character is a gay role model, now asserts that the all-female Lilith Fair concert tour is named for a demon.

More than 800,000 people attended the summer concert series last year. The third and final tour begins July 8 and features artists including Sheryl Crow, The Dixie Chicks and Queen Latifah.

"Many young people no doubt attend the Lilith Fair concerts not knowing the demonic legend of the mystical woman whose name the series manifests," says the Parents Alert column in the June issue of National Liberty Journal.

According to ancient Jewish literature, Lilith was created by God as Adam's first wife, but left Eden after refusing to be submissive to Adam.

The Lilith Fair got its name from the character's original aspect, a woman seeking equality and independence, tour publicist Ambrosia Healy said Friday.

But the column in Falwell's conservative Christian newspaper says there are many conflicting accounts of the Lilith character.

According to pagan legend, it said, Lilith dwelled with demons after leaving Eden and went mad after witnessing the execution of her children. "As a result, she went on a killing spree, seducing and murdering her own demonic male offspring and then slaying their children."

Falwell was ridiculed after the same column in February asserted that the creators of the "Teletubbies" TV series for toddlers intended the character Tinky Winky as a gay role model.

"This Lilith Fair alert is certain to draw more fire, but we are willing to take the heat in order to document the truth behind the benign appearance of this music festival," said the article by senior editor J.M. Smith.

A spokeswoman for Falwell, Beth Bragg, said Friday that the Lynchburg minister had not read the column in the newspaper, in which he is listed as editor and publisher, and wouldn't comment.

"But he has the highest regard and confidence in his editor," she said.

The Lilith character also became the namesake of the Independent Jewish Women's Magazine.



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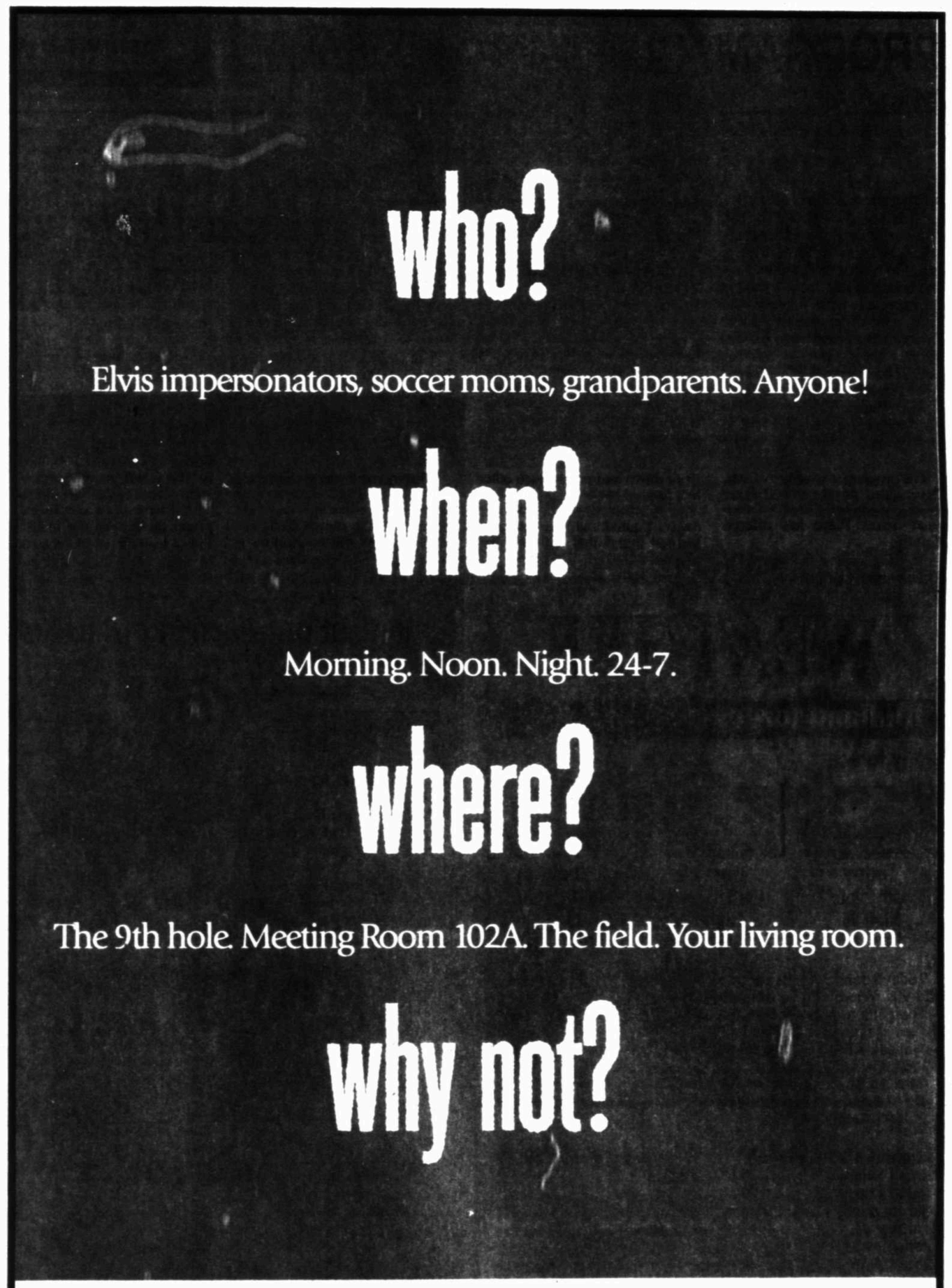
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LADD: Restroom anecdote reflects gratitude on the ordinary

(From 1A)

provider and to drastically alter his role as husband, father, and friend.

"You feel like you have to be a provider financially, taking care of their housing, clothes, school, and all that," Ladd said. "You also need to be a provider of spiritual strengths and moral character and teaching the kids how to live. I think that's probably the most important part."

The effects of a stroke may render the normal and mundane chores burdensome and challenging if not impossible. And for awhile they were for Ladd. He could do nothing but maybe move his head, swallow and speak incoherently.

Discouragement

"I couldn't comb my hair or shave," Ladd, an Eagle Scout from his youth in Midland, recalled of the early days of the stroke's effects. Feeding himself was a chore and drew this comment: "You look good in whatever you eat," Ladd recalled.

"My speech was so bad, I knew I couldn't practice law anymore. I'd say the wrong thing.

"I'd look at the window and say, 'Open the clouds' (meaning) 'open the curtains.' I felt I was losing my mind. I couldn't say what I wanted to say."

The day after suffering the stroke, Ladd had been flown by air ambulance to Dallas for what turned out to be a five-week stay in the Zale Lipshy University Hospital's intensive-care, regular care, and rehabilitation units under the care of neurologists and therapists.

"I couldn't get up by myself," Ladd said of his time in the intensive-care unit there. "I had to be propped up. I couldn't shave; I couldn't eat. I couldn't talk hardly at all. I couldn't pull the bed covers up. I couldn't take them off. I couldn't turn myself over in bed. I can't make a living."

In that dark time, Ladd said he had considered being admitted to a nursing home, a notion that grieved his wife and which she quickly squelched.

But in his humor well into his recovery, Ladd, speaking recently at a stroke-survivors meeting at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Midland-Odessa, told of a years-ago incident now made relevant to his stroke.

Following a law-firm meeting on finances, Ladd and his partner then, Buddy Boyd, happened to be in the restroom at the same time.

"And I was standing at the urinal, and he was at the other urinal. And I said, 'Buddy, how do you think we are doing?'

"And he said, 'Well, you know, we both can sit up and eat and stand up and pee. So I guess we are doing OK.' "

At the time, the exchange was "funny. Now, I think it is pretty important," Ladd said.

The anecdote reflected gratitude on the ordinary.

"I couldn't stand up and pee for about a month" following the stroke, Ladd said. "And there was about two weeks I couldn't even sit up to eat."

Stroke at dawn

On the morning of his stroke, Ladd, and his wife, Connie, were heading out about dawn for their morning walk around the Midland College circle when a "funny" feeling struck his right leg as if "it was going to sleep.

"I thought, 'My goodness. I wonder if I'm having a stroke." But his reflection in a mirror did not indicate a distortion.

"I just felt like I wanted to walk in circle instead of straight," Ladd, now in recovery and walking, talking, writing and driving and back at work, recalled last week. "My right leg didn't want to work. My left leg was strong, so I just kind of felt like walking around in a circle."

The right side of his body was getting numb, and his words became slurred.

His wife, who had witnessed the effects of strokes on her late father, wanted to take him to the hospital.

"When he said he was numb on the right side,' Mrs. Ladd recalled, "I said, 'Oh, my gosh. We are going to the hospital.'"

"I said, 'No. We are going to call P.V. Patel," an invasive cardiologist who is also Ladd's client," Ladd said. "And I called P.V. and, fortunately, he was at home and came right over" and gave him a couple of blood-thinning aspirins to take and directly drove him to Memorial Hospital and Medical Center.

"I could tell I was getting worse and worse," Ladd said. "My (right) hand no longer worked. My speech was such you no longer could understand what I said. ... I collapsed."

The next day, Ladd was flown by air ambulance to the hospital in Dallas.

Progress was incremental.

"Just being able to move your fingers is great," Ladd said. "Just being able to squeeze somebody's hand is great."

With him all the while was his encouraging wife, Connie, "my best cheerleader and therapist." They have been married since Aug. 16, 1975.

Their children, Jack Ladd Jr., 15, Glenn Ross Ladd, 12, CiCi, 4, and Douglas Smith, 3, were in Midland under the care of relatives and friends.

"If you think you won't get better, you won't try," Ladd said. "You've got to believe you are going to get better — visualize what you want to be."

And so he did bit by bit with the help of prayers, encouragement, therapists in Dallas and Midland and through his own determination not to give up.

"Sitting up on the edge of the bed was kind of a big deal," Ladd said of his progress.

In loving her husband with encouragement, Mrs. Ladd said that she learned to live more and more each day and to appreciate the ordinary, the normal, the mundane.

In moments of tears and smiles, she said there are ideals that gave her, her husband and family strength: keep the faith; don't give up; remain calm and optimistic in the face of chaos; let others help you; try to stay focused on what you have to do; live in the present.; no one (except the victims) can really understand the trauma of a stroke; and rejoice in each step toward healing.

Persevering

Innate in "Jack's character (is) persevering," Mrs. Ladd said of her husband, who now walks unaided but with a somewhat stiff right leg. His speech is returning to its former quality, and his handshake is getting stronger. And he has returned to full-time work and outpatient therapy.

"That really sums up Jack's personality," Mrs. Ladd said. "He perseveres and is the most determined person."

Ladd's recovery is hinged to his and the family's "faith that things were going to get better and just a positive attitude," Mrs. Ladd said.

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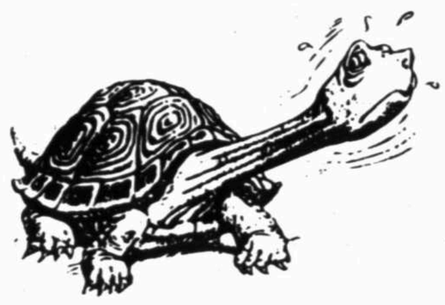
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'We happen to love each other'

Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex, plans to make marriage last

WINDSOR, England (AP) — Prince Edward wed commoner Sophie Rhys-Jones in the regal grandeur of Windsor Castle's ornate chapel Saturday, determined to avoid his siblings' highly publicized stumbles and make his marriage last.

Thousands lined the streets of this small town to celebrate the union of the new Earl of Wessex — the title his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, gave him as a wedding gift — and a radiant Miss Rhys-Jones, hereafter to be known as Her Royal Highness the Countess of Wessex.

Despite the royal splendor, it was a relatively modern ceremony for a decidedly modern couple.

The early evening service, attended by just 550 family members and friends, was held well away from London's great cathedrals and with no military processions or official representatives from other countries.

Edward, at 35 the queen's youngest child, is a television producer, and his 34-year-bride a public relations executive. They dated for almost six years before marrying, and both will continue working.

In an interview broadcast Saturday, the bridegroom said the couple possessed the cornerstone of a successful marriage, explaining that "we happen to love each other, which is the most important thing of all."

Their happiness showed during their nuptials, when Edward winked and beamed at his bride and in Miss Rhys-Jones' broad smile before uttering her vows.

The 45-minute service went off smoothly, except for the nerve-wracking moment when it appeared the bride's wedding ring would not slide onto her finger.

Standing at Edward's side during the ceremony were his two designated "supporters" — the royal equivalent of best man — brothers Prince Charles and Prince Andrew, both of whose marriages famously failed.

Also in St. George's Chapel was his sister, Princess Anne, who divorced her first husband but has been remarried for almost seven years.

The entire British royal family attended, including the queen and her husband, Prince Philip; Queen Mother Elizabeth, the bridegroom's 98-year-old grandmother; and the sons of Charles and the late Princess Diana, Prince William, 16, and Prince Harry, 14.



AP Photo

Prince Edward and his new bride Sophie leave St. George's Chapel in Windsor Castle after their wedding, Saturday. Thousands lined the streets of this small town to celebrate the union of the new Earl of Wessex, the title his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, gave him as a wedding gift, and a radiant Miss Rhys-Jones, hereafter to be known as Her Royal Highness the Countess of Wessex.

Andrew's former wife, Sarah Ferguson, was not invited, and Charles' longtime love, Camilla Parker-Bowles, was notably absent.

After the ceremony, the newlyweds took a jubilant ride in an open-topped carriage through the historic heart of Windsor, past cheering, flag-waving crowds, some of whom had camped overnight to secure prime spots.

The bride was elegant in an ivory silk organza paneled coat and corseted, V-neck dress strewn with 325,000 cut-glass and pearl beads, with a train of ivory tulle.

She wore a diamond tiara and a black and white pearl necklace and earrings designed for her as a wedding present by Edward, while he wore her gift to him — a gold Hunter pocket watch on a gold chain.

Hours before the wedding, the queen made her son the Earl of Wessex and Viscount Severn — not a duke as some had expected. Edward also eventually will inherit the title of Duke of Edinburgh, now held by his father, Buckingham Palace said.

Harold Brooks-Baker, publishing director of Burke's Peerage, said the decision to make Edward an earl rather than a duke indicated he would play a minor role in public life.

The newlyweds, who gave no hint where they plan to honeymoon, have indicated they hope to live a low-key life.

In a message from Cologne, Germany, where he is attending a summit of the world's leading industrial nations, Prime Minister Tony Blair assured the pair that they have "the support of the whole country."

"I'm sure they will be tremendously happy," Blair said.

Protesters block plant responsible for lead contamination

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Hundreds of residents of a northern Mexican neighborhood contaminated by a silver refinery blocked access to the company Saturday to protest a breakdown in negotiations to relocate their homes.

Between 200 and 300 people stood at three entrance points outside the Met-Mex Penoles plant in Torreon to keep out the roughly 2,000 workers and shut down operations, community leader Maria Dolores Guillen said by telephone.

The protest proceeded peacefully, with no sign of police intervention, Guillen said.

There was no one available at Met-Mex Penoles' offices in Mexico City on Saturday to comment, a security guard said.

Children living near the plant in Torreon, 500 miles north of Mexico City, have been shown to have abnormally high levels of lead in their blood. Studies show 85 percent of the children tested with an average level of 29.9 micrograms of lead: Levels above 10 micrograms are considered unhealthy.

Lead, which accumulates in the bone marrow, nerves and kidneys, can cause digestive problems, mental disturbances and paralysis. In extreme cases, it causes muscular collapse and convulsions, as well as brain disease.

In May, the government announced a plan to evacuate a 20-block area surrounding the plant, demolish 393 homes, bury lead-tainted soil under asphalt and trucked-in dirt and establish a dlrs 6 million fund to help sick children. It would be the largest environmental cleanup in Mexico's history.

Residents demand they be relocated to a new neighborhood with utilities and given homes with two rooms and a bathroom. The company has offered to provide land and three months' rent, Guillen said.

About 650 families live in the 393 homes slated for destruction, she said.

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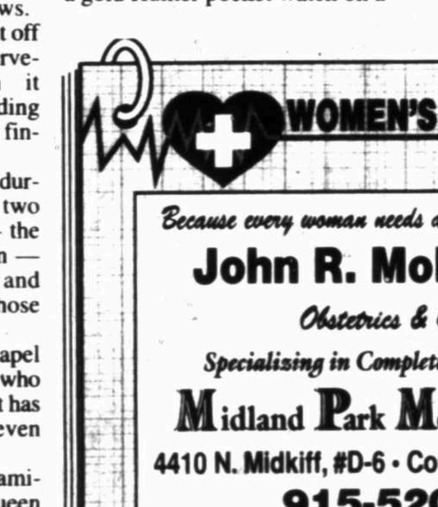
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Bullock provided Texans lesson in statesmanship

James Freeman Clarke, a 19th century Unitarian clergyman and author, observed, "The difference between a politician and a statesman is a politician thinks of the next election and a statesman thinks of the next generation."

That seems a particularly fitting quotation following the death Friday of Bob Bullock, by any measure a giant of Texas politics during the second half of the 20th century.

In a political career that spanned 42 years, Bullock served the people of Texas as a state legislator, on the Texas Historical Commission, as assistant attorney general, an aide to Gov. Preston Smith, as secretary of state, state comptroller and, finally, as lieutenant governor for eight years.

His political reach was awesome even though he never held the office that he had longed for over his entire lifetime — Governor of Texas. In 1984 he abandoned his quest for the governorship saying in his gruff monotone, "Frankly, there has been no great public clamor for my services as governor. I've had about 100 expressions of support and one $5 contribution from a Mr. Lan Nelson of Walker County, which I am returning."

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Although the clamor for his services as governor was not evident, Bullock will be remembered by many Texans of whatever political stripe as an outstanding public servant. Although he was a Democrat, both Republicans and Democrats that he served with in Austin and who he knew from the political field were his friends and respected his abilities and candor. He would cross political lines to do what he felt was right for the people of Texas, such as when he threw his support behind Gov. George W. Bush for re-election over Land Commissioner Garry Mauro.

Bullock explained his philosophy to politics thusly: "I have no agenda, but what's good for Texas. And I have no love, but Texas. God bless Texas."

He would challenge all politicians' claims on the state budget or tax revenues, and while state comptroller led raids against businesses throughout the state to collect taxes owed. He once said, "Everything you do in government deals with money. And what is my business? I'm money, that's my business, that's what I do. The better job I do, the better job every department in state government does, because they depend on what I raise."

Bob Bullock did his job well. Bob Bullock was an outstanding public servant and a bit more. He was a statesman.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, June 20, the 171st day of 1999. There are 194 days left in the year. This is Father's Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

On June 20, 1756, in India, a group of British soldiers was imprisoned in a suffocating cell that gained notoriety as the "Black Hole of Calcutta." Most died.

On this date:

In 1782, Congress approved the Great Seal of the United States.

In 1863, West Virginia became the 35th state.

In 1893, a jury in New Bedford, Mass., found Lizzie Borden innocent of the ax murders of her father and stepmother.

In 1898, during the Spanish-American War, the U.S. cruiser Charleston captured the Spanish-ruled island of Guam.

In 1943, race-related rioting erupted in Detroit; federal troops were sent in two days later to quell the violence that resulted in more than 30 deaths.

In 1947, Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel was shot dead at the Beverly Hills, Calif., mansion of his girlfriend Virginia Hill, apparently at the order of mob associates.

In 1948, the variety series "Toast of the Town," hosted by Ed Sullivan, debuted on CBS television.

In 1963, the United States and Soviet Union signed an agreement to set up a "hot line" communications link between the two superpowers.

In 1967, boxer Muhammad Ali was convicted in Houston of violating Selective Service laws by refusing to be drafted. The conviction was ultimately overturned.

JACK ANDERSON

Americans become 'guinea pigs' for Aussie beef

Sometime this summer, an estimated 500 million pounds of Australian beef will start arriving on American shores. Its origins won't be labeled, allowing it to be mixed with domestic beef and become part of a thousand backyard barbecues.

Nor will the beef be subject to the kinds of government inspections most consumers take for granted. Instead, the imports were approved by Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman under a new food-safety system that replaces those government inspectors with company officials.



Anderson

Critics are starting to raise a stink, questioning the safety of the beef and calling it a naked power-grab by the secretary.

"There is no excuse for making guinea pigs out of U.S. consumers for this new corporate honor system," said Tom Devine of the Government Accountability Project, a group that has provided legal protection for dozens of USDA whistleblowers. "Company self-inspection and food safety are oxymorons."

While the current agreement involves only one plant, the USDA is hoping to expand the program to a half-dozen plants by the end of July.

A similar proposal — which called for a single Australian government inspector to police each plant — was rejected by American officials two years ago.

In response, Australian officials agreed to double the number of government inspectors to two, and the USDA accepted the program. Employees of the meat-packing plants will perform on-the-line inspection duties, with government inspectors providing oversight and final approval.

Australian Agriculture Minister Mark Vaile called the new inspection system "the most fundamental change in a century of meat inspection."

Few see it as a positive change. The European Union has repeatedly rejected the new inspection system, concluding in their most recent report that it could "lead to serious problems with consequences to public health." In America, angry consumer groups argue that the system violates U.S. laws that call for government inspectors to examine each carcass.

"This is not a decision the secretary of Agriculture should be making," said Rod Leonard, who headed meat inspection in the Johnson administration. "It should be decided by the Congress. Only they can change the statute."

Glickman's move coincides with a peak in Australian salmonella rates. Since 1997, when many Australian meatpackers shifted to the new system, salmonella rates have doubled.

Glickman's move also coincides with efforts by his agency to implement a similar system in U.S. meatpacking plants. Although almost everyone agrees that reforms are needed in food inspection, there are many who wonder if the answer entails letting meatpackers police themselves.

Instead, experts say the biggest problem is the USDA's unwillingness to regulate slaughter speeds. A long series of concessions to the meatpacking industry has made carcass-by-carcass inspection an unmitigated disaster. For example, large poultry plants today process more than 91 birds a minute, giving inspectors less than one second to identify a diseased bird. Contamination from one bird can easily spread to dozens, if not hundreds. The average line-inspection time at large beef facilities hovers somewhere around eight seconds.

Bottom line? The Agriculture Department's policy of appeasement — letting meatpackers crank up the line speed — has spawned an inspection system that no longer works and under which foodborne illnesses are skyrocketing.

In response, agency officials in the early 1990s began stumping for "increased corporate responsibility." If companies were somehow involved in inspection, the reasoning went, they would have a greater incentive to prevent possible contamination.

This idea eventually produced the Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Points system, which has been criticized for putting too much oversight responsibility in the hands of meatpackers, who have every incentive to overlook problems.

"The USDA bureaucrats are trying to carve out an area where they are not responsible," Leonard told our associate Ashley Baker. "The department (is) trying to get away from their loss of effectiveness. The way they (are) doing this is by putting the responsibility on the companies."

But Agriculture officials don't see it that way.

"(The) USDA believes, and we said so in the final HACCP ruling, the responsibility must lie with the company that produces the food," said Clark Danford, deputy director for international policy at USDA. "The only way we can improve food safety is if the companies takes full responsibility for their product."

There's no question that corporate responsibility is a laudable goal. But not if it's done to absolve the USDA of a food-contamination problem that's threatening to grow out of control.

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COKIE ROBERTS AND STEVE V. ROBERTS

Turkey's situation isn't relative to Kosovo

With peace inching closer in Kosovo, it's time to ask a key question. What precedents have been set, and what lessons have been learned, from 10 weeks of war in the Balkans? Today we offer two contrasting answers.

STEVE: Give Clinton credit. Not exactly known for steadfastness and clarity, he has taken a position and stuck to it, even in the face of eroding public support. This is one of the few times in his presidency that he has chosen principle over popularity.

Yes, he miscalculated badly, thinking that Serb leader Slobodan Milosevic would cave in at the first sound of NATO bombs. But once the alliance was committed to battle, it had no alternative but victory. And Republicans who now begrudge Clinton his triumph, who seem almost sorry that their own country won, are making a big mistake.



Cokie and Steve Roberts

Still and all, Clinton and his allies have set a precedent that could be deeply troubling in the future. For the first time, NATO has attacked a sovereign country on behalf of an ethnic minority living within that country.

In effect, NATO has declared that sovereignty is an outmoded concept, that the forces of light and justice have the right to fight a war for moral reasons, even when their own vital national interests are not at stake.

But how would this principle really work? What about the Chechnians, and a dozen other ethnic factions seeking more autonomy from Moscow? Is the Western alliance now going to help Tibetans separate from China? Quebecois from Canada? Basques from Spain? Scots from Great Britain? Indian tribes from Mexico?

Then take Turkey, a NATO member, where a vast Kurdish minority has been battling the central government for years. Instead of helping the Kurds, as they did the Kosovars, the alliance has done exactly the opposite, encouraging Ankara to repress their own minority.

And how would Americans feel if other countries turned the principle back on us, and defended the territorial claims of native peoples in Oklahoma, say, or Montana? What if foreigners argued that the high percentage of minority inmates on Death Row demonstrates a violation of international moral norms?

There is an old adage that hard cases make bad law, and Kosovo is a hard case, because Milosevic is so evil and his crimes so ruthless. I'm glad the Serbs have been defeated. I hope Milosevic is deposed soon. I think Clinton and NATO deserve a sizable share of credit. But the allies should think long and hard before enunciating a new principle that justifies moral intervention at other times, in other places.

COKIE: Nothing gets my goat more than someone telling me, "If I do it for you, I have to do it for everyone." Wrong. We are intelligent beings who can make judgments. We don't have to lay down hard and fast principles. We can look at each situation on its own merits and make common sense decisions.

There's a vast difference between the longings of some ethnic minorities for independence and the brutal "ethnic cleansing" practiced by Slobodan Milosevic and his paid henchmen in the Serbian army. The International War Crimes Tribunal has made that abundantly clear by its indictments of the Yugoslav head of state and many of his military men. That court, by its very existence, rejects the proposition that sovereignty is sovereign. It reaches across national lines in an effort to exact justice no matter what the law of a given land might be.

What was the alternative to militarily taking on the murderous Milosevic? Sanctions didn't work, the indictments of his allies failed to phase him, repeated attempts at negotiated agreements simply gave him time to more completely carry out his campaign of terror. We could have done nothing, as we have done nothing in many other places on earth. In some of those places, as in the Sudan, I think we should have intervened to halt the horror. But that's not the relevant issue here.

What is relevant is only this case. Over the years we witnessed Slobodan Milosevic's single minded power grab-Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia, Kosovo-and we had the means to stop it. Here we had built the most effective military alliance in history with two goals in mind: stopping Soviet aggression, and creating a Europe whole and free. Only the bully in the Balkans was standing in the way of declaring success on both fronts. Could it have possibly been the right thing to stand back and let him continue his crimes against humanity because the humans happened to live inside the boundary lines of Yugoslavia?

As a good Catholic girl, I grew up learning about the principle of a just war — the concept, contrary to pacifist belief, that some wars are morally justifiable. From the time St. Augustine formulated the principle, kings and cardinals and caliphs have used it to rationalize their bloody quests for territory, for riches, for religious domination. Even when the warring nations have a good case, as the Allies did in World War II, the justice of the cause usually takes a back seat to the vital national interests at stake. This war was different, and it was right for this time in that place.

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GEORGE WILL

Beauty of speech marred by usual inconsistencies

WASHINGTON—William Henry Harrison's 1840 presidential campaign distributed pocket handkerchiefs printed with his purported birthplace, a log cabin. Harrison was born at Virginia's splendid Berkeley plantation.

Al Gore, the only presidential nominee in history who received most of his pre-college schooling in Washington, D.C., launched his campaign in Carthage, Tenn., vowing to confound those who slide "backward." He said, "I believe we can do better." Gore, a passionate recycler, got that trope by reaching back to John Kennedy's 1960 campaign.



Will

There was some beauty in Gore's Carthage speech, as in his reference of his remarkable mother, "a poor girl when poor girls were not supposed to dream." However, the speech confirmed Ezra Pound's definition of beauty as "a brief gasp between one cliche and another." Steel yourself for Gore rhetoric like this Carthage promise to make sure that children sentenced by life's lottery to grow up in the hell of suburbia will experience something more than "desolate stretches of structures and roads."

Perhaps he will explain to the Democratic Party's infantry of public school teachers (at the 1996 Democratic Convention, 11 percent of delegates and alternates were such teachers) why, if they are so fine, we need "revolutionary improvement to our public schools."

He recently said the federal grant process should funnel more resources through "faith-based organizations," and in Carthage he spoke of "working more closely with" such organizations. Ohio's Supreme Court recently joined Wisconsin's in affirming the constitutionality of school choice voucher programs that leave it up to parents to choose where the vouchers are redeemed: They can be redeemed at religious schools without violating the First Amendment proscription of "establishment" of religion. Do the teachers' unions have Gore on such a short leash that he still opposes such voucher programs that would empower poor parents to make the kind of educational choices that he and Tipper made?

In Carthage Gore lamented "schools where discipline is eroding." In the current issue of The Public Interest quarterly, Abigail Thernstrom argues persuasively that disorder in the schools is partly the result of liberal legislation and court decisions that have multiplied students' rights and limited the ability of schools to exercise disciplinary powers.

Thernstrom argues that there is a causal connection behind the correlation of increasing disorder in schools and various legislation and court rulings that "allow students and parents to construe every school disciplinary action as a subject of judicial interpretation." Litigation can arise from a wide range of school decisions. Unruliness can be construed as arising from an emotional "handicap," and hence the suspension may constitute illegal discrimination against the "disabled." Is Gore so concerned about disorder that he will question the legislation and court decisions that are exacerbating it?

Liberals who have been waiting for Lefty can reasonably read Gore's speech as an announcement that their long wait is over. In it Gore distanced himself not only from his patron, the president, but also from the president's pretense that "the era of big government is over."

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

LETTERS

MISD spending is pork barrel type

Concerning your editorial (Reporter-Telegram, June 16), it was a strong (fearless) message. One of your best in months. To quote from its tough-minded substance:

"This community is facing uncertain economic times. Homeowners are receiving property tax bills and many are expressing shock and surprise at the amount of increases in their bills.

"Midland families are watching every nickel.

"And so is this newspaper."

We say thanks for that and a big hooray! It is way past time that some organ of public affairs did. The school board is certainly not watching, much less restricting the spending of the school administration. This writer is one of the homeowners referred to in your editorial and the uncertainty and downturn in economic times is reality.

Not only would $50,000 go a long way toward easing the pain of most homeowners, but the $70,000 plus $36,000 your editorial referred to is entirely pork barrel in our estimate. MISD should not be allowed a public relations office (read "propaganda arm for increased spending") at any price, much less for a cost to taxpayers of $106,000 per year. We urge the Reporter-Telegram to keep digging and publishing the school administration's spending figures.

Evetts Haley Jr.

Midland should host more concerts

Midland is a great town to live in, but it does have its share of problems for a big town. I wish Midland would seek and promote rock 'n' roll and country and western concerts in Midland at Chaparral Center.

I know Midland is in a secondary market, but I sure wish we would get more concerts here.

I think some Midlanders that are in power don't like the concerts here because of the type of people who go to them and things that go on in a concert.

Well, Odessa sure doesn't have a problem with them. They aren't afraid of the money they generate.

When will the powers that be wake up and promote some of the entertainment that young Midlanders want? Instead we have to go 20 miles away to spend our money in another town. I think that if there is enough interest in the concerts we should have them here.

Mark Buttery

Answers sought from abortion clinic

Reading and listening to the media in this community about the Planned Parenthood (PP) abortuary leaves one to believe that there are many questions that the local media have not asked PP. By their own admission, PP has performed 800 abortions in the past year.

I would ask the following: How many abortions were performed on minors without their parents' knowledge? Have they been performing second trimester abortions since late in 1998? Is there a foundation that has and/or will pay for abortions for those who cannot afford it, specifically minors? What happens to the bodies of the babies who are cut up by the abortionist? Is the abortuary owned by outsiders or our community? Why is it that a doctor has to be flown in to do the abortions? How is it that Planned Parenthood claims to be doing a community service yet charges its "customers"? How much abortion counseling — post- and pre-abortion — is being given to women who come into the clinic? How many women had to be sent to the county hospital due to complications of abortion? Why does PP continue to make every effort to not allow the women to see the baby that is being torn from their womb? How much counseling is given to women who work there, especially those who have turned to alcohol and have nightmares because of having to count the body parts of the babies immediately after an abortion?

These questions are valid for they were formed after I personally had a conversation with a woman who used to work for PP of Midland. Can you hear their silent screams? The screaming not only of the babies who are dying but also the workers, doctors, and mothers? Why hasn't the local media raised these questions?

The anti-life forces usually wail and cry that pro-lifers are trying to force religion on them. None of these questions has anything to do with religion. These are legitimate questions aimed at PP. Other questions should be asked of the local authorities: What kind of health inspections take place? Is the blood of the innocent who have been killed washed into our water treatment center? Does PP meet all the fire codes of the city? What about inspections from the Health Department? Does the city provide security for the doctors and clinic?

I challenge the local media to break from the grip of routine reporting and the have the guts to ask these hard-hitting questions.

Michael R. LaMonica

6-year-old mistake is now a blessing

I am writing this letter in response to letters I have read recently about abortion in Midland. My son will be six years old this week and I am busy planning his birthday party. I will admit that I was afraid to have a child at the age of 18 and not married. I was afraid that I would be looked down on for having a child out of wedlock by my family and friends and that I had no way to support a child at the time.

But I decided that I could not go through with an abortion. Today, my son is the greatest joy of my life and the thought that I might have killed him before he was born overwhelms me. After my son was born, I was still able to earn a good job, which I have held for six years. I also married a wonderful man who loves both my son and me. There is no doubt that God has helped me and taught me responsibility through my son. If I had chosen to have an abortion, I would be like I was seven years ago with no idea where my life was going and still doing the same things that I was doing then.

Some people say that having an abortion is a woman's right. But what about the rights of the baby that your "choices" have already created? I am not judging anyone who has had an abortion, but to someone who is considering an abortion I can say from experience that the baby that you think is a problem now will someday be the greatest joy of your life, especially when he says, "I love you."

There are other options besides abortion. Abstinence and adoption are good answers. I pray that maybe this letter will reach someone who may be in a similar situation to mine before they have an abortion, and that you will opt for positive answers with the life of your baby in mind instead. I am so blessed with my son and I cannot thank God enough for my "mistake."

Kim Maddy

Month of prayer should be applauded

Mayor Burns has been taking heat recently for his month of prayer to end abortion. This letter applauds his efforts and offers some public encouragement. Being mayor doesn't mean he has to stop being either a thinking individual or a Christian. On the contrary, our elected leaders should lead us by promoting the things in which they believe and convincing us they are right. Unfortunately, too many of our politicians today are poll followers rather than statesmen.

Politicians often put forth ideas that I consider wrong, unconstitutional, stupid or even immoral. While the ideas may be questioned, their right to suggest the ideas is not. And those people want my money. All Burns asked for was my prayers.

Now some may not believe prayer can accomplish anything. In fact, one writer rather sarcastically ridiculed the concept. If prayer accomplishes nothing, then why was he so concerned? If prayer is ineffective, what difference does it make? Another writer gushed that God works His will through Planned Parenthood because they help people. I can't speak for God, but His Word (Proverbs 6) tells us that hands that shed innocent blood are detestable to Him (Even so, God will still save the repentant abortionist).

Abortion is the greatest moral problem facing our country. If the lives of our children are worth nothing, then our society is doomed to continuing decay. So Bobby, go ahead and pray. And believing Midlanders, join him.

Mike Kaufman

Watch out for Internet hoaxes

It happened again ... It seems that two or three times a month I receive an urgent message warning me of a new virus, scam or grave injustice that needs my immediate attention.

Remember the $250 Neimann-Marcus Cookie recipe? How about "It takes guts to say Jesus?" Did anyone else get a message that Microsoft will pay you to get others to use Internet Explorer (I just got a check for $800!)?

People, these are hoaxes written by some twisted soul with too much time, no morals and a need to feel important. Today (June 10), for the second time from a second sender, I received an urgent e-mail message stating that the government is going to find a new way to tax you and I by charging an e-mail tax. Well, I went to the United States House of Representatives web site http://www.house.gov/ and looked for the bill.

I went to the U.S. House web site and searched for bill 602P and found these pages in response.

From the office of Rep. Lamar Smith http://www.house.gov/lamarsmith/internet hoax.htm

To see more go to this search page and type, in 602p and click search http://www.house.gov/house/searchall.htm

I guess what I want to say is don't be duped. Was it P.T. Barnum that said that there is a sucker born every minute? It doesn't even cost the price of paper and a stamp to start an Internet rumor. If it sounds unbelievable or too good to be true it probably is.

If you wish to see some interesting articles on Internet scams and hoaxes check out these websites:

http://www.microsoft.com/security/Contact/hoaxes.asp

http://kumite.com/myths/ ...look at the "False Authority Syndrome" section.

Computer Incident Advisory Capability "Internet Hoaxes" page http://ciac.llnl.gov/ciac/CIACHoaxes.html

International Computer Security Association "Alerts and Hoaxes" page http://www.ncsa.com/services/consortia/anti-virus/alerthoax.html

DataFellows "Hoax Warnings" page http://www.datafellows.com/news/hoax.htm

Computer Viruses and Urban Legends at Yahoo.com http://www.yahoo.com/Society and Culture/Mythology and Folklore/Urban Legends/Computer_Viruses

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READER'S VIEWS: LITTER COLLECTOR

Local hero cleans up vacant lot

Yesterday (June 15) as we were out shooting some Keep Midland Beautiful public service announcements with Channel 9, we came upon Cody Bird of Greenwood who was cleaning up a vacant lot near Wal-mart.

He is, in my opinion, a local hero.

Thanks, Cody, for doing more than your part!

Bill Dingus

Greenwood man helps clean up

On Tuesday, June 15, Keep Midland Beautiful board members, volunteers and staff of KWES-9 were filming informational public service announcements in the vacant lots at Briarwood and Midland Drive. KWES has agreed to help us educate the public about the role they can play in making their city a better place.

The shot we were working on dealt with the problem of litter, open dumpsters and what individuals can do to alleviate the problem. While scanning the area, we noticed someone in the field collecting aluminum cans. John Bergman, past KMB chairman, and I approached the young man and saw that not only was he removing cans from the area, but all litter as well!

We introduced ourselves and made the acquaintance of Cody Bird. During our visit we learned that Cody doesn't live near the area, and he isn't even a resident of Midland! Cody lives in Greenwood and was visiting Midland with his parents. Not wanting to join them in a day of shopping, he had chosen to "do his part" and remove litter from the large vacant lot. What a wonderful example he has set.

I want to also publicly thank Ann Wall who has dedicated herself to removing litter in her neighborhood during her daily walks. She has also "adopted" littered areas throughout Midland. Ann continues lo enlist fellow Midlanders in her battle against litter. We appreciate her devotion.

Cindy Lanning
Executive Director
Keep Midland Beautiful

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The Reporter-Telegram recognizes the "Letters to the Editor" format as an important forum for citizen opinion and encourages participation of all readers. To that end, we have set as few rules as possible. However, we must have some, and they are:

- Letters must be signed and include a street address and daytime phone number for verification. Letters not including this information will not be considered for publication.
- They should be no more than 350 words in length. While some lengthy letters are published, we reserve the right to edit when necessary due to space limitations. The briefer the letter, the better its chance of publication.
- Only one letter per month per writer can be published.
- Letters will be edited for length, taste and legal reasons and are accepted only on that basis. Letters which are difficult to reduce in length will be returned to the writer to be edited before being resubmitted.
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Because we cannot research and verify all information in letters, by publishing them we neither imply nor guarantee the accuracy of information stated by writers.

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They can also be faxed to 682-3793 or sent via e-mail to Letters@basinlink.com - Letters faxed or sent by e-mail should indicate they are for publication.

WHOM TO WRITE

Following is a list of the names and addresses of various state and federal officials Midlanders may wish to contact from time-to-time:

PRESIDENT: **Bill Clinton (D)**, The President, The White House, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington, D.C. 20500 or call (202) 456-1414, Fax (202) 456-2461.

Senators: **Kay Bailey Hutchison (R)**, 284 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510 or call (202) 224-5922, Fax (202) 224-0776; or write to Kay Bailey Hutchison, Suite 1160 Commerce, OB606, 10440 N. Central Expressway, Dallas, TX. 75231.

Phil Gramm (R), 370 Russell Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510 or call (202) 224-2934, Fax (202) 228-2856.

Representative: **Larry Combest (R)**, District 19, 1026 Longworth Building, Washington D.C. 20515 or call 550-0743, Fax 550-0852.

Representative: **Lamar Smith (R)**, District 21, 2231 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515 or call (202) 225-4236. Fax (202) 225-8628; or 4305 N. Garfield, Suite 228B, Midland, Texas 79705, or call 687-5232, Fax 687-5234.

Representative: **Henry Bonilla (R)**, District 23, 1427 Longworth, Washington, D.C., 20515-4323 or call (202) 225-4511, Fax (202) 225-2237; or 4400 N. Big Spring, Suite 211, Midland, Texas 79705, or call 686-8833, Fax 686-8819.

ANOTHER VIEW

Federal tax code needs to be simplified

The federal income tax code, an ever-expanding universe of laws regulating the primary source of revenue for the U.S. government, should be consistent and clear.

Instead, it is erratic and virtually indecipherable. ...

The tax code's purpose has become warped. Washington has fallen into the counterproductive habit of altering the code, not to maximize the effectiveness of revenue collection, but to maximize the system's function as an agent of social incentives and disincentives. ...

But forget for the moment the pros and cons of tax cuts. Focus on the cumulative confusion of endless tax-code permutations. Resist the urge to reward politicians — of any party — who stretch tax laws beyond their logical limits. Encourage them to simplify the federal tax code.

— The Post and Courier
Charleston, S.C.

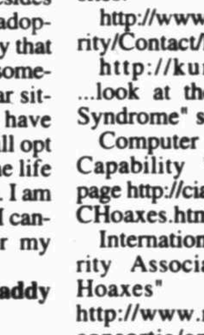
SPEAKING OUT

Character has to be learned, nourished, practiced in today's society

By Frank Cowden Jr.

"On my honor I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
And to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight."

Many readers will recognize this credo as the Scout Oath — the promise that all Boy Scouts learn to recite as Tenderfoots. And whether or not you've ever been a Boy Scout or involved with a Boy Scout, I think you would agree that the Scout Oath is a sound personal promise for boys — and men — to live by. This, along with the Scout Law which also accompanies this article, is the foundation of the Scouting program.



Frank Cowden Jr., a lifelong West Texas rancher and resident of Midland, has been an active supporter of Scouting for more than 45 years. He was the first honoree of the Buffalo Trail Council's Distinguished Citizen's Award in 1988.

This year, the Boy Scouts of America celebrate 87 years of service. Even at that corporate age and with the changes our society has experienced over the past century, Scouting is as vital today as it was when it was established in the U.S. in 1910. The reason it has survived is simple.

Scouting builds character. And today, more than ever, character counts!

As humans, we are not innately born with all the qualities that make for good character. These must be nurtured, learned, developed, experienced — and practiced.

Every day we can see evidence of our youth searching, striving, struggling to become the persons they want to be. The personalities they imitate are not always the best examples of good character. It seems the mass media, which governs public information, is focused on high profile personalities who are not always on their best behavior.

The men and women I have been privileged to observe and work with in my Scouting experiences over the past 45 years are excellent examples for growing boys and young men.

Midland and our West Texas communities are wonderfully blessed by an active council staff and volunteer Scouters who put together an excellent program of activities for boys. This program is focused on teaching young men personal discipline, self-reliance and the value of family. It teaches good citizenship and the importance of being helpful to others. It teaches loyalty to our country, and obedience to God.

These are lessons that are fundamental to the development of good character.

On the evening of June 29th, at 6 p.m. at the Petroleum Club, the Buffalo Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America will honor Texas Lieutenant Governor Rick Perry — a man of good character and a man who has distinguished himself as a champion of good character among the young men of our state. An Eagle Scout, graduate of Texas A&M and a former Air Force officer, Rick is a leader of high moral integrity and a great example for the young men of our community and state. We are delighted to recognize him by presenting him with this award.

The Distinguished Citizen's Award Dinner is an important fundraising event for the Buffalo Trail Council's Scouting Program and all supporters are invited — whether or not you have been actively involved in Scouting. Those interested may call 570-7601 for reservations.

Please join us in honoring Rick Perry, recipient of the 1999 Distinguished Citizen's Award.

35-year veteran teacher on edge of retirment boom

SEABROOK, Md. (AP) — Sixth-grade teacher Judith Davis is not wasting any time in the hours before the class promotion ceremony at Gaywood Elementary School.

In Room 26, she is giving one struggling student another chance: pass this late test to advance to the seventh grade — and join classmates soon celebrating in front of family and friends.

"Get your pencil; have a seat and let's get started," Davis says. "You won't get your certificate today, but you'll get to walk across the stage."

It was one of the last acts of kindness in Davis' 35-year teaching career.

For the past two decades, she dispensed lessons from the same classroom, with pale green cinderblock walls and without air conditioning, in this Prince George's County community just east of the Washington, D.C., line.

She retired last week — one of some 70,000 public school teachers nationwide this year expected not to return after summer vacation.

While that comes to about 2 percent of the country's 2.7 million teachers, one-third of those instructors have been on the job at least 20 years and are close to qualifying for retirement.

Over the next 10 years, nearly a million teachers will retire, the U.S. Education Department predicts, and an estimated 2.2 million teachers will have to replace those departing "Baby Boom" hires to meet record enrollments.

The retirement of experienced teachers like Davis and the needs of an expanding and diverse student body threaten to strain, even overwhelm school districts nationwide.

"I know something has got to change," Davis said. "The whole profession is not attracting people."

On her final full day, Tuesday, she was faced with 25 restless students. For the problem of two students arguing in class, she dragged a desk closer to the front.

"Ms. Davis is just being herself," said Angelica Rowe, 11. "She's always known how to handle us kids."

The average U.S. teacher has 16 years of experience, five years more than in 1978. New hires now are not staying as long, leaving schools like Gaywood short on such experience.

Most states have always required advanced degrees or competency tests for teachers. But some states, during emergency shortages, do employ instructors who lack such credentials.

This Maryland county — which has the state's highest number of uncertified teachers, 18 percent — plans to hire 1,400 teachers by mid-August.

Davis started her teaching career in her home state of Pennsylvania. When her marriage brought her to Washington in 1969, there was no teacher shortage in the area.

Times have changed. Last year, President Clinton pushed through federal funding to hire 30,000 new teachers nationally. He wants more dollars for a new round of hiring.

Yet needs vary by region.

School districts in California, Florida, Nevada, Texas and other fast-growing states in the West and South have a critical shortage.

Others in less desirable areas and with lower pay scales have openings they may never fill.

Teachers are leaving for different reasons.

The majority — 30 percent — like Davis, are retiring. Federal education figures also show teachers also leave when they get pregnant or want to rear children (14.3 percent in 1997) or want another career (12.1 percent).

More and more teachers simply are unhappy; nearly 7 percent of the 1997 departures were attributed to low salaries.

"For new teachers, it's sink or swim. A lot of them sink," says Davis. "Some never go on to become longtime teachers."

Her school district provides more in-house training than when she started, but "they expect you to be at a much-higher level."

State tests and performance standards are designed to hold somebody accountable for low test scores and student failure. In the past, Davis said, many of these tests were stuck in a child's folder and forgotten. That was before they were linked to whether teachers kept their jobs.

"We cannot face one more year of being told we're doing a rotten job," Davis said. "You work so hard to get scores up and for whatever reason it doesn't happen and then you're told to go do another workshop."

But there is a payoff.

About 15 years ago, Davis was teaching when a tall young man in a full naval dress uniform walked in — a student she had taught years earlier.

"The kids had their mouths opened," Davis said. "He turned to them and said, 'Whatever she says for you to do, do it. It's important.' I never would have gotten through the academy."

Reaching students is not as easy as it used to be.

"A lot of teachers come out of college, then they run smack into the reality that they don't have the kinds of kids and classes you talked about in college," Davis said. "Part of it is the students, they are dealing with very severe things in their lives ... drugs, AIDS."

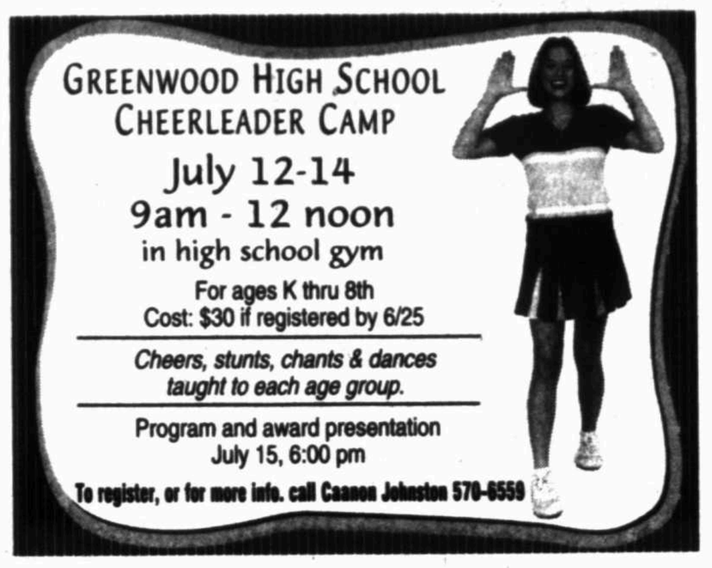
Parental support also is not what it was, she said.

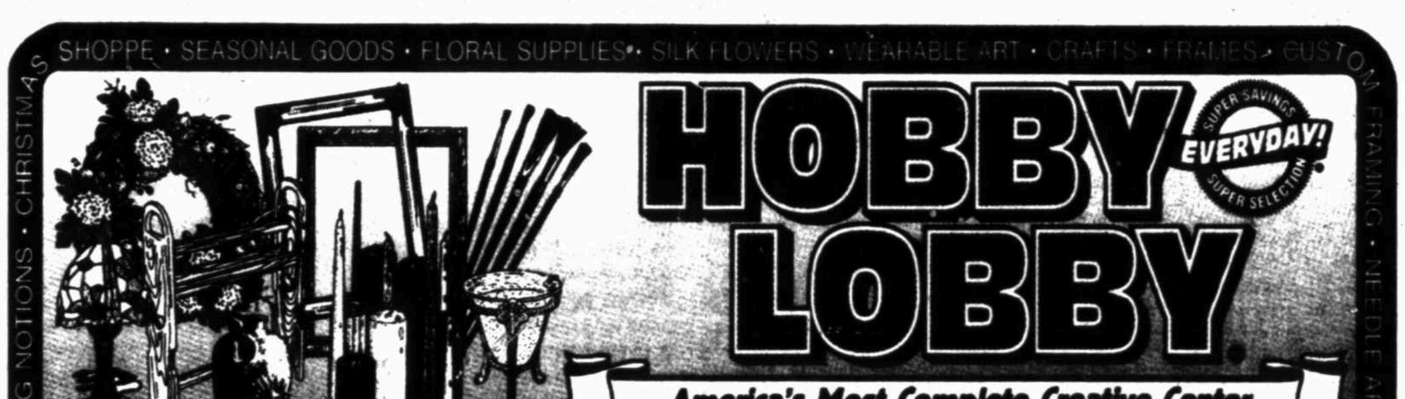
"Earlier in the year, children watched an angry parent bring three acquaintances to school to beat up a gym teacher. It was terrible, we had to call the police."

For Davis, it was just another sign the culture has changed. Her best friends have retired or left. Gone are the bulletin-board-making parties where gossip was traded as freely as construction paper.















VISION HEALTH SPECIALTIES PROUDLY PRESENTS IT'S "BIF & BARBIE TEEN CLUB" SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS FOR 1999.

On Saturday, May 15, at On The Border Restaurant in Midland, Doctors Billy Cook and Dennis Neely represented the doctors and staff of Vision Health Specialties as they honored the communities' recipients of the Bif & Barbie Teen Club scholarships for 1999. Vision Health Specialties takes great pride in the accomplishments of the young people of the Permian Basin and encourages their continuing education with these scholarships.

JoBeth Cozart



Dr. Billy Cook (left) and Dr. Dennis Neely (right) presenting JoBeth Cozart with her "Bif & Barbie Teen Club" scholarship.

Academics - Top 10% of her class at Greenwood High School, National Honor Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, All American Scholar in English and History. ***Sports & School Activities*** - Band (9-12), State Solo& Ensemble (10-12), High School Yearbook (11-12), Assistant Editor (12), Basketball (9-10). ***Special Interests & Hobbies*** - Reading, Journalism, Medical technology, youth group at church.

Community - Midland Teen Court volunteer, serves community hours for Mrs. Pam Miles (Geometry teacher), plans on attending Midland College and Texas A&M.

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FAMILY: Al Schorre is 'Uncle Lucky' to the Ladd children

(From 1A)

In Dallas, Ladd said that he repeatedly asked a neurologist questions about his recovery. The physician assured Ladd that, in time, he would recover.

" 'All I can do is tell you probably won't be able to fly,'" the doctor told him. " 'But if you can fly, I'll write a book about you.'"

Ladd's widowed mother, Tiney Ladd, said "reading and inspiration" helped to build her son's character. "I read to my kids (Jack and his sister, Ida) everyday of the world from some religious, spiritual work. And I still read. If he's around, I still read to him.

"I declare that he is going to be better ... and be even a greater self," Mrs. Ladd said of her son. "We are always growing; life is a growing process. And when stop growing, we don't live."

And in spreading joy, she said: "Go and see how many people you can make happy, and you will be the happiest one there."

Midland County District Attorney Al Schorre, who is "Uncle Lucky" to the Ladd children, was the children's "surrogate father" when Ladd was away from home. He would visit and entertain them.

Ladd has "such a wonderful wife and adorable children," Schorre said. "He had a lot to fight for. I think that's what helped Jack want to kept slugging and get back up on his feet."

To Midland County Judge Bill Morrow, Ladd is "a fine man. He's been a good friend for a long time. He's a good lawyer and a fine man. He's top-notch."

Midland stockbroker Bhupen Agrawal cited Ladd's "positive attitude and a desire to live" that fueled his recovery.

Vann Culp, a former Texas district-court judge who offices with Ladd, noted his "optimistic attitude about life and his love of people.

He is the type person who is always willing to help others, and I guess that carries over," Culp said. "When you have that attitude, it helps you heal yourself. He always has something good to say about people and willing to help anybody. He's an all-around good person."

Mutant squirrels ravaged by pox, but still edible

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Mutant squirrels are popping up in backyards, ravaged by a pox not seen in Florida since the 1970s.

So far, between 300 and 500 squirrels riddled with crusty brown tumors — some covering 90 percent of the body — have been reported in eight counties including Palm Beach County and the Treasure Coast. Pathologists studying the epidemic at the University of Florida suspect thousands more are infected with the disease. It is specific to squirrels and cannot be contracted by other wildlife, pets or humans.

Still, this is a pox particularly potent.

Transmitted by mosquitoes, the disease almost always attacks the eyes, leaving its little victims blind and unable to plunder bird feeders, their eyes swollen "as big as marbles," said Florida Game and Freshwater Fish Commission biologist Timothy Regan.

As it progresses, it ravages the body with tumors so severe that in some cases limbs have sloughed off. The critters eventually starve to death or die from bacteria infecting tumors. There is no treatment or preventive vaccine.

"As a hospital, it's difficult for us to watch something like this and we understand it's difficult for some people. They're cute and hop around in the yard and people put out peanuts," said Dan Martinelli, director of the Treasure Coast Wildlife Hospital in Hobe Sound, which has received about a dozen pox-infested squirrels.

(For those with a more culinary interest in the squirrel, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources reports that the pocked carcasses are safe for consumption: "The tumors are confined to the skin and are removed when the animal is skinned.")

Technically called squirrel fibromatosis, the pox first appeared near Melbourne in the fall when the Florida Wildlife Hospital and Sanctuary there started receiving calls about mutant squirrels. Between November and March, 38 disfigured corpses were brought to the center. In March, the University of Florida's veterinary college began receiving calls from wildlife clinics and vets, said pathologist Dr. Scott Terrell. The lab identified the disease as squirrel pox, which has been documented in Florida only once before, on Amelia Island in February 1974.

The disease is commonly found in Northern states. However, outbreaks usually occur with far less severity and in much smaller numbers. Florida's 1974 outbreak involved only a few squirrels.

"For it to happen in such huge numbers is unusual. That's what we're trying to figure out is if it's a new virus or if it was introduced to a particularly susceptible population of squirrels," Terrell said. "We're trying to survey the whole state."

So far, the pox has appeared in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, Okeechobee, Brevard, Osceola and Orange counties, attacking gray squirrels, Florida's predominant species, Terrell said. Nothing can be done but allow the disease to play itself out, he said. A certain number of squirrels will die, some will develop a resistance and some will be naturally immune.

Author Stephen King hit by van

LEWISTON, Maine (AP) — Horror author Stephen King was seriously injured when he was struck by a van while walking near his home Saturday, police said.

King was walking south on the shoulder of Route 5 in North Lovell, where he owns a home, at about 4:30 p.m. when a motorist approaching from behind lost control of his Dodge Caravan because of a dog that was loose inside, Oxford County Sheriff's deputy Matt Baker said.

Officials at Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston said the 51-year-old King was in serious but stable condition. King suffered "significant" injuries including broken bones but was conscious and alert, hospital spokesman Laird Covey said.

According to witnesses, the driver, Bryan Smith, 41, did not appear to be speeding, Baker said. He said charges will not be filed against Smith.

Baker, who responded to the accident, said King was lying in a depression about 14 feet off the road and appeared to have been thrown by the collision. The van's windshield was broken and the right front corner of the car was crunched in from the impact of striking him, he said.

"He was hurting, but he was able to communicate," Baker said. "He was talking to me. He gave me phone numbers of where to call his family."

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Verdict still out after first year of anti-bilingual education law

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Shrieking with laughter, the children race around the playing field, gleefully soaking classmates and teachers alike as the green grass beneath their feet takes on a slick patina of mud.

''Mas agua!'' they yell. More water!

They're barely recognizable as the crisply dressed youngsters who filed into class last fall for their first year under Proposition 227, California's anti-bilingual education law.

As Sherman Oaks Elementary ends the year with its traditional water fight, the children of Sandra Villarreal's class have reason to celebrate: They're passing first grade.

The verdict's still out on Proposition 227.

''It's probably too early to tell,'' says state schools chief Delaine Eastin. ''I'm sure it's safe to say those at either extreme, those who predicted extreme failure and disasters or those who predicted complete success and total transformation, may be disappointed.''

Proposition 227, which passed in June 1998, junked California's 30-year-old system of bilingual education and replaced it with a plan that requires one year of English immersion.

As it turned out, that wasn't the last word on bilingual education.

First, some school districts interpreted instructions about teaching ''nearly all'' in English to mean it was OK to use Spanish 30 percent of the time. Then, thousands of parents exercised a loophole allowing them to return their children to bilingual programs.

Nevertheless, many bilingual classes were scrapped, leading to the third development — reports by teachers that English-immersion students in Southern California, home to most of the state's old bilingual programs, were learning to read and even write.

This month, the district of Oceanside, near San Diego, released test scores showing a marked improvement. Last year, second graders with limited English ability scored in the 12th percentile, meaning they scored as well or better than only 12 percent of the national sample. This year's second-graders were in the 24th percentile.

Ron Unz, software millionaire and coauthor of Proposition 227, says Oceanside is an excellent benchmark because all bilingual education was eliminated for the more than 4,000 limited-English speakers.

''I can't think of any education reform anyone's ever performed that has produced results that quickly,'' he says.

One warm morning at Sherman Oaks, 6-year-old Trana shakes with indignant sobs as he blurts out his tale of recess woe.

''He pushed me. And I wasn't teasing,'' he declares, his English coming readily even though Vietnamese is his first language.

But for a spelling test, Trana is at a loss, chewing on his pencil and tapping a Superhero sneaker on the floor before scrawling ''wan'' for ''when,'' and ''bgoib'' for ''drive.''

Trana is in English immersion because the school offers bilingual education only in Spanish. (According to the state Education Department, only 30 percent of limited-English speakers were ever in full bilingual education.)

Bilingual experts say students like Trana are an example of what's wrong with English immersion; students pick up ''playground English,'' but miss what's happening in the classroom.

Unz asserts that teaching students like Trana in their first language handicaps them.

''First-graders generally aren't that great at spelling,'' he says. ''I think, on the other hand, if he were only taught spelling in (his first language), which would be the case in the bilingual program, it would be even harder for him to learn English two years down the road.''

Trana is doing much better than last year, and teacher Jolynn Linn thinks he'll catch up by second or third grade. Proposition 227 says pupils should learn English in one year, but Unz says districts have discretion if they need longer.

On the last day of school, the neat hair-dos and shiny shoes of autumn have been replaced by cowlicks and flip-flops; the children who sat wide-eyed and silent last fall, straining to follow the unfamiliar English, now chatter wildly.

Finally, after a glorious water fight, in which teachers, who make the rules, get Super-Soakers and children get pint-sized water pistols, the youngsters trail out to their parents' cars and head home.

Next fall, they'll be back as the struggle to teach California schoolchildren English continues, one classroom at a time.

Dads owe their day to mother of Father's Day

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Dads getting new ties today, or just spending the day kicking back, owe a debt to the mother of Father's Day.

Without Sonora Smart Dodd, the third Sunday of each June might be just another day for lawn-mowing and endless to-do lists.

Dodd was just 16 when her own father, Civil War veteran William Jackson Smart, lost his wife in childbirth and was left to raise their six children alone in Spokane.

In 1909, when she was 27, she listened to a Sunday sermon about Mother's Day and wondered why there was no corresponding day for fathers.

Dodd believed the nation didn't show enough respect to fathers, citing popular songs of the day such as ''Father, Dear Father, Come Home with Me Now'' and ''Everybody Works but Father.''

And the sermon set her on a campaign for a Father's Day observance.

Dodd ''was a real promoter and had lots of charm,'' said Don Ball, whose family opened a funeral home with the Dodds in the 1930s that is still in business today. ''She was so well-known around town as a poet, a scribe and a sculptor.''

She promoted Father's Day ''out of love for her father,'' recalled Ball, 72, who knew Dodd from childhood.

Today, about 97 million Father's Day cards are purchased annually in the United States, according to the Greeting Card Association, an industry group. It is the fifth-largest card-sending occasion, following Christmas, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and Easter.

Dodd's campaign was an uphill struggle at first.

''One group of men conventioneers laughed and said they didn't want a Father's Day,'' according to a 1965 article in The Spokesman-Review. ''A national fishing day would be better, they told her.''

But Dodd persuaded the Spokane Ministerial Association and local YMCA to pass a resolution in support of Father's Day, and the first local observance was held June 19, 1910. Her effort is commemorated on a plaque outside the downtown Y.

The first Father's Day was community-oriented.

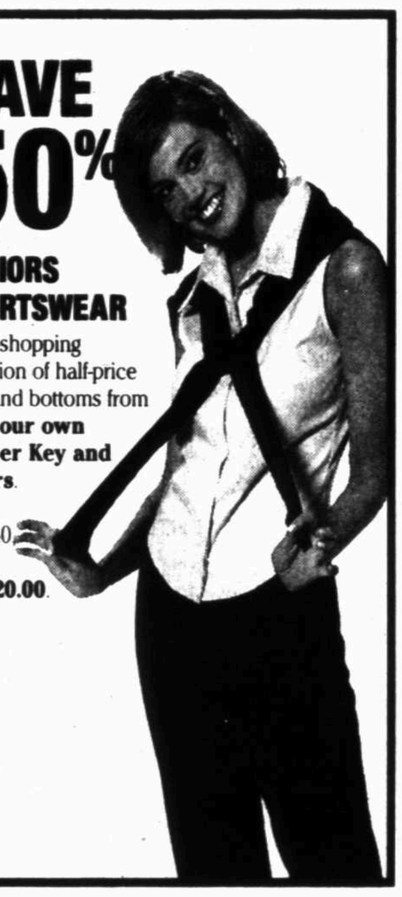
''The original Father's Day Association ... and groups of Spokane women prepared home dinners, gathered roses for sacred commemoration and made gifts for shut-in fathers,'' Dodd said in a 1965 speech for dedication of the YMCA plaque.

Her idea spread to other cities, and celebrities including orator William Jennings Bryan joined the campaign for a national observance.

''Both Father's and Mother's days rest substantially upon the same commandment, 'Honor thy father and thy mother,''' wrote Bryan, a three-time presidential hopeful, in a 1910 letter to Dodd.

President Woodrow Wilson added his support, and Congress passed a resolution proclaiming a Father's Day in 1914. It became a national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed a declaration in 1972.

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Juneteenth celebration like family reunion for many

By Rick López
Staff Writer

Early last week, Patricia Preston worked double shifts at a fast-food restaurant so she could take the weekend off.

By Saturday, all the extra hours she accrued finally paid off.

Instead of working the cash register, she set up a lawn chair under a shade tree at Washington Park and kicked back as the Juneteenth crowd mingled.

"I requested the weekend off to come here," she said. "It's worth it. I just come sit here and relax."

The local celebration of Juneteenth — which commemorates the day in 1865 when slaves in Texas found out they were free — has a special place in her heart. Aside from historical significance, it's a time of year when Midland's black community unites for a day of recreation.

For Ms. Preston, it's like a big reunion.

"We're all like a big family. It's a special event where everyone laughs and eats," Ms. Preston said. "I'm running into people here today that I haven't seen in two or three years."

Meanwhile, her mother, Lovie Cook, nibbled on a warm taco and fought a playful breeze that tried knocking a straw hat from her head.

"This is our routine," Ms. Cook said. "We sit at the edge of the park, under large, clean tree ... maybe have a sandwich or two."

She recalls the first local Juneteenth, which included a carnival, swimming party, bikini contest and the first Carver High School reunion. Times have changed in the last 20 years.

"There's a lot more kids now. It's like they're growing up with this event being part of their lives," she said.

On the opposite side of the park, Barbara Nicholson sought respite from the scorching sun on a shaded park bench. Though her children and husband abandoned her for the food booths, Ms. Nicholson passed the time watching children do handstands and old friends exchange hugs.

"This brings out the best in everyone," Ms. Nicholson said. "Everyone knows I like to sit here and look at all the happy faces on children and the adults. If my children wander off, it's OK. I know they're somewhere in this park with their friends."

Saturday's events included a talent show, drill team performance and daylong dance.

"I like the way the girls move when they dance," said 11-year-old Juamal Harris, who spent the day girl-chasing with his friends, Chris Woods and Jeremy Suggs, both 12.

"I like the food, and I like meeting people I've never seen before," Chris said.

Each summer 11-year-old Jessie Brown comes from Oklahoma to Stanton to spend time with her family. When Juneteenth comes along, she knows she'll be helping her mother and grandmother operate their food both.

"There's a lot to do: listen to music, play in the park, meet many people," Jessie said. "But the best part's the food. The turkey legs."

Tamika Thurmond, 19, attended her first Juneteenth Saturday.

"It's a good way to celebrate. There's no arguments or fights ... everyone seems to be getting along," Ms. Thurmond said.



A military color guard marches by to start the beginning of the annual Juneteenth parade Saturday morning.

U. Frank Williams Reporter-Telegram

Making a difference in Guyana

Christmas in April brings light to very dark corner of the world

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

NEW AMSTERDAM, Guyana — In New Amsterdam, Guyana, 23 kids will go to bed tonight crowded into a five-bedroom home with a leaky roof.



Most were abandoned by parents who couldn't afford to support children. Others were abandoned because their special needs were too great a burden.

It's likely that one little girl, 12-year-old Natasha Morgan, acquired her special needs courtesy of an abusive parent.

She walks with a limp because of a damaged hip. She can't talk and she shies away from strangers.

Jeremy Williams, who has worked at the Alpha Orphanage for the past six months said, "It's the fault of her parents. They used to beat her in the head."

Sammuel Murry suffers similar circumstances.

The sweet-natured 11-year-old is deaf and dumb. Perhaps worse, his only form of communication is to grunt and use primitive hand signals; he doesn't know sign language. The child is surrounded in an almost impenetrable fortress of solitude.

Sam has lived at the orphanage since he was 4, and Williams suspects the boy's handicaps also may have been the result of abuse. He admits, however, that Sam's history is not well-known.

If he was abused, Sam doesn't let that or his handicap deter him from making friends. On a recent trip by a Midland Christmas in April delegation, volunteers working at the orphanage instantly fell in love with the child and his good nature in the face of extreme hardship.

Even those children not saddled with injuries face hardships living at the home.

Twenty-three mouths are a lot to feed and according to the home's matron, Doreen Boyer — affectionately known as Mom — it's often hard to make sure the children get enough to eat.

"We aren't able to supply them with much meat and they need more fruit," Ms. Boyer said.

Milk also is a needed commodity that often runs short, and a meal of plain rice is not a rare occurrence.

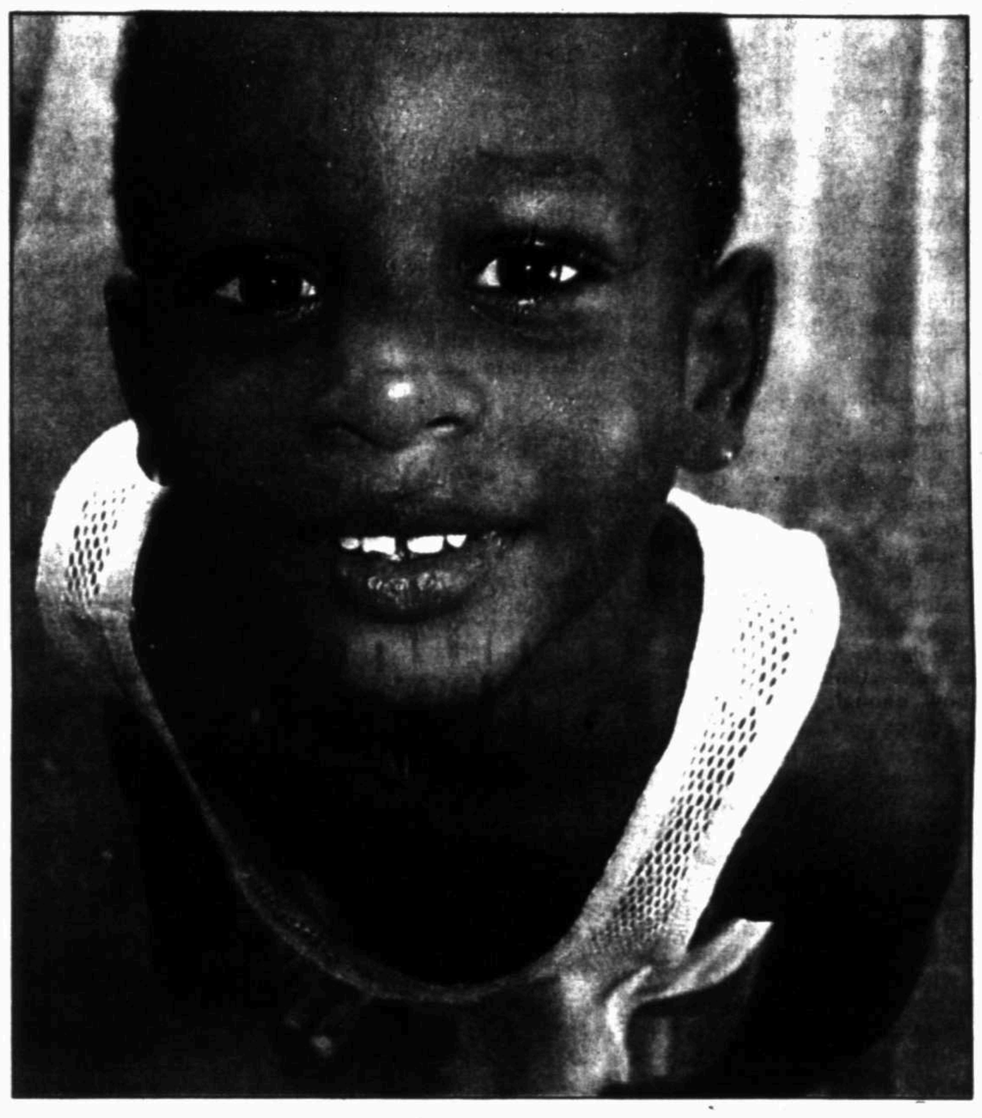
The home does get some assistance from the government and is supported in part by a church in Atlanta.

Even then, there are several days when Ms. Boyer doesn't know where the food or supplies will come from.

"Somebody always comes through in the nick of time," she said.

Such as the 16 Midlanders who recently worked

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Guyana native, Dr. Tulsi Singh of Midland, above, was instrumental in establishing a sister-city relationship with New Amsterdam, Guyana. Singh was one of 16 Midlanders who recently visited Guyana for a Christmas in April project. The volunteers painted and repaired an orphanage and a home for the elderly. The Alpha Orphanage is home to 23 children. Guyana is a developing country with high inflation where the average worker earns the equivalent of $100 U.S. a month.

Photos by Jeff Stevens/ Reporter-Telegram

Midland steadily building sister-city relationship with New Amsterdam

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

NEW AMSTERDAM, Guyana — Travelers arriving in New Amsterdam, Guyana, South America, might turn up their eyes in curiosity at the sight of a bus terminal with the name of Midland, Texas, proudly displayed across its front. They might also question how a Guyanese cricket field came to be named the Midland Ball Field. And Midlanders will soon get the chance to wonder about a New Amsterdam Field at Beal Park, which is now under construction.

It's just a very small part of sisterhood between municipalities on two different continents.

New Amsterdam, Midland's youngest sister, will celebrate its first official anniversary in that capacity July 1. The relationship between the two, however, actually began more than three years ago.

In June 1996, Mayor Bobby Burns and Dr. Tulsi Singh were visiting Midland's first sister city Dongying, China. The two men got to talking, and Burns said he thought Midland could effectively coordinate at least two more foreign city relationships.

"He said he had thought about one in Europe and one in South America," said Singh.

Being a native of South America, Singh naturally proffered his hometown of New Amsterdam for consideration.

The local physician was born in Palmyra

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GARY OTT

Get ready Midlanders, the out-of-towners are coming already

As long as George W. Bush remains a viable presidential candidate, Midland no doubt is going to continue to receive more than its share of national attention, be it from TV news programs, talk shows, big-city newspapers or even major magazines.



Ott

Every time you turn around, it seems, a familiar face is popping up on the TV screen and reflecting on what a young Bush was like when he lived here back in the late 1970s and early '80s.

And invariably the message is the same, regardless of the speaker ... "George was a great guy." "He was the most down-to-earth person you could ever want to know." "What you saw is what you got." "He was just a typical Midlander."

Obviously, that is not necessarily what those hotshot journalists want to hear. They're just dying for someone to drop a bombshell. Maybe a juicy tidbit involving cocaine. Or some wild speculation about a sex orgy.

But they don't get that. All they hear is what a great — and normal — guy Bush was during his Midland years.

Still, the questions continue.

As you might expect, a lot of those out-of-town news types turn to the local newspaper for background information. Just in the past few weeks, for example, this office has heard from, among others, the Washington Post, the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times and the "Today Show."

Those who call always say the same thing. "We're doing some research on the governor from when he lived in Midland. Did you know him back then? Oh, you did? Great. Would you mind if we ask you some questions?"

And they do.

The interview invariably lasts at least 30 minutes, and usually a lot longer. Those asking the questions are always polite, friendly and very professional.

Early on they make small talk, inquiring as to what kind of relationship you had with Bush.

Then they want to know if you remember any interesting stories about him, perhaps something amusing and offbeat.

Later, and with a great deal of tact, they gently mention the so-called "rumors." They never come right out and say, "So, did you ever see him snort cocaine?" Instead, they say something like, "What was his reputation back then?"

You say, "I didn't know him that well, certainly not socially, but he always seemed like a normal guy to me."

What you want to say is, "Look, I'm not stupid. I know what you're getting at, but I don't have the foggiest idea what he was like back then. Nor do I care. So, let's move on to other things."

But, of course, you don't say that. It would be rude and uncalled for. Besides, if the truth were known, you rather enjoy being interviewed. It's good for the ego. After all, it's not that often that a political journalist from the Washington Post wants to know your opinion about the man who could be the next president of the United States.

You think they want to know what people in Peoria, Ill., are saying about George W. Bush? Of course not.

Or some guy in Topeka, Kan.? Absolutely not.

But because we reside in Midland, at least those of us who have been here for more than 15 years, our opinions suddenly matter.

So we play it for all it is worth.

When the reporter begins asking the questions, we lean back, cross our legs, form a steeple with our fingers, and prepare to offer incredibly insightful thoughts about Bush's views on gun control, foreign policy, Albanian refugees, global warming and taxes.

And we have done our homework, too, making ourselves terribly knowledgeable on all types of subjects. You want to know about Gov. Bush's political philosophy, then, by golly, you just go right ahead and ask.

After all, we knew him when he lived in Midland.

What's that? You don't WANT to know about his political views? Oh, THAT'S what you're interested in. "Well, first of all, he was just a regular guy, very down-to-earth. I didn't know him all that well, of course, but, no, I never saw him do any of that stuff."

Hey, no one said it would be easy being a political pundit.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

Area briefs

Midland motorists can expect delays and slowdowns at Loop 250 and Big Spring Street (State Highway 349) beginning this week, according to a Texas Department of Transportation official.

Crews will start work Monday afternoon to put down the final surface on westbound (north) frontage roads in that section.

"While the paving crews are working, traffic will be restricted to one lane only on the frontage roads," said Kenneth Ford, TxDOT's project manager in the Midland area. "When they pave the inside lanes, ramps will be closed, and traffic will be detoured."

Some minor traffic delays can be expected at the State Highway 349 intersection, he added.

The State Highway 349 off-ramp will be closed, and eastbound traffic will exit Loop 250 at A Street. The westbound Loop 250 on-ramp west of State Highway 349 also will be closed briefly, and traffic will be detoured westbound to the A Street on-ramp.

The project should be completed in August.

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Pond management and related issues will be discussed in a Pond Field Day seminar set for 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday at the Boyd Reece Pecan Farm and Pond south of downtown Midland.

Speaker is to be Michael Masser, associate professor and Texas Agricultural Extension Service fisheries specialist at Texas A&M University.

Masser's program will include pond management, pond-site selection and construction, stocking of ponds, fertilizing to increase production, pond ecology, harvesting fish to maintain balance, and pond-weed control.

The seminar's fee is $5 per person.

The Reece Pond is west of Rankin Highway off Stokes Avenue just north of Interstate Highway 20 in Midland.

The seminar is being sponsored by the Midland and Ector counties offices of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

For more information, call 687-1351 or 498-4071.

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The Midland Police Department will conduct a new Citizens On Patrol (COP) training class 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday on the third floor classroom at the Police Department, 601 N. Loraine St.

There is no cost for the classes; however, you must complete and submit an application for the program to attend.

For more information, call 685-7580.

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Evening Dialogue, a support group for patients and family, is set for 7 p.m. Tuesday at Allison Cancer Center.

For more information, call 687-1949.

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Free dance lessons are being offered in anticipation of Summer in the City's German/Czech Heritage Night, set for July 8.

The dance lessons are scheduled for 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at Susie's South Forty, on South County Road 1180 (Lamesa Road), one-half mile south past Interstate 20.

Susie Hitchcock Hall is to give lessons on schottishe, polka, waltz, waterfall dance and the three-legged waltz.

For more information, call 570-4040.

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A rabies vaccination clinic is scheduled for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at the Lone Star Animal Shelter, 2704 W. County Road 140.

Fees are $7 for rabies injection, plus city/county tag and $8 for cat and dog immunization, plus city/county tag.

For more information, call 683-PETS.

Today's Agenda

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

11th Step Study group for people in recovery, 10:30 am-noon, 2103 W. Louisiana Ave., 697-4751 or 682-1646

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

Afternoon recreation and leisure for those with mental retardation 682-9771

Integrated recreation for those with mental retardation, call for activity times 682-9771 MARC.

West Texas Aquarium Society, 6 p.m., Kenny's Memory Lane, Loop 250 & N. Big Spring St. 689-8376

Midland-Odessa Ostomy Club No. 590, 2:30 p.m., Memorial Hospital and Medical Center basement.

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

Alpha/Omega Group, 11 a.m. 311 S. Pecos St.

Sex Addicts Anonymous—Reflections, 550-1173. The meetings are closed.

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary Bingo, 7 p.m., 1904 Rankin Highway. (lic.: 1-51-0171588-4).

Study group, "A Search for God," 7 p.m, 689-9331.

Police Reports

Midland County Sheriff's Department Saturday

Theft: Two men drove away from Town and Country Convenience Store, 3201 E. Highway 158, without paying for $18 of gas. It was reported at 8:51 a.m.

Criminal mischief: At 9:01 a.m., Anna Estrada reported a vandalism from 3110 W. County Road 130.

Anyone having information on these incidents is asked to call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS.

Obituaries

George Anderson

George Orr Anderson, 89, died Wednesday, June 16, in Midland.

An Atlantic Richfield retiree, Mr. Anderson was born October 2, 1909, in Sour Lake, Texas. He subsequently lived in Oklahoma and Louisiana. He moved to Midland in 1954 and maintained a summer home in Rico, Colorado. He was a member of First Methodist Church in Midland.

Survivors include his wife, Esther Parker Anderson; three daughters, Judith Owen of Morrison, Colorado, Angela Smith of Orlando, Florida, and Gail Davidson of Winter Park, Colorado; six grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Other survivors include a sister, Ann Hanna of Springfield, Missouri.

Services are private. Memorials may be made to the American Kidney Foundation or charity of choice.

Obituary & Death Notice policy

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

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

Deadline for both free death notices and paid obituaries is 3:30 p.m. and information must be either received from or verified by a funeral home.

Death Notices

Cathryn Bowden

Cathryn Bowden died Thursday, June 17, at a local hospital.

Memorial services are to be at 11 a.m. Monday, June 21, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with Monsignor T.J. Murphy officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Rosary is to be said at 7 p.m. today, June 20, at the funeral home.

She was born April 24, 1915, in Pulaski, Tenn.

She was a nurse and lived in Fort Stockton, Kalamazoo, Mich., and Kansas, before moving to Midland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Rauls C. Bowden on March 6, 1989.

Survivors include two daughters, Martha Bowden and Kay Bowden, both of Midland.

Memorials may be directed to the Arthritis Foundation, 3145 McCart Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas 76110.

Leon Coonce

Leon Wayne Coonce, 32, died Thursday, June 17, at his Midland residence.

Services are to be at 2 p.m. Monday, June 21, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Robert M. Kirk officiating. Burial is follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home. Visitation is to be 5-7 p.m. today, June 20, at the funeral home.

He was born Dec. 15, 1966, in Big Spring.

He worked in masonry construction. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his father, Fred Coonce.

Survivors include his mother, Wanda Coonce of Midland; a son, Michael Boggs of Midland; two daughters, Terah R. Adams of Midland and Ashley N. Coonce of Odessa; a brother, Fred Coonce II of Odessa; and a sister, Kaye Britt of Tennessee.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul Benevolence Fund, 4501 Thomason Drive, Midland, Texas 79703.

Louie Kroeger

ODESSA — Odessan Louie Kroeger, 77, died Friday, June 18, at an Odessa hospital.

Services are to be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, June 21, at First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) with the Rev. Tommy Potter officiating. Burial is to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa under the direction of Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

He was born May 22, 1922, in Covington, Okla.

He lived in San Angelo, Crane and Kermit before moving to Odessa in 1990. He was a plant supervisor for Arco, retiring after 38 years.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Blandford Kroeger on July 15, 1998.

Survivors include two daughters, Luana Alexander of Odessa and La Veta Burr of Midland; a sister, Velma Kessner of Autreyville, N.C.; and four granddaughters.

Antonio Armijo

BIG SPRING — Antonio Armijo, 20, died Friday, June 18, in Big Spring.

Graveside services are to be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Albuquerque, N.M., under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. A prayer service is to be at 7:30 p.m. today, June 20, at the funeral home led by the Rev. Randy Cotton.

He was born Nov. 17, 1978, in Salinas, Calif.

He belonged to the Low Image Car Club of Big Spring.

Survivors include his parents, Patricia Schmerber of Kerrville and Arthur Armijo of Big Spring; a sister, Savannah Schmerber of Kerrville; his grandmother, Ernestina V. Armijo of Albuquerque, N.M.; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association Inc., Texas Affiliate Inc., Western Regional Office, 10 Desta Drive, Midland, Texas 79705.

Marvin Smith

Marvin Smith, 80, of Huntington, Ore., died Tuesday, June 15, in Fresno, Calif.

Graveside services are to be at 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring with the Rev. Roger Huff officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

He was born Jan. 11, 1919, in Oregon.

He was a civil engineer for Davy McKee Construction from 1945 until his retirement in 1991.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Helen L. Smith on Nov. 4, 1987.

Survivors include his wife, Helen K. Smith of Huntington, Ore.; two sons, Russell Smith of Monahans and Rodney Smith of Las Vegas, Nev.; five step-children, Jerome Kessler of Susanville, Calif., Alden Kessler of Maxwell, Calif., Dean Kessler of Idaho, and Jean Kessler and Harold Kessler, both of Willows, Calif.; two brothers, Cecil Smith and Ken Smith, both of Union, Ore.; and a sister, Merle Quint of Washington.

Abelardo Sarabia

FORT STOCKTON — Abelardo Fuentes Sarabia, 63, father of Midlander Sergio L. Sarabia, died Saturday, June 19, at a Midland hospital.

Funeral Mass is to be celebrated at 10 a.m. Monday, June 21, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Burial is to follow at St. Agnes Cemetery in Fort Stockton under the direction of Memorial Funeral Home in Fort Stockton. Rosary is to be recited at 7 p.m. today, June 20, at the church.

He was born Sept. 14, 1935, in Sanderson.

He was a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Alejandro Sarabia and two sisters, Antonia Rios and Alicia Gomez.

Other survivors include his wife, Andrea Sarabia of Fort Stockton; four other sons, Pilar Sarabia of Atlanta, Daniel Sarabia and Cesar Sarabia, both of Odessa, and Martin Sarabia of La Porte; two daughters, Alma Gonzales of Fort Stockton and Diana Padilla of Pasadena; four brothers, Acencion Sarabia of Carlsbad, N.M., Pedro Sarabia, Santana Sarabia and Arturo Sarabia, all of Fort Stockton; two sisters, Angelita Diaz and Anita Leyva, both of Fort Stockton; and 13 grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Mary Munoz

BIG SPRING — Mary Munoz, 63, died Friday, June 18, at a Big Spring hospital.

Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

Plaintiffs rest case in country's first fen-phen trial

HOUSTON (AP) — The plaintiffs in the nation's first fen-phen wrongful death lawsuit rested their case Friday after nearly two weeks of testimony and then dismissed the prescribing doctor as a defendant.

Plaintiffs' attorney Charlie Parker said Dr. Leo Borrell of Houston was dismissed because the marketer of the "fen" half of the diet drug combination, American Home Products of Madison, N.J., agreed to pay for any damages assessed against the doctor.

The lawsuit, which seeks at least $25 million in damages, is one of nearly 3,200 filed against the company over diet drugs marketed as Pondimin and Redux.

A North Texas case, the only other to go to trial, ended earlier this year with a settlement.

The lawsuit was filed by the family of Harris County woman Mary Marisa Smith, 35, who died in September 1997 of complications related to a rare lung disease allegedly caused by the drug, called fenfluramine.

American Home Products attorneys Paul Stallings and David Kiernan told the Houston Chronicle that the plaintiffs did not put on any evidence accusing Borrell of wrongdoing. Borrell's dismissal will not affect their defense, both said.

The company has argued there is no proof the drug causes the primary pulmonary hypertension which led to Smith's death.

Lawyers for American Home Products have argued that government regulators and Borrell knew about reports that users of the diet drugs experienced a higher rate of the disease than the general public.

Much of the testimony has focused on whether the company misled the U.S. Food and Drug Administration about the dangers and effectiveness of the drugs.

State District Judge Katie Kennedy has said the plaintiffs have copies of electronic mail written by the FDA's medical monitor, Leo Lutwak, "regarding the manipulation" of the agency.

But she said she would not allow jurors to see the e-mail, presumably because it does not adequately provide additional evidence of the plaintiffs' manipulation claims. Lawyers declined to comment on the e-mail.

The FDA approved two types of fen drugs marketed by American Home Products. Pondimin, the brand name of fenfluramine, was approved in 1973. A chemically related compound, Redux, or dexfenfluramine, was approved in November 1995 and went on the market in April 1996.

Redux was rejected by the FDA in 1994 because of its reported dangers but it was approved after the company asked for another chance to present its case.

Plaintiffs' attorneys were able to show jurors comments Lutwak made in March 1996 that he was "very concerned" that American Home Products had not adequately reported the possible risks of Redux in its promotional materials.

He also said the materials wrongly implied that the drug promoted long-term weight loss when it just promoted weight management.

Lutwak said the company "argued successfully" that Redux would not need a so-called black box warning about the possible risks because the company promised to address those issues in its promotional materials.

The black box warning is the most serious type that can be put on drug labels, and plaintiffs' attorneys believe the company wanted to avoid those warnings and not hurt sales.

Bullock name to live on in scholarship, museum

AUSTIN (AP) — The name of Bob Bullock — a political giant whose love for Texas was acknowledged by Democrats and Republicans alike — will live on in a state history museum and a scholarship endowed in his honor at Baylor University.

"People will not only remember his name, but will remember Bob Bullock. I know I will," said Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, who recalled the Democratic leader as a mentor and friend.

The 69-year-old Bullock, who died at his Austin home Friday and was to be buried Sunday, began his public service career by winning a Texas House seat while still a Baylor Law School student in 1956.

He went on to serve as an assistant attorney general, governor's aide, secretary of state and state comptroller before becoming lieutenant governor, the Senate's presiding officer.

Earlier this year, the senators he had led announced they would endow a scholarship in his name at Baylor, whose president described him as deeply loyal to his alma mater and to his state.

"He was powerful in the best sense of the word. He knew power and was not afraid to wield it, yet he used it for the benefit of all Texans. He loved Texas," said Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr.

A bill establishing the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum was signed into law last month by Republican Gov. George W. Bush, who became Bullock's friend and found in him a strong political ally despite their different political parties.

Bullock, who said when he left office that he didn't want anything named for him, nevertheless expressed pleasure over the designation.

"TWO MONTHS AFTER THE DEATH I'M WORSE"

Questions derived from concerns expressed by grieving people — Mark Mercer, M.S., L.P.C, SWA

It is a frightening experience to feel the bottom drop out of your world emotionally at just the point where you were expecting to feel better. And two months after a death, many people are expecting to feel better. But this hardly ever happens. Grief nearly always gets worse before it gets better. This is normal.

Janet and Sara (not their real names), two sisters in their late teens, lost their mother to cancer. Two months later, Janet was usually seen smiling and laughing, while Sara was having daily crying spells. Which one would you guess is coping better? Not Janet. She appears to be doing well, but she may not yet have even begun to grieve. Sara, on the other hand, may look and feel out of control. But she is actually further down the road than her sister. And she will likely make a better long term adjustment.

So if you are grieving harder two or three months after your loss than you were shortly after the funeral, you are not going crazy. On the contrary, you are facing (and feeling) reality.

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Bush wades through bills, signs open meetings measure

AUSTIN (AP) — Now-secret staff briefings of governmental bodies will become open to the public under a bill signed into law by Gov. George W. Bush, who held the fate hundreds of measures in his hands one day before today's deadline for him to sign or veto legislation.

Unless Bush vetoes bills from this year's legislative session by the deadline, they automatically become law even without his signature.

The staff-briefings bill, a key initiative of freedom-of-information groups, was among more than 500 measures Bush signed into law Saturday, according to the governor's office.

They range from education-related bills to anti-crime measures to a bill making it illegal to perform female genital mutilation on minors for non-medical purposes. One measure is meant to help aspiring filmmakers, and another would specify that self-help legal materials are OK if they carry a warning that they can't substitute for a lawyer.

Bush's decisions on several hundred other bills were to be announced today.

The staff-briefings measure will eliminate an exception to the open-meetings law that has allowed for closed briefings — sessions in which a public body can receive information from a third party in private as long as they don't discuss the issue.

The law would take effect Aug. 30, according to the governor's office.

Backers of the measure have said the exception has resulted in secret meetings at which officials may discuss and make up their minds on important matters. They say in some cases, only the final vote may be public.

"We thought taxpayers ought to at least be able to be in the room and watch the debate," said Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio, a former county commissioner and university regent.

Opponents of such legislation have argued it could result in public servants being unsure of whether they need to announce a meeting any time they gather, even if no business is being discussed.

The new law includes a defense to prosecution for members of governing bodies who act in "reasonable reliance" on a court order or written interpretation of the law by their attorney, a court or the attorney general.

To be covered under the new law, a gathering must be called and conducted by a governmental body; have a quorum; and include officials questioning, giving information to or receiving information from a third person about public policy or business that the governmental body controls.

Other bills signed into law by the governor would:

■ Outlaw partial or total removal of the external female genitalia on minors. Rep. Helen Giddings, D-DeSoto, said the procedure is traditional in some cultures and has been transported to Texas through immigration.

Under her measure, performing the procedure on minors will be a felony punishable by 180 days to two years in a state jail and a fine. It is a defense to prosecution if the person performing the procedure is a health care professional whose license covers the act, and the procedure is for medical purposes.

■ Make criminals convicted of rape and other sexual assaults ineligible for probation and double the time an offender must serve before becoming eligible for parole. Currently, those convicted of aggravated sexual assault or sexual assault of a child cannot be sentenced to probation, said Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson. He said the measure removes the possibility of probation for any sexual assault conviction.

■ Help aspiring filmmakers by creating the Texas Film Industry Guarantee Indemnity Program and the Texas Film Industry Administrative Fund, which will guarantee private loans to promote the Texas film industry.

■ Specify that self-help legal materials are allowed in Texas as long as they carry the disclaimer that they can't take the place of an attorney. The legislation came in the wake of a federal judge's preliminary decision that the sale of a particular software product constituted the unauthorized practice of law. A state panel is investigating the issue regarding some other self-help legal materials.

■ Make tampering with the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills — a student test that's at the heart of the state's rating system for schools — a third-degree felony punishable by two to 10 years in prison and up to a $10,000 fine. The crime has been a misdemeanor.

The measure makes tampering with the intent to defraud or harm a second-degree felony, punishable by two to 20 years in prison and up to a $10,000 fine.

■ Make it a new criminal offense to induce someone under 17 into a gang by threatening them with bodily injury or causing bodily injury. If a threat, the offense will be punishable by 180 days to two years in a state jail and an optional fine. Actually causing bodily injury will be punishable by two to 10 years in prison and an optional fine.

■ Outlaw the sale of baby formula, over-the-counter medicine and contact lenses at flea markets, subject to a fine of up to $100 for the offense.

■ Provide that Texas school children won't have to present a written request to miss school to observe religious holy days. School districts have been required to excuse students from class to observe religious holy days if they present a written request from a parent or legal guardian.

■ Allow universities to match non-athletic scholarship offers to Texas high school graduates by out-of-state institutions. The measure is meant to stem the prospect of a "brain drain" and comes after a court ruling that resulted in a ban on race-based financial aid.

■ Ensure juveniles staying at a Department of Protective and Regulatory Services facility and suspected of a crime would have the same rights as other detained youths — they must be taken before a magistrate to be told of their rights before police can interrogate them.

In the 1996 case from Austin that inspired the bill, an 11-year-old girl was charged in the death of a toddler after being taken to a children's shelter and interviewed by police for more than two hours without her parents being notified.

■ Require school districts to notify parents if an uncertified teacher is assigned to their child's classroom for more than 30 consecutive instructional days.

Brazoria OKs $2 million settlement in jail-abuse case

ANGLETON, Texas (AP) — Brazoria County has approved a $2.22 million settlement offer to Missouri inmates suing over a 1996 jail shakedown in which they suffered attacks by guard dogs and shocked with stun guns.

County commissioners unanimously signed off on the proposal Friday.

The settlement offer requires participation by the other defendants, including private prison company Capital Correctional Resources Inc. and the state of Missouri, which housed its overflow inmates here before the attack. It's not clear where those defendants stand on the settlement.

Inmates' attorneys say the deal, if approved, would be the nation's largest prison-abuse settlement. The prisoners would split about $1 million after fees.

Insurance policies would absorb the county's portion of the bill.

"These are just settlement discussions, which I cannot comment on, but we've said from the beginning we would never volunteer a cent of taxpayer funds," District Attorney Jeri Yenne said.

Each Missouri inmate pursuing a claim must approve the offer and it must pass muster by a federal judge in Kansas City, Mo., next week.

The prison company leased a portion of the Brazoria County jail in September 1996 when Missouri inmates were forced to crawl on the floor during a "training exercise" videotaped by officials.

All 2,100 Missouri inmates housed in Texas jails, including facilities in Limestone and Gregg counties, were moved back home. Part of the settlement prevents Missouri inmates from pursuing future claims about their treatment in Texas.

County Judge John Willy was optimistic the offer would end the suit.

"I just feel real good about it," Willy said.

Plaintiffs' attorneys say their victory means more than money.

"Hopefully, the injunctive relief will cause other states to stand up and take notice of what could happen if they send their prisoners off to foreign states and private prison companies without taking the necessary steps to make sure they're doing it properly," said Sly James, a Kansas City, Mo., attorney.

However, Yenne countered that the settlement includes no finding of liability and denial that wrongdoing occurred.

Federal criminal cases stemming from the nationally publicized attack are pending against four sheriff's deputies and CCRI jailers indicted for their alleged roles.

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HELP: Christmas in April project touches many in Guyana

(From 1B)

on the home. They spent three days completely repainting the building and repairing windows.

According to Ms. Boyer, she has been seeking funds for several months to help rehabilitate the orphanage. There just wasn't anyone available to help.

"We prayed that God would help get it done and now we see that God has answered it. When you all came up with this, it was a godsend. We love this," Ms. Boyer said tearfully.

She added that she couldn't find a way to express her gratitude.

"Thanks is so small a word."

Similar sentiments were expressed by Baagmatie Singh. Ms. Singh has been the administrator, chief cook, head nurse, counselor and maid at Dharan Saalle, a home for the elderly, for the past 38 years. She's the home's only "employee," though patients in better health assist the more infirm residents.

The residents of the home are all indigent and most are seriously unhealthy. They don't pay for their board at the home and there is very little assistance to help pay the bills.

"Sometimes people come and bring some food," Ms. Singh said. The home also gets basic foods from the government but the matron said it's hardly enough to sustain the 22 residents.

Food is not the only deficiency at the facility. Depleted coffers have also made it impossible to obtain medicine or even to provide sanitary living conditions.

Before Midland's Christmas in April visit to Guyana, the home had no running water. Residents couldn't take a shower and were forced to use outdoor restroom facilities.

The Midland delegation corrected that wrong much to the delight of those who live there. Before the water system was completely restored, the residents were lined up for a turn under the shower. After all, it had been more than a year since they'd had running water. The Christmas in April project — the first such project beyond American shores — also painted several rooms and replaced every window on one side of the home.

"They hadn't been able to use the room for some time because rain would come in through the windows," said Dr. Tulsi Singh, chairman of the Midland/New Amsterdam Sister City Association.

Still, the conditions at the home are a long way from any semblance of quality living.

The home sits on the bank of Canje Creek and every time the tide rises or it rains, the home floods, washing raw sewage from the outdoor facilities into the home. Worse, the bottom floor of the home houses about 12 residents and the facility's dining room.

Ms. Singh said the sewage sometimes rises as high as knee-deep and takes several days to clean out.

Singh, no relation, said that is one problem that will be corrected during a visit in July. He has made arrangements to use sandbags to keep the water from flowing into the home. Also as a result of the Christmas in April project, 25 new mattresses with plastic covers and a new suit of clothes for each resident have been ordered.

The elderly facility and the orphanage, however, are not alone in their suffering.

Guyana is a developing country, which is the politically correct way to say "Third World." The economy is incredibly depressed and inflation runs rampant. Currently, 184 Guyana dollars are worth one U.S. dollar.

The average worker in Guyana earns about 100 U.S. dollars per month. That's if they work as a public servant. Some private sector jobs pay as much as $250 U.S., Singh said.

Minimum wage standards in the private sector are somewhat less. Beginning salaries in most fields start around $75.

Such low wages are currently causing extreme internal strife. Government employees have been on strike for more than a month with no end in sight. The employees have denied offers by the government to pay them wages equal to the entire Gross National Product, putting the administration in a difficult situation, he said.

Guyana has a national debt of about $1.2 billion, and to pay public servants what they demand would require additional debt. In 1992, that debt stood at $2 billion and if the country pays more to public sector employees it would lose consideration for debt relief from its creditors.

It's servicing that debt that consumes a majority of the country's resources and prohibits development and reconstruction of the infrastructure, which is in shambles, Singh said.

Electrical power is unreliable and except for the capital city, most roads in the country are dangerous and riddled with potholes. Garbage collection is sketchy and litter blankets the streets.

Water and sewage treatment are equally disconcerting. According to the World Health Organization, 49 percent of Guyanese don't have access to safe drinking water.

Access to private services are equally difficult to obtain. In New Amsterdam, a city of 30,000, finding medical specialists is sometimes impossible.

The city has been without an optometrist for more than a year, and if not for a recent charitable trip by the Midland Downtown Lion's Club, most citizens there still wouldn't be able to get eyeglass prescriptions.

Opportunities to improve that situation are also bleak. Guyana has a current population of about 800,000 and only grows by about 1,000 residents a year. The reason is that most Guyanese with any skills migrate as soon as possible.

SISTER: Singh plans another visit to New Amsterdam in July

(From 1B)

— two miles outside of New Amsterdam — in the "state" of Berbice. He attended high school at Berbice High in New Amsterdam.

Shortly after graduation, Singh left for medical school in Jamaica where he practiced for five years before opening a practice in Midland.

Singh visited his parents from time to time until 1977.

In 1966 Guyana gained its freedom from British rule and subsequently fell under socialist rule that was favorable to Cuba.

"The country was looted by the government of that time, which is why they have such a huge foreign debt ($1.5 billion) with so little to show for it," Singh said.

By 1977, that looting and subsequent decay of Singh's home country pained him greatly.

"I promised myself I'd never go back. Seeing it as a police state and watching the steady decline of everybody and everything was so depressing," Singh said.

After 1987, he didn't have any reason to break that promise. His parents and siblings had all moved out of Guyana — most to Midland. Out of nine children in the Singh family, six now live in Midland.

Migration, though, is a common event in Guyana. According to the U.S. Embassy, that country uses its allotment of visas every year and has for quite some time. It often takes 10 to 12 years to get a visa to the United States.

The emigration has left the country with an unskilled labor force almost devoid of doctors, lawyers, teachers and even builders and masons.

Singh, chairman of the Midland/New Amsterdam Sister City Association, is doing a small part to ease that problem.

While in Guyana earlier this month, he awarded two scholarships to Guyanese students. In return for commitments to teach in New Amsterdam for four years, Singh has agreed to pay their tuition to the University of Guyana for four years.

That was only a small part of the doctor's recent visit. Singh and 15 other Midlanders traveled to Guyana on the first-ever Christmas in April project outside of the United States.

While there, the Midland delegation painted and repaired the Alpha Orphanage and restored water to the Dharan Saalle elderly living facility. The Midlanders also replaced several windows and painted the home for the elderly.

The premier focus of the trip, however, was construction of a bus terminal. Though it didn't have the same personal involvement as the work on the orphanage or elderly home, it improved the quality of life for many more people.

Before last week, travelers exiting the New Amsterdam Ferry had no clean, dry place to wait for bus transportation into the city or to rural areas where they live. Also missing were adequate restroom facilities.

That will soon change. Singh, along with Arco Permian, the city of New Amsterdam, Banks DIH — a beverage company in Guyana — and the federal government of Guyana, funded construction of a new bus terminal that will provide a dry place for travelers to wait for a bus.

The terminal will also have clean restrooms and concessions available to the general public. The project cost approximately $35,000 and combined the efforts of Guyanese and Midland volunteers.

When the group of Midlanders left, the project was 75 percent complete, and according to Singh, should be finished in a few days.

The Christmas in April Project was the fourth visit by Midlanders to the South American country.

The Midland Downtown Lion's club visited New Amsterdam in May. Members took vision testing equipment and trained local residents how to use the equipment so they could distribute some 6,500 pairs of glasses donated by Midland Lions.

The service was needed because New Amsterdam has been without an optometrist for more than a year. Glasses are also very expensive in Guyana. According to Marie Lindie, a New Amsterdam Lion's Club member, the average pair of glasses cost $15,000-20,000 (Guyana). That's more than the average monthly wage of a Guyanese laborer.

"We take a lot for granted as Americans. We're probably blessed beyond our appreciation," said Robert Walter, pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Midland and one of those who embarked on the sister city tour.

He added, "I was touched by the hospitality of the people and the realization that people are the same the world over. We may see differences in color and culture, but down deep we are very much the same — same hopes, same fears, same desires."

Walter also said the experience touched him enough that he would return to Guyana if presented the chance.

He could have that chance as soon as next month if he wants it. A cultural exchange trip is planned for July.

Singh said he is taking the Midland Community Theater production of "Nunsense Jamboree" to Guyana on July 16. The troupe will perform in Jamaica, New Amsterdam and Georgetown.

Claim for 'black tax' credit, refund gets man in trouble

FORT WORTH (AP) — A man who requested a $43,209 "black tax" credit and got a sizable check from the U.S. Treasury is now facing potential jail time for helping three others do the same thing.

Willie Foster, a 35-year-old part-time minister from Fort Worth who said his great-grandparents were slaves, got $30,085.89 back from the IRS.

"It's about time they gave us something for that lost time in slavery," Foster told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

But the $30,000 return was a mistake because, despite persistent rumors, there is no black tax credit. Foster still has the money, but now his freedom is at stake.

He faces up to 15 years in prison for helping three friends apply for the same tax credit — one of the three got some money — after the Internal Revenue Service told him that there was no such thing.

Foster is scheduled for trial in Dallas federal court this month on three counts of filing false claims.

Talk of reparations has circulated since just after the Civil War, when Congress voted to give freed slaves 40 acres and a mule. But President Andrew Johnson killed the plan with a veto.

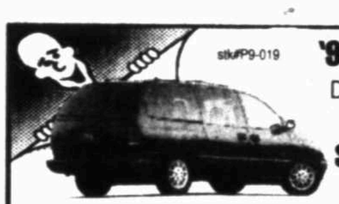
The debate has surfaced on and off ever since. Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., has tried unsuccessfully to gain support for legislation on the matter.

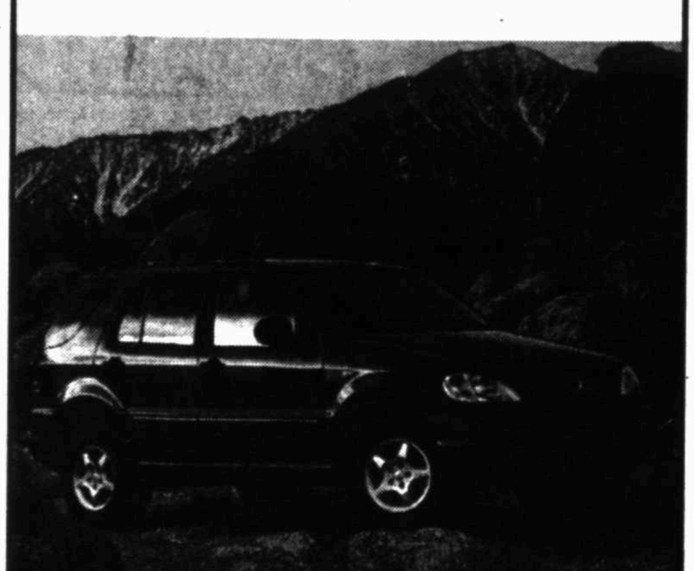
The debate landed in the lap of the IRS after L.G. Sherrod, a New York journalist and economics consultant, wrote an essay in 'Essence' in April 1993.

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TEEN BEAT

Experiences with Dad have shaped my view of what fathers are supposed to be

By Matt Josefy

Dads Are Doing Super! As soon as I finished my Mother's Day tribute, I realized that I had just a few weeks to cook one up for Father's Day. Absentee fathers have hoarded so much publicity throughout the past decades that the good ones often don't receive proper recognition.



Josefy

Fathers are typically viewed as the leaders of the home, but recently there has been a void in that area, as some sources say that more than half of marriages end in divorce. Studies have even been conducted attempting to prove that without a father figure, many children are more likely to become involved in violent or abusive behaviors.

Luckily, I'm not a product of that type of scenario. I would like to share several memories that create my image of what a father should be.

Perhaps one of my earliest memories is playing catch with my dad. I would be the one who would chunk the ball my very hardest and hope that it would land somewhere around my father's chest. And every once in awhile it did. Even though my arm was quite wild, the one thing that was a sure bet was my father's glove. If it was close, it was caught. My dad has continued to be one of the few who haven't dropped the ball in recent times. I know too many people who have to learn everything on their own, without a guiding influence.

When my father and I recently shared the joy of attending a game at the Ballpark in Arlington, we were both overwhelmed by the sheer beauty of the field and its surroundings. Though the drinks cost enough to purchase an ocean of soda, we sat through the rain and watched the home team get beat. Families today are going through a lot of storms, and many no longer have someone to share the experience with.

On my birthday, we went to the golf course. Despite my inability, he helped me count my numerous strokes. After the designated holes, we went to get something to eat and drink, refreshing us from the heat. Fathers are companions that help us count blessings and hard times alike. They also show us the rules of the game, passing along to us the traditions of the family and all that that entails.

One final memory is that it sometimes seems that my dad knows things that you wouldn't expect. What he doesn't know, we often find ourselves fetching the encyclopedias to find out. Fathers don't have a secret formula and definitely aren't magicians, but they have an uncanny knack for knowing the answers to a child's questions.

For about 16 years, I was forced to look up to my dad by sheer height differences. Now that the gap is now practically nonexistent, I look up to my dad because I feel that I have no other choice, seeing that he is active in the community, church, and home, yet still has time to perform well on the job.

The thing about Father's Day, which has really just turned into an extra day of necktie and golf club advertising, is that you can't just buy a rose. Communication is the tight line that is so unique in a father relationship. Lack of communication leads to problems and good communication comes in various forms.

But maybe a necktie is supposed to be representative of the thankful hands that we wrap around our Father's neck. The golf clubs show that we want our Father's to be able to relax from the anxieties of the job and other responsibilities. M&Ms melt in the mouth, just as easily as sweet memories of adventures with Dad.

Just be sure that you fit that analogy, Dads. More and more children envision that the tie be a noose, the golf clubs weapons, and the M&Ms smashed into the carpet. Dads who leave while children are growing up, dads who inflict abuse or dads who fail to support, on this day know that your children would love to give you a second, even a third chance if you care to ask for it. Proof of that is seen in the recent movie "October Sky." Homer longs for his dad to be supportive, and even gives him the privilege of launching the final rocket that he built against his father's wishes.

Thank God, there are still those who join the ranks of the few, the proud, the real dads. Faster than a speeding bullet dad can rush to the rescue. Super Dad is not a myth; he still exists in a few privileged homes. It is to these that we owe our utmost gratitude. Without them, our society would experience even further chaos. After all, no one ever said being a dad was easy. It always seems that dads have to take the blame when things go wrong, and never get the credit when things go right. Putting the cherry on top of the sundae, every dad is different and every child's relationship to their dad is different. We can always know that everything is going to be all right, as long as dads around the nation still sit supreme in the living room rocker. I guess all that's to say on this day we should Forget Any Trespasses, Help Exceptionally Recognize Superdads Doing Awesome Year-round.

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Matt Josefy will be a senior at Midland High School.

ARMED FORCES NEWS

Brian Danhof, son of Andrew and Nancy Danhof of Midland and a Midland High School graduate, earned a commission as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps from Texas A&M University.

He will continue his training in Quantico, Va.

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David R. Galindo, son of Anita Galindo of Midland, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program June 3.

He is a graduate of Lee High School and is scheduled for regular enlistment July 7.

Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six -week basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, near San Antonio, Galindo is scheduled to receive technical training in the aerospace ground equipment career field.

In conjunction with this training, he will be earning college credit toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force and will attend other Air Force technical schools.

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Nathan D. Rowell, son of Brenda and James Richardson of Midland and a 1997 home-school graduate, recently graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga.

He received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aide, physical fitness and Army history and traditions.

Rowell qualified as a light weapons infantryman and an indirect-fire crewman assigned to an article or mortar squad.

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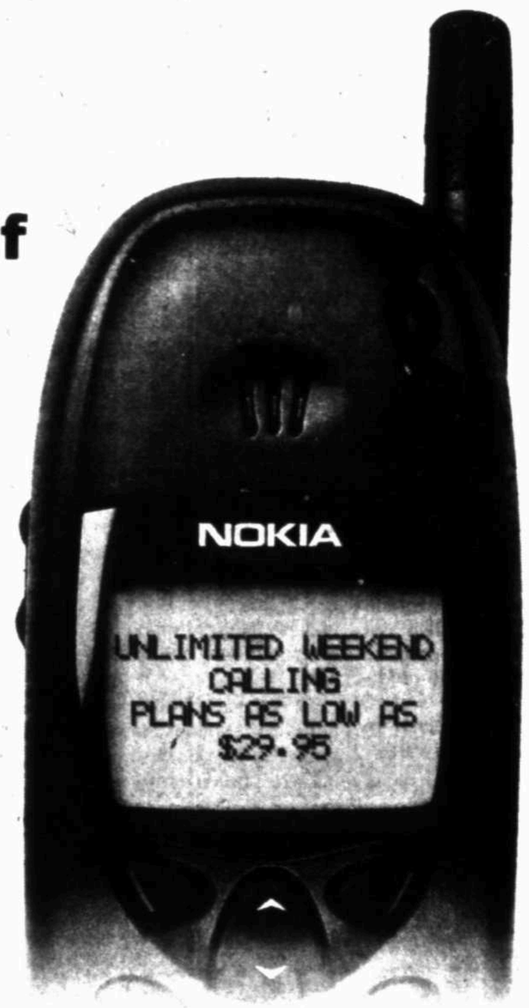
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Trip to Japan begins with cloudy skies, illness, and broken luggage

Editor's Note: This is the second of a four-part series by Abell Junior High School science teacher R. Eric Setzler, who is participating in the Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher program in Japan.

By R. Eric Setzler

Preparations for my trip to Japan for the Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program were chaotic. Apparently, space is tight on international flights and baggage is limited. The problems posed by packing for a three-week trip with only one suitcase checked in and one carry-on bag seems insurmountable.

Three weeks of my life overseas stuffed into only two containers. This includes gifts for several different groups, such as government officials, educational administrators, and the members of the family I will visit. I also took three letters of greeting to the Japanese people — one from Mayor Bobby Burns, another from Mike Moses, Texas Commissioner of Education, and a third from Joseph Baressi Jr., the superintendent for the Midland Independent School District.

The first day of my adventure was exciting, but very stressful. The zippers on both suitcases broke late the night of June 11 and a trip to the mall at 10 a.m. June 12 was necessary to get new luggage. Repacking the bags only took five minutes because of the 10:30 a.m. check-in at the airport. Standing in line took 45 minutes. This left me only a few minutes to get to my plane.

The morning was cloudy with some rain and not exactly perfect for flying. Predictably, the flight to Dallas wasn't smooth in the 34-passenger "puddle jumper" plane. Every time the plane entered big patches of cotton-like clouds, it shuddered back and forth in response, only to stop where the skies were clear. More than once, we had the sensation of zero gravity as the plane suddenly lost elevation.

The other passengers grew quite agitated because they were scared of missing their connecting flight. I holed up in my hotel room with the flu pouring through hundreds of pages of information about Japan. Because of a high fever, I only slept four hours that night.

The next day, June 13, it was on to San Francisco. I woke early and even though I still couldn't eat, I felt great.

The flight to San Francisco was uneventful, although I met several other Texans participating in the Fulbright program. San Francisco was beautiful with low silver clouds in the valleys of the hills surrounding the ocean. The hotel was situated along the water and the Golden Gate Bridge could be seen across the bay. Sunlight sparkled as it reflected off the surface of the bright blue ocean. The heavy scent of pine trees mixed with the smell of the salt water was almost intoxicating. I found myself falling in love with the place. I felt almost as good as sitting in my front yard and watching the kids play happily on a cool West Texas evening.

An "Orientation to the Orient" was presented at the Sheraton Gateway Hotel. Kyoke Jones, director of the Fulbright Memorial Fund Teacher Program, gave an interesting talk that provided a wide range of information from the need to carry cash because Japan has a "cash society," a "no-tip" service system, use of Eastern toilets, lower levels of crime, easy access of the subway system, absence of desserts and lack of technology in the classroom.



R. Eric Setzler

On the flight to Japan, Abell Junior High School teacher R. Eric Setzler met a 5-year-old Japanese girl, who was playing games, reading Star Wars books and working on math work books.

Another speaker, Keiko Toyama, mentioned, "It's interesting both Japan and United States both have educational systems that want what the other's got."

She mentioned that the FMF program would introduce the "many people, thoughts, sights, sounds, and tastes of Japan."

The next day (June 14) we boarded a bus to the airport where we again met Ms. Jones. This was my first flight on a 747-jet airplane, the blue whale of the skies.

As a science teacher, I understand the theory behind the flight of fixed-winged objects. However, this object was so large that I had trouble subscribing to the theory in this case. I wasn't afraid of flying or even falling. However, I strongly objected to the hitting sensation that accompanies a crash and the sudden termination of the flight. At the bottom of the Pacific Ocean are some of the deepest spots on the surface of the planet.

During the flight, I met a lot of interesting people. Initially, my attention was focused on a personable 5-year old Japanese girl, who was playing games, reading Star Wars books, and working on some advanced math work books. She had a good time, but still managed to get her homework done. The young lady was very helpful in teaching me some key Japanese phrases.

I also met a Russian woman named Zhanna, currently teaching music in Rhode Island. While standing in the restroom line, she sang "Sakura," a Japanese folk song. It was beautiful and yet eerie in the darkened cabin.

Some of the tasty and exotic meals included roasted chicken served with macadamia nut stuffing, a shrimp salad with fresh tomato, tangerine beef Szechuan, soba noodle salad, penne pasta with meat sauce, chicken rice bowl, almond cookies, fresh seasonal fruit, and an Italian Ice.

I stuffed myself because this was my first meal in two days. We watched several movies, including "Mighty Joe Young," "Patch Adams," and "You've Got Mail."

Other parts of the flight weren't as comfortable, just bearable. Between movies and meals, passengers would leap to their feet and stumble up and down the aisle, groaning in an attempt to get their blood moving again. We flew along the West Coast of the U.S. to Canada, along the Aleutian Islands, across the Bering Sea, across the International Date Line, and on to Japan. (When you cross the International Date Line you "lose" a day in transit. In other words, a passenger arrives overseas the day after they left the United States although time spent in the air was only 10 hours. This was very confusing to simple minds like mine).

After what seemed like 400 years and 10,000 calories later, the plane started its descent to Narita International Airport. Nervously, we came down through clouds so thick you couldn't see the wings of the plane. Suddenly, brilliant green-colored groves of trees, neatly planted fields, and attractive waterways appeared below. The plane landed smoothly on a runway next to a field of oil storage tanks and the passengers applauded loudly.

The Tokyo chapter of my adventure was about to begin.

Lykes ahead of his time in Spanish-language radio

DALLAS (AP) — In the shoe business, Nikes slogan is "Just do it."

In the radio business, David Lykes has become known for his trademark Tex-Mex translation: "Put the leche on the porche."

While that motto may sound more like the job description for a milk man than a top radio executive, the philosophy has served Lykes well during hs 40-year career in Spanish-language radio broadcasting.

"It's a saying I came up with years ago in the Valley," Lykes said. "It means Make something happen. Let's get it done."

Lykes has been getting it done since 1959, when he took a job as local sales representative for KGBT-AM in Harlingen, at the time a 50-watt CBS radio affiliate that programmed 10 hours a day in English and 8 hours in Spanish.

KGBT radio station was owned by Tichenor Media Systems. In 1997 Tichenor Media merged with Heftel Broadcasting Corp., which changed its name to Hispanic Broadcasting Corp. on June 3.

Forty years after taking the job as a protégé of media pioneer McHenry Tichenor, Lykes has risen to the position of executive vice president and chief operating officer of Hispanic Broadcasting Corp., the leading Spanish-language radio broadcaster in the United States.

Lykes rise through the ranks mirrors the rise in popularity and clout of Spanish-language radio. And like Spanish radio, Lykes has deep roots in the Rio Grande Valley.

"The size of the (Spanish listening) market has grown and continues to grow dramatically," Lykes said. "Advertisers have realized this market represents tremendous buying power."

Mac Tichenor Jr., a grandson of McHenry Tichenor, said Lykes helped put Hispanic-targeted radio on the map.

"He was there in the early days of the company and really gained an appreciation of what worked for customers, employees and himself," Tichenor said. "He's kind of the heart and soul of the company culture. He's a real champion of our values and our way of doing business."

Lykes said Spanish radio has come a long way since the early days at KGBT, where programming ranged from El Gallo, a Spanish morning show, to soap operas and Gunsmoke broadcast in English. "There was an under-appreciation of the value of the Hispanic consumer," Lykes said. "It was a niche that nobody really focused on. But Mr. Tichenor, with his business acumen, saw the opportunity."

In 1962 KGBT-AM began broadcasting in Spanish full-time. In 1984, Tichenor Media Systems began focusing completely on Spanish radio. Hispanic-targeted radio has exploded in popularity during the last 15 years. In 1986, about 200 Spanish-language radio stations broadcast in the United States, Lykes said. Today there are more than 500, he said. Dallas-based Hispanic Broadcasting Corp. owns or programs 39 radio stations in 12 markets. The company's stations are located in 11 of the top 15 Hispanic markets in the United States, including Los Angeles, New York, Miami, San Francisco, Chicago, Houston, San Antonio, Brownsville-Harlingen-McAllen, Dallas-Fort Worth, San Diego and El Paso.

Demographics point to a bright future for Spanish radio, Lykes said. High birth rates, a young Hispanic population and immigration trends factor into the equation for a growing market. Texas, where more than 30 percent of the population is Hispanic, has insight into what the rest of the nation can expect in the 21st century, he said.

The wave of listeners who prefer Spanish programming shows no sign of slowing, Lykes said. "The economic and political pressures in Latin America will continue to feed the inbound migration into this country," he said. "Latin America does not have the infrastructure or the food sources to feed that many people.

"These people want a better life, so they will continue to come. For us, that means a market that will continue to grow. It's a great future for Spanish-language radio and for the country."

Lykes was a key player in changing the way radio ratings are developed, said Dan Wilson, who worked with Lykes in the Valley before taking his current position as general manager of KXTN in San Antonio.

Arbitron ratings used to be conducted solely in English. Lykes successfully lobbied to distribute the survey forms in English and Spanish to provide a more accurate gauge of Spanish stations' audiences.

"He's been very involved in moving our industry forward," Wilson said.

Spanish-language radio has its roots on the AM band, but it's slowly being switched to FM as the audience becomes more sophisticated and advertising budgets for Hispanic-targeted marketing increase, Tichenor said.

"The percentage composition of Hispanics in the markets has grown, so it makes sense to devote more resources to Hispanics and their tastes," he said. "As advertising increased, companies could afford to buy top quality facilities."

The remaining Spanish AM stations are being converted to talk and news formats, while music dominates the FM airwaves. In the Valley, Hispanic Broadcasting Corp. owns KGBT-FM 98.5, KIWW-FM 96.1, and KGBT-AM 1530. The FMs play Tejano and Regional Mexican formats, while the AM has a news and talk format.

Tejano music has played a big role in the rise of Spanish stations, although Tejano's popularity has tapered off in the last few years, Tichenor said. Regional Mexican music formats and rock en Español are gaining popularity, he said.

"It's become more accepted, more hip to listen to Spanish music than it was 10 years ago," Tichenor said. "The artists are better and the production is better so the recordings tend to be better."

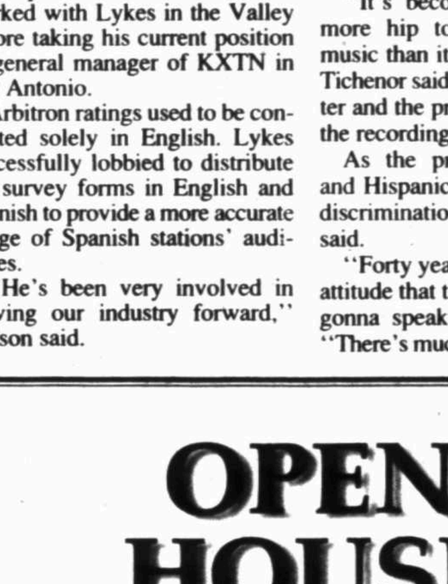
As the programming quality and Hispanic numbers increased, discrimination has waned, Lykes said.

"Forty years ago there was that attitude that this is America we're gonna speak English," he said. "There's much less of that today."

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Fort Hood witches raise question of Army's religious rules

FORT HOOD (AP) — Marcy Palmer paces in the shade of a post oak tree as two dozen people sit nearby at picnic tables or cross-legged at her feet.

They listen as she teaches the tenets of an ancient religion:

"We believe in the divinity of all things."

"We believe that we are all of one life force."

"We believe that we are one with nature."

"Know thyself."

What might be mistaken for the religious gathering of any mainstream group has rankled one congressman and triggered a debate about religious freedom within the military.

That's because Ms. Palmer is a witch, the high priestess of a group that practices witchcraft at Fort Hood with the full blessing of the U.S. Army. Most of those in her group are active-duty soldiers.

A few vocal critics, including a local Baptist minister and Rep. Bob Barr, R-Georgia, say the Army's decision to sanction witchcraft at Fort Hood and four other posts amounts to an abdication of moral authority.

"I think it brings disrepute to the military and ought not to be allowed as something on par with the Judeo-Christian beliefs on which our country was founded," Barr told The Associated Press recently.

But David Oringderff, head of the San Antonio-based pagan group that sponsors Ms. Palmer's Fort Hood Open Circle, says such sentiments are rooted in fear and false notions that witches worship the devil or sacrifice animals.

"There's no accounting for fear and bigotry," Oringdeff said.

Though controversy surrounding the witches is relatively new, the Fort Hood Open Circle is not.

Lt. Col. Benjamin Santos, Fort Hood's spokesman, said Army witches submitted their request for a meeting place in mid-1997. The chaplain's office at U.S. Army Forces Command headquarters in Atlanta approved the request and the group formed in August 1997.

The military has since sanctioned pagan groups at Fort Barrancas in Florida, Fort Wainwright in Alaska, Kadena Air Force Base in Okinawa and Fort Polk in Louisiana.

The Army's stance on witches — or any other follower of a minority faith — is more practical than philosophical, Santos said.

He said Fort Hood's mission is to identify soldiers' needs and serve them. That applies to spiritual needs but also extends to the operation of six elementary schools, two commissaries and a bowling alley for the post's 71,500 residents, he said.

"For us it's not a religious issue. It's a quality-of-life issue," Santos said. "It's all a matter of determination of need. What do our soldiers and family members need and how can we help?"

There are 92 chaplains among the 42,000 Fort Hood soldiers, the largest concentration in the Army. The inch-thick chaplains' handbook includes a five-page primer on Wicca, described as "a reconstruction of the Nature worship of tribal Europe."

Lt. Col. Dorald Troyer is the chaplain assigned as a liaison to the witches and to ensure the group complies with regulations.

Some basic tenets of Wicca

Some facts and figures about the Wiccan faith, according to the U.S. Army chaplains' handbook and discussions with Wiccans:

MANY NAMES: Wicca is sometimes known as Paganism, witchcraft, goddess worshipping, Earth Religion, Shamanism, Druidism.

MEMBERSHIP: Unknown because witch covens are completely autonomous. There are an estimated 50,000 Wiccans in the United States. The largest single public Wiccan organization is the California-based Covenant of the Goddess, a non-denominational pagan group.

ORIGINS: Wicca is a reconstruction of the Nature worship of tribal Europe. Interest was renewed in the early 20th century with the writings of Gerald B. Gardner and others. Gardner publicly declared himself a witch after Britain's anti-witchcraft laws were repealed in 1951.

BELIEFS: Wiccans are polytheists who believe in a "divine spark" responsible for all life. Deities often are personified as Mother Earth and Father Sky. Many Wiccans regard all living things as sacred. Wiccans do not worship or believe in "Satan," "the devil," or similar entities. They say such ideas were invented by other religious groups. Wiccans do not revile the Bible.

MAGIC: Most Wiccan groups practice magic, by which they mean the direction and use of "psychic energy" for the purpose of healing, protecting and aiding members in various endeavors. Some members spell the word "magick" to distinguish it from sleight of hand tricks.

REDE-ING: The core ethical statement of Wicca is called the "Wiccan Rede," which states that "an it harm none, do what you will." The Rede fulfills the same function as does the "Golden Rule" for Jews and Christians.

FESTIVALS: Wiccans celebrate eight festivals, called "Sabbats," as a means of attuning to the seasonal rhythms of nature. They include spring equinox, summer solstice, harvest and winter solstice. Most groups also meet for worship at each full moon.

Troyer, a Seventh Day Adventist, has championed the group's right to exist, telling the Austin American-Statesman that "we're responding to the First Amendment ... and we're glad to do it."

The witches of Fort Hood meet at Camp Finlayson, a remote, hilly campground teeming with squirrels and birds. The site feels peaceful despite the frequent rumble of low-flying Apache attack helicopters that train on the 340-square-mile post.

Gatherings are held for ritual holidays — the summer solstice on June 21, for example — and two evenings a week for "classes" led by Ms. Palmer — for neophytes on Mondays and advanced students on Wednesdays.

On this 90-degree Monday night, about 30 people attend. About three-fourths are in the Army, but only one — a sergeant in an airborne unit — is in uniform. There are former Roman Catholics and former Mormons, Baptists and Presbyterians. Most have Army buzzcuts. A few sport long hair. Some wear pentagram necklaces.

Sean, a 30-year-old former soldier who served in an artillery unit deployed to Kuwait several years ago, said witches were in the Army long before they were sanctioned.

"In my particular unit we had several witches and we would all congregate in one room and discuss things," said Sean, who declined to give his last name. "It helped us."

Sean, a deacon in the Open Circle, said the Army is ahead of society in its religious tolerance.

"My first sergeant was very much for it," he said of his faith. "So was my chaplain. ... He even came out here a couple times to the circle and gave classes about his religion so we could all learn about it."

Ms. Palmer, a former military policewoman who now is a civilian Army hospital nurse, spends a large portion of the class drilling the fledgling Wiccans on principles they've been learning for six months.

She talks about the fine points of summoning spirits and how to design rituals. She discusses casting spells, by which Wiccans mean enlisting "psychic energy" to heal, protect or aid members in various endeavors.

Inevitably, the discussion turns to Barr's criticism, and several soldiers groan and shake their heads in disgust. They are clearly tired of defending themselves.

But several say, and Ms. Palmer concurs, that the controversy is an opportunity for witches to come out of hiding. The attention signals a new "age of enlightenment," one soldier says.

Ms. Palmer said the push by some to end the coven gatherings is a potential threat to all religions.

"If they deny our right to worship ... then everybody loses," she said.

Those who hope to abolish witchcraft at Fort Hood argue that the Bible backs their point of view.

"There are 112 verses where God calls this not just sin but God calls this abomination," said the Rev. Jack Harvey, pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Killeen, just outside Fort Hood.

"God hates this. God detests this. ... This is like homosexuality, which God also says is an abomination."

Harvey said he and other Central Texas religious leaders will do "everything in our power that's legal," including lobbying members of Congress, to stop the witches from gathering at Fort Hood.

Earlier this month, 13 conservative religious groups, including the 2.1 million-member Christian Coalition, called on Christians to boycott joining or re-enlisting in the Army until witchcraft is banned on posts.

Barr tried but failed to attach a witchcraft-banning amendment to a Defense Department authorization bill last month. He vowed to try again, possibly in an appropriations bill.

"If in fact people want to practice this in their personal lives, that's one thing," Barr said. "But to allow it as a sanctified practice on military bases ... is nonsense."

But from the Army's perspective, Santos said, the policy conforms with regulations and the Constitution.

"It's a group of people that have a unique religion that is probably misunderstood by a great many people," he said. "But it really boils down to the ability to practice one's faith peacefully without bothering anybody else."



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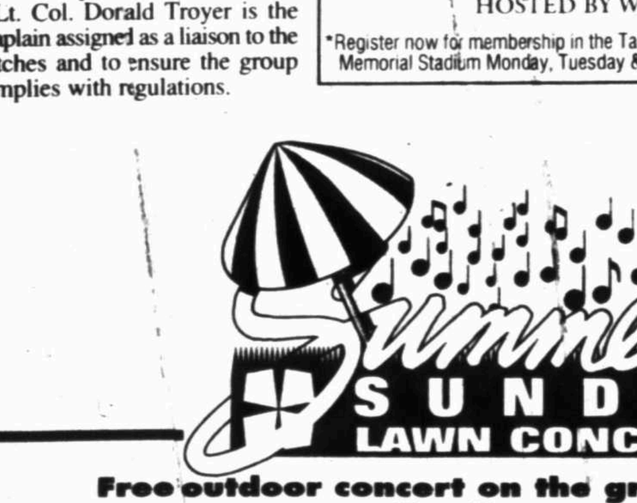
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Best sellers

Local best sellers are based on weekly sales at Midland bookstores and reflect varied reading interests. This week's local best sellers are from Waldenbooks, Midland Park Mall, 4511 N. Midkiff, Midland.

National best sellers are from The New York Times.

LOCAL
Fiction/Nonfiction

1. **Hannibal,** by Thomas Harris.
2. **The Greatest Generation,** by Tom Brokaw.
3. **Pearl Cove,** by Elizabeth Lowell.
4. **I Ain't Got Time To Bleed,** by Jesse Ventura.
5. **Suzanne Somers Get Skinny,** by Suzanne Somers.
6. **A New Song,** by Jan Karon.
7. **Bittersweet,** by Danielle Steel.
8. **Visitation,** by Frank Peretti.
9. **Century,** by Peter Jennings.
10. **Day Trade Online,** by Chris Farrell.

Mass Market/Trade

1. **Rebellion,** by Nora Roberts.
2. **Hatchet,** by Gary Paulsen.
3. **Tall, Dark & Deadly,** by Heather Graham.
4. **General's Daughter,** by Nelson DeMille.
5. **Blue Moon,** by Jill Landis.
6. **Lone Star Millionaire,** by Susan Mallery.
7. **Summer Sisters,** by Judy Blume.
8. **Blessing,** by Jude Devereaux.
9. **Op Center #6,** by Tom Clancy.
10. **Love Letter,** by Cathleen Schine.

NATIONAL
Fiction

1. **Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets,** by J.K. Rowling.
2. **White Oleander,** by Janet Fitch.
3. **Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace,** by Terry Brooks.
4. **Oh, The Places You'll Go!** by Dr. Seuss.
5. **Certain Prey,** by John Sandford.
6. **We'll Meet Again,** by Mary Higgins Clark.
7. **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone,** by J.K. Rowling.
8. **The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon,** by Stephen King.
9. **The Testament,** by John Grisham.
10. **East of the Mountains,** by David Guterson.

Nonfiction

1. **The Greatest Generation,** by Tom Brokaw.
2. **Every Man a Tiger,** by Tom Clancy.
3. **Tuesdays With Morrie,** by Mitch Albom.
4. **Betrayal,** by Bill Gertz.
5. **I Ain't Got Time To Bleed,** by Jesse Ventura.
6. **Cinderella Story,** by Bill Murray with George Peper.
7. **Encore Provence,** by Peter Mayle.
8. **Bella Tuscany,** by Frances Mayes.
9. **The Lexus and the Olive Tree,** by Thomas L. Friedman.
10. **The Art of Happiness,** by the Dalai Lama and Howard C. Cutler.

Noteworthy books

THE NEWTON LETTER
By John Banville)
(Godine, $10.95)

After renting a cottage in rural Ireland to work on a biography of Isaac Newton, a historian becomes obsessed with an eccentric family whose members echo characters from an 1809 Goethe novel. In 1987 the reviewer Molly Hite called this a "powerful novella" with much to say about literary history and the history of science.

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The same publisher has reissued another novel by Banville,a modern version of the Faust legend in which a math prodigy is seduced by a trio that includes a portly engineer, a deaf woman and a winking master of ceremonies named Felix. "'Mefisto' is a novel of virtuosic scope, written in a style as pristine as the rarefied mountain air atop the Brocken, the witches' gathering place on Walpurgisnacht," Amy Boaz wrote in 1990.

They rode by chance, by choice

COWBOYS WHO RODE PROUDLY
by 15 contributors and 11 artists
(Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library, $50, hard cover, 274 pages with general index and index of brands)

Reviewed by Joseph Sullivan

Between the stark, vast land and the heartbreaking sky, ride those souls who by chance or by choice have accepted the challenge of nature and work out their days in the great western cattle industry. Many who have gone before were interesting, colorful people whose individual stories would be long repeated around chuck-wagon campfires, if the wagons themselves had not also passed on.

As individual vignettes of western life, biographical sketches of these people can be a good, even inspiring read, but an artful collection of them has much greater value. It forms a mosaic that reveals a more complete picture of the collective character of the people and their times. It is like the old story about the blind East Indian beggars who meet their first elephant. With very limited perspectives, none can grasp the whole. Collectively, they can assemble a reasonable concept of the truth. For all these reasons, the collection of brief biographies in "Cowboys Who Rode Proudly," is recommended. It is downright fun to read, but it also lifts the understanding of the real cowboy by giving the broader view.

To write well about cowboys from our late 20th century vantage point is challenging. The big ideas have been explored. Perceptions have been defined. The great historians and biographers of the last generation, Eugene Barker, Walter Prescott Webb, T.R Fehrenbach, J. Evetts Haley, Tom Lea, and certain other important writers built the framework, to which has been added much by scores of others. In addition, there are numberless films and television programs about "cowboys." These tend to be awfully superficial and inaccurate in the way they depict cowboy life, but they are certainly powerful shapers of popular perceptions — more powerful than scholarly and literary works.

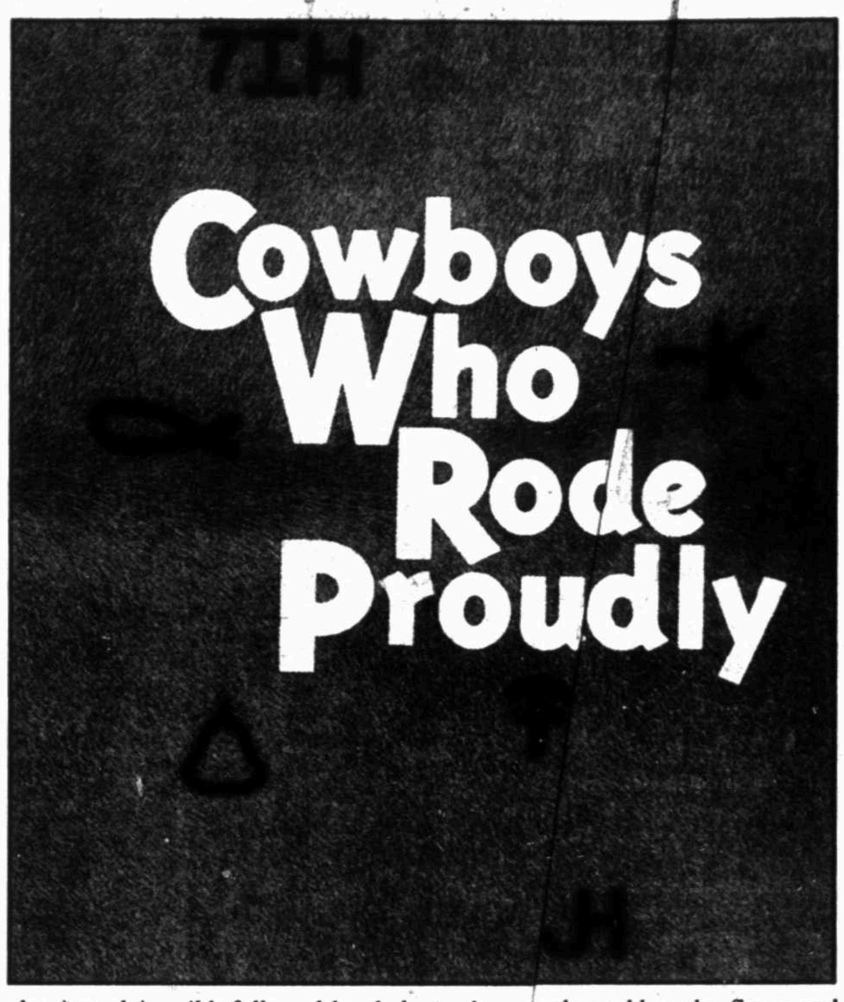
With such great predecessors, and our modern saturation with trivialized media images, what is left for today's honest writers? In three words: reality; inspiration; and fun. Reality is the key. An honest and well-crafted treatment of history in the smaller scale creates for the reader a personal connection with the people who actually roped calves, fixed windmills, dug wagons out of the soft sand, and when they had the luxury of a bath, left a layer of red grit in the bottom of the tub. As the gifted Texas novelist Elmer Kelton pointed out in a recent speech, these people were not legendary or mythical. They were perfectly real. To let them become merely mythic or legendary, or to decay into popularized images, is both to diminish them and chop off our own very real roots.

Inspiration requires reality. Superman is entertaining, but only a nut is inspired to act like Superman. Genuine inspiration comes to most of us through the stories of people as human as ourselves, who have developed uncommon levels of skill, who have pushed the limits and done what others thought could not be done, or who have lived decent responsible lives and taken pride in whatever they did despite drought, loss, injury or the death of family.

Notwithstanding the hardships and the trials of life on the plains, a large helping of fun also seems to come with the territory. The soil of the West and the freedom of the big spaces seems to be especially suited to growing colorful characters who would do justice to any novel. In fact, they may be the most reliable crop in this dry country.

Measured against our three-part benchmark for modern cowboy writing (reality, inspiration, and fun), "Cowboys Who Rode Proudly" is a success. The lives recounted are as real as this morning's breakfast, and they are told honestly, the bad with the good. Some are inspiring. For example, the Mexican cowboy Nicasio Ramirez sums up in his modest life much of the best of a man. Born to a wealthy ranching family in Chihuahua, Nicasio was forced to leave everything quickly and permanently or be killed by bandits. He went back only to get his beautiful fiancee. Nick became a top hand — none better. He would rope wild steers that no other cowboys dared, including once a group of big, mean, wild 8-year-olds in high grass on the Leoncita. He roped deer for venison. He did not like to waste time with tricks and competition, but when he did compete, he won. He knew how to handle animals under all conditions. Nick used mainly his own handmade gear in order to send most of his pay home. Even his riatas he hand-twisted out of rawhide. His family was always foremost. He was a careful, demanding, and self-sacrificing father. Of six living children, all were a credit to him, and three sons graduated from college. Nicasio Ramirez was no superman, but he had courage. He was steadfast and skilled. He was an admirable husband and father. All this was in the face of risk, hardship, and loss. Nicasio Ramirez was a man.

Of a different sort were Clay McGonagill and "Bell Cord" Rutherford: Wild and high spirited, each cut from different cloth, but equally colorful. McGonagill is thought by those who know to be the greatest steer roper of all time. His records and his wins number in the hundreds. He was wildly popular. But he was



also just plain wild, followed by dark rumors of horse theft, improper dealings, even bank robbery. Something in him drove to do things like spurring through a crowd of Uruguayan fans who were pressing too closely for his liking. That almost ended in a riot and a killing. He was himself killed by a downed high voltage line. "Bell Cord" was one of those characters just born for stories. And his stories abound. For instance, he once offered to pull another man off his horse and beat the hell out of him, despite being warned to stop or be shot. Sure enough, the man shot him. "Bell Cord" held nothing against the shooter, later saying "he told me he was going to shoot me if I didn't stop, and I was damned fool enough not to believe him." Lives like these are part of the saga of western cattle.

There are a total of 28 biographies in "Cowboys." Wild Bill Scarborough, founder of the immense Frying Pan Ranch is sketched here, and the great black cowboy Bill "Tige" Avery. Wagon bosses, and camp-men, ropers and empire builders, each has a tale. Collectively, it is indeed a panoramic mosaic of the men of the cattle industry in the early 20th century.

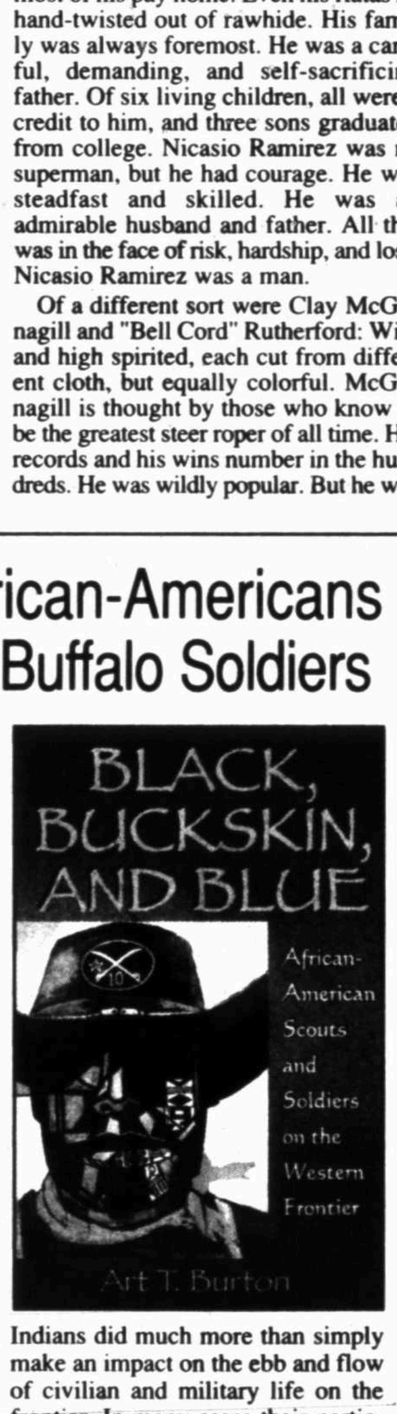
"Cowboys" was written by several contributors whose differing perceptions and appoaches add to the flavor and insights of the book. Likewise, 11 different artists illustrated the text. While this approach has undeniable benefits, it also creates a certain unevenness that is unavoidable when short samples of different writers' work are laid side by side. Overal, this is a minor flaw in a very worthwhile work.

"Cowboys Who Rode Proudly" left this reviewer happily wanting more. More of the characters of the High Plains, more inspiration and fun, and more of different kind, too. It is certain that the strong women who bore, loved and tolerated these men led interesting lives of their own. They must have been pretty remarkable, those women. Their stories would go far to fill out the mosaic, and a companion volume about them would go far to fill out a balanced bookshelf.

Joseph Sullivan is a Dallas-based business consultant. He is the president of the Texas & Southwestern Collector's Association, and an avid accumulator of Western history and biography who says he would qualify as a serious book collector if only he had more focus. His articles and reviews have appeared in several publications.

In Old West, African-Americans were more than Buffalo Soldiers

BLACK, BUCKSKIN, AND BLUE
by Art T. Burton
(Eakin Press, Austin, $24.95, hard cover, 296 pages, photos)



AUSTIN — A new and fresh approach to the African-American scouts and soldiers on the western frontier during the 19th century is the central theme in "Black, Buckskin, and Blue" by Art T. Burton, published in early June.

The book covers five areas of historical importance:

- It is the first book to profile a variety of African-American scouts on the western frontier, some who made major contributions to the opening and settlement of the West.
- It is the first book to examine the role of black soldiers west of the Mississippi River during the Civil War, many playing key roles in federal victories in the Trans-Mississippi military theater.
- It is the first book to discuss the role played by black soldiers in the Creek Nation civil unrest known as the Green Peach War in Indian Territory.
- It is the first book to follow Buffalo Soldiers in their pursuit of outlaws on the western frontier.
- It is the first book that identifies the great frontier scout Frank Grouard, a black man, as the one responsible for the death of Chief Crazy Horse, while trying to hide his true racial heritage.

Henry B. Crawford, curator of history at the Museum of Texas Tech University describes the book in this way:

"In the tradition of great storytelling historians of the frontier genre, Art Burton applies his skills once again to destroy the artificial ethnic boundaries which still pollute today's popular image of the historic western frontier...As in his previous book, "Black, Red and Deadly," Burton shows, with irreproachable clarity, that African Americans and Afro-Indians did much more than simply make an impact on the ebb and flow of civilian and military life on the frontier. In many cases their participation proved decisive...

"Much recent scholarship has been produced on the Buffalo Soldiers, but precious little on African American trappers, trailblazers, and scouts. This book fills many gaps in their published record. We've heard their names, now here is their story."

Art Burton is the director of Minority Affairs at Columbia College, Chicago. A native Oklahoman, Burton is a board member of Oklahombres, an association for the preservation and research of lawman and outlaw history of the Indian Territory. He is also a musician and is corresponding secretary for the Association for the Advancement of Creative Music (AACM).

In 1993, Oklahoma Gov. David Walters made Burton a "Territorial Marshal." The author currently makes his home in Phoenix, Ill. with his wife Patrice, and daughter, Aisha

"Black, Buckskin, and Blue" is available from Eakin Press in Austin and sells for $24.95 per copy.

Even when everything is planned right, big books can fall a little flat

By Martin Arnold
N.Y. Times News Service

It happens in publishing more often than even sophisticated readers realize and certainly more than anyone in the business would like. There are great expectations that a particular book will break out and become a big-time popular success, its future guaranteed. Abundant press coverage and good reviews fuel that fire of anticipation. Then there's no ice cream cone at the end.

That can be heartbreak time, because everyone involved with the specific book did everything right. There was the splashiest publication party of the year, and a tub-thumping publicity campaign that produced a load of press clippings almost voluptuous in their delights. The author's television and radio interviews were hip, humorous, inviting, and there are more to come as his book tour continues.

Reviews ranged from good to raves. Moreover, in one way or another, the book's subject matter touches nearly everyone's life. Yet in the mysterious nature of the publishing world, with all of this going for it, the book still does not become a big national best seller: successful by some measures but falling short of wow.

The most recent case of this strange publishing ontology is Kurt Andersen's huge novel "Turn of the Century" (Random House), a sprawling, satirical and often funny work set in the year 2000. Seemingly, as fiction, it has it all, in a way that says Now!: the media universe, cyberspace, Wall Street, Manhattan, Hollywood, Silicon Valley, society being confounded by the very communication devices that are supposed to make people's lives easier. In short, it sends up everything Americans supposedly hold dear.

So fingers were crossed that if it didn't actually become this season's "Bonfire of the Vanities," Tom Wolfe's mighty 1987 best seller, the new book had the potential for a reach in that direction and would be a powerhouse.

Certainly Andersen's novel is a success in ways that can make an author proud. Few first novels get as good or as many reviews, although the number may in part be because of Andersen's celebrity in the world he wrote about as co-founder of Spy magazine and staff writer for The New Yorker.

The book arrived the first week in May with a printing of 65,000 copies, very large for a literary first novel but fair for a popular novel. Since then it has gone back to print twice, bringing the total to 72,000 copies available for stores. So far "Turn of the Century" has been on The Los Angeles Times, The San Francisco Chronicle and Newsday best-seller lists, and has been No. 15 on the Amazon.com hard-cover fiction list, but not near the top of Barnes & Noble's list. Nor has it made The New York Times' or Publisher's Weekly lists, which are the only two national lists. Still,most novels never make any lists.

Random House says it has earned back it's six-figure advance. A paperback house has guaranteed a minimum price it will pay to buy "Turn of the Century" for publication. Foreign rights have been sold in five countries, but so far there is no movie sale, and that may be a matter of bad timing.

Books into movies is often cyclic. With the high cost of production, Hollywood is in an interval in which only blockbuster books will be easily sold to the movies or to television.

Yet Andersen was on Charlie Rose, Conan O'Brien and cable shows, and he is booked for "Politically Incorrect," all of which give a book a glamorous pop. All promotion opportunities first novelists would kill for.

"My own expectations have been far exceeded," Andersen said. "I was amazed and happy with overwhelming reviews, and with the best-seller lists I've made. I feel a though I won the lottery, the $10 million one, if not the $20 million one. I'm a first novelist. To book buyers in America I'm not Grisham, Smith, Harris."

"It's not a conventional commercial novel that everyone can read in three hours," he said. "I wrote it to be a good book, one that I would like. It's a big, fat, dense first novel, and I can't tell you how pleased I am to be around the top 10 on some lists."

There are as many theories about why a particular book doesn't burst out of the stores and into comfortable niches on the important best-seller lists as there are titles that are expected to but don't.

Andersen's book, for instance, is huge, 69 pages; heavier than many people want to lug in their tote bags. It can be amusing and insightful, but also difficult

Our Children Are In DANGER

TINA LOUISE BOWEN

MPCH Case #M97-09-002
N IC/M041731296



Tina Bowen is a white female (Date of Birth 11/17/78).

At the time of her disappearance she was 5'7" tall and weighed 120 pounds. She has brown eyes and brown hair.

Ms. Bowen was last seen July 14, 1997 inside her residence in Conroe (Montgomery County), Texas. She was wearing a Duke University sweatshirt, shorts and flip-flop sandals. Foul play is feared.

Anyone having information regarding this missing person's whereabouts is encouraged to contact Detective Steve Roper, Conroe Police Department, Conroe, Texas at 409/756-5588 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 in Texas or 512/424-2810 outside of Texas.

JENNIFER LYNNE MCDAVITT

MPCH Case #R98-11-005
N IC/M161820930



Jennifer Lynne McDavitt is a white female (Date of Birth 11/27/82). At the time of her disappearance she was 5'4" tall and weighed approximately 118 pounds. She has hazel eyes and black hair.

Jennifer was last seen October 14, 1998 in Austin (Travis County), Texas. She may be in the company of David Fugate, also known as "Ogre" or David Harris. They may have traveled to Minnesota.

Anyone having information regarding this missing juvenile's whereabouts is encouraged to contact Detective Gary Moore, Austin Police Department, Austin, Texas at 512/480-5094 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 in Texas or 512/424-2812 outside of Texas.

DEANGELO MARQUIS MCNEIL

MPCH Case #A99-01-003
N IC/M025727628



DeAngelo Marquis McNeil is a black male (Date of Birth 06/01/94). At the time of his disappearance he was 2'6" tall and weighed 30 pounds. He has brown eyes and black hair.

DeAngelo was last seen with his mother, during visitation, while in custody of the State of Texas, April 27, 1997 in Houston, (Harris County), Texas. His mother claims she gave him away and her story subsequently has been disproved.

Anyone having information regarding this missing child's whereabouts is encouraged to contact Patrick Smith, Harris County Attorney's Office, Children's Protective Division, Houston, Texas, at 713/599-5808 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 in Texas or 512/424-2812 outside of Texas.

SCOTT CHRISTOPHER SCHULTZ

MPCH Case #R98-10-007
N IC/M148466666



Scott Christopher Schultz is a white male (Date of Birth 02/01/83). At the time of his disappearance he was 5'4" tall and weighed 140 pounds. He has green eyes and blond hair. Scott has a large skin discoloration on his hip.

Scott was last seen August 22,1998 in The Woodlands (Montgomery County), Texas. He was last seen wearing a white shirt, blue jean shorts, black Nike tennis shoes and carrying a green backpack.

Anyone having information regarding this missing juvenile's whereabouts is encouraged to contact Detective Joe Sclider, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Conroe, Texas at 281/354-8985 extension 5876 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 in Texas or 512/424-2812 outside of Texas.

NICOLE LYNN BRYNER

(MPCH CASE #A92-07-007)



Nicole is a white female (Date of Birth 02/20/79). At the time of her disappearance, she was 2'6" tall and weighed 35 pounds. She has brown hair and brown eyes.

Nicole was last seen March 11, 1982 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at a supermarket where she was sitting in a shopping cart. When her mother turned around the child was missing.

Anyone having information regarding this missing child's whereabouts is encouraged to contact the Missing Persons Unit, Pittsburgh Police Department, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at 412/255-2888 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 in Texas or 512/465-2810 outside of Texas.

AMANDA LEE MARIE JAMES

AKA
AMANDA SANCHEZ
MPCH Case #R98-10-008
NIC/M144443217



Amanda Lee Marie James is a white female (Date of Birth 08/23/81). At the time of her disappearance she was 5'4" tall and weighed 100 pounds. She has brown eyes, auburn hair and a scar on her right foot.

Amanda was last seen August 7, 1998 in Greeley (Weld County), Colorado. She was last seen wearing a white Tshirt, gray sweatpants and carrying a small brown purse. Amanda is in the company of Victor Sanchez, Hispanic male (Date of Birth 08/04/78). They may have traveled to the San Angelo or Tyler, Texas area.

Anyone having information regarding this missing juvenile's whereabouts is encouraged to contact Terrence Reed, Weld County Sheriff's Office, Greeley, Colorado at 970/356-4015 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 in Texas or 512/424-2812 outside of Texas.

ANDREA MARIE GEORGE

MPCH CASE # R97-12-003
N IC/M036022487



Andrea is a white female (Date of Birth 09/07/80). At the time of her disappearance, she was 6'0" tall and weighed 135 pounds. She has blue eyes and blond hair. Andrea has a large mole on her right hand and her upper canine teeth are crooked.

Andrea was last seen June 21, 1997 in Vancouver (Clark County), Washington. She may be with an adult male companion and they may be traveling in Oregon or Texas. They are in a teal,1991 Geo Storm, Oregon license plate number NG00501.Any information regarding the whereabouts of this missing juvenile is encouraged to contact the Clark County Sheriff's Office, Missing Persons Unit, Vancouver, Washington at 360/699-2211 or the Texas Department of Public Safety Missing Persons Clearinghouse at 1-800-346-3243 or 512/424-2810 outside of Texas.

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City hopes daily cattle drives will herd in more tourist dollars

FORT WORTH (AP) — Leaning across his saddle under the hot June sun, Thane Zufelt lets out a whoop that carries across a city lot to a herd of Texas longhorns grazing on tall prairie grasses.

"Whoo-oo-ee-ah!"

That must be cow talk for "get along little doggies." The massive beasts, with horns as long as a full-grown man, lumber toward Zufelt and the other cowboys hired to lead them on a trot through the streets of this metropolis.

The cowboys don't flinch as sharp horns pass mere inches from their leather saddles, sometimes brushing the flank of a steadfast horse.

The 15 steers tumble into the brick-lined streets of Fort Worth's Stockyards' district, once the heart of the region's cattle industry. Now tourist shops corral the outside dollar.

The daily cattle drive is the city's newest attraction, meant to evoke century-old images of life on the dusty trail.

And except for the smell of car exhaust and the piped-in music of the Dixie Chicks, it's almost like the real thing.

There's even the possibility of a stampede.

"We are dealing with a variable," drawls Dennis Merrell, trail boss of the Fort Worth Herd. "He's an animal that has his own mind and self-preservation instinct. Anything could happen."

Merrell said it's the job of six drovers to ensure that the longhorns stay together — and off the sidewalks — as they pass through the tourist district that features Spanish-style buildings and rows of storefronts. The herd will travel along the approximate route of the Chisholm Trail to grassland along the Trinity River.

The city-operated program is believed to be the first of its kind. The daily drives kicked off June 12, as part of the city's celebration of its 150th anniversary. Each longhorn represents a decade of Fort Worth history.

Merrell, a 45-year-old former bull rider who raised longhorns for a children's camp, was chosen from among 90 applicants for trail boss, a mostly administrative job.

But the lanky cowboy looks pure country with his down-turned mustache, sweat-stained bandana and boot-cut blue jeans.

He oversees a diverse group of drovers picked for their horsemanship and people skills.

Cathy Cannon, the only woman in the group, is also an X-ray technician. Zufelt is a former horse jockey and honorary Crow Indian.

Chester Stidham and Armando Gaza Jr. reflect the contributions of blacks and Hispanics to the cattle industry. Merrell said about 30 percent of the 18th century drovers were minorities, including former slaves and Mexican villagers.

Joe Spiller is a cowboy poet and custom spur maker, while Tom Scott has been a rancher for four decades.

Primarily, they are drawn together by a love for the Old West, a desire to have lived — not just relived — the cowboy trails.

"I call us the 'Hell, I'd have gones,'" Merrell said with an easy smile.

Added Gaza, a 37-year-old former truck driver with a wide straw sombrero: "I think I was born 100 years too late."

The job does pay a little better today. In the 19th century, wranglers earned about $20 per week. The Fort Worth drovers make about $13 per hour, plus benefits. Merrell, who makes $35,000 a year, may be the first trail boss with a 401(k) retirement plan.

The city uses hotel tax revenue to operate the herd program, which costs about $300,000 per year.

The city hopes the attraction will feed an already steady stream of tourists into Fort Worth. Last year, the city had nearly 7 million visitors with an economic impact exceeding $1 billion.

Breeders from throughout the state donated the longhorns. To prepare them for their daily outings, the drovers tried everything possible to irritate the one-ton beasts. They blared sirens, drove cars around the animals and pulled their tails.

One steer, a red and white bovine named Bravo, passed every test but was pulled from the team the day he gored a horse.

Merrell said he fought suggestions that the animals be sedated.

"That's not the message we want to send with this program. That if you've got a problem, you can fix it with a drug."

The trail drivers are trained to predict the steers' every move. A shift in their big brown eyes, a twitch of the tail — all can signal an attempt to break formation.

"It's a lot of mental work. You have to read their faces," Ms. Cannon said.

Those faces — and more importantly their horns — are inextricably tied to Texas, Merrell said.

"You can take a picture of a longhorn and show it anywhere around the world and people will think Texas. I don't know of any animal that has such a geographic tie. That's our animal."

Tom Saunders, historian for the Fort Worth Herd, said the longhorns are symbolic of the survival spirit of early Texans.

Abandoned by the Spaniards in the early 1500s, the hardy longhorns endured droughts and predators for more than 300 years. In the 1860s, ranchers began driving herds to markets up north. More than 600,000 a year passed through Fort Worth, which earned the nickname "Cowtown."

When railroad tracks replaced cattle trails at the turn of the century, Fort Worth became a meat processing center and distribution point. In the 1920s, a change in consumer tastes nearly wiped out the breed, which ranchers have bred back to more than 250,000.

Saunders, whose family has ranched in Texas since the 1850s, said he has tested the authenticallyly outfitted drovers on this history. As ambassadors of Fort Worth, they must answer most any question from a reporter or sightseer.

They also have a good bit of advice when moseying through Cowtown.

Watch your step.

Fort Worth tourism

FORT WORTH (AP) — Whether you bring your boots or your briefcase, Fort Worth's cowboys-to-culture image offers something for everyone.

Nearly 7 million people visited the North Texas city last year. Most of the top attractions are concentrated in three districts easily accessible by interstate.

Wanna be a cowboy? Then mosey over to the Stockyards National Historic District, a former livestock center that has been preserved in the city's turn-of-the-century Cowtown image.

The folks at the Stockyards Visitor Information Center can direct you along the covered boardwalks to rodeos, Western wear stores and enough steakhouses to send a vegetarian screaming.

Some sure bets are Billy Bob's Texas, which bills itself as the "world's largest honky-tonk"; the Cowtown Coliseum, home of the world's first indoor rodeo; and the Stockyards Station, 30 shops and restaurants in what was once the Stockyards' hog and sheep pens.

The Livestock Exchange Building houses the Stockyards Collection Museum. Built in 1904 as offices for livestock traders, the building was once considered the "Wall Street of the West."

During the summer months, cowboys will herd 15 Texas Longhorns along the Stockyards' brick-lined streets to grazing land along the Trinity River. The daily cattle drive is timed to coincide with the midday arrival of the Tarantula Train, a vintage 1896 steam engine making excursions from nearby Grapevine.

Just minutes from the Stockyards is Fort Worth's historic downtown district. It features Sundance Square, a revitalized 20-block entertainment district that boasts restaurants, art galleries, theaters and night spots.

Other attractions include the Bass Performance Hall, home to major performing arts organizations; the Cattle Raisers Museum; and the Tarrant County Courthouse, built in 1895 in the pattern of the state capitol in Austin.

Two miles from downtown is Fort Worth's cultural district, one of the largest arts district in the nation.

Attractions include the Kimbell Art Museum, with a world-class collection of masterpieces; the Amon Carter Museum, which showcases western art; and the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History.

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Spurs fans anticipate sweep

By Chris Sheridan
AP Basketball Writer

SAN ANTONIO — Somebody forgot to tell Spurs fans that the celebrating is supposed to wait until the series is officially over.

From their looks early Saturday, it appeared that the Spurs already had won their first NBA title.

The euphoria over Game 2 lasted past midnight, with horn-honking fans descending on downtown and waving brooms out their car windows. It might have been the first 1 a.m. traffic jam in San Antonio's history.

Some of those fans were undoubtedly among the nearly 40,000 chanting "Sweep, Sweep" during the fourth quarter of San Antonio's 80-67 victory over the New York Knicks Friday night, and none of them expect the series to return here for Games 6 or 7.

After what they've saw in the first two games, it's hard to blame them.

It's not so much that the Spurs have dominated New York, it's more that the Knicks simply appear to be too small, too injured and too spent to put up a decent fight against an opponent that hasn't lost in more than five weeks.

"Playing the Knicks is not easy," David Robinson said. "They are very explosive. Those guys run all over the place, they get to the boards extremely well.

"I don't know what it looks like, but they're making us work very hard. They're not quitting."

Nor should the Knicks be expected to quit when the series shifts to Madison Square Garden for Game 3 Monday night.

Only two teams in NBA history have come back from 2-0 deficits to win the finals, and no team ever has come back after trailing 3-0.

If that's not enough motivation for the Knicks, perhaps coach Jeff Van Gundy found some nugget of overconfidence in the postgame

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AP Photo

San Antonio Spurs guard Mario Elie celebrates with fans after the Spurs' 80-67 defeat of the New York Knicks in Game 2 of the NBA Finals Friday in San Antonio.

STANLEY CUP FINALS

Cup runneth overtime

Stars claim title in 3 OT periods

By Ken Rappoport
AP Hockey Writer

Game 6
Dallas 2
Buffalo 1
Three overtimes

BUFFALO, N.Y. — In the third exhausting overtime, the tired eyes of Texas finally gazed upon the Stanley Cup.

Brett Hull scored on a rebound at 14:51 of the third overtime, putting a rebound over weary Dominik Hasek as the Dallas Stars won hockey's biggest prize as much by exhaustion as execution, beating the Buffalo Sabres 2-1 Saturday night.

Call it a Sun Belt Stanley Cup.

Dallas is the southermost city to hoist the cup. When Lord Stanley paid $50 for the cup in 1892, he likely didn't envision it being won by a team located much closer to Mexico than Canada.

Hull ended the second-longest Stanley Cup finals game in history with his third goal of the series and third career overtime playoff goal.

Hasek, outplayed again by Ed Belfour, went to his chest to bounce on a shot by Jere Lehtinen, who scored the first goal hours before. But the puck rebounded out in the slot to Hull, who lifted it into the net.

Dallas' delight at winning a Stanley Cup only six years after the Minnesota North Stars relocated there probably is surpassed only by Buffalo's disappointment at losing — again.

The Buffalo Bills lost four consecutive Super Bowls earlier in the 1990s, once when Scott Norwood's game-winning field goal attempt against the New York Giants sailed wide.

Once again Saturday, Buffalo was wide right. Joe Juneau, Michael Peca and Alexei Zhitnik all missed excellent scoring chances from the third period on that sailed to the right by Belfour.

The odds also were in Dallas' favor as soon as the game went into overtime. The last six teams with a chance to win the cup in overtime have done so. Also, the road team has won the last eight Stanley Cup finals overtime games.

The Stars are the fourth team to win a Stanley Cup in a game decided in multiple overtimes, joining Colorado (1996), Detroit (1950) and Chicago (1934).

With 22 goals — 13 by Dallas and nine by Buffalo — it was the lowest-scoring six-game final round in Stanley Cup history. The record of 25 was set by the New York Rangers (14) and Toronto (11) in 1945.

Until now, that was the only Stanley Cup finals in which both goaltenders had goals-against averages under 2.00, but Dallas' Ed Belfour and Buffalo's Dominik Hasek each did that.

The game was so long, the Hockey Night in Canada telecast became Hockey Morning in Canada, as the finish occurred slightly past 1:30 a.m. Buffalo time (EDT).



AP Photo

The Buffalo Sabres Joe Juneau, right, slams Dallas' Mike Modano into the boards during the first period of Game 6 of the Stanley Cup Finals Saturday in Buffalo.

Diablos drown 'Hounds

■ Downpour shortens first game of the Texas League's second half, leaving Midland with a 2-0 loss

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

The El Paso Diablos got their first win over the Midland RockHounds after five straight losses thanks to Mother Nature and Garry Maddox on Saturday.

The Diablos' Maddox hit two doubles and scored both El Paso runs, while left-handr Nick Bierbodt hancuffed the Hounds in a rain shortened 2-0 win over Midland at the swamp of Christensen Stadium.

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The game was officially stopped in the top of the sixth by the umpiring crew with El Paso batting and one out. The ominous clouds, which started to appear hours before the contest, unleashed their wrath at 8:41 p.m. with rain and lightning coming from the north of Christensen.

Bierbrodt (5-6) struck out seven Hounds in five innings to to get the win and the shutout. The Hounds only managed two hits against Bierbrodt and only had one runner (Jeff DaVanon) reach second base.

The rain also put an end to a geat pitching duel as Midland's Kevin Gregg (1-1) matched Bierbrodt pitch for pitch as he struck out eight, walked two and allowed just two hits. The only hits off Gregg came fom Maddox, who hit two doubles and accounted for both Diablo runs.

Maddox opened the fourth with a double off the wall in right field. He advanced to third on a grounder by Mike Wolff and then scored on a Gregg wild pitch.

Maddox again doubled to start off the sixth. He again advanced on a grounder by Wolff and then scored on a sacrifice fly by Rod Barajas right before the game was called and put an end to the Hounds five-game winning streak.

ROCKHOUND NOTES: The five-game winning streak was a season high for the RockHounds... Right-hander Chris Nelson has been placed on the disabled list... The Diablos were without Erubiel Durazo and Jarrod Patterson, the top two hitters in the Texas League as they were promoted Saturday to Triple-A Tucson. Durazo departed with a .403 average.

Phillips takes 5-shot lead into final day of West Texas Amateur

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

You could say that things stayed the same Saturday at the Men's West Texas Amateur Championship golf tournament, but the supporting cast looked a little different.

Following the third round at Green Tree Country Club, Midland's Tim Phillips still had a five-stroke lead after shooting an even par round, and he sits at 8-under par 205 heading into today's final round. That was the same margin he held after the second round, but the identity of Phillips' pursuers has changed.

Phillips is being chased by Craig McAlpine and fellow Midlander Charlie Prince who are both at 210 and will be paired with Phillips for today's final round. It won't be the first time Phillips has played with one of the golfers, as he often plays with Prince at Hogan Park Golf Course.

"I want to see what those two youngsters are doing," said Phillips of Prince and McAlpine. "If I shoot two or three under par I should win it, but Charlie's definitely capable of shooting seven or eight under."

Prince didn't shoot that well Saturday, but his four under 67 was the day's best round at Green Tree. That followed a 69 on Friday which at least put him within shouting distance of contention.

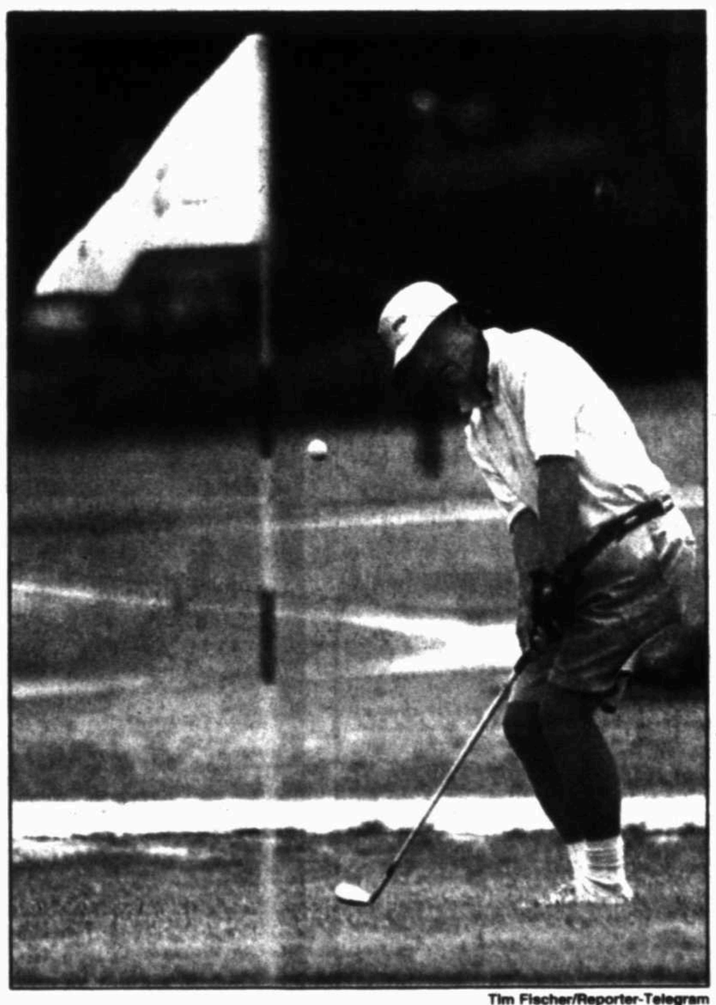
In fact, if you take away Thursday's opening 74, Prince might be even closer to — if not holding — the lead.

"I didn't even hit the ball Thursday," said Prince. "I fixed it by getting back to the driving range the last two days."

As well as Prince played, it still wasn't enough to catch Phillips, who has at times appeared on the verge of lapping the field. Following sizzling opening rounds of 68 and 66, Phillips was far more human in the third round with a 71.

If nothing else, Phillips was consistent Saturday, shooting even par on both the front nine and the back nine at Green Tree. It was good enough to maintain a big lead, but perhaps disappointing when compared to the

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Craig McAlpine, shown chipping, is one of the few golfers with a chance to catch Tim Phillips in the West Texas Amateur tournament, which finishes up today at Green Tree Country Club. McAlpine and Charlie Prince are tied for second, five shots behind Phillips.

Stewart beats par, leads Mickelson by 1 shot in Open

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

PINEHURST, N.C. — Now that he has another lead in the U.S. Open, Payne Stewart is not about to look back.

A peek at the past is more likely to remind him of the four-stroke lead he lost in the final round of the U.S. Open last year, not the title he won eight years ago.

A look over his shoulder could be even more unnerving.

Lurking one stroke behind after three rounds is Phil Mickelson, who is looking ahead. The expectant father and most accomplished player to never win a major has never had an opportunity as good as this one.

Right behind Mickelson is Tiger Woods, in his best position at a major championship since his runaway victory in the 1997 Masters.

And while Pinehurst No. 2 got the best of No. 1 on Saturday, David Duval is only three strokes behind.

"I can't worry about David or Tiger or anybody else in the field," Stewart said. "I've wanted this opportunity, and now I've got to go out and deal with it."

He'll have plenty on his hands Sunday.

Fighting to hang on by the seat of his knickers, Stewart birdied the last hole from 15 feet after a long, punishing day at Pinehurst to finish the third round as the only player under par.

Stewart wound up with a 72 for 1-under 209, and will take the lead into the final round of the U.S. Open for the second straight year.

"I use that to motivate myself," Stewart said. "Hey, you've got yourself back in the final group. You've got another chance

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Miami edges FSU for title

By Tim Korte
AP Sports Writer

OMAHA, Neb. — Miami coach Jim Morris finally has the national championship that had eluded him. He can thank Kevin Brown.

Brown homered in the second inning and hit a three-run double in Miami's five-run fifth, leading the Hurricanes to a 6-5 victory over Florida State Saturday in the championship game of the College World Series.

It was the third national title for Miami (50-13) but the first for Morris, the only coach in NCAA history to bring his team to the World Series in each of his first six seasons. Brown made sure Morris wouldn't have to wait until next year.

With Florida State (57-14) leading 2-1, Marcus Nettles led off the fifth with a bloop single to left, took second on a wild pitch and scored on Kris Clute's single to right.

Bobby Hill singled up the middle and Clute went to third. Brian Seever grounded to shortstop Brett Groves for the second out, but rather than throw home to try and get Clute, Groves opted for the force.

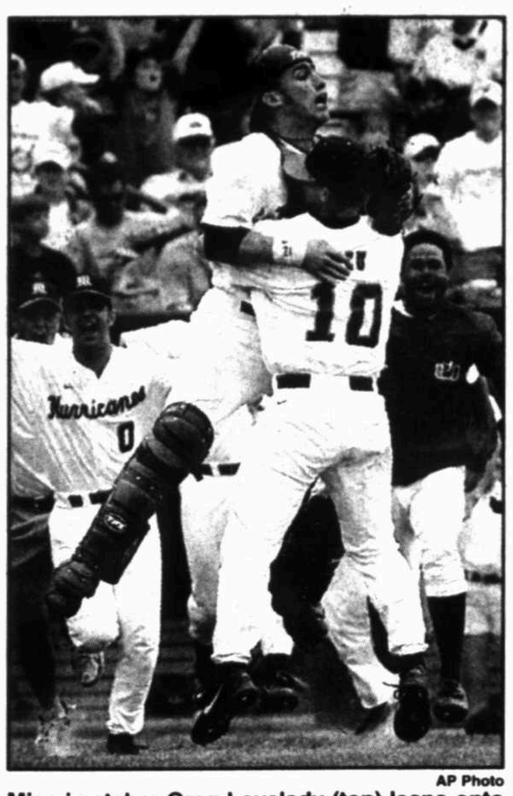
After Blair Varnes walked the next two batters, loading the bases, Brown cleared them with a double to the gap in right.

Michael Neu worked the last two innings, retiring the side in the ninth for his 16th save. When he struck out Kevin Cash to end the game, the Hurricanes piled on him in the infield.

The Seminoles pulled within 6-4 in the seventh. Vince Vazquez walked Matt Diaz and Sam Scott, Jeremiah Klosterman grounded out and Cash singled in both runners.

Florida State made 6-5 in the eighth. Ryan Barthelemy hit a leadoff triple over the head of center fielder Seever and scored on John-Ford Griffin's sacrifice fly.

Then, Marshall McDougall, who hit two home runs against Stanford on Friday and had an NCAA record six in a victory at Maryland last month, flied out deep to left, with Mike Rodriguez making the catch on the warning track.



AP Photo

Miami catcher Greg Lovelady (top) leaps onto relief pitcher Michael Neu (10) after the final out of their 6-5 victory over Florida State to win the championship game of College World Series.

Miami's victory denied Seminoles coach Mike Martin from winning his first title in his 11th trip to Omaha in 20 seasons.

Martin decided to start freshman Varnes (11-2), who injured a knee ligament in the pile when the Seminoles won their super regional game and had not pitched in Omaha.

Martin also broke out Florida State's garish pale-yellow uniforms, normally worn only for Sunday games.

Alex Santos (13-3) started for Miami and worked five innings.

Hampton sparks Astros

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Mike Hampton allowed two runs in seven innings and had two hits of his own to lead the Houston Astros to a 5-2 victory over the Montreal Expos on Saturday night.

Hampton (9-2) allowed seven hits and two walks to win his fourth straight start. He is 4-0 with a 3.62 ERA in June.

Hampton, who was 2-for-2 with a run scored, tripled to center to lead off the fifth. He scored the Astros' fourth run when Montreal third baseman Michael Barrett misplayed Craig Biggio's grounder for an error.

Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 17th save.

Houston scored three times in the first off Carl Pavano (5-6). Bill Spiers doubled with one out and scored on Jeff Bagwell's RBI single. Derek Bell followed with a single and both runners advanced on Carl Everett's groundout.

Richard Hidalgo followed with a bloop single to right to make it 3-0.

Barrett's RBI double scored Wilton Guerrero as the Expos cut Houston's lead to 3-1 in the third.

Back-to-back one-out doubles by Orlando Cabrera and Manny Martinez in the fourth cut it to 3-2.

■ NL Roundup

Cardinals 7, Mets 6

ST. LOUIS — Mark McGwire ended a 32 at-bat home run drought with a three-run shot in the first inning as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the New York Mets 7-6 Saturday.

McGwire had been 5-for-30 with one RBI in the first eight games of a 13-game homestand before victimizing Jason Isringhausen (1-2) for his 20th homer on a 3-2 pitch, a towering drive over the center-field wall. He's exactly one month off his record 70-homer pace of last season, when he hit No. 20 on May 19 and had 33 homers on June 19.

Dodgers 8, Phillies 1

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Darren Dreifort pitched 6 2-3 strong innings and Todd Hollandsworth, Tripp Cromer and Raul Mondesi each drove in two runs.

Dreifort (6-5) stopped a personal three-game losing streak by blanking the Phillies until Scott Rolen's RBI single with two outs in the sixth.

Giants 11, Cubs 5

SAN FRANCISCO — Marvin Benard had a career-high five RBIs, hitting a two-run homer and a three-run double, for the Giants' third straight win over Chicago.

Charlie Hayes and Doug Mirabelli added two RBIs each and Barry Bonds had an RBI single for the Giants, who won their fourth straight. The Cubs, who left the bases loaded twice, have lost nine of 10.

Brewers 10, Reds 1

CINCINNATI — Jose Valentin homered during Milwaukee's seven-run first inning and Dave Nilsson later hit his 100th career homer.

The Brewers took advantage of another first-inning collapse by Reds starter Ron Villone (1-2), matching their season-high with seven runs in an inning.

Rockies 10, Marlins 2

DENVER — Todd Helton became the third player in Colorado history to hit for the cycle, getting it in his only four at-bats.

Helton, 13-for-26 with four homers and 17 RBIs in his last seven games, doubled in the second inning, singled in the fourth, hit a solo homer in the fifth and tripled to lead off the seventh.

Garciaparra powers Boston past Rangers; Cho gets win

Associated Press

BOSTON — Nomar Garciaparra went 3-for-3, including a solo homer and an RBI double, and Jin Ho Cho got his first major league win to lead the Boston Red Sox to a 7-4 victory over the Texas Rangers on Saturday.

Jose Offerman stopped his worst slump of the season, going 3-for-5 and driving in a run, and Mike Stanley added a solo home run as the Red Sox won for just the fifth time in their last 14 games.

Todd Zeile had a three-run homer and Ivan Rodriguez had a solo shot for Texas, which lost for just the ninth time in its last 38 games.

Cho (1-0), a 23-year-old Korean, gave up five hits and four runs in six-plus innings.

Mark Clark (3-7) gave up four runs and seven hits in just 1 1-3 innings in the loss.

Indians 10, Mariners 6

CLEVELAND — Roberto Alomar and Manny Ramirez hit back-to-back homers in Cleveland's five-run fourth inning and Dave Burba pitched seven solid innings.

David Justice and Jacob Cruz added two-run homers for the Indians, who have scored 10 runs or more 13 times this season and are on pace to break the 1931 New York Yankees' record for runs in a season.

Ken Griffey Jr. hit his 26th homer and Butch Huskey also homered for the Mariners, who had their four-game winning streak snapped.

Burba (7-2) allowed five runs and nine hits to win for the fifth time in six decisions.

■ AL Roundup

Blue Jays 7, Royals 0

TORONTO — Tony Fernandez had two RBI singles to raise his major league-leading average to .409 and Roy Halladay allowed just two hits over 6 2-3 innings.

Fernandez, who went 2-for-4, got his 2,177th career hit to tie Julio Franco for most hits by a Dominican player.

Halladay (5-3), starting for injured Chris Carpenter, didn't allow a hit until Carlos Beltran led off the fourth with a sharp single to right.

Kevin Appier (6-6), who has lost his last four starts, pitched five shutout innings of one-hit ball, before allowing three runs in the sixth and three more in the seventh.

Athletics 13, Tigers 1

DETROIT — John Jaha homered twice and rookie Tim Hudson pitched seven strong innings for his second straight win.

Matt Stairs and Jason Giambi also homered for the A's, who snapped a four-game losing streak with only their third win in their last 16 road games.

Luis Polonia was 4-for-5 with two bunt singles for Detroit, which has lost four of five.

Hudson (2-0) allowed nine hits but gave up just one run with a walk and five strikeouts.

Nelson Cruz (1-1) allowed six runs and four hits and two walks in two-plus innings.

Orioles 11, White Sox 9, 11 innings

CHICAGO — Mike Bordick hit a two-run homer in the 11th inning as the Baltimore Orioles survived a shaky performance by their bullpen to beat the Chicago White Sox 11-9 Saturday night.

The Orioles got go-ahead homers from Harold Baines in the eighth inning and Will Clark in the 10th, but they weren't enough as the White Sox kept finding ways to come back.

But Chicago couldn't find a way to overcome Bordick's shot, his fifth of the year.

Keith Foulke (0-1) hit Brady Anderson, and then Bordick put a 2-0 pitch over the wall in left field for the game-winner.

Yankees 6, Angels 2

NEW YORK — Bernie Williams homered and doubled twice as Hideki Irabu and New York handed Anaheim its sixth straight loss.

Irabu (4-3) allowed three hits in seven innings and Derek Jeter drove in two runs as New York handed Anaheim its longest losing streak since a six-game skid last July.

Irabu gave up a home run to Todd Greene leading off the fourth, and an unearned run in the seventh after second baseman Chuck Knoblauch dropped a popup in medium right field for an error.

Devil Rays 4, Twins 3

MINNEAPOLIS — Jose Canseco hit his major league-leading 27th homer and Wade Boggs had his 1,000th career RBI as Tampa Bay won.

Canseco has homered in 13 consecutive series to tie Roger Maris for the second-longest streak ever in the American League. Maris homered in 13 straight in 1961 and Mark McGwire homered in 20 straight for Oakland in 1996.

Bryan Rekar (5-3) pitched a season-high 7 2-3 strong innings for Tampa Bay, which won for just the fifth time in 25 games.

LOCAL SPORTS

Big Spring rodeo Friday results

BIG SPRING — Here are the results from Friday at the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo with hometowns, scores and overall leaders listed.

Bareback Bronc: 1, Gary Lemay, Cleburne, 66. Overall Leader: William Pittman, Florence, Miss., 84. **Calf Roping:** 1, Jay Pool, Big Lake, 9.4; 2, Raymond Hollabaugh, Stamford, 9.5. Overall Leader: Sammy Webb, Crowley, 20.9. **Saddle Bronc:** 1, Bret Franks, Goodwell, Ok., 71; 2, Steve Keith, Stephenville, 65. Overall Leader: Roy Sutherland, Peaster, 78. **Steer Wrestling:** 1, Sam Koenig, Cross Plains, 4.2; 2, Yandy Yarborough, Amarillo, 4.8. Overall Leader: Yarborough, 9.4. **Muttin' Bustin:** 1, Klate Graham, Midland; 2, Alex Moore, Big Spring. **Barrel Racing:** 1, Ashley Looney, Del Rio, 17.25; 2 (tie), Dena Kirkpatrick, Post and Shayna Price, Junction, 17.26. Overall Leader: Jymmy Kay Davis, Gonzales, 16.66. **Bull Riding:** 1, Josh Jameson, Odessa, 83; 2, Chris Sorace, Mariana, Ariz., 77. Overall Leader: David McLean, Paducah, 88.

Brito has ace at Ranchland

Rory Brito scored a hole-in-one Saturday at Ranchland Hills Country Club. Brito aced the 151-yard No. 8 hole. Witnesses were Charley Morgan, John Macon and Bill Sanders.

Pallanez shines in all-star game

ARLINGTON — Greenwood's Gabriel Pallanez made a contribution for the North squad Saturday night in its 9-6 win over the South in the North-South All-Star Game at the Ballpark in Arlington.

Pallanez, playing for the North's Class 1A-3A squad, went 1-for-2 with a single and a walk and drove in a run.

El Paso 2, Midland 0

(5 1/3 innings)

El Paso	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Spivey 2b	3	0	0	0	Espada ss	1	0	0	0
Maddox lf	3	2	2	0	Stucknschndr lf	2	0	1	0
Wolff 1b	3	0	0	0	Piatt 3b	2	0	0	0
Barajas c	2	0	0	1	Marcinczyk 1b	2	0	0	0
Clark dh	2	0	0	0	Encarnacion dh	1	0	0	0
Hartman 3b	1	0	0	0	DaVanon rf	2	0	1	0
Sell rf	2	0	0	0	Garland cf	2	0	0	0
Calloway cf	2	0	0	0	McKay c	2	0	0	0
Matos ss	1	0	0	0	Castro 2b	2	0	0	0
Totals	**19**	**2**	**2**	**1**	**Totals**	**16**	**0**	**2**	**0**

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Midland	000	00x	— 0

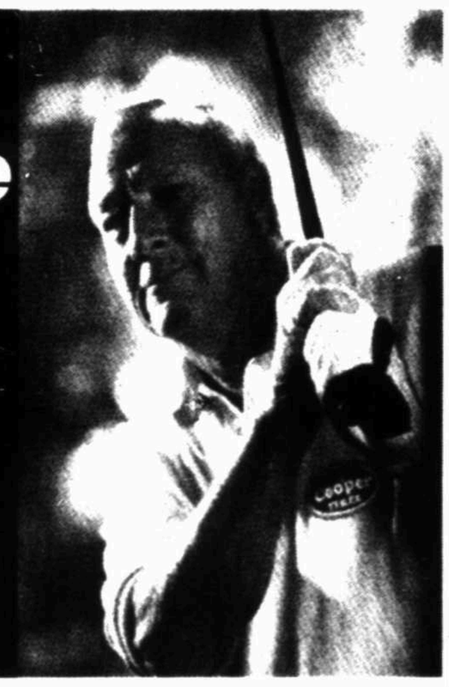
E — Espada (22), Stuckenschneider 1. LOB — El Paso 3, Midland 3. 2B — Maddox 2 (15). CS — Espada (9). SF — Barajas.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
El Paso						
Bierbrodt, W 5-6	5.0	2	0	0	1	7
Midland						
Gregg, L 1-1	5.1	2	2	2	2	8

WP —Gregg 2. HBP — by Bierbrodt (Encarnacion). T — 1:26. A — 3, 545.

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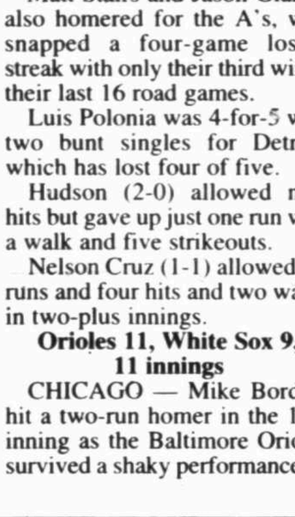
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Griffin lf	2	0	1	2	Hill ss	2	1	2 0
McDgll 2b	5	0	1	0	Seever cf	4	0	1 1
Diaz rf	4	1	2	0	Crespo rf	2	1	0 0
Scott dh	4	2	1	1	Esquivl 3b	3	1	1 0
Klstrmn c	5	0	0	0	Brown 1b	4	1	2 4
Cash 3b	4	0	1	1	Rodriguz lf	3	0	0 0
Smith cf	4	0	0	0	Nettles dh	3	1	1 0
Groves ss	2	1	0	0	Lovelady c	4	0	0 0
Brthlmy 1b	4	1	1	0	Clute 2b	3	1	1 1
Totals	**26**	**5**	**7**	**4**	**Totals**	**28**	**6**	**8 6**
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Miami			**010**	**050**	**00x**	**—**	**6**	

E—Whidden (1), Hill (16), Crespo (4). DP—Florida State 3. LOB—Florida State 10, Miami 5. 2B—Brown (14). 3B—Barthelemy (1). HR—Scott (12), Brown (22). SB—Hill (52). S—Crespo (5). SF—Griffin (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Florida St.						
Varnes L,11-2	6	8	6	6	4	1
Whidden	2	0	0	0	2	2
Miami						
Santos W,13-3	5	4	2	1	5	4
Vasquez	2	2	2	2	2	2
Neu S,16	2	1	1	1	0	2

WP—Varnes (6), Vazquez (4). T—2:50. A—23,563.

Championship Scores

1947 — California 8, Yale 7
1948 — Southern Cal 3, Yale 1
1949 — Texas 10, Wake Forest 3
1950 — Texas 3, Washington State 0
1951 — Oklahoma 3, Tennessee 2
1952 — Holy Cross 8, Missouri 4
1953 — Michigan 7, Texas 5
1954 — Missouri 4, Rollins 1
1955 — Wake Forest 7, Western Michigan 6
1956 — Minnesota 12, Arizona 1
1957 — California 1, Penn State 0
1958 — Southern Cal 8, Missouri 7, 12 innings
1959 — Oklahoma State 5, Arizona 3
1960 — Minnesota 2, Southern Cal 1, 10 innings
1961 — Southern Cal 1, Oklahoma State 0
1962 — Michigan 5, Santa Clara 4, 15 innings
1963 — Southern Cal 5, Arizona 2
1964 — Minnesota 5, Missouri 1
1965 — Arizona State 2, Ohio State 1
1966 — Ohio State 8, Oklahoma State 2
1967 — Arizona State 11, Houston 2
1968 — Southern Cal 4, Southern Illinois 3
1969 — Arizona State 10, Tulsa 1
1970 — Southern Cal 2, Florida State 1, 15 innings
1971 — Southern Cal 7, Southern Illinois 2
1972 — Southern Cal 1, Arizona State 0
1973 — Southern Cal 4, Arizona State 3
1974 — Southern Cal 7, Miami, Fla. 3
1975 — Texas 5, South Carolina 1
1976 — Arizona 7, Eastern Michigan 1
1977 — Arizona State 2, South Carolina 1
1978 — Southern Cal 10, Arizona State 3
1979 — Cal State-Fullerton 2, Arkansas 1
1980 — Arizona 5, Hawaii 3
1981 — Arizona State 7, Oklahoma State 4
1982 — Miami, Fla. 9, Wichita State 3
1983 — Texas 4, Alabama 3
1984 — Cal State-Fullerton 3, Texas 1
1985 — Miami, Fla. 10, Texas 6
1986 — Arizona 10, Florida State 2
1987 — Stanford 9, Oklahoma State 5
1988 — Stanford 9, Arizona State 4
1989 — Wichita State 5, Texas 3
1990 — Georgia 2, Oklahoma State 1
1991 — LSU 6, Wichita State 3
1992 — Pepperdine 3, Cal State-Fullerton 2
1993 — LSU 8, Wichita State 0
1994 — Oklahoma 13, Georgia Tech 5
1995 — Cal State-Fullerton 11, Southern Cal 5
1996 — LSU 9, Miami 8
1997 — LSU 13, Alabama 6
1998 — Southern Cal 21, Arizona State 14
1999 — Miami 6, Florida State 5

Tennis Results

Quality Challenge

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Results Saturday of the $370,000 Quality Challenge Worldwide Senior Tennis Circuit event:

Singles
Semifinals

John McEnroe, New York, def. Bjorn Borg, Sweden, 6-3, 6-4.

Eastbourne Results

EASTBOURNE, England (AP) — Results Saturday of the Direct Line Insurance Championship WTA Tour grass-court championships:

Singles
Championship

Natasha Zvereva (6), Belarus, def. Nathalie Tauziat (3), France, 0-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Doubles
Semifinals

Jana Novotna, Czech Republic, and Natasha Zvereva (1), Belarus, def. Conchita Martinez, Spain, and Patricia Tarabini, Argentina, 6-1, 6-4.

Championship

Martina Hingis, Switzerland, and Anna Kournikova (2), Russia, def. Jana Novotna, Czech Republic, and Natasha Zvereva (1), Belarus, 6-4, retired.

Heineken Trophy

DEN BOSCH, Netherlands (AP) — Results Saturday of the Heineken Trophy grass-court tennis championships:

Men
Singles
Semifinals

Patrick Rafter (2), Australia def. Tommy Haas (5), Germany, 6-2, 7-5.

Andrei Pavel, Romania, def. Karol Kucera (4), Slovakia, 7-6 (7-4), 2-6, 6-3.

Women
Singles
Championship

Kristina Brandi, Bradenton, Fla., def. Silvija Talaja, Croatia, 6-0, 3-6, 6-1.

Doubles
Championship

Silvia Farina and Rita Grande (1), Italy, def. Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Kristie Boogert (4), Netherlands, 7-5, 7-6 (7-2).

Nottingham Open

NOTTINGHAM, England (AP) — Results Saturday of the Nottingham Open ATP Tour grass-court championship:

Singles
Championship

Cedric Pioline, France, def. Kevin Ullyett, Zimbabwe, 6-3, 7-5.

Doubles
Championship

Patrick Galbraith, Seattle, and Justin Gimelstob (3), Key Biscayne, Fla., def. Marius Barnard and Brent Haygarth, South Africa, 5-7, 7-5, 6-3.

Texas League

First Half

Eastern Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Shreveport	39	30	.565	—
Tulsa	34	34	.500	4 1/2
Arkansas	31	37	.456	7 1/2
Jackson	31	38	.449	8
Western Division				
Wichita	38	31	.551	—
Midland	36	33	.522	2
El Paso	35	34	.507	3
San Antonio	31	38	.449	7

x-clinched first-half

Saturday's Games

Jackson 8, Shreveport 3
El Paso 1, Midland 0
San Antonio 5, Wichita 0
Arkansas at Tulsa, ppd., rain

Sunday's Games

Shreveport at Jackson
El Paso at Midland
Wichita at San Antonio
Arkansas at Tulsa

Major League Baseball

AL Boxes

RED SOX 7, RANGERS 4

TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	hbi
Greer lf	4	0	0	0	Offrmn 2b	5	2	3 1
RKelly cf	4	0	0	0	JnVltn 3b	5	1	2 0
RPlmo dh	4	0	1	0	Dubach dh	4	0	2 1
JuGnlz rf	4	0	0	0	Grcprr ss	3	1	3 2
Stevens 1b	4	1	1	0	OLeary lf	4	0	0 0
IRdrgz c	3	2	2	1	Stanley 1b	4	1	1 1
Zeile 3b	4	1	1	3	Gbnch c	4	0	1 0
Alicea 2b	3	0	1	0	Varitek c	0	0	0 0
Shave ss	2	0	0	0	Buford cf	4	2	2 0
McLmr ph	1	0	0	0	TNixon rf	4	0	1 1
Totals	**33**	**4**	**6**	**4**	**Totals**	**37**	**7**	**15 6**
Texas			**030**	**000**	**100**	**—**	**4**	
Boston			**130**	**001**	**20x**	**—**	**7**	

E—Zeile (10). DP—Texas 1. LOB—Texas 5, Boston 7. 2B—Daubach (15), Garciaparra 2 (19), Buford (9), TNixon (8). HR—IRodriguez (11), Zeile (11), Garciaparra (12), Stanley (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
MClark L,3-7	1 1-3	7	4	3	1	2
Burkett	4 1-3	6	1	1	0	4
Venafro	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Patterson	1	2	2	2	0	2
Munoz	1	0	0	0	0	0
Boston						
Cho W,1-0	6	5	4	4	1	6
Bullinger	2-3	0	0	0	1	0
Guthrie	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Wakefield S,4	2	1	0	0	1	2

Cho pitched to 1 batter in the 7th.
T—2:53. A—31,950 (33,871).

INDIANS 10, MARINERS 6

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	hbi
BLHntr lf	5	1	2	0	Lofton cf	4	0	1 1
ARdrgz ss	5	2	2	1	Vizquel ss	4	0	2 1
Grfy Jr cf	4	1	1	1	RAlmr 2b	3	2	1 1
EMrtnz dh	3	0	1	1	MRmrz rf	5	1	2 1
Segui 1b	4	0	1	1	Justice lf	4	1	1 2
Huskey rf	4	1	2	1	Thome 1b	3	1	1 0
Mabry 3b	4	0	0	0	JaCruz dh	2	3	1 2
DaBell 2b	4	1	2	0	EWilsn 3b	3	1	0 0
Lmpkin c	4	0	1	0	EiDiaz c	4	1	1 1
Totals	**37**	**6**	**12**	**5**	**Totals**	**32**	**10**	**10 9**
Seattle			**012**	**010**	**101**	**—**	**6**	
Cleveland			**022**	**510**	**00x**	**—**	**10**	

E—BLHunter (2), Mabry (6). DP—Seattle 1, Cleveland 1. LOB—Seattle 6, Cleveland 6. 2B—ARodriguez 2 (12). HR—Griffey Jr (26), Huskey (14), RAlomar (10), MRamirez (19), Justice (14), JaCruz (3). CS—Huskey (1). SF—Vizquel.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
Bunch	2 2-3	2	3	3	4	2
Watson L,0-1	1 2-3	4	7	2	3	2
Cloude	2 2-3	4	0	0	0	2
Scheffer	1	0	0	0	0	1
Cleveland						
Burba W,7-2	7	9	5	5	2	4
Shuey	1	3	1	1	0	1
MJackson S,14	1	0	0	0	0	1

Shuey pitched to 3 batters in the 9th.

WP—Watson, Burba. T—3:12. A—43,205 (42,865).

BLUE JAYS 7, ROYALS 0

KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi	TORONTO	ab	r	hbi
Damon lf	4	0	0	0	Stewart lf	5	2	2 0
Randa 3b	3	0	1	0	TBatsa ss	3	1	1 0
Beltran cf	3	0	1	0	SGreen rf	4	2	2 3
MiSwey 1b	4	0	0	0	CDlgdo 1b	4	0	0 0
Dye rf	3	0	1	0	TFrndz 3b	4	1	2 2
Kreuter c	3	0	0	0	Fltcher c	3	0	1 1
JeGmbi dh	3	0	0	0	Berroa dh	3	0	0 0
Febles 2b	2	0	0	0	JoCruz cf	4	0	0 0
Scrsne ss	2	0	0	0	Bush 2b	4	1	2 0
Pose ph	0	0	0	0				
Leius ss	1	0	0	0				
Totals	**28**	**0**	**3**	**0**	**Totals**	**34**	**7**	**10 6**
Kansas City			**000**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**0**	
Toronto			**000**	**003**	**40x**	**—**	**7**	

E—Kreuter (1). DP—Toronto 2. LOB—Kansas City 8, Toronto 6. 2B—Stewart (8), Fletcher (10), Bush (8). SB—Scarsone (1), Stewart (23), SGreen (11).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kansas City						
Appier L,6-6	6 1-3	7	6	6	1	4
Byrdak	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Santiago	1	1	0	0	0	2
Toronto						
Halladay W,5-3	6 2-3	2	0	0	6	4
Lloyd	1	1	0	0	0	1
Quantrill	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	0

HBP—by Appier (TBatista), by Appier (Berroa). WP—Byrdak. T—2:48. A—23,369 (51,000).

ATHLETICS 13, TIGERS 1

OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi	DETROIT	ab	r	hbi
TPhilps 2b	3	3	3	0	Plonia lf	5	0	4 0
Vlandia 2b	2	0	0	0	Asmus c	5	0	2 1
Tejada ss	5	1	2	2	Ctinotto 3b	5	0	0 0
Grieve lf	4	2	1	2	TClark 1b	3	0	1 0
Stairs rf	6	2	3	4	Easley 2b	4	0	1 0
Jaha dh	4	2	2	3	Kapier cf	4	0	0 0
JaGbr 1b	2	1	2	2	KGrcia rf	4	0	1 0
Saenz 1b	0	0	0	0	Jfferies dh	3	0	0 0
Chavez 3b	5	0	0	0	DCruz ss	4	1	2 0
Chrstns cf	5	0	1	0				
Hnch c	5	2	2	0				
Totals	**41**	**13**	**16**	**13**	**Totals**	**37**	**1**	**11 1**
Oakland			**213**	**101**	**131**	**—**	**13**	
Detroit			**001**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**1**	

DP—Oakland 1. LOB—Oakland 9, Detroit 11. 2B—TPhillips (15), Tejada (18), DCruz 2 (11). 3B—TPhillips (4), Stairs (2). HR—Stairs (15), Jaha 2 (12), JaGiambi (11). SB—TPhillips (7), Grieve (2). SF—JaGiambi.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Hudson W,2-0	7	9	1	1	1	5
Rigby	1	1	0	0	0	0
Taylor	1	1	0	0	0	0
Detroit						
NCruz L,1-1	2	4	6	6	2	1
Florie	3	2-3	5	2	2	3
Brunson		2-3	2	1	1	0
Kida	1	2-3	3	3	3	1
Nitkowski		1	2	1	1	0

NCruz pitched to 3 batters in the 3rd.

HBP—by Kida (Grieve), by Hudson (Jefferies). T—3:20. A—24,704 (46,945).

YANKEES 6, ANGELS 2

ANAHEIM	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	hbi
OPlmro lf	3	0	0	0	Knblch 2b	5	1	2 0
Velarde 2b	4	0	0	0	BeWrns cf	4	2	3 2
MVghn dh	4	0	1	0	Jeter ss	4	1	1 2
TGrene rf	4	1	1	1	TMrtnz 1b	3	0	0 0
GAdrsn cf	4	0	1	0	O'Neill rf	4	1	1 0
Glaus 3b	4	0	0	0	CDavis dh	4	0	1 1
Erstad 1b	3	1	0	0	JPosda c	4	0	1 1
Wlbeck c	2	0	0	0	ShSpcr lf	4	0	0 0
Huson ss	3	0	0	1	Curtis lf	0	0	0 0
					Brosius 3b	4	1	2 0
Totals	**31**	**2**	**3**	**2**	**Totals**	**36**	**6**	**11 6**
Anaheim			**000**	**100**	**100**	**—**	**2**	
New York			**012**	**002**	**01x**	**—**	**6**	

E—GAnderson (3), Huson (1), Knoblauch (12). LOB—Anaheim 5, New York 9. 2B—GAnderson (15), BeWilliams 2 (11), CDavis (14). HR—TGreene (11), BeWilliams (9). SB—Erstad (4), O'Neill (4). SF—Jeter.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Anaheim						
Olivares L,6-5	5	10	5	4	2	3
Magnante	2	0	0	0	0	1
Levine	1	1	1	1	0	1
New York						
Irabu W,4-3	7	3	2	1	3	1
Mendoza S,1	2	0	0	0	0	1

Olivares pitched to 3 batters in the 6th.

WP—Irabu. T—2:38. A—49,408 (57,545).

DEVIL RAYS 4, TWINS 3

TAMPA BAY	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	hbi
Winn cf	5	0	2	0	JJones lf	5	1	2 0
DMrtnz rf	3	0	0	1	CGzmn ss	4	0	0 0
Cnseco dh	4	1	1	1	TWalkr 2b	4	0	2 0
McGrff 1b	3	0	0	0	MCdva dh	4	1	1 1
Srrento lf	3	0	0	0	Koskie rf	4	1	2 2
Trmmll lf	1	1	1	0	Gates 3b	4	0	1 0
Boggs 3b	3	1	2	1	Mntkw 1b	4	0	0 0
Ldsma 3b	0	0	0	0	JaValtn c	4	0	1 0
Flherty c	4	0	1	0	THuntr cf	3	0	0 0
Cairo 2b	4	0	2	1	Comer ph	1	0	1 0
Stocker ss	4	1	1	0	CAlln pr	0	0	0 0
Totals	**34**	**4**	**10**	**4**	**Totals**	**37**	**3**	**10 3**
Tampa Bay			**101**	**100**	**010**	**—**	**4**	
Minnesota			**000**	**000**	**030**	**—**	**3**	

E—Cairo (3). DP—Tampa Bay 1, Minnesota 1. LOB—Tampa Bay 6, Minnesota 7. 2B—Winn (12), Trammell (1), Boggs (6), Cairo (5). HR—Cariseco (27), Koskie (6). SB—TWalker 2 (9). CS—Winn (8). SF—DMartinez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tampa Bay						
Rekar W,5-2	7 2-3	9	3	3	0	5
RHrndz S,19	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Minnesota						
Radke L,5-6	7	7	3	3	2	7
Sampson	2-3	2	1	1	0	1
Radlosky	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
TraMiller	1	0	0	0	0	0

Radlosky pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.

T—2:49. A—16,823 (48,678).

ORIOLES 11, WHITE SOX 9, 11 innings

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	hbi
ByAdsn cf	4	2	0	0	Drham 2b	5	1	3 1
Bordick ss	5	2	2	2	Caruso ss	7	2	2 1
Surhoff lf	6	1	1	1	Thmas 1b	6	0	1 2
Belle rf	5	2	2	1	MOrdz rf	3	1	0 0
Baines dh	5	1	2	2	CLee lf	6	1	2 1
WClark 1b	5	2	2	3	Sngltn cf	5	1	2 1
Ripken 3b	5	1	1	2	Norton 3b	4	1	1 1
DShlds 2b	2	0	1	0	Jckson ph	1	0	0 0
Rboulet 2b	2	0	1	0	Howry p	0	0	0 0
CJhnsn c	5	0	0	0	Liefer ph	1	0	1 2
					Foulke p	0	0	0 0
					Knerko dh	4	0	3 0
					LRdrgz dh	0	0	0 0
					CWilsn 3b	1	1	0 0
					MLJhn c	3	1	1 0
					Frdyce c	2	0	1 0
Totals	**44**	**11**	**12**	**11**	**Totals**	**48**	**9**	**17 9**
Baltimore			**024**	**000**	**010**	**22**	**—**	**11**
Chicago			**100**	**113**	**001**	**20**	**—**	**9**

E—Durham (6). DP—Baltimore 1, Chicago 2. LOB—Baltimore 5, Chicago 14. 2B—Surhoff (17), Durham 2 (16), CLee (9), Singleton (12), Liefer (4). 3B—Caruso (3). HR—Bordick (5), Baines (12), WClark (6), Ripken (9), Norton (10). SB—Bordick (3). SF—Durham.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Erickson	5 2-3	11	6	6	4	0
Bones		0	1	0	0	1
Orosco	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Timlin		2	2	0	0	2
Rhodes W,2-2		2	3	3	2	0
Kamieniecki S,1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chicago						
Snyder	2	1-3	6	6	5	0
Lowe	2	2-3	1	0	0	0
Simas	2	1-3	0	0	0	1
BWard	1	2-3	3	1	1	0
Howry			1	1	2	2
Foulke L,0-1			1	1	2	2

Bones pitched to 2 batters in the 6th.

HBP—by Lowe (Bordick), by Foulke (ByAnderson), by Snyder (ByAnderson). PB—MLJohnson. T—4:01. A—30,232 (44,321).

NL Boxes

ASTROS 5, EXPOS 2

MONTREAL	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	hbi
Mouton lf	5	0	0	0	Biggio 2b	4	0	0 0
WGrro 2b	4	1	0	0	Spiers 3b	4	2	2 0
Telford p	0	0	0	0	Bgwell 1b	4	1	2 1
Barrett 3b	4	0	1	1	DeBell rf	4	1	2 0
VGrero rf	4	0	1	0	Everett cf	3	0	0 0
Widger c	3	0	2	0	Hidalgo lf	4	0	2 2
McGire 1b	0	0	0	0	Esebio c	3	0	0 0
Andrws 1b	4	0	0	0	Gterrez ss	3	0	0 0
OCbrra ss	4	1	2	0	Hmptn p	2	1	2 0
MMrtz cf	4	0	1	1	Ward ph	1	0	0 0
Pavano p	1	0	0	0	Elarton p	0	0	0 0
Mrdcai 2b	1	0	1	0	Wagner p	0	0	0 0
Totals	**34**	**2**	**8**	**2**	**Totals**	**32**	**5**	**10 3**
Montreal			**001**	**100**	**000**	**—**	**2**	
Houston			**300**	**010**	**01x**	**—**	**5**	

E—Barrett (8). DP—Montreal 2, Houston 1. LOB—Montreal 8, Houston 4. 2B—Barrett (17), OCabrera (16), MMartinez (10), Spiers (8). 3B—Hampton (2). SB—Everett (19).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Montreal						
Pavano L,5-6	6	8	4	4	1	6
Telford	2	2	1	1	0	3
Houston						
Hampton W,9-2	7	7	2	2	2	2
Elarton	1	0	0	0	0	1
Wagner S,17	1	1	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Elarton (Widger). WP—Telford. T—2:37. A—27,259 (54,370).

GIANTS 11, CUBS 5

CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi	SAN FRAN	ab	r	hbi
Blauser 2b	2	1	0	1	Benard cf	5	2	2 5
Myers p	0	0	0	0	Mueller 3b	3	1	1 0
FHrdia p	0	0	0	0	BaBnds lf	4	1	1 1
JHrndz ss	1	0	0	0	FPSglo lf	0	0	0 0
Alxndr ss	4	0	3	1	Kent 2b	4	1	0 0
MaGrc 1b	4	0	0	2	Snow 1b	3	1	0 1
Sosa cf	4	0	0	1	Javier rf	3	1	0 0
GHill rf	4	1	1	0	Tvarez p	0	0	0 0
HRdrgz lf	5	0	1	0	Hayes ph	1	1	1 2
Sntiago c	5	0	0	0	RRdrgz p	0	0	0 0
Gaetti 3b	3	1	1	0	Aurilia ss	4	1	1 0
Agilera p	0	0	0	0	Mrbelli c	3	2	3 2
SSndrs p	0	0	0	0	Estes p	2	0	0 0
Huston ph	1	0	0	0	Embre p	0	0	0 0
Frnwth p	1	0	0	0	Rios rf	2	0	0 0
Serafini p	0	0	0	0				
Mrndni 2b	2	0	0	0				
Totals	**34**	**2**	**6**	**5**	**Totals**	**34**	**11**	**9 11**
Chicago			**100**	**003**	**010**	**—**	**5**	
San Francisco			**040**	**200**	**50x**	**—**	**11**	

E—Durham (6). DP—Baltimore 1, Chicago 2. LOB—Baltimore 5, Chicago 14. 2B—Surhoff (17), Durham 2 (16), CLee (9), Singleton (12), Liefer (4). 3B—Caruso (3). HR—Bordick (5), Baines (12), WClark (6), Ripken (9), Norton (10). SB—Bordick (3). SF—Durham.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chicago						
Frnwth L,2-2	3 1-3	6	6	6	3	2
Serafini	1 2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Myers		1	0	0	0	1
FHeredia		0	1	4	3	2
Aguilera		1	2	1	1	0
SSanders		1	0	0	0	1
San Francisco						
Estes W,4-4	5 2-3	3	3	4	1	7
Embree		0	0	0	0	1
Tavarez	1	1-3	1	0	0	0
RRodriguez		2	2	1	1	4

FHeredia pitched to 4 batters in the 7th, Embree pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.

HBP—by Myers (Mirabelli). WP—Aguilera. PB—Santiago. T—3:31. A—36,550 (46,510).

DODGERS 8, PHILLIES 1

PHILA	ab	r	h	bi	LOS ANGELS	ab	r	hbi
Glnville cf	4	0	1	0	Cunsell 2b	5	2	2 1
Poole p	0	0	0	0	Hbbard cf	5	1	3 1
Gant lf	3	1	1	0	Mndesi rf	5	2	1 2
Abreu rf	4	0	0	0	Hlndsw lf	5	0	1 2
Rolen 3b	4	0	1	1	Beltre 3b	2	1	1 0
Doster 2b	0	0	0	0	Hansen 1b	2	0	1 0
Brogna 1b	4	0	1	0	Cromer ss	4	0	1 2
KJordn 2b	4	0	1	0	Pena c	3	1	1 0
AArias ss	2	0	1	0	Drifort p	3	1	2 0
GBnntt c	4	0	1	0	Mills p	0	0	0 0
Person p	1	0	0	0	Arnld p	1	0	0 0
Ducey ph	1	0	0	0				
MiGrce p	0	0	0	0				
Timlco p	0	0	0	0				

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
New York	39	27	.591	—	z-7-3	W-2	22-13	17-14	5-4
Boston	38	29	.567	1 1/2	5-5	W-1	22-13	16-16	2-7
Toronto	32	37	.464	8 1/2	5-5	W-1	20-17	12-20	3-6
Baltimore	30	37	.448	9 1/2	z-9-1	W-2	16-14	14-23	5-4
Tampa Bay	27	40	.403	12 1/2	3-7	W-1	10-17	17-23	1-8

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Cleveland	44	21	.677	—	z-8-2	W-1	22-14	22-7	6-3
Chicago	33	32	.508	11	6-4	L-2	16-18	17-14	6-3
Detroit	29	39	.426	16 1/2	4-6	L-1	17-22	12-17	5-4
Kansas City	27	38	.415	17	z-4-6	L-1	12-18	15-20	3-6
Minnesota	25	41	.379	19 1/2	z-5-5	L-1	13-21	12-20	5-3

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB	L10	Str	Home	Away	Intr
Texas	39	28	.582	—	4-6	L-1	17-13	22-15	4-5
Seattle	35	32	.522	4	5-5	L-1	17-16	18-16	4-5

HIGHWAY 80 TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Here are the results from the Highway 80 tennis tournament held Friday and Saturday at Midland College, with players and hometowns listed:

Boys
Singles
12 year-olds

Quarterfinals: Michael Henthorn, Midland def. Matthew Helm, Midland, 6-0, 6-0; Anil Rao, Lubbock def. Grant Hawkins, Midland, 6-0, 6-1; Andy Castle, Midland def. Jim Blacketer, Big Spring, 5-7, 6-3, 6-3; Wright Wommack, Midland def. Gareth Morton, Midland, 6-0, 6-0. **Semifinals:** Henthorn def. Rao, 6-3, 6-2; Wommack def. Castle, 6-3, 6-4. **Finals:** Henthorn def. Wommack, 6-4, 6-3.

14-year-olds

First round: Jay Shroff, Big Spring def. David Carrillo, Abilene, 6-1, 6-1; Curtis Oakley, Abilene def. Luke Hawkins, Midland, 6-0, 6-0; Matthew Daugherty, Midland def. Mark Thomas, Midland, 6-2, 6-2; Boone Wyatt, San Angelo def. Clayton Smith, Abilene, 7-5, 7-5; Justin Brown, Abilene def. Alex Carpenter, Odessa; Ryan Leeton, Midland def. Jake Smiley, Big Spring, 6-2, 6-3; Kirk Logan, Midland def. Kyle Czirr, Midland, 6-1, 6-3; Andy Cariens, Sonora def. Dustin Everett, Midland, 6-0, 6-1.

Quarterfinals: Shroff def. Oakley, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; Daugherty def. Wyatt, 6-2, 6-2; Leeton def. Brown, 6-0, 6-0; Cariens def. Logan, 6-4, 6-2. **Semifinals:** Daugherty def. Shroff, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4; Leeton def. Cariens, 6-1, 6-0. **Finals:** Leeton def. Daugherty, 6-3, 6-3.

16-year-olds

First Round: Robert Jones, San Angelo def. Robert Barron, Midland, 6-0, 6-2; Jonathan Webb, Midland def. Ben Schenkel, Odessa, 6-1, 6-1; Will Klosterman, Abilene def. Dimitri Andres, Odessa, 6-1, 6-0; Justin Ward, Crane def. Michael Roffers, Big Spring, 6-1, 7-5; Steven Lee, Midland def. John Berry, San Angelo, 7-5, 6-4; Ben Richmond, Midland def. Brian Watt, Big Spring, 7-5, 6-2; Derek Dehoyos, Coahoma def. Zach Smiley, Big Spring, 7-5, 2-1, retired. **Quarterfinals:** Marcus Valdez, Midland def. Jones, 6-0, 6-0; Webb def. Klosterman, 6-4, 6-0; Ward def. Lee, 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (3); Dehoyos def. Richmond, 6-2, 7-5. **Semifinals:** Valdez def. Webb, 6-1, 6-1; Dehoyos def. Ward, 7-5, 6-1. **Finals:** Valdez def. Dehoyos, 6-4, 6-0.

Championship Bracket
16-year-olds

Miguel Bustilloz, Midland def. David Frush, Abilene, 6-3, 0-6, 6-0; Ryan Coleman, Levelland def. Josh Powell, Odessa, 6-3, 6-0; Bustilloz def. Coleman, 6-4, 6-4; Frush def. Powell, 6-2, 6-0.

Doubles
12-year-olds

A. Castle-G. Morton def. G. Hawkins-A. Richmond, 6-2, 7-5; A. Cariens-M. Henthorn def. G. Hawkins-A. Richmond, 6-0, 6-1.

14-year-olds

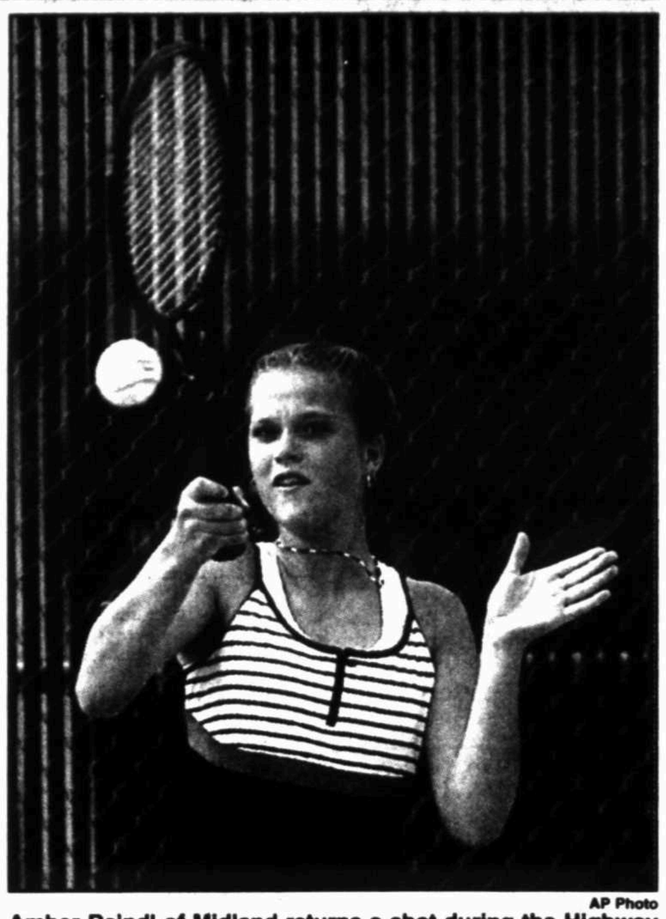
M. Daugherty-K. Logan def. D. Carrillo-C. Smith, 6-3, 6-1; B. Shortes-B. Wyatt def. J. Lavender-T. Mares, 6-1, 4-6, 6-2; Daugherty-Logan def. Shortes-Wyatt, 6-1, 6-3; Carrillo-Smith def. J. Bates-L. Hawkins, 6-2, 6-2.

Girls
Singles
12-year-olds

Semifinals: Ame Blacketer, Big Spring def. Larissa Morales, Midland, 6-1, 6-0; Kyla Coleman, Levelland def. Kara Scott, Abilene, 6-1, 6-0. **Finals:** Blacketer def. Coleman, 2-6, 6-4, 6-2.

14-year-olds

Quarterfinals: Alex Langford, Odessa def. Lauren Frank, Midland, 7-5, 3-6, 6-4; Natalie Snyder, Abilene, def. Lesley Hays, Lubbock, 6-3, 6-0; Melinda Williams, Midland def. Megan Roffers, Big Spring, 6-4, 6-2; Megan Boyd, Midland def. April Ward, Big Spring, 6-2, 6-2. **Semifinals:** Snyder def. Langford, 6-7 (3), 6-3, 6-0; Boyd def. Williams, 6-1, 6-0. **Finals:** Boyd def. Snyder, 6-0, 7-5.



AP Photo

Amber Raindl of Midland returns a shot during the Highway 80 tennis tournament, which was played Friday and Saturday at Midland College.

16-year-olds

Quarterfinals: Drew Branum, Midland def. Joanna Feuerborn, Abilene, 6-1, 6-2; Lindsey Madden, Midland def. Kimi Stiff, Lubbock; Nicole Blaydes, Odessa def. Lexi Bingelli, Midland, 6-1, 6-2; Kama Scott, Abilene def. Natalie Madden, Midland, 6-4, 6-0. **Semifinals:** Branum def. Madden, 6-1, 6-2; Scott def. Blaydes, 6-0, 6-0. **Finals:** Branum def. Scott, 6-4, 6-2.

18-year-olds

Quarterfinals: Beverly Dawson, Odessa def. Beth Anne Kahlich, Midland, 6-3, 6-1; Lindsay Hagerman, Dallas def. Kristen Vasicek, Midland, 6-1, 6-0; Dana Giles, Midland def. Leslie Patterson, Forsan, 6-0, 6-0; Monica Martin, San Antonio def. Luisa Ziehe, Midland. **Semifinals:** Dawson def. Hagerman, 6-3, 6-2; Martin def. Giles, 6-2, 6-0. **Finals:** Dawson def. Martin, 6-4, 6-2.

Championship Bracket
14-year-olds

Quarterfinals: Stacey Moore, Midland def. Laura Innerarity, Midland, 7-6 (3), 6-1; Emily Buck, Midland def. Sara Giles, Midland, 6-2, 6-2; Catherine Roark, Abilene def. Landon Viney, Midland, 6-1, 6-0; Marianne Reeves, Midland def. Ashley Vasicek, Midland, 6-2, 0-6, 6-2. **Semifinals:** Moore def. Buck, 6-4, 6-2; Roark def. Reeves, 6-4, 6-1. **Finals:** Moore def. Roark, 7-5, 6-4.

16-year-olds

Quarterfinals: Melissa Mann, Odessa def. Amber Raindl, Midland, 6-2, 6-2; Caitlin Glenn, San Angelo def. Katy Park, Lubbock; Kristin Collins, Lubbock def. Kimberly Opitz, Lubbock, 6-7 (6), 6-0, 6-0; Megan Shawn, Monahans def. Robbie Vittitow, Lubbock, 7-5, 6-2. **Semifinals:** Shawn def. Collins, 6-3, 6-4; Mann def. Glenn, 6-0, 6-1. **Finals:** Mann def. Shawn, 7-5, 6-0.

18-year-olds

Velvet Canada, Plains def. Jennifer Hays, Lubbock, 6-4, 6-2; Emily Leeton, Midland def. Rhiannon Ruth, Weatherford, 6-4, 6-2; Leeton def. Hays, 4-6, 7-6 (4), 6-4; Christy Mares, Seminole def. Canada, 6-4, 6-2; Mares def. Leeton, 6-4, 6-3; Hays def. Ruth, 6-1, 7-6 (1).

Dramatic French Open finals renew interest in Wimbledon

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

WIMBLEDON, England — Weather aside, the outlook at Wimbledon is unusually bright.

Sure, there's always the threat of rain. And Wimbledon remains susceptible to criticism that lawn tennis is duller than watching grass courts grow, especially on the men's side.

But this year the tournament coincides with a sudden upswing in the sport's popularity, the result of two dramatic, emotional finals at the French Open earlier this month.

Wimbledon opens Monday with the focus on five-time champion Pete Sampras, who seeks a record-tying 12th Grand Slam title. And thanks to Andre Agassi and Steffi Graf, who staged career comebacks in Paris, there will be plenty of subplots:

— Can a rejuvenated Agassi become the first man since Bjorn Borg in 1980 to win the French Open and Wimbledon in the same year?

— Now that Graf has her first Grand Slam title since 1996, can she win Wimbledon for the eighth time?

— Or will youth be served? Will Venus Williams bounce back from disappointment in Paris to claim the family's first Grand Slam title?

— How will Martina Hingis perform following a French Open that ended in jeers and tears? Will she continue to serve underhand? Will British fans boo if she does?

— Can Boris Becker, in his last Wimbledon, draw inspiration from Agassi's showing in Paris?

— And finally, what in the world is John McEnroe doing out there with a racket?

To answer the last question first: The 40-year-old McEnroe, who often leads complaints that grass-court tennis has become boring, plans to interject his own excitement by playing mixed doubles with Graf.

That's a sideshow, and the Sampras story line will dominate Centre Court. He won Wimbledon in 1998 for the fifth time in six years but hasn't reached the last three Grand Slam finals, skipping the Australian Open entirely. He still needs one major title to match Roy Emerson's record of 12.

Sampras' slump this spring, capped by a second-round exit at Paris, prompted speculation that he's in decline at age 27. But Sampras also struggled early in 1998 before winning Wimbledon, and a return to grass rejuvenated his game again last week, when he beat Tim Henman in the final at Queen's.

"I'm trying to mentally put the first four or five months behind me," Sampras said. "It's been an up-and-down year, and I haven't played very many matches. I haven't felt like I've been in a great rhythm.

"I'm in the same boat I was last year at this time. Wimbledon turned my year around, and I hope that's the case this year."

Agassi's resurgence creates the tantalizing prospect of a showdown with Sampras in the final. Their rivalry was once the most touted in tennis, but they haven't met in a Grand Slam tournament since the 1995 U.S. Open final, which Sampras won.

Agassi's first major title came at Wimbledon in 1992, and two weeks ago he became only the fifth man to win all four Grand Slams. Now he'll try to become the first man to win the French Open and Wimbledon in the same year since Borg did it three times in a row, 1978-1980.

"That would be something," Agassi said. "I certainly know I have a lot more tennis in me."

Two days after winning the French, Agassi withdrew from a tournament in Halle, Germany, complaining of a sore thigh. But he practiced at Wimbledon several days this week and pronounced himself ready to challenge for the title.

"It can happen for me," Agassi said following a two-hour workout Saturday. "I wouldn't have believed what happened two weeks ago. Two weeks from now, who knows?"

Less convincing is the optimism expressed by Becker, who announced his retirement from Grand Slam competition in 1997, then decided this year to make one final appearance at Wimbledon. He has won the tournament three times but not since 1989.

"Two or three years ago I considered myself one of the few who had a chance at Wimbledon," Becker said. "I know I can play well on grass. I'm going to give a difficult match to anybody who is going to play me on it."

On the women's side, the sentimental favorite is Graf, who will try to build on her stunning performance in Paris. The Grand Slam title was Graf's 22nd, capping her comeback from a series of injuries that threatened her career.

"She surprised everybody and herself with the way she played," defending Wimbledon champion Jana Novotna said. "She played some of her best tennis in years. Her chances of playing well at Wimbledon and possibly winning it are great."

Don't count out Novotna, though. She sprained her right ankle playing doubles at the French but expects to be ready for Wimbledon.

Novotna and Graf are among at least seven women capable of winning the title. The others: Lindsay Davenport, Monica Seles and those brash teen-agers — Hingis, Williams and Anna Kournikova. Williams' sister, Serena, withdrew because of the flu.

The top-ranked Hingis won Wimbledon in 1997. But she must regroup after unraveling in the French final, when she drew boos for complaining about calls.

Turin gets 2006 Winter Games; Decision angers Swiss officials

By Stephen Wilson
AP Sports Writer

SEOUL, South Korea — The IOC delivered a massive snub to Switzerland — and the Swiss official who blew the whistle on Olympic corruption — when it selected Italy as the host for the 2006 Winter Games.

A backlash associated with the Olympics' worst scandal helped the city of Turin upset the favored Swiss town of Sion in Saturday's vote by the International Olympic Committee.

Even more surprising than the result was the margin of Turin's victory. The Italians won 53-36, a stunning defeat for a Swiss bid that was considered the front-runner all along.

The vote — the first selection of an Olympic host city since the Salt Lake City bribery scandal — immediately produced anger, bitterness and recrimination by the Swiss toward the Swiss-based IOC.

Swiss officials accused IOC members of basing their choice on political motives that had nothing to do with the quality of the bids.

"The difference in votes was grotesque, ridiculous," the Swiss economic minister, Pascal Couchepin, said. "It makes one question the IOC."

Added Swiss IOC member Denis Oswald: "Sion wasn't the loser, Sion was a victim. Today, the IOC was the loser."

Sion clearly paid the price of resentment toward Marc Hodler, the Swiss IOC executive board member who kick-started the scandal in December with allegations of endemic Olympic corruption.

"The decision was not about sports or organizing the Olympic Games," said Jean-Loup Chappelet, Sion's technical director. "It was just because they don't like Marc Hodler."

Hodler suggested he was a pawn in a backlash fomented by Sion's rivals.

"That argument was used with the members by our opponents," he said. "But that was not the only thing. It was against Switzerland, that the Swiss have too much influence on the IOC ... and therefore Switzerland needs a backlash."

"They say that somebody must be at fault, that somebody has to be blamed," Hodler said. "I take the blame."

In an odd twist, when Turin officials went up to the head table to accept congratulations, bid leader Evelina Christillin wound up sitting next to Hodler. While she waved and gave the thumbs-up sign to supporters, Hodler stared straight ahead.

"He didn't even look at me or say a word to me," Christillin said. "I think he was feeling guilty for the defeat."

But Hodler took the podium at the close of the day to graciously congratulate Turin and pledge to help the Italians make the games a success.

"We know in sports there are always more losers than winners," he said.

Feelings were especially acute in Sion, where a crowd of around 5,000 gathered around a jumbo screen in the town's main plaza to watch the decision, broadcast live from Seoul.

When Turin was announced as the winner, the stunned revelers stood motionless, unsure of what they had heard.

Quickly, shock turned to anger, directed more at the IOC than their Italian rivals.

Many sobbed, others jeered and whistled, shaking their fists and booing anytime IOC president Juan Antonio Samaranch's face came on the screen.

Some turned Sion 2006 flags into pickets, with scrawled messages such as "IOC-Mafia" and "Scandal."

In Seoul, Turin delegates acknowledged the Hodler factor had hurt Sion but said it was not the primary reason for their victory.

"When you win by 17 votes, it shows we would have won all the same without the Hodler effect," bid official Marco San Pietro said. "The IOC has decided that the future of the Winter Games will be in bigger cities rather than small mountain resorts."

Sion is a provincial capital of 26,000 in the heart of the Swiss Alps. Turin is an industrial city of 2.2 million, an hour or so drive from the ski venues in the Piedmont Alps.

Sion, which also lost attempts to land the 1976 and 2002 games, said it would not bid again. Turin won on its first try, taking the Winter Games back to Italy for the first time since 1956 in Cortina D'Ampezzo.

IOC members said Turin may have benefited from a sympathy vote to make up for Rome's stinging loss to Athens two years ago for the 2004 Summer Games.

Lewis-Holyfield rematch moves closer to reality after negotiations

By Ed Schuyler Jr.
AP Boxing Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Lennox Lewis was in New York on Saturday night to scout a possible opponent, but he said his real mission was to push for a rematch with Evander Holyfield.

And that fight appeared closer to being made following negotiating sessions Thursday and Friday.

Time Warner, operator of HBO and pay-per-view TVKO, had wanted Don King to sign an agreement that would allow them to order him to step aside as fight promoter should he be indicted in connection with the controversial first fight that ended in a draw March 13.

Lou DiBella, senior vice president of HBO Sports, said Saturday night that HBO was no longer insisting on King signing such an agreement and that any action taken to prevent King from promoting it would have to be taken by a government agency.

Seth Abraham, president of Time Warner sports, said a fight could happen if King agrees to pay Holyfield's purse and all the undercard purses while Time Warner will pay Lewis. Each fighter would be guaranteed $15 million for the Nov. 13 fight in Las Vegas.

"We're a lot more optimistic today than we were Thursday or Friday," Abraham said.

There are still stumbling blocks, however. Panos Eliades, Lewis' British promoter, said he still has a matter to work out with King that involves money. Eliades also said, "We need it (an agreement) done in the next four weeks because Lewis wants to fight this year."

Lewis, the WBC champion, could fight the winner of Saturday night's Michael Grant-Lou Savariese fight in The Theater at Madison Square Garden, should the Holyfield rematch fall through.

Lewis, however, said he wasn't thinking much about Grant or Savarese.

"Basically, I'm here to push for the rematch," he said. "It's time we made the fight. Everybody knows what happened March 13. Everybody knows I won. That's in the past."

Most observers thought Lewis clearly outpointed Holyfield, the WBA and IBF champion, in that fight at Madison Square Garden.

Jim Thomas, Holyfield's lawyer, also was at The Theater on Saturday night and said, "I think these two fighters want to fight. I think it would be a shame if it didn't take place."

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Lehman misses out on final group

By David Droschak
AP Sports Writer

PINEHURST, N.C. — Tom Lehman was attempting to set a U.S. Open record with his fifth straight year in the final twosome. That won't happen.

Lehman's 3-over-par 73 Saturday left him with a three-round total of 10-over 220 and back in the pack heading into the final 18 holes Sunday.

"I am really not hitting it that well," Lehman said after his round. "My biggest problem has been my putting. I've made three birdies in three days and one was a chip-in. I have hit it good enough to where I should have been in the hunt."

Lehman was a good pick to be up front again this week considering he finished second last week at Memphis. However, he has thought too much about his mechanics this week.

"When you are playing well, it's second nature; you don't really think about your swing, you step up and rip it," Lehman said. "Right now, I am a little more conscious of what I'm trying to do because my swing feels so lousy."

Lehman said he won't feel any different not teeing off last in the Open on Sunday.

"It's such a demanding course I'm still nervous on the first tee, even though I'm so far back," he said.

STRICKER STRIKE: The round of the day also included the best shot of the day.

Steve Stricker, the only player to break par Saturday in the Open with a 1-under 69, got an eagle on the par-4 third hole when he holed an 8-iron approach from a fairway bunker 138 yards away.

■ U.S. Open Notes

Stricker's shot hit just left and above the cup, bounced once and sucked back into the cup.

"I just heard the people going crazy," said Stricker, who didn't see the ball roll in. "I had a good lie in the bunker and I could tell it was getting closer (to the hole) because of the way the people were reacting. To have that go in, you don't expect that."

LONGEST HOLES: Pinehurst No. 2 has three of the five longest par-4s in Open history — and they've played like it.

The longest par-4 hole in Open history, the 489-yard 16th, has played to an average of 4.5 strokes through three rounds. The 482-yard fifth has been even more difficult, with a 4.6-stroke average.

No. 8, which along with No. 16 were converted par-5s, has played to a 4.45 average.

The 16th hole has yielded just eight birdies, while No. 5 has given up 11 and No. 8 20.

BURNS BURNED: Bob Burns would just as soon forget the front nine at Pinehurst No. 2.

Last year's Nike Tour player of the year bogeyed the first six holes in Friday's second round. It got worse Saturday as Burns carded eight straight bogeys to start his round of 14-over-par.

"I set a couple of personal bests this week," Burns said, joking about his bogey binge on the front. "I would have much rather made a triple (bogey) in there. This is something I've never done before."

Burns was 0-for-9 hitting greens on the front nine. That followed his 0-for-9 effort on the back nine in Friday's second round.

"I went 18 straight holes without hitting a green," Burns said. "I mean, I hit some, but they didn't stay on. It was amazing.

"It's a fun golf course but most golf courses lose their fun when the USGA gets hold of them."

DALY DASH: John Daly entertained the media with wit and humor Thursday after his opening-round 68 left him one shot off the U.S. Open lead.

The charm wore off Saturday after Daly carded an 11-over 81 for his second straight Open collapse. Last year at The Olympic Club, Daly began with a 69, only to shoot 75, 75 and 78 to finish in a tie for 53rd.

Daly declined to talk to the media after his third-round disaster at Pinehurst, making a quick stop in the locker room and speeding off in his car.

Daly is sitting in a tie for 61st place at 16-over.

OPEN: Tiger lurks 2 shots behind Stewart

(From 1C)

to win. So go out and do your best."

It won't be easy.

On the scoreboard, the margin of error is only one stroke. On Pinehurst No. 2, it's a lot less than that.

Stewart was the only peer of par after 54 holes in what is shaping up to be the toughest U.S. Open in 21 years. Steve Stricker, also three strokes back along with PGA champion Vijay Singh, was the only player who broke par in the third round.

"I love this golf tournament," Stewart said. "They test it all. And the person who deals with all that the best is probably going to be the champion."

Mickelson bogeyed three straight holes starting on No. 15, but he managed to apply the brakes just in time. His 5-foot birdie putt on the 18th gave him a 73 and put him at 210, and in the final group for the first time in a major.

Mickelson has received word that his wife probably won't deliver their first child for at least another week. What could be better than a U.S. Open victory on Father's Day?

"Tomorrow is something that I've looked forward to ever since I've played," he said. "I've looked forward to having an opportunity to win the U.S. Open."

Perhaps the most dangerous player on Pinehurst is Woods, who put on a spectacular display of shotmaking and, more importantly, patience. Woods was 3 over after only two holes, but played the last 16 holes in 1 under to finish with a 72 for 211.

"I love playing in the most intense pressure," Woods said. "If you can't stand the heat, don't play."

Woods will be paired with Tim Herron, who had one birdie, one bogey and 16 hard-earned pars in a round of 70 that also left him just two strokes behind.

Duval, who was tied at 3 under with Mickelson and Stewart to start the round, dropped five shots over six holes on the front, but closed with 10 straight pars for a 75.

"I'm going to enter the final day three shots behind the leader, and not many people between



AP Photo

Payne Stewart ...U.S. Open leader

us," Duval said. "I probably can't shoot much better than par tomorrow, maybe 1 under. But I think I'm pretty close to sitting on the winning score right now."

Stricker can thank his 69 on a 40-foot birdie putt on the second hole and the most spectacular shot of the day, an 8-iron from the bunker on No. 3 that spun back into the cup for an eagle 2.

"It got me in a position to shoot that 69," Stricker said. "I played well, but it's still a struggle out there."

A struggle? That may be putting it lightly.

"Augusta on steroids," Brandel Chamblee said, offering one of the tamer assessments.

John Cook shot a 77, a pretty good score by his standards.

"I played this as a par-88," Cook said. "This golf course today ... nobody in the game has ever seen. Ever."

Just think — it could have been worse.

Cloud cover that moved in before the leaders teed off and occasional sprinkles provided a small dose of moisture, but not enough to contend with pin placements that were tucked on ledges of the domed greens designed by Donald Ross.

More than one player did a little jig just at the sight of their ball staying on the green. Herron, also known as "Lumpy," actually jogged to the 13th after his putt from 30 yards away stopped close to the hole.

Mickelson may have summed it up best. His eyes bulged in disbelief upon hearing the gallery roar when his final approach snuggled up to birdie range.

"I feel like I'm just a smidge away," Mickelson said, who figures to stick around for the conclusion after hearing a report from his expectant wife that their first child probably won't arrive for at least another week.

The average score was nearly six strokes over par. Of the 68 players who made the cut, they hit an average of just 41.6 percent of the greens in regulation. Seven players, including John Daly and 1992 U.S. Open champion Tom Kite, failed to break 80.

"I heard Duval say in his interview Thursday that the guy who wins will hit 14 or 15 greens a round," Chamblee said after his 74. "Yeah, that guy will win, but he ain't here."

That guy sure wasn't Duval on Saturday.

The world's No. 1 player looked more like he belonged on the Nike Tour early on. After starting off with two nice par saves, Duval really fell off the radar screen.

The only green he hit was on the par-5 fourth when he caught a break — his second shot took a favorable bounce off the scoreboard and left him a relatively easy chip to the green.

But he badly missed his 5-foot birdie putt, and it only got worse from there.

He took double-bogey on the next hole by missing the green left, then hitting it over the green to the right. He bogeyed No. 6 by hitting a bunker on the right, then blasting out through the green on the left.

Is this golf or tennis?

But even though Duval made the turn in 40, even though Woods bumbled his way across the first two holes, they both played the kind of golf that wins a U.S. Open — especially this U.S. Open.

Stewart understands that as well as anyone. He has been in contention enough in a U.S. Open to realize there will be bumps along the way. Stewart bogeyed three in a row starting on No. 8 when he started missing the greens.

He, too, gutted it out on the back nine and finally reaped the rewards with his 15-foot birdie putt on the final hole.

Another lead in the U.S. Open, another chance to win.

That's all Stewart ever wanted.

WEST TEXAS AMATEUR

Saturday's results from the Men's West Texas Amateur Championship golf tournament which concludes today at Green Tree Country Club:

Championship Flight
205: Tim Phillips. **210:** Craig McAlpine, Charlie Prince. **212:** Randy Clark. **213:** Jeff Moses, Austin Burk, Mac McGee. **215:** Dan Desliets. **217:** Doug Noah. **218:** Donald Roberts. **219:** Bobby Welborn. **220:** Judd Prichard. **221:** Sam Hansard. **222:** Doug Hopton-Jones. **223:** Trey Womack, Ronnie White, Omar Sanchez. **224:** Brian Williams. **226:** John Conine. **227:** Brad Pursley.

Presidents Flight
221: Michael Pruitt. **222:** Chris Rasnick. **225:** Danny Greaud. **226:** John Castillo. **227:** Mark Bowen, Tracy Witherspoon. **228:** Mark Jones. **229:** Stephen Slaughter, Jaime Luna. **230:** Brian Walsh, Jim Nash, Kurt Loveless. **231:** Steve Sassman, Zack Cauthen. **233:** Don Terry, Danny Bell. **234:** Jim Cauthen. **235:** Daniel Pender, Lee Roy Pearson. **236:** Tony Farish. **238:** Hilton Chancellor, Mark Featherston, Jeff Featherston. **240:** Jeff Morton. **241:** Alan Gleason. **242:** Willie Patterson. **243:** Teary Blasingame. **245:** T.W. Albrecht. **248:** Mark Kirby. **263:** Sammy Taylor. **272:** Michael Burton. **295:** David Adams.

Super Senior Flight
141: Tommy Wilson. **148:** Frank Swafford. **149:** Bob Grimes. **151:** Ted Watts. **152:** Charles Duckworth. **153:** T.A. Watson. **156:** Scott Wilson. **158:** Conway Snipes. **159:** Joe Cubine. **161:** Art Schmidt. **162:** Norman Ingebritson. **171:** Roy Granbery, Wilbur Zwacher. **172:** Foy Cox. **180:** John Buluch. **182:** Jack Dixon. **185:** Stu Hepburn. **187:** Don Thompson.

Senior Flight
143: Rolly Hughes. **145:** Royce Cox. **146:** Jerry Reese. **149:** Bill Willenberg, Mike Harrison. **150:** Burl Fuller. **151:** Joe Williams. **152:** Donald Neff, Gary Wooten, Jerry Thomas. **155:** Gary Young. **158:** Houston Satterwhite, Gary Don Bowe. **159:** Paul Beane. **161:** Jack Felts, Don McPherson. **162:** Larry Digby, Jim Chilcoat. **163:** Darrell McDonald. **164:** Duane Purcell. **165:** Dub Jordan, Mike Beadle. **166:** Joe Walters. **168:** Irv Townsend, Dwaine Barnes. **173:** Frank Mendenhall, Wayland Taylor. **179:** Max Christopher. **183:** Ron Rhodes. **184:** Gordon Seavey.

Regular Flight
146: Lee Moss. **147:** Dennis Collins. **150:** Ron Seay. **152:** Bobby Hill. **153:** Mike Johnson, Jeff Munden. **154:** Dan Pender. **155:** Curtis Wheat. **156:** Neil Howard, T.J. Greenwood. **158:** Tommy Perry. **159:** Craig Kelly. **161:** Scott Underwood. **162:** Bob Duree. **164:** Kevin Bassett. **166:** Vince Carlisle, Dan Wlaraven, Jack Cathy Jr. **174:** Jim Hightower. **176:** Steve Doan.

Tee Times
Championship Flight
1:20 p.m.: Sanchez, Williams, Conine, Pursley. 1:30: Hansard, Hopton-Jones, Womack, White. 1:40: Roberts, Welborn, Prichard. 1:50: McGee, Desliets, Noah. 2:00: Clark, Moses, Burk. 2:10: Phillips, McAlpine, Prince.

AMATEUR: Phillips leads Prince, McAlpine by five

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standards Phillips had set in the previous two days.

"It was a big letdown," Phillips said. "I expected to shoot 2-4 under today but I had too many bogeys."

Yet, Phillips didn't let too many bad shots get him down. On Green Tree's challenging No. 5 par 4 hole, Phillips hit his tee shot into the water, but recovered from a potential disaster and ended up with only a bogey.

That could have killed his momentum, but Phillips birdied two of the next four holes to reaffirm his grasp on the tournament. It's a measure of how well he played in the first two rounds that an even par round could be considered disappointing.

"I'm not displeased with a 71 at all," said Phillips, putting the round in perspective. "I was hitting the ball better than I did (Friday) but nothing happened."

The biggest difference between the third round and the first two rounds for Phillips came on the greens. His unorthodox putting style — standing directly behind the ball and pushing the putter forward with a shoveling motion — yielded four birdies on the final five holes in the second round.

Phillips didn't have as good a day putting in the third round, getting off to an inauspicious start by three-putting the first green for a bogey. However, Phillips didn't three-putt a hole the rest of the day, even though he made few big putts for birdies.

Phillips says that he isn't going to alter the approach which has worked for him so far this weekend.

"I'm going to try to eliminate all doubt," Phillips said. "I'm not going to be conservative, because if you start doing that you're going to hit some bad shots."

Prince, a Midland Lee and Midland College graduate now playing at Texas-El Paso, hit fewer bad shots than anybody else in the field in the third round. Following a solid front nine in which he scored a one under par, Prince picked it up on Green Tree's back side, where he shot three under.

Still, Prince didn't think it was a particularly easy day at the course.

"I think today it played harder because I was struggling to make pars on those holes I didn't make birdies on," said Prince.

For the second straight day today, Phillips will be paired with a former District 4-5A champion. Prince won the title at Lee in 1996, and on Saturday Phillips was paired with Austin Burk, who won the 4-5A title for Odessa Permian this past spring.

Like Prince, Burk was five strokes behind Phillips before being paired with the leader, but Burk shot a 74 to balloon to 213 and fell seven strokes off the pace, as did Mac McGee, who was tied with Burk for second. Burk and McGee are tied for fifth with Jeff Moses while Randy Clark is in fourth at 212.

McAlpine had a solid round of 69 to finish the day tied with Prince for second. McAlpine, Prince and Clark — who shot a 70 — were the only players to break par.

Mahaffey leads after two rounds at Southwestern

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — John Mahaffey had five birdies and an eagle in a 5-under 67 Saturday and took a one-stroke lead over three golfers after two rounds of the $1.1 million Southwestern Bell Dominion seniors tournament.

The 51-year-old Mahaffey, ranked 13th on the money list, was at 10-under 134 after two trips around the 6,835-yard course at The Dominion Country Club. Play was halted for 35 minutes in the late afternoon because of rain.

"The last two days I played pretty solid," said Mahaffey, a native of nearby Kerrville who lives at both The Woodlands and San Antonio. "I hit a lot of greens and made some very good putts."

The 1978 PGA champion, who has six top 10 finishes this year, started the day in a group of eight golfers one shot behind co-leaders Walter Hall and David Graham.

The pack in second had only three Saturday: Gil Morgan, Hugh Baiocchi and Bruce Fleisher.

Fleisher, the leading money winner on the Senior PGA Tour, has already won four tournaments in his rookie season. He had six birdies in a second-round 68.

■ Other Golf

Pak clings to two-shot lead in ShopRite LPGA Classic

ABSECON, N.J. — Fighting off a shaky start, Se Ri Pak fired a 2-under par 69 Saturday to cling to the lead after two rounds of the ShopRite LPGA Classic.

Pak rallied after a double bogey on No. 6, carding four birdies en route to a two-day total of 132 — 10 under par — heading into the final round of the 54-hole event Sunday.

"It wasn't that easy, like yesterday," she said. "I had a tough day, a few bad shots. I'm hanging in there, though."

Pak's opening-round 63 set a tournament record for the 6,051-yard, par-71 Seaview Marriott Resort course. But tricky wind and the disastrous performance on No. 6 held her to a 69 on Saturday.

On that hole, a 384-yard par-4, her tee shot landed in the rough left of the fairway, between two trees. There was no way to shoot at the hole, so she flipped her ball about 15 yards, back onto the fairway. She hit her next shot into the rough left of the green and two-putted.

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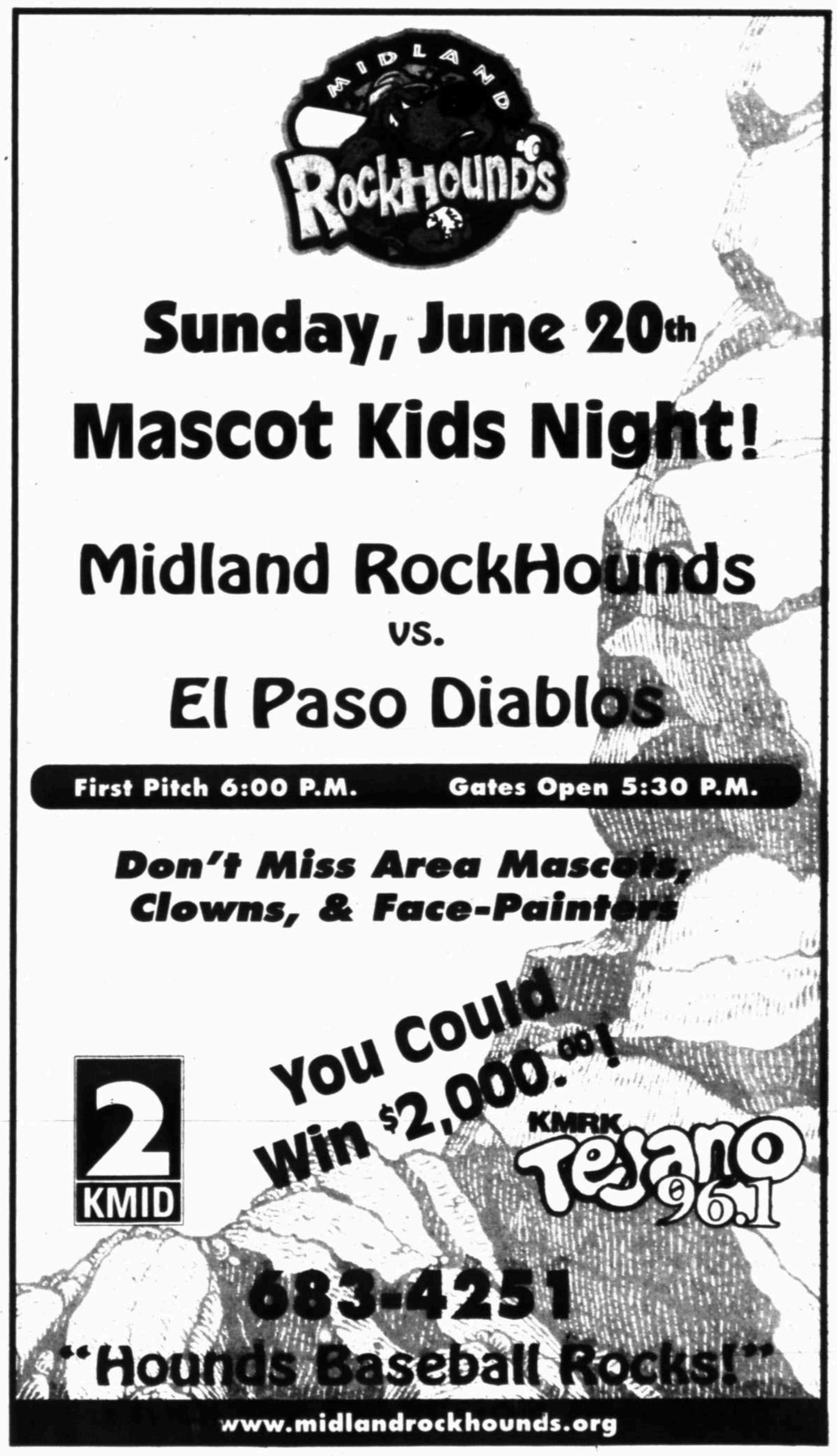
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As NBA players rest, playground games continue

By Ken Berger
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — There was no game in the NBA Finals on Saturday. There is always a game, however, at the West 4th Street playground in Manhattan.

On the court where Mario Elie, Jayson Williams, Anthony Mason and others once scuffed their soles, a game between the Flatbush Suns and Chaz Hoop attracted a large crowd on a sunny afternoon.

Dozens of onlookers gazed through a fence surrounding the court as the teams played in one of the oldest and best summer basketball tournaments in the country. The West 4th Street Pro League is in its 22nd year, with a history some would argue is as rich as the NBA's.

"The team that wins out here sometimes gets by just on athleticism," said Ken Graham, the league's founder. "But when they get into a game with a team that can match their athleticism and can use their heads, that's the team that wins."

Elie, the steady guard who has helped the San Antonio Spurs take a 2-0 lead over the New York Knicks in the finals, already has two NBA championship rings earned with the Houston Rockets. But he also played for a team that arguably was the greatest New York playground dynasty ever.

Elie was a three-time MVP of the West 4th Street league during Harlem USA's run of five straight championships from 1978-82. Graham said Mason's team, Prime Time, was the playground power of the early 1990s.

"When Mario first came out here, he was a skinny little kid," Graham said. "He got pushed around, because it was so physical. He couldn't even get on the court.

"By the time he finished playing here, he was doing that move where he swoops to the basket like he did last night against the Knicks. I saw him do that 100 times out here."

The summer tournament is much more sophisticated than plain old pickup games. There are referees, uniforms that feature — of course — Nike swooshes, and a public address announcer. The announcer and fans, including girlfriends or wives who sit on chairs in the first row behind the basket, seem to know the players by their nicknames.

"Big Daddy Boogie to the hole ... NO GOOD!" the announcer shouts through a megaphone.

Graham is asking Nike to help him organize a search for the 50 greatest players in the history of West 4th Street basketball, similar to the list the NBA came up with for its 50th anniversary two years ago. He hasn't had much success yet. For every NBA player groomed on the playground, there were thousands who never made it.

"Some of them are still playing," Graham said. "Some of them just rode off into the sunset."

■ NBA Final Notes

YOU TALKIN' TO ME?: Sometimes, a cab ride is the best way to take a quick reading of the pulse of New York.

Riding from LaGuardia Airport to Midtown Manhattan, all it took to get this driver going was the statement: "Boy, the Knicks are in trouble, huh?"

This rambling soliloquy, spoken in that gritty New York tongue, followed:

"Every year, the Knicks get to the playoffs and wipe," the driver said. "Every year, they're the shooting star of basketball. If they had a couple more big names, they might have a chance."

NO BULLS: San Antonio's David Robinson said the Spurs don't pretend to rival Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls, but he sees some similarities in how the teams were built.

"The most obvious thing is that Michael Jordan did it because he was the best player ever," Robinson said. "The second most obvious thing is that they had a team. I see a guy like Steve Kerr, and I mean there's a lot of things you can say about Steve Kerr that he can't do. But here's a guy who's committed to the team. They had a team full of guys like that.

"Everybody can't have a Michael Jordan. It just doesn't happen. But Tim Duncan and David Robinson, that's enough if you have a team around them."

BACK EAST: The Spurs face a task that has hounded many Western Conference teams — beating the Knicks at Madison Square Garden without being intimidated by the historic arena or caught up in the nightlife, shopping and distractions of New York.

"We haven't lost in the playoffs on the road yet, but we haven't played in Madison Square Garden yet, either," Spurs reserve guard Steve Kerr said. "And this is the best team that we've played in the playoffs. So it's not going to be easy, but we like our chances."

Said Sean Elliott: "We're still a long way away. We have to beat them twice in New York. That's the way we're looking at it. It's not something that's been easy to do for a lot of teams."

NBA: Series resumes Monday in New York

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quote sheets he picked up on his way out of the Alamodome Friday night.

A sampling of what the Spurs had to say:

— Avery Johnson: "Being up 2-0 and feeling like we are one of the best road teams in the NBA, we feel like we're in a good situation."

— Steve Kerr: "We haven't lost in the playoffs on the road yet, either, and this is the best team we've played in the playoffs. So, it's not going to be easy, but we like our chances."

— Tim Duncan: "We know what we have to do — get two more. However we get it, we're not thinking sweep. We never think sweep. We think one game at a time, no matter how cliche that sounds."

One obstacle the Spurs will be facing is the Knicks' knack for playing some of their best basketball when their circumstances seem most dire.

In the first round, things looked bleak for the Knicks after they failed to close out the Heat in Game 4 and had to go to Miami for Game 5.

In the Eastern Conference finals, the Knicks were facing the prospect of a 3-2 deficit when they went to Indianapolis for Game 5 and pulled out the victory.

During the regular season, there were numerous times when New York turned it up a notch just when things appeared hopeless.

"We definitely are upset with ourselves," New York's Marcus Camby said. "We feel we could have came out here and got this one."

Since the NBA went to a 2-3-2 format for the finals in 1985, no home team has won all three middle games.

The Knicks will have to deal with the fact that San Antonio has played better on the road during the postseason than it has at home.

In the first three rounds of the playoffs, San Antonio averaged 96.2 points per game on the road and won by an average of 13.4 points. At home, the Spurs average 84.4 points and a margin of victory of 3.0.

"Knowing that we play great on the road and knowing that we haven't lost two in a row in however long, we still have to take it one game at a time," San Antonio's Mario Elie said. "The Knicks, they have a great team and a lot of offense. They come at you hard. Just a couple of plays here and there and they could easily tie this series."

If the Knicks are to stand any chance, they'll need to get better offensive production.

Latrell Sprewell is shooting only 37 percent, but that's a whole lot better than Larry Johnson (20 percent), Chris Childs (19 percent) and Chris Dudley (0 percent).

Despite all its front line injuries, New York has outrebounded San Antonio in both games but has been hurt by its inability to get to the foul line. The Spurs have attempted 66 free throws in the series to the Knicks' 31.

Duncan has been the main force for the Spurs, scoring 33 in Game 1 and 25 in Game 2 and combining with Robinson on defense to form a shot-blocking tandem that no team has solved.

"Our effort level, our mental state, is fine," Van Gundy said. "We need to be able to score the ball a little better.

"I don't want them thinking about being down 2-0 and we have to win four of the next five games. We need to think about how we're going to win Monday night, that's it. We don't have to win four games Monday, we just have to try to win one."

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

Golf...

The **36th annual Women's City Tournament** has been set for July 26-29. The match play tournament will start on Monday, July 26 with the qualifying round at Green Tree Country Club. Hogan Park, Ranchland Hills Country Club and Midland Country Club will host the final three rounds. The tournament is open to all women golfers but contestants must have been a resident of Midland for a minimum of 30 days and own a current handicap. Anyone with a handicap index of 16.9 or lower must qualify. Anyone else who wishes to qualify may also do so. Qualifying will be done for placement in the championship and first flights. The entry fee is $30 and the deadline for entry is July 23. Sign-up sheets are available at local golf shops. For more information, call Peg Hodge at 682-3899 or Evelyn Davis at 699-4837...

The Midland RockHounds and the Odessa Jackalopes are hosting the **Scott Seator Memorial Golf Tournament** for cancer research on July 1 at 1 p.m. at Green Tree Country Club. Price for the 2-man scramble is $100 and includes a barbeque the night before at Christensen Stadium. For more information, drop by the Christensen Stadium office or call Ray Fieldhouse or Ryan Haskell at 683-4251...

Ranchland Hills Country Club will hold the **22nd annual Blowout Golf Tournament** July 23-25. Entry fee is $600 inclusive per 4-man team. Four divisions split into eight flights after first day. Member teams must have at least one non-member. All team member handicaps should be within 10 shots. Minimum age is 21 years. Contact the RHCC golf shop for full schedule of events associated with the tournament...

The **Kent Oil, Inc./Easter Seals 12th annual golf tournament** is June 21 at Green Tree Country Club. Money raised goes to Easter Seals with an $8,000 goal from the 2-person scramble tournament. There are two flights of play at 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Call Jerry Larned at 520-4000 for more information...

Junior Golf Summer Clinic at Masters Golf is for ages 7-12 for the week of June 21-24. Clinic runs 9:15-10:45 a.m. and cost is $60. Class is limited so call 570-4499 for more information...

Masters Golf will offer a **Ladies Clinic** for beginners on June 21-24. Cost is $60. Masters Golf will also offer Junior Clinics on weeks of July 12-15 and July 19-22. Cost is $60. Classes are limited so call 570-4499 for more information...

Hogan Park Golf Shop is having a **Ladies Clinic** June 22-24 from 6-8 p.m. all three days. The clinic includes four hours of instruction on putting green and driving range and two hours on course instruction and a video of your golf swing. Clinic cost is $60. For more information, call Hogan Park at 685-7360...

The **Ward County Golf Course in Monahans** is hosting the following tournaments: June 29, Ladies Tee Party, 2-lady scramble; July 3-4, 4-Man Scramble; July 17-18, Monahans Chamber of Commerce Team Scramble; Aug. 14-15, Lads and Lassies Couples Scramble, $140 per team; Aug. 28, Qualifying begins for $10,000 hole-in-one Shootout, finals Sept. 6; Sept 4-5, Labor Day 2-person scramble/lowball, $140 per team; Oct. 16-17, Fall Classic 4-person scramble, $280 per team. For more information, call Gary Wood at (915) 943-5044...

The **12th annual Andrews Chamber of Commerce 2-Person Scramble** has been rescheduled for July 10-11. Entry fee is $100. To enter, call the Andrews Pro Shop at 524-1462...

The **Third Annual Odessa Fire Fighters Charity Golf Tournament** will be held June 21 in conjunction with the City of Odessa and Rudy Gatlin. The tee time is at 8 p.m. June 21 at The Club at Mission Dorado. It is a five person scramble. The cost is $150 per person. Call 915-335-4106 for more information...

Crane Country Club will hold a **three-lady, 18-hole select shot tournament** July 31. The cost is $35 per person, and a meal will be provided after the round. For more information, call the Crane C.C. at 915-558-2651...

Crane C.C. will conduct the **Angie Workman Memorial 4-person select shot tournament** on Aug. 21-22. The cost is $220 per team. For more information call Crane C.C. at 558-2651...

McCamey Country Club has the following events scheduled; June 26-27, 2-person (4-9 hole format), $140 per team; July 17-18, Couple Select Shot, $80 per team; Aug. 7-8, Club Championship, $20 per person; Sept. 11-12, W.F. "Nick" Nobles Invitational, 4-man select shot, $280 per team; Sept. 18, Ona Lee Sharp Classic, 4-lady select shot, $40 per person; Oct. 16, 3-person select shot, $35 per person. Call 1-915-652-8904 for information...

Midland Jaycees first **"Scramble for the Cure"**, a golf tournament to benefit Round up '99 and the American Cancer Society will be held July 23 at Hogan Park Golf Course. It will be a four-man scramble with 18 team dn shotgun start at 1 p.m. The fee is $60 per person (includes green fees, lunch and cart). For more information contact Vaughan Edmonson at 694-8801 (day) or 694-0556 (evening)...

The **12th Annual Andrews Chamber of Commerce Two-person Golf Scramble** will held July 10-11. A six-stroke rule will be in effect and teams will be flighted after the first round. Cash prizes will be awarded in each flight. The entry fee is $100 per team and this fee includes a free lunch after Saturday's round. Carts are not included and green fees are required. To enter, call Andrew Pro Shop at (915) 524-1462...

Softball...

Scorekeepers are needed for several softball tournaments that are coming up in next three months. The fee will be based on the tournament involved. Please call Janice Klein at 697-5722 after 6 p.m. for more information...

The **17th Annual Permian Basin ASA Umpires Association Softball Tournament** is set for June 25-27 at Hogan Park in Midland. Men's Class C & D brackets will play a double elimination. The Class D winner will be awarded a berth in the Men's Class D National Championship Tournament to be held in Midland Sept. 23-26. The next three finishers will be awarded a berth in the State Tournament July 23-25 in Bryan. The top two teams in Class C will awarded a berth in the State Tournament July 23-25 in Tyler. The $125 entry is due by 5 p.m. June 23. Mail entry to PBAUA, 4208 Harlowe Dr., Midland, Tx., 79703. For more information contact Al Enriquez at 684-8481, Mack Gipson at 520-5961, or Freddie Ezell at 694-5508...

The Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce is hosting the second annual **Fourth of July Festival de Softbol Tournament** July 3-4 at the Bill Williams Complex. The tournament is for Class C and D men's and women's teams with USSSA rules. Entry fee is $125 per team with a $50 deposit due by June 30. Payment must be in the form of a cashier check or money order. For more information, call Steve Sanchez at 688-6330 or the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce at 570-9824...

Tennis...

Clinics for ladies are being held at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. Beginners clinics are Tuesdays at 11 a.m., intermediate clinics Tuesdays at 9 a.m. and beginner-intermediate clinics Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. For more information, call Luis Valdez at 689-2237 or 683-5360...

The Club at Mission Dorado is offering **junior clinics** for beginner, intermediate and advanced levels Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beginner and intermediate clinics run from 4:30-5:30 p.m. while advanced clinics run from 5:30-6:30 p.m. For more information, call Toby Curtis at (915) 563-4707...

The **Midland Tennis Club** will hold the following tournaments at the Midland College Tennis Center: June 26-27: Mixed Doubles; July 10-11, Men's Doubles/Women's Doubles; July 17-18, Men's Doubles/Women's Singles; July 24-25, Mixed Doubles; July 31-Aug. 1, Men's Singles/Women's Singles; Aug. 7-8, Men's Doubles/Women's Doubles; Aug. 14-15, Men's Singles/Women's Singles; Aug. 21-22, Mixed Doubles. Club Levels are Open, A-1, A-2, B-1, B-2, C and Senior (50 and over). Non-members can play in any tournament with a $10 entry fee...

The **Midland College Junior Summer Tennis Program** will be held June 21-25, July 5-9 and July 19-23. The times are 8 a.m. to 10 a.m for ages 8 and under and 8 a.m. to noon ages 9 and up. Contact the Armstrong Racquet Shop at Midland College at 687-4046 for more information...

A doubles **Training Tennis Clinic** for juniors and adults will be held July 5-8 at the Kimber-Lea Swim and Tennis Club. The times are 1-3 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday and 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. For more information call Luis Valdez at 689-2237 or 683-5360...

Free tennis clinics, sponsored by Casa de Amigos and the USTA will take place every Thursday from 7-8 p.m. at Midland Freshman (June 24), Midland High (July 1), Lee Freshman (July 8), Washington Park (July 15), Midland Freshman (July 22) and Midland High (July 29). For more information, call 682-9701. Volunteers are needed.

Basketball...

A **Saturday only tournament** will be held in Midland for girls 12-under, 14-under and high school eligible age groups on June 26. The cost is $150 per team. For more information, call 915-697-1030...

A **girls junior high league** is being formed to play Tuesday nights in July at the Garden City High School gym. The league is for girls entering seventh and eighth grades this next school year, with exceptions made for sixth graders from smaller schools. The cost is $5 per team member with a maximum of 10 members per team. The format of the league will be round-robin. Deadline for entry is June 28. For more information, call Melissa Hoch at (915) 354-2360...

Youth Summer Basketball begins June 21 at First Presbyterian Church. For both boys and girls, grades 7-12. Form own teams. For more information, call 689-1675...

Camp Fire Boys and Girls is holding a **3-on-3 basketball tournament** on June 26. "Slammin' in the City" will be held in Downtown Midland and registration is open to ages 11 and up. There will also be a slam dunk contest and free throw contest. The entry fee is $90 until June 21. For more information, go by Camp Fire Boys and Girls at 4500 West Illinois, Suite 112 or call 520-1522...

Volleyball...

The University of Texas-Permian Basin is hosting **three volleyball camps** in July with each class limited to 24 students. Camps for 7th-8th graders will run from July 12-16 at $100 a student. Camps for 9th-10th graders will be July 19-23 at $125 a student while camps for 11th-12th grades will be July 26-30 at $125. For more information, call Dr. Steve Aicinena at 552-2675...

Swimming...

Pre-competitive swimming is being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. The program will teach elementary age swimmers techniques of competitive swimming while improving their strokes. It is open to swimmers who can swim at least 25 yards of freestyle and backstroke. The cost is $40 per month on a year-round basis. For more information, call 684-7755...

COM Aquatics is holding **water aerobics classes** Monday through Saturday at Mabee Aquatic Center. Classes are at 6:15 a.m., 7:15 a.m., and 5:30 p.m. All classes are open to the public and swimming skills are not necessary. Deep and shallow water classes are offered. For information, call Beth Santilli at 684-7755...

The Alamo YMCA Aquatics Program is offering **swimming lessons for all ages.** Children are placed in classes according to age and ability. The Skip class, for children three months to three years is a parent participation class while the Pers classes are for children 3-5 and Progressive classes are for children 6 and up. Lessons are also offered for adults. Safety is taught in conjunction with the classes. Group and private lessons are available. For more information, call 694-2528...

The Alamo YMCA is offering **water aerobics.** Swimming ability is not necessary to participate. For more information, call 694-2528...

COM Aquatics - Learn to Swim year round lessons for both children (3 years of age or older) and adults wishing to learn to swim or improve technique. Private or group lessons (limit four students per instructor) are available. Children are grouped by age and ability. A session normally consists of eight 30-minute lessons. Please call 684-7755 for more details...

The **COM Masters Swim Team** is open to anyone 20-over. There are two Masters swim team workouts. You can choose from Mon.-Wed.-Fri or Tue.-Thurs.-Sat. at 6-7 a.m. at the COM pool. Call 684-7755 for more information...

COM Diving offers a full range of diving instruction from beginning lessons to elite team training and competition. All ages and ability levels are invited to participate. Diving lessons are offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4:30 to 4:55 p.m. and from 5 to 5:25 p.m. For information, call 684-7755...

Soccer...

The **Rebel soccer camps** for boys and girls ages 4-11 are June 21-25 and July 12-16. The cost is $50. For more information call 689-1646 or 570-1540...

The **British Soccer Camp** will be held in Midland July 19-23 at the Windlands Soccer Complex for boys and girls ages 5-18. Please contact Connie Stall at the Midland Soccer Association at 684-5425 or 570-5461...

The **SDS Soccer Camp** for 4-7 year-olds is $25 from 6-7:15 p.m. Monday through Thursday on the following dates: June 21-24, 4-5 girls; July 19-22, 4-5 boys; July 26-29, 4-5 girls; Aug. by appointment, teams, boys or girls. Call David Stall at 682-8904 for information...

The **Blast F.C. Soccer Camp** is scheduled for June 21-25 from 8:30 a.m.-noon at Windlands Soccer Complex. The camp is for children ages 8-14 at a cost of $20. For more information, call Kim O'Connor at 697-7246...

The **Blast F.C. Camp** is June 21-25 from 8:30 a.m.-noon at Windlands Soccer Complex for ages 8-14. The cost is $20. For more information call Kim O'Connor at 697-7246...

The **Flash Soccer Club** is holding tryouts for its boys 13 and under team at Hogan Park on July 1, 6, 8, 12 and 19 from 6:30-8 p.m. The tryouts are for boys born between Aug. 1, 1986 and July 31, 1987. Players can attend more than one tryout. A ball, shin guards and a white t-shirt are required for the tryouts. For more information, call Scott Ingram at 699-5252 or 687-7212...

Fusion '88 Girls U-12 Soccer Club will hold tryouts July 8 (7-9 p.m.); July 10 (10 a.m.-noon); July 13 (7-9 p.m.). Tryouts will be held at Lions Club Park on Semond Drive in Odessa. Call Gregg Belcheff at 362-0220...

Baseball...

The **Midland Junior Baseball Association** is holding registration for its Big League (16-18) season. Applications can be filled out at Stadium Sports. Call Michael Mullins at 685-3661 for more information...

Summer Camps

Camp Goodenough will be held at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. Overnight camp for girls from fourth grade through high school is scheduled for June 23-26. For more information, call Julie Goodenough at (915) 670-1435 or 675-5233...

The **Midland High Weightlifting Camp** will be held June 21-25. Times for the camp are 8-9:30 a.m. for grades 5-7 and 9:30-11 a.m. for grades 8-9. Cost for the camp is $30. For more information, call 689-1193...

The **Midland Boys and Girls Club Basketball Camp** will take place July 6-9 for players ages 7-12 at the Taylor Park Gym. The camp will feature former Abilene Cooper and Indiana standout and current Minnesota Timberwolves player Andrae Patterson. Also expected to help out are Midland High standouts Jay Christian and Charles Tatum. The fee is $10 per participant. For more information, call 683-0050 or 683-0051...

The Odessa Jackalopes announced the **1999 Jackalope Summer Hockey School** will take place this summer for interested players ages 6-up. There will be two sessions — July 19-23 and July 26-30 — at Music City Mall. Each session is $235 and among the instructors are Joe Clark (camp director), Jacque Rodrigue and Paul Vincent. For more information, call 552-PUCK (7825).

The **1999 Midland College Basketball Camp** for boys will be held July 12-15 from 1-5 p.m. for high school students. Sessions will be held at the Midland College P.E. gymnasium. The cost is $60 if registered by July 6. It's $75 for late registration. For registration or further information please contact coach Cotten at 685-4578...

The **1999 Red Raider Summer Baseball Camps** are offering sessions in July and are opened to anyone through high school senior. Older campers can attend one of either two July sessions: July 16-18 or July 30-Aug. 1. A camper may attend as a commuter or stay overnight. Commuter tuition is $200 and those staying overnight will pay $265. A deposit of $100 is required for the July sessions. For more information or a brochure, please call Greg Evans at (806) 793-3319. Tuition and/or depos with name, address, t-shirt size, age and camp attending can be sent to: Red Raider Baseball Camp, Box POB 53932, Lubbock, TX, 79453...

The **Midland College Girls Summer Basketball Fundamental Camp** will be held July 19-22 for grades 3-7 and July 26-29 for grades 8-12. Shooting camps will also be held on July 30-31 for both groups. For more information, call 685-4580 or 685-4579...

Summer Beginner and Intermediate Junior Tennis clinics at the Kimber Lea Swim & Tennis Club will be held Mondays and Thursdays from 9-10:30 a.m.and running through Aug. 5. Deadline to register is one week before you want to start. You may pay by the session or by the day. Sessions will be for 3rd-6th grades. Kindergarten through second grades will be accomodated upon request. For further details please call Luis Valdez at 689-2237 or 683-5369...

The **University of Texas Summer Baseball Camp** will be in nine different sessions this summer. Instructional/Developmental camps (Monday-Friday) - Session 5: June 21-25. Session 6: June 28-July 2. Specialty Camps (Monday-Wednesday) - Session 2: June 7-9. Session 3: June 14-16. Session 7: July 5-7. Session 8: July 12-14. Advanced Camp (Monday-Friday) - Session 9: July 19-23...

The **Runnin' Rebel Basketball Camp** is scheduled for June 21-24 at Lee High gym. The sessions will be divided into a fundamentals camp from 10-11:30 a.m. each day and a shooting/position camp from 1-2:30 p.m. Each session costs $55. For more information on the camp, call Jon House at 699-5528 or 689-1643...

Midland Christian Lady Mustangs Volleyball Camp is July 26-30 from 8 a.m. to noon and is for grades 9-12 girls. MC staff and college players will conduct this camp. For information call Midland Christian at 694-1661 or Raymond Yell at 686-7354 or 685-4525...

Midland High boys and girls basketball team camp is June 21-24 from 8 a.m.-10 a.m. at San Jacinto Junior High. Teams and individuals welcome. Cost is $25 per person. For more information call Gary Brewster, Stacey Henson or Lisa Harris at 686-9901...

Miscellaneous...

The **Midland Wrestling Club** offers adult, high school, Olympic and freestyle wrestling. Call 685-0531 for information...

Gymnastics classes are being offered at the Mabee Aquatic Center. Parent-tot, grade school and tumbling classes are available. There will also be an advanced team class by tryout only. The staff is certified by USA Gymnastics. For more information, call Megan Rodriguez at 684-7755...

Citizens for Midland Skaters is a local group dedicated to raising funds for the establishment of a city park for skateboarding and in-line skating , If you would like to contribute to this project, please send your donation to Permian Basin Area Foundation/Skate Park Project, P.O. Box 10424, Midland, Texas, 79702. Donations are tax deductible. If you have questions, please call Pam Sledge at 685-3227...

The **Midland branch of the American Escrima Wing Tsun Organization** is holding an adult self defense combat class in association with the Midland Wrestling Club. Classes will be held three times a week. For more information, call David Lesser at 687-6973 or 685-0531...

Alamo YMCA is holding day **Tae Kwon Do classes** on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily. Contact Alamo YMCA at 694-2528 or the instructor at 682-3405 for more information...

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The right is reserved to accept or reject all or part of any offer and to accept the offer most advantageous to the City of Midland, Texas. All offers to buy must be "as is, where is". Ten days will be allowed for removal of these vehicles. Any vehicle not removed during this time will be subject to storage at the rate of $ 10.00 per day from the date of the sale.

All buyers will remain at the auction site at the end of the sale to pay for any vehicle purchased. Buyers will be issued a cash receipt at the time of purchase. Auction sales receipts will be mailed to the buyer within two weeks of the sale. Buyers may obtain "Certificate of Title" from the State of Texas with the auction sales receipt.

This public auction will be conducted on JUNE 26" 1999. Place: Motor Vehicle Impounding Area, 1109 S. Midland Dr., Midland, Texas. The impounding area will be open for inspection of vehicles at 8:00 am.

For further details covering this sale contact the Traffic Section, Midland Police Department, City of Midland, Texas, 601 N. Loraine Midland, Texas 79701, telephone (915)685-7122.

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Approximately 46 bicycles
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Public Notice of TAA Petition Certification

All Workers of the OXY USA, Inc., in Andrews, Texas, & Carthage, Texas, & Longview, Texas, & Levelland, Texas, & Midland, Texas & Odessa, Texas, & Welch, Texas, who became totally or partially separated from employment due to a lack of work on or after April 29, 1997, are eligible under petition numbers-TA-W-34,538V & TA-W-34,538W & TA-W-34,538X & TA-W-34,538Y & TA-W-34,538Z & TA-W-34,538AA & TA-W-34,538AB to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance. The petition was certified May 17, 1999, and will expire May 27, 2000. Workers should contact the nearest Texas Workforce Commission office for assistance in filing for the following services: weekly trade readjustment allowance, job placement, employment counseling, vocational training, and financial assistance for job search and job relocation.

REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Sealed proposals for 0.301 mi to replace existing structure on BI 20-E at Midland Draw covered by CSR 5-3-52 in Midland County , will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, Texas, until 1:00 P.M., JULY 7< 1999, and then publicly opened and read. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery.

Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Douglas W. Eichorst, Area Engineer, Midland, Texas, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, Texas 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, Texas, at the expense of the bidder.

The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notified all bidders that it will insure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation, and in consideration for an award.

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NOTICE

The Midland Independent School District will receive bids for the sale of used wood pallets (mixed sizes), all or none, as is, where is, Bid #9F-00010. Address bid to Mrs. Patricia Mouser, Director of Food Service, 801 S. Moran Street, Building #2, Midland, Texas 79701, will be received until 9:00 a.m. CST, June 21, 1999, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915)689-1525.

90 Legal Notices

Public Notice of TAA Petition Certification

All Workers of the Tom Brown, Inc., in Midland, Texas, who became totally or partially separated from employment due to a lack of work on or after February 16, 1998, are eligible under petition numbers- TA-W-35,796 to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance. The petition was certified June 4, 1999, and will expire June 4, 2001. Workers should contact the nearest Texas Workforce Commission office for assistance in filing for the following services: weekly trade readjustment allowance, job placement, employment counseling, vocational training, and financial assistance for job search and job relocation.

THE GREENWOOD Independent School District is accepting bids for property/ vehicle insurance until July 15, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. Specifications are available at 2700 FM 1379, Midland, Texas 79706. Contact (915) 685-7803 for additional information. GISD reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ROLAND JOHN DePAUL, Deceased, were issued on June 16, 1999, in Cause No. P12,511, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to GILBERT JOHN DePAUL, Independent Executor.

The mailing address of the Independent Executor is:

C/O ALAN H. MEYERS
MORGAN, LEETON & MEYERS, P.C.
306 West Wall, Suite 700
Midland, Texas 79701

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 16 day of June, 1999.

GILBERT JOHN DePAUL,
Independent Executor of the Estate of ROLAND JOHN DePAUL,
Deceased

By: ALAN H. MEYERS
of
MORGAN, LEETON & MEYERS, P.C.
306 West Wall, Suite 700
Midland, Texas 79701

ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE

Communities in Schools of the Permian Basin, Inc. is accepting Requests for Proposals for:

Group Health Insurance Coverage

Proposals will be accepted until July 1, 1999, 10:00 a.m. at which time proposals will be reviewed. Specifications are available from Juanita Silva at 1400 North FM #1318A, 1788, P.O. Box 60594, Midland, Texas 79711. Phone number (915) 495-7000.

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(Maintenance Project)

Notice to Contractors of Texas Highway Maintenance Work

Sealed proposals for the following projects: R&R CONCRETE TRAFFIC BARRIER AND MBGF, Control No. 6032 24 001, estimate $61,884, guaranty $1,300, on SH 158 in Midland county of the Odessa District will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation, 3901 East Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761, until 2:00 P.M., July 13, 1999, then opened and publicly read. Bidding proposals are available by calling the District Operations office of Charles E. Martin, 3901 East Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761, (915) 498-4640. Usual Rights reserved.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Proposal for File Server #99-06-0001, addressed to Mr. Gary Bond, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580 or 2811 LaForce Boulevard, Midland, Texas 79711-0580, will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m., July 7, 1999. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained beginning June 14, 1999 at Region 18 Education Service Center or by calling Gary Bond, Purchasing Assistant, at (915) 567-3258.

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Glenn Flippin, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

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As always, you can contact us by phone at 682-6222, or by fax at 682-6999.

(Please allow 1 - 2 days for e-mailed ads. Text only please, no photos or logos accepted. If you want your ad to start tomorrow please contact us by phone or fax. Thank you…)

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110 Lodge Notices

Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
Reg. Meeting, 1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 a.m.
Breakfast 7:30 am.
Tom Burns, W/M (P.T.)
Bob Ellwood, Sec.

130 Personals

→NEW

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SPECIAL REDUCTION- Slightly damaged spa and climate room. Installation and financing available. 563-3108.

130 Personals

BEAUTICONTROL: All products on sale. Shirley Whitehead, Beauty Consultant. 3306 Maxwell, Midland. Please call 520-0416.

150 Lost & Found

REWARD!! LOST 14 week old puppy around East County Road 1130 and East County Road 60. Brown/ white/ tan Shepherd. Blue/ green eyes with green collar. Son is missing puppy very much!! 570-8178, 631-5468.

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LOST: MALE, large adult Huskie, wolf colored. Missing since June 8th. $50 reward. 697-2583.

FOUND: PUPPY in Old Midland area. Yellow, female. Please call to identify. 686-0669.

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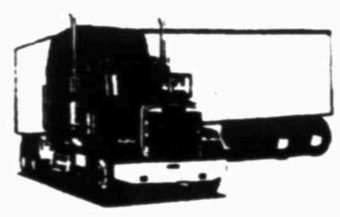
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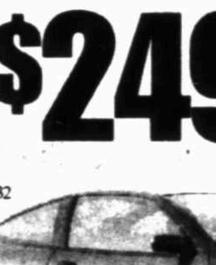
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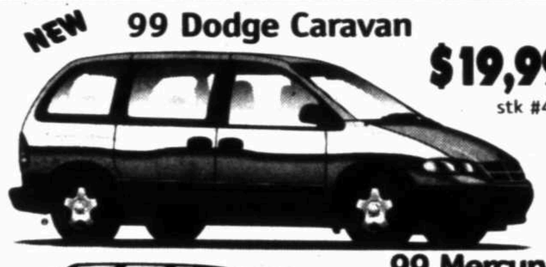
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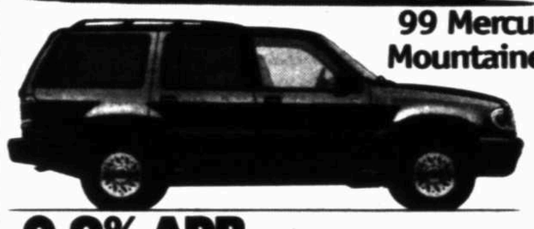
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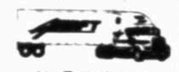
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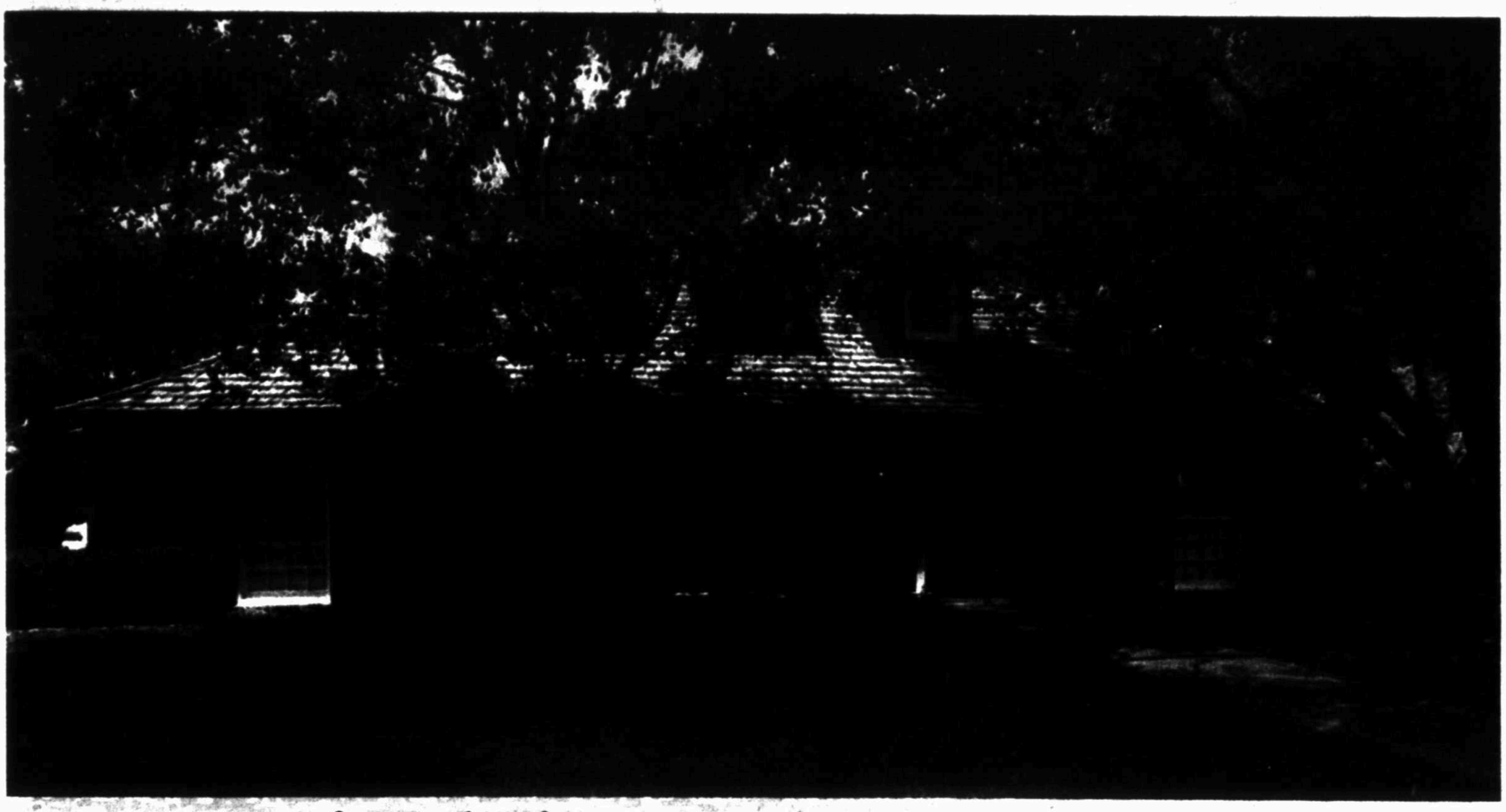
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2006 Sinclair - A home to cherish

This Old Midland home is truly a marvelous find. Not a bit of space is wasted in this contemporary two-story home.

The grey brick exterior with dark blue shutters has a cozy look. Three dormer windows peek out of the wood shingled roof. Corner accents set off the posts on the covered patio.

Inside the red door is a foyer finished in a floor of red brick pavers with hardwood edging. This floor treatment covers the hall, family room, breakfast nook and kitchen. The home is lit almost exclusively with recessed lighting for a warm, cheery glow. Two coat closets are located in the foyer.

To the left is the formal living room. This room is accented by hardwood floors, wainscotting and crown molding. Bay windows are built into the front wall giving the room classic styling. A stone fireplace with fossilized shells is set in the opposite wall.

The formal dining is on the left of the formal living room, and has the same floor and wall treatments. In this room I noticed the split plantation shutters that are present throughout the house. An antique look chandelier hangs over the dining table.

Next is the gourmet island kitchen. This kitchen is additionally lit by three skylights and a window over the double sink. A door opens out onto the driveway from the front of the room. This kitchen is finished in a beautiful walnut designed by Wood-mode Custom Kitchen Cabinet Shop. The refrigerator, dishwasher and trash compactor all are detailed with panels of the dark wood. A warmer oven and gas range are built into the island. A wall of storage is tucked behind beautiful doors including a pantry with fold out shelves for small items. A built-in silver cabinet protects valuable silver with a lining of Pacific cloth.

Behind a sliding door off the kitchen is a utility room with built-in cabinetry and a huge sink. Behind this is the the two car garage.

Adjacent to the kitchen is the breakfast nook set under a vaulted exposed beam ceiling. Large windows look out onto the pool and yard.

A large pool in a bricked deck is the showpiece of the back yard. A half bath is set into the side of the home behind a patio. On the other side of the pool is a paved paddle tennis court that is also used as a basketball court.

Back inside, the family room also looks out onto the pool through a wall of windows. This classically styled den is paneled in walnut and features a wall of built-in cabinets. A majolica tiled fireplace warms this lovely room.

Back at the foyer and to the right are two bedrooms and a full bath. Blue carpeting flows through this part of the house. The first bedroom features a wall of built-in shelves, three windows and a long closet behind sliding doors. Down the hall is the shared bathroom. A wide double vanity is set beneath a huge mirror and next to a large storage unit. A tile tub/shower combo and commode are set on the opposite side. Another bedroom is at the end of the hall that has four windows and a long closet behind sliding doors.

Now, up the stairs. A skylight illuminates the landing that has a storage closet tucked into it. At the top of the stairs and to the left is a bedroom with two short closets and one regular sized one as well as a built-in desk with bookshelves.

Across the hall is a full bath with a lit shower. A wall unit has tons of storage. A built-in desk peeks out one of the dormer windows onto the neighborhood.

The master suite is introduced with a sitting area with two closets. Little built-in desks look out the other two dormer windows. This room is finished in hardwood floors and painted tongue and groove paneling. The bedroom itself has a row of windows on one side, a wall of closets on another and a third wall with a built-in desk and bookshelves. the floor is finished in plush carpeting.

The master bath is small, but efficient. A vanity is set along one wall with a makeup area. Next to this is a closet with an automatic light. On the other wall is a storage unit next to an unusually shaped tub/shower combo under a glass brick window.

If you are craving Old Midland location with unique style, then this is the home for you. Please call Jana Tucker of Langston Realtors at 682-9495 for a private viewing of this marvelous $399,500 home.

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The kitchen is marvelously designed with custom cabinetry and a built-in silver closet.



The master bedroom is cozy and comfortable



The sparkling pool is a jewel adorning this marvelous home.



The family room is paneled in gorgeous walnut.



Bay windows adorn the formal living room.



A dramatic ceiling treatment makes the breakfast nook absolutly fabulous.

MOVING SUGGESTIONS


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Whether you are moving from an apartment to a home, from apartment to apartment or from home to home, moving is no simple matter. With careful planning, your transition can be organized to give you the peace of mind needed to settle into your home. CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors offers the following moving suggestions to make your move easier.

• Planning should begin at least one month in advance. If you are buying a home, confirm your closing date before scheduling your moving date. If you are renting, confirm your move-in date.

• Make a list of all the records you need to transfer: children's school records, financial and medical records.

• Decide what MUST go with you. It can be expensive and time-consuming to move things you really don't need whether you are moving two blocks or 2,000 miles. Now may be a good time for a garage sale.

• Begin packing early. If you hired a moving company, request boxes and packing paper. Do-it-yourselfers often find grocery or drug stores to be good box-sources.

• Take inventory of borrowed or loaned items. Return what is not yours and retrieve your items.

• Send change of address cards. These are available free at the post office. Most magazines request four to six weeks' notice. Provide change of address notice on credit card bills and leave forwarding instructions with the post office.

• Dispose of flammable liquids such as gasoline or oil. Is there still gasoline in your lawn mower?

• Contact your local utility companies to advise of a date to disconnect service. Arrange for utility service at your new home.

• If you are driving a distance, service your car before you move. Car problems in an unfamiliar town can be troublesome.

• Pack a suitcase you could live out of if necessary.

• Keep important papers, such as medical records and insurance policies in one place where you get them quickly if you need them.

• Keep careful records of all your moving expenses as they occur. Some may be tax deductible.

• When your moving day finally arrives, make sure someone is home to meet your mover and point out items to load on the truck. If you are handling your own move, organize your loading to maximize truck space and insure that heavy book boxes don't get stacked on top of your china.

(Story submitted by Kay Sutton, owner/broker of CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton, Realtors)

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Midland - June 20, 1999 Don Byerly with Langston Realtors has been awarded the Accredited Buyer Representation (ABR®) designation by the Real Estate BUYER'S AGENT Council (REBAC) of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® (NAR).

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This article submitted by Norma Pine, Re/Max of Midland/Chaparral Realtors.

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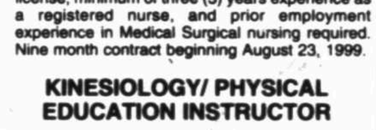
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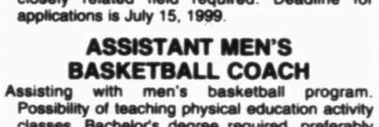
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PROFESSIONAL OFFICE seeking experienced full charge bookkeeper. 30-hour week, must be experienced in Peachtree. Send resume with salary Requirements to Blind Box C-1113, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, Box 1650, Midland, Texas, 79701.

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314 Clerical Help Wanted

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(12) CNC TURNING CENTERS: MAZAK SLANT TURN 25 UNIVERSAL - 1500, 1992, Mazatrol T1 cnt. - SNK SUT-60B Lathe, 1988, Fanuc 11TA cnt. - MORI SEIKI SL-4B, Yasnac cnt. w/7" CRT & tape reader - (2) TAKISAWA TX-2100 lathes, 1988, Fanuc 6T cnt w/CRT - (4) CINCINNATI CINTURN 185X80 lathes, new as 1991, Acramatic TC cnt. - CINCINNATI MILACRON CINTURN 15UX80, 1991, Acramatic 960TC cnt. - LODGE & SHIPLEY 15/40U lathe, 1988, G.E. 1050 cnt. - NAKAMURA-TOME TMC-5

CNC VERT. MACHINING CENTER: MITSUI SEIKI V53A, 1996, Fanuc 10M -A cnt. w/tape reader

CNC RED TYPE VERT. MILL: K&T DATA-MILL 1230BV-700, 1978, Mdl "C" 3-axis pendant mtd. CNC cnt.

(8) HOLLOW SPINDLE ENGINE LATHES: (4) KURAKI 33" x 129", 12 6" hole DEAN SMITH & GRACE 27" x 122", 10-5/8" hole - AXELSON 29" x 167", 11-1/8" hole - LEHMANN 27" x 123", 8-7/8" hole - Sharp 36" x 164", 8-1/2" hole, gap bed, 1991,

(8) ENGINE LATHES: AXELSON 34" x 80" - MONARCH 23" x 53" - LODGE & SHIPLEY 21" x 100" - SHARP 21" x 94", 1995, gap bed - AXELSON 19" x 104" - SHARP 18" x 40" - LOGAN 14" x 40" - LOGAN 10" x 24"

KELLY MILL: Custom Fabricated from Monarch 41" x 500" engine lathe

(8) SADDLE TYPE TURRET LATHES: WARNER & SWASEY 5A-M-3600 Square Head & (2) WARNER & SWASEY 4A-M-3500 Square Head all w/crossriding turret & extra large spindle hole - (5) W & S 4A-M-1500

RAM TYPE TURRET LATHE: WARNER & SWASEY 5-M-4660, 20" sw

(3) VERT. TURRET LATHES: (2) BULLARD 36" spiral drive

(3) RED TYPE VERT. MILLS: incl. (2) OKK MH-5VJ, 17-3/4" x 66-3/4" tbl.

LARGE CAPACITY RED TYPE HZ. MILL: WEEMEKO, 33-1/2" x 177-1/2" tbl.

HORIZ. MILL: K&T 2CK - VERT. MILL: CINCINNATI MILACRON 420-16

(2) VERT. TURRET MILLS: LAGUN FT-4 - WELLS INDEX 847, 1998

UNIVERSAL HORIZ. MILL: VERNIER - HZ. PROD. MILL: CINCINNATI 6-4B

H.D. KEYSEATER: MITTS & MERRILL SHYD-KS, 3" x 24" cap

(2) MARKING MACHINES: GEORGE T. SCHMIDT 175, 8" dia space

(7) RADIAL ARM DRILLS: incl. CINCINNATI BICKFORD 7' x 15" Super Service - IKEDA 5' x 13" - 50" x 12" - 4' x 13" - 4' x 9" - 3' x 8" - 3' x 8"

(2) BORING MACHINES - (4) AUTO. BORING LATHES: FOSTER FASTERMATIC 4FB, dual 8" O.D. cap workholding clamp fixtures

HIGH PRESSURE HIGH VOLUME COOLANT SYSTEM: 100 HP pres. pump

COOLANT PROCESSOR: CIN MILACRON "Small shop recycle system"

(3) DRILL PRESSES: IBARMIA EA-40 - YUASA AUX500 - Rd. col. floor type

(3) AUTO. HORIZ. BANDSAWS: MARVEL 15A4/M1/M8, 1989, 15" x 20" cap - JOHNSON-AMADA HA-16, 1974, 16" x 16" cap.

(2) MECH. HACKSAWS: KASTO 18" x 18" - PEERLESS 11" x 11"

(2) 14" COLD SAWS: HELLER SSH1000 - WAGNER WK-800

COLD SAW BLADE SHARPENER: WAGNER 40" max. cap., Mdl. LT

(4) VERT. HONES: (2) BARNES DRILL 3015, 1982, 15" dia. x 45" cap. - (2) BARNES DRILL CO. 4014, factory rebuilt 1988 & 1991, 14" x 56" cap

(2) ENGINE CYLINDER BLOCK HONES: SUNNEN CV616 "Cylinder Kings"

(2) HONING OIL FILTRATION SYSTEMS: BARNES DRILL CO. Magnetic & Fabric Filter Systems RMP-100, 48"W. disposable filtration media

(2) CENTERLESS GRINDERS: CINCINNATI #40EA, 9-1/2" dia. cap

PLAIN CYLINDRICAL GRINDER: LANDIS 10" x 18", 30" x 3-1/2" wheel cap.

AUTO. SURFACE GRINDER: JAKOBSEN 12" x 24", horiz. spdl., recip. tbl.

HOB GRINDER: BARBER-COLMAN HRS, 8" max. work dia.

(3) TOOL & CUTTER GRINDERS: CINCINNATI MILACRON 2, Type 2, Size 2, 1971, 6" x 44" swiv. tbl. - TACCHELLA 4M, 5-3/4" x 35-1/2" swiv. tbl.

MECH. SHAPER: SANHOU MACHINERY SH-360, 1998, 20" travel

VERT. GEAR HOBBER: LEES-BRADNER 7A, 6 D.P. pitch, 8" pitch dia

SHOP PRESS: Custom 150 ton (est.) cap. H-frame Type - PRESS: 30 ton

(4) PIT FURNACES: LINDBERG electric - SURFACE COMBUSTION gas

ATMOSPHERIC GAS GENERATOR: Custom, natural gas operated

(3) QUENCH TANKS & AFTERCOOLER - ELEC. HEAT TREAT FURNACE

TRACER LATHE: TENSILKUT ENGINEERING TL505 Special Purpose

BLAST CLEANING MACHINE: WHEELABRATOR-FRYE 170 DELTA LINE, 1982, tumble type - BLAST CLEANING CABINET: ZERO PULSAR III

PLASMA CUTTING SYSTEM: THERMALARC PAK10XR, 1998, 100 amp PLASMA WELDER: THERMALARC WC122A, 1998, 200 amp output

(22) WELDING MACHINES: incl. MILLER & LINCOLN up to 650 amp cap

OVERHEAD CRANE SYSTEM: 2 ton x 20' - (11) PEDESTAL JIB CRANES

BUILDING FRAME PEDESTAL JIB CRANE - (10+) COLUMN JIB CRANES

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SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 1999

STARTING AT 10:00 A.M.

6923 E. HWY. 80 — ODESSA, TX

PREVIEW: FRIDAY, JUNE 25, 1999 — 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M.

Irrevocable Bank Letter dated 6/26/99 required with checks. Call about availability of vehicles and equipment. Items subject to change prior to Auction. All Rolling Stock sold at 10 A.M.

FRAC UNIT: NEW — U.S. Rig UP 1300 Mobile Frac Unit, reconditioned 35-ton utility trailer, 70,000-lb. rear tandem, 11 x R225 tires, all systems D.O.T. approved, new brakes shoes & air chambers, new light cable & sealed beams, 12V-149TT1B, 1350 HP Detroit diesel engine—dyno tested, DP-8962 Allison automatic transmission manual electric shift, rebuilt, dyno tested, TRIPLEX PUMP REMOVED FROM UNITS—NEEDS PUMP & WIRING TO BE COMPLETE UNIT.

MOTORHOME: 1986 Windjammer 28 motorhome, dual overhead, AC, 454 engine

VEHICLES: '94 Chev. Ext Cab Cowboy Conversion + '97 Pontiac Grand Am + '95 Chev. 3/4 ton w/454 + '94 Pontiac Sunbird LE + '92 Pontiac Transport + '88 Dodge Caravan + '88 Dodge Spirit ES + '91 Buick Park Ave. + '89 Cadillac DeVille + '90 Ford Bronco + 30 PLUS OTHER VEHICLES

BOATS: '72 Glastron 17' w/65 HP Evinrude + '76 Arrowglass 16' w/65 HP Johnson + '81 Galaxy 17' w/120 HP I/O + '77 Marquis w/65 HP Mercury

TRUCKS: '95 Ford F-350 dually, crew cab + '93 Ford F-700 cab/chassis, 120" cab to axle, PTO, propane + '92 Ford 1 1/2 ton super duty, 73L diesel, 5-spd., 9 1/2 ft. utility bed, auto crane + '91 Ford F-800 cab/chassis, 120" cab to axle, PTO, propane + '92 Ford F-700 cab/chassis, 120" cab to axle, propane + '89 Ford 1 1/2 ton super duty, 460 engine, 5-spd., flatbed w/boxes, 6006H auto crane + '85 Ford F-800, 4x4, 370 engine, 5-spd., 2-spd. transfer case, flatbed w/boxes, 10,000-lg. Pitman boom mounted behind cab, 3rd stage manual pullout, hook height 37 ft. + '82 Ford LN800, 429 engine, 5-spd., air brakes, Sterling CT-7 pressure digger, pole package, A-frame outriggers, full rotation turntable + '81 International S1800, DT466 diesel, Allison automatic, hydraulic brakes, 36 ft. working height Holan single bucket w/ tool circuit + '80 International Paystar 5000, 280" winch truck w/290 Cummins, 5/4 trans., 44,000 # axles, 64/34 Tulsa winches, runs great + '76 HMC COE dump truck, 8 yd. box, 6-71 power Road Ranger transmission, twin screw + '75 Ford F-9000 winch truck, 28,000 GVW, single screw, Detroit 8V92N, Fuller trans., 13 ft. bed, Tulsa PTO winch w/catheads, 2 tool boxes, 5th wheel & bumper hitches, 80% rubber, new paint + '75 Ford 2 1/2 ton winch truck w/poles & Tulsa winch

MOTORGRADER, TRACTOR, TRENCHERS, FORKLIFT, DITCHER: Caterpiller Model 12 motorgrader, fairly recent overhaul, 6-cyl. diesel, 12v, elec. start, 14 ft. blade+ '82 Case 1030 tractor, 127 HP w/AC & 3-pt. hookup, new hydraulic pump, new engine + TF 300 Case track trencher w/blade & trailer + M 450 Vermeer trencher w/backhoe & blade attachment + C99 Ditch Witch walk behind trencher + '88 Case HD, 4x4 ditcher, diesel power, tandem axle trailer + Toyota 8000 # forklift

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Jack Scannell Estate

June 26, 1999 **9:30 a.m. Start**

Location: Midland, Texas. From I-20 (exit 136) app. 1 mile South on Rankin Hwy. (Hwy. 349) to EC Rd. #120 left (East) 2nd house on North Side of EC Rd. #120. 211 EC Rd. #120

Real Estate

To be offered at 12:00 noon subject to heir approval. A brick 3 B/R, 2 bath home with a study, sunroom, & 2 car garage. This home has approximately 2100 sq. ft. and is situated on approximately 5 acres outside the city limits, with a water well. Heirs will consider all reasonable offers. 10% in escrow on sale day. Balance at closing 30-45 days.

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Household

J.D. STX 38 Riding Mower - K.M. 18' Refrigerator and Portable Dishwasher - G.E. Electric Range - Kenmore washer - Whirlpool Dryer - Gibson Upright Freezer - Microwave - 3 sets Bedroom Furniture, 1/2 Bed & 2 Full Beds - Dining table w/4 chairs - Bar stools - Entertainment Cabinet - Sears AM, FM, 8-track, cassette w/turn table - Antique sofa & chairs - maple buffet - china cabinet - RCA, DDS Sat. Dish w/receiver - 3 oak Book shelves - marble & metal desk and table lamps - album cabinet - 65 pcs. international sterling flatware w/case - 68 pcs. Hienhrich & Co. china - 29 pcs. Etched crystal - Lots of Book shelves - mis. silverplate flatware - kitchen appliances - tupperware - pots & pans.

Memorabilia Collectibles and Miscellaneous

Enamel coffee pot - 8" cast iron Bean pot - Old Ref. Water Bottle - Hand crank Victrola - Kukane film viewer - post cards from 1900 - Tom Lea print - Montgomery Ward counter scale - McCoy Vase - Time Life Record collection - Time Life cassette collection - card tables - extensive collection of books by Agatha Christie, Rex Stout, Leslie Charteris, Tom Clancy - Volumes of History books - novels - mystery - civil war.

Plus Much, Much More

Auctioneer's Note: Mr. Scannell was a Civil War historian and History Professor at Midland College. A major portion of his free time was spend enjoying books and music. There are full book shelves in every room. His collection is extensive, covering a wide range of literacy expression. Bring your lawn chair. Preview 8am sale day.

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AUCTION

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410Miscellaneous Sales

TWO 25" Consoles. Washer/ dryer, antique table/ chairs, 3 bedroom suites, executive oak desk, Estate refrigerator. 683-6370.

413 Jewelry & Furs

18 KARAT GOLD and Pave' diamond- cascading heart earrings. $1,000 or best offer. 697-0041.

415Miscellaneous Wanted

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432 Household Furniture

6' TABLE WITH 6 Chairs. 2 Captains chairs, and 4 regular. Solid wood, rustic. $775. 520-8125.

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- 570 Oil Field Equip. & Supplies
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- 603 Roommates Wanted
- 604 Want To Rent
- 605 Apts. Furnished
- 610 Apts. Unfurnished
- 625 Houses Unfurnished
- 630 Houses Furnished
- 635 Condo/Townhome Furnished
- 640 Condo/Townhome Unfurnished
- 650 Mobile Furnished
- 655 Mobile Unfurnished
- 660 Mobile Home Space for Rent
- 665 Business Office Property for Rent
- 667 Comm'l Prop
- 670 Warehouses/Storage
- 675 Rec./Resort
- 680 Out of Town
- 685 Hunting Leases
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SPACIOUS ATTRACTIVE Home. 114 N. Eisenhower. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 garage. $695/ month, $350 deposit. Contact Cindy Brown owner broker with Realty Unlimited. 550-5609.

DUPLEX 2 bedroom, 1 bath, all appliances, washer/ dryer, yard, carport. $395, 520-8903.

CUTE 2 BEDROOM DUPLEX. Garage, fenced yard. 1106-B Carrizo $385/ month, $325/ deposit. 697-4831.

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2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, garage, fireplace, water paid. 3801A Storey. $550. 686-0734, 687-6406.

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NON SMOKING, handicapped equiped, 2 bedroom duplex. Fenced, private yard. $450+, deposit & references. 685-1739.

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213 S. CRESTVIEW..$525
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4307 W. STOREY.... $775
Call Roy Proctor Langston Realtors 685-4141

FOR LEASE. 3134 Tealwood. Low maintenance, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, very nice, $1,200/ monthly. Jan Melton & Associates 682-2422.

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UPDATED 3 Bedroom, 2 bath. 3310 Princeton, 4 car carport, water well, $750 monthly. 699-1603/ 689-6080.

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6502 SHAWNEE-3BR, 2BA, 2 car, very large	$725/mo.
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4605 HUMBLE-4BR, 2BA, 2 car, very spacious	$875/mo.
2201 HARVARD-4BR, 3.5BA, 2 Living, RV Covered Parking	$1,100/mo.
4311 ST. ANDREWS-3BR, 2BA, 2 car, util. rm., 1 yr. old townhome	$1,200/mo.
3702 BERMUDA CT.-4BR, 3BA, wet bar, hot tub	$1,250/mo.
3106 METZ-4BR, 2BA, 3 living, form. dining, updated	$1,300/mo.
4308 A GLENEAGLES-3BR, 3BA, 2 car, util. rm., 1 yr. old townhouse	$1,400/mo.
3807 WEDGEWOOD-4BR, 3BA, wetbar, whirlpool bath, water & yard RO	$1,800/mo.

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PROPERTIES FOR LEASE as of June 20, 1999

ADDRESS:	BDRMS:	BATHS:	LEASE:	SEC:
4707 SHADYLANE	2	1	$275.00	$200.00
706 W. NOBLES	2	1	$450.00	$250.00
4723 BOWIE	3	1	$425.00	$300.00
302 S. EISENHOWER	3	3	$485.00	$485.00
300 KERTH	3	2	$495.00	$495.00
412 WOODCREST	3	2	$550.00	$550.00
2329 SIESTA	3	2	$650.00	$400.00
4603 BOWIE	3	2	$650.00	$650.00
4618 BROOKDALE	3	2	$650.00	$650.00
3326 DENGAR	3	2	$700.00	$700.00
2003 S. CO. RD. 1086	3	2	$700.00	$700.00
3801 MARK LANE	3	2	$800.00	$800.00
3103 TEALWOOD	4	2.5	$950.00	$950.00

625 Houses Unfurnished

NICEST DUPLEXES in Midland! Minimum Sq Ft 1,530. Washer- dryer connections. Covered parking. Fireplace. 2 & 3 Bedrooms available. Call for appointment, 686-8126.

→NEW TODAY←

3 BED, 2 Bath, 2 car garage house for lease. $600 monthly, $400 deposit. 511 Parkwood, 107 N. Bentwood. Call 550-6412.

4602 DEBBIE COVE; Wydewood: Spacious 4 bedrooms, 2 bath, Bush: Abell; Lee. $900. Agent 684-7788.

AVAILABLE July 1, Clean 3, 1 3/4, close in on Louisiana, central air, appliances, water furnished. $625 per month, $400 deposit. 557-2432, 682-8787.

→NEW TODAY←

4313-B WEST STOREY. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. $675/ month plus security. 4321-B West Storey 3 bedroom ,2 bath, 1 car garage. $625/ month plus security. No pets, smoke- free environment, references required. 638-2525 or 686-9090.

FABULOUS 3 Bedroom, 3 bath, 2 living areas plus fountain area next to pool. Wonderful kitchen- great for summer entertainment! $1,275 per month, $1,000 deposit. Call Lee Denny 694-4637 or Langston Realtors, 685-0400.

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Valerie 550-4221
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→NEW TODAY←

4503 VERSAILLES. 3 Bedroom, 1 bath Home in West Midland. Fireplace, large yard, recent carpet. $595. Contact Tammy Edwards- 520-7719.

3711 HUMBLE. 3 Bedroom, 2 baths, double garage. $725 monthly. 4412 Parkdale, 4 bedroom, 2 bath. $575 monthly. American Realty. 520-7577

3 BEDROOMS, 2 Baths, large kitchen, double garage, fenced yard, family neighborhood. $700 plus $500 deposit. Available July 1st. 915/837-0051.

THORNRIDGE- NICE 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, west side, central air conditioning, $575/ month. 699-5537/ 689-0303.

113 HOWARD: 3 Bedrooms, $475 monthly, deposit required. 683-5161 or 687-3413.

DUPLEX FOR LEASE- 2 Bedrooms, 2 baths, double garage, fireplace. 3105 Mark Lane. $625 monthly. 697-4306.

1307 CLUB. 2 Bedroom, 1 bath, new cabinets, built in oven and range. No pets. $395/month, $300/ deposit. 694-6193.

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SEVERAL nice homes & apartments, $250-$725. Jeannie Printz, Agent 684-8202.

635 Condo Townhome Furn.

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, Furnished Liddon Townhome. Lush landscaping, large pool. $600, bills paid. 699-4461.

640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

→NEW TODAY←

2 BEDROOM, 2 bath, large living, dining room, wet bar, fireplace, washer/ dryer connections, electric stove and microwave, double garage, fenced patio. Nonsmoking environment. 3200 Tealwood, $700/ month plus deposit. 699-1555.

640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

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TWO 3 Bedroom, 2.5 bath town homes. $800 and $850. Call 684-4945.

SAGEWOOD LOFT 1 bedroom condo. New paint, carpet, kitchen floor. $425. No pets. 694-8121/ 425-4870 pager.

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655Mobile Homes Unfurn.

TWO BEDROOM, one bath on Cloverdale. $275/ $150 deposit. Water furnished, no pets. Call 694-2047. 1/2 Month's free rent!

GREENWOOD; Three bedroom, two bath mobile home for rent. Available July 1st. Call 570-4769.

THREE BEDROOM, 1.5 Bath, fenced yard, washer/ dryer connections, no pets. 3415 Cotton Flat Road Space F. No pets $300/ monthly, 125/ deposit. 682-1608 leave message.

TWO BEDROOM, two bath on Cloverdale, $300/ $150 deposit. Water furnished, no pets, Call 694-2047.

CLEAN 2 Bedroom, $300 month plus deposit. No pets. Also mobile home for sale. 687-3730.

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, washer/ dryer connections, fenced yard. 3415 Cotton Flat Rd. Space L. No pets! $250 monthly/ $125 deposit. 682-1608 leave message.

NOW AVAILABLE; 2/ 3 Bedroom mobile homes, all appliances, fenced yards, extra clean! Deposit required. No vicious dogs. 687-6324.

NOW 1/2 MONTHS Free Rent! Nice, large 2 bedroom, 2 bath on Belmont. 4 car carport. $400/ $200 deposit. No pets. 694-2047.

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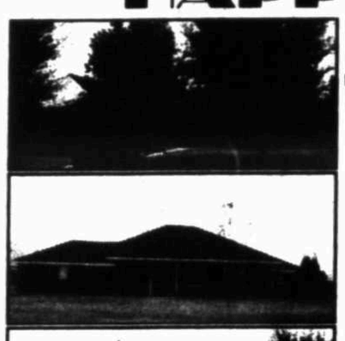
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FATHER'S FAVORITE SPOT
Will be this 4 BD, 2.5 BA home in Polo Park. 2-story home has formals, den, and security system. Charming home on pretty cul-de-sac has been updated and is near club facilities. **$158,900**



DAD CAN TEE OFF
from the backyard of this gorgeous 4 BD, 3.5 BA home in Green Tree North. Formals, den, security system. Gourmet kitchen. **$159,900**



ROOM FOR DAD'S STUFF
Spacious and Charming 4 BD, 3.5 BA, 2 story home in Green Tree. Formal living, formal dining, study/office. Hot tub in the landscaped backyard is visible from study's balcony. **$149,900**



PAPA'S PLACE
is in this 4 BD, 2.5 BA home with den, water softener, R/O, jacuzzi-style tub, formal dining. Kahler re-sale. **$154,900**



FATHERS FAVORITE
Terrific street appeal in Kelly Young resale in P[illegible] for details **$149,900**

DYNAMITE DEAL FOR DAD
Super 4 BD, 3 BA home on quiet Grassland Estates cul-de-sac. Large den, [illegible] fantastic kitchen with great floor plan! 3% Allowance to Buyer. **$149,900**



FATHER'S DAY FUN
in your own pool. Lovely 4 BD, 3 BA home with formal living, den, formal dining, game room, R/O, water softener, and wet bar. Open patio surrounds game pool. **$139,900**



DAD WILL NOT LOOK ANY FURTHER!
than this superb ROBERTS GRAHAM re-sale. 4 BD, 3 BA, formal living. Recently remodelled in kitchen and entryway. **$119,900**



FATHER'S DAY EVERYDAY
Spoil your dad in this 4 BD, 2 BA home with den, sequestered master. Great covered patio. Seller offers 3% Allowance to Buyer! **$89,900**



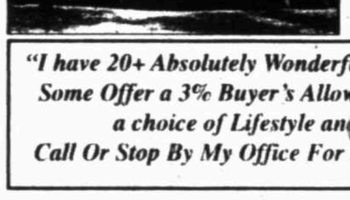
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DAD CAN DO IT!
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2102 WELLINGTON	4 BEDROOM CUSTOM	$159,900
Polo Park, super condition, 3 car garage		
5005 POLO PARKWAY	SUPER CONDITION!	$149,900
Many recnet updates! 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths.		
2201 PRINCETON	LOOKING FOR OFFERS!!!!	$139,500
SWIMMING POOL!! 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, 3 living areas plus enclosed patio		
2214 NORTH 'H' ST.	NEW LISTING	$119,000
Fabulous 2 bedroom, 3 bath townhouse. 2 living areas, 2 fireplaces.		
3908 CRESTRIDGE	GREAT PRICE REDUCTION!!!!	$118,000
4 bedrooms, 3 baths in Crestgate Addition.		
4009 N. CO. RD. 1243	2 ACRES WITH BARN	$110,000
Roping arena. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Located off of Co. Rd. 80		
2307 KESWICK		SALE PENDING
1206 STOREY		SALE PENDING
1 BELFIELD CT.	4 BEDROOMS	$99,900
2 living areas, formal dining, 2 car garage & carport.		
3407 CRESTMONT	NEW LISTING	$99,900
Darling home in great condition! Hardwood floors in living, new carpet in bedrooms.		
2100 WOODLAWN	20X30 WORKSHOP & OFFICE	$99,900
Corner lot in quiet neighborhood. New berber carpet & white tile. 2 living areas.		
2601 CIMMARON	THE HOUSE ON THE HILL	$84,900
Fantastic drive up appeal. 3 bedrooms. 2 baths, 2 living.		
2301 FANNIN	NEW LISTING	$79,900
Great condition with new carpet, paint, tile, fence & more. Office or hobby room.		
106 CLUB DR.	CHARMING "OLD MIDLAND"	$77,000
3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. 2 living areas, hardwood floors		
4512 LANHAM	PRICE REDUCED!!!	$73,500
Patio home. Much updating with ceramic tile floors & new carpet. 2 bedrooms, 2 baths.		
9 LINDA CT.		SALE PENDING
2205 NORTH 'D' ST.	"OLD MIDLAND"	$72,000
Quiet "Old Midland" location. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living.		
2513 COUNTRY CLUB		SALE PENDING
1801 FRANCIS	4.78 ACRES IN TOWN	$65,000
2 residences, 2 shop buildings, 4 plus car storage, storage buildings.		
303 GODFREY	NEW LISTING	$64,900
Pool. Nice condition. Sequestered master bedroom, 2 car garage.		

SPECIAL FINANCING AVAILABLE FOR THESE PROPERTIES

104 RIDGELA	NEW LISTING	$59,900
Charming "Old Midland" Cottage. Wonderful yard. Hardwood floors, 2 bedrooms.		
4225 SIESTA LN.	LEASE OR SALE	$59,900
Townhouse. Updated 2 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, fireplace. Lease $550/Month.		
4410 HUMBLE	FAMILY LIVING	$55,000
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, open kitchen & living with stone fireplace.		
5119 SUNNYSIDE		SALE PENDING
3610 TAMPICO	TOWNHOUSE	$54,900
Charming 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living. Workshop area in garage.		
1701 COLLEGE		SALE PENDING
1411 HOLLOWAY		SALE PENDING
4519 ERIE	PRICE REDUCED!!!	$47,900
Wilshire Park. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 car garage.		
3505 PARK LANE	GREAT STARTER HOME	$27,900
2 bedrooms. Fresh paint, new carpet.		

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES FOR LEASE

1200 COLLEGE	FULLY FURNISHED	$1100/MONTH
2210 CIMMARON	3 BED/2 BATH	$850/MONTH
1201 MICHIGAN	3 BED/2 BATH	$800/MONTH
127 THORNRIDGE	4 BED/2 BATH	$550/MONTH
4225 SIESTA LN.	2 BED/1 1/2 BATH	$550/MONTH
425 'A' NEELY	2 BED/2 BATH	$450/MONTH

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES FOR LEASE OR SALE

2903 W. WALL	Warehouse space & Car Lot	$199,000
Will lease for $2500.00 a month.		
3012 W. MICHIGAN	Reduced!	$149,900
10 Unit Apartment Complex.		
RANKIN HWY.	8 Acres	$800/Month
For Lease.		
1801 FRANCIS	SMALL BUSINESS POTENTIAL	$65,000
2 Houses, 4.78 acres, 4 car storage, Storage bldgs.		

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3/2/3 and immaculate! Just call LINDA.		
SUBURBAN & SOOO AFFORDABLE		$80,000
4/2/2, firpl, barn, 5-acres. RAYCHEL.		
ONLY $36,000		$36,000
Nice 3 bedroom, sprinkler, storage, $1000 Buyer Incentive. LISA B.		
MUST SELL NOW		$87,000
2400 sq. ft. house, barn, wells, 5 ac, Make an offer! LISA B.		
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3/2/3, screened patio, tile fence, frml. dining. ANNA.		
LIVE OUTSIDE		$59,000
By Pool, huge patio, huge yd., tile wkshop, 3/2, 2-liv. Call ANNA.		
CHANDELLE CONDO!		$55,000
2-bed, 2 1/2 bath, over 1500sqft., firpl. Call DENE.		
SALE OR LEASE!		$99,900
4/3/2, 3-liv, just 8 yrs. old! NW area. See it with RAYCHEL.		
NON-QUAL. IN OLD MIDLAND		$69,000
3/2/2, just call & see it with LINDA.		
UPDATED CUTIE!		$57,500
Affordably priced 3/2/2. Just call & see it with DENE.		
LIFE IS GOOD		$163,900
In Trinity Est., new constr. townhome. WOW! Call LINDA.		
HAPPINESS		$102,500
Is in Northwood in 3/2/2 on cul-de-sac, big bedrooms. LINDA.		
WHAT'S "IN"?		$78,000
Northgate! Low utilities, energy efficient. See it with LYNN.		
LOVE THE "UNIQUE"?		$75,000
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PRACTICALLY RIGHT		$67,500
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SPECIAL PROGRAM		$55,000
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OWNER FINANCE & UNDER $20,000!		$19,500
2-bed, lg. living, 1-bath. LISA K.		
OWNER FINANCE		$18,500
1-bed duplex or cut door thru for 2/2. Call LISA K.		
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LIKE HAVING IT ALL?		$129,000
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GREENWOOD- call- LISA BUESCHER and RAYCHEL ELLIS

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3/2/2, 1 AC, shop, pens, new tile, wallpaper, paint. LISA B.		
LITTLE CUTIE		$62,500
3/2/1, near school. Great home for young family! LISA B.		
MARCH TO GREENWOOD		$72,000
Near school. 3/2/2, & priced right! RAYCHEL.		
NEW CONSTRUCTION		starting at $130,000
New & "almost new" w/acreage. LISA B.		
NEED "HUGE"?		$203,000
5 bedroom, 3 ba, 4.98ac, study, basement, RAYCHEL.		
2.97 ACRES		$17,000
Restricted, zoned res., could be commer. near school. RAYCHEL.		
NEED SOME LAND?		$15,000
5 acres on CR 1105, seller says mobile homes "ok"!! LISA B.		

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5109 DAVENTRY	$1000 MO.
4308 DOWNING	$900 MO.
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Co Rd, 107 - Greenwood - 4/2	$89,900
Co. Rd. 1200/Cottonflat - "HUGE SHOP", 3BR/2BA - Wonderful	$119,000
3211 Stutz-4/3/2 L.A., low maint. yards - 2 story	$112,000
2515 Idlewilde #11-2/2, 2 story townhome - clean	$41,900
14700 FM 307-3/2, 34 acres, Roping Arena	$153,000
New Construction Co. Rd. 58-4/3/2, 2 gar- Make an offer	$155,000
Co. Rd. 58-1 yr. old, 4/3/2, 2 gar	$179,900
4723 Spring Meadow-Large 3/2.5/1 Townhome, Spotless...U/C-ACC	$125,000
1805 Louisiana-3/2 - Updated kit., Reduced!!	$55,900
9901 S. Co. Rd. 1218-4/3, custom 1 owner w/acreage. Beautiful	$199,000
5203 E. Hwy. 158-2/2, Roping arena + 1BR guest house	$119,000
7001 W. Co. Rd. 68-4/3/Pool. Spotless! Don't Just Drive By!	$136,900
6005 S. Co. Rd. 1065-3/2 with 68 acres - Mini Ranch. Lease Purchase	$119,900
3312 Cottonflat-3/2, 10 acres - Bring Offers! No Owner Carry	$30,000
20 Acres Near Skywest Airport on Co. Rd. 1218	$60,000
6 Acres Hwy. 158-Pipe Fenced-Greenwood Schools	$48,000
14.5 Acres E. Co. Rd. 103-with H2O well, Offes welcome	$26,000
2.5 Acres W. Co. Rd. 181-Water well on land, Best offer	$10,500
2 Acres W. Co. Rd. 150-Septic, well, carport, pecan trees	$16,800
1210 Carpenter-3/3/3LA - Corner Lot - Big house - Nice..REDUCED	$69,900

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7000 RIDGEBORO: Greentree N., 4 B R +, 3.5 BA, UNDER CONTRACT	$219,900
3014 EDGEBROOK: Mockingbird, 4BR, 3BA, 2LA, 2 DN	$215,000
3000 TEALWOOD: Townhome, 2 BR / 2.5 BA, 3 car gar., w/bar REDUCED	$135,000
3003 PRINCETON: Old Midland, 3 BR, 2 BA, 2 LA, new carpet/paint	$79,900
2417 APPERSON: Big Trees, 3BR, 2BA, New Carpet/Paint	$76,000



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DOUBLE YOU DOWN Payment.. Double your Down Payment... Until 6/30/99 we will double your down payment towards the purchase of a new, used, or repo home! (Max match of $2,000). Get more house for sell money. (915)550-0018 or (915)530-0018	CASH FOR your home! Any area, any price, any condition! Naomi Benami broker 915-684-4950.	**OPEN HOUSE** 2:00 to 4:00 **4000 Trinity Court** Prestigious Trinity Square Subdivision Fabulous new construction by Make Jackson Shown by: **Linda Fieseler Dene Kelly Realtors**	OWNER FINANCE; Two bedroom, one bath, $24,000, $2,400 down, 11 1/4%, $285 per month, 12 years. You are approved with 10% down. Call 570-8211, 499-1559- pager. Owner agent.
$1.00 AND A Deed gets a new home. (915)550-2124.	EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY. ALL real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitations or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on equal opportunity basis. **HUD HOTLINE 1-800-669-9777**	Holly Sorrells Realtors, Inc. **Open House 2 - 4** **4316 N. Co. Rd. 1241** Fabulous Country Home! 4 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths, $249,000 AGENT: JIM McGEE 366-3623 or 550-8000	LIST Your House With Us! The Prudential Adobe Realtors Call (915) 683-9548
→NEW TODAY← ★ATTENTION MOBILE Home Owners: If you were promised a Deck in your contract and are still waiting, call me. I can help! 550-7328.	→NEW TODAY← ★★★★★★ **OPEN HOUSE 2PM- 5PM 6704 Westwind, Greentree North.** ★★★★★★	720 Homes for Sale: INCOME POTENTIAL: Luxury duplex available in Odessa. Final construction less than 5 years old. $256,000. Trade in considered. Contact Cindy Brown Owner/ Broker with Realty Unlimited, 550-5609.	MOBILE HOME or Travel trailer. 36' $2,500. Call 682-7802.
→NEW TODAY← RENT, Rent- to -Own, or Buy. 570-7752 or 682-6481	3015 FREDNA 3- 4:30. $84,500. Sparkling clean 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. Lots of new, fabulous kitchen, gorgeous master bath. Shown by Lee Denny, Langston Realtors.	✓ QUALIFYING ASSUMPTION with lower interest rate. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. Payment under $750. Leave message for Lavonne Johnson, Re-Max of Midland. 694-0444 or 682-8820 ext. 137.	4215 HARLOWE- 2/3 bedroom, 1 bath, single car garage, covered patio. Possible owner finance. 697-4359.
ONE LEFT- Bank Repo 16'; wide 1996. Only $18,900 and ready to move to your lot. (915)550-0018 or (800)530-0018.	OPEN HOUSE. 2- 4. 1106 Sparks, $51,000. Tierra Realtors 682-8818.	→NEW TODAY← **2407 TERRACE** Remodeled 3 Bed, 2 bath with large workshop, 2 living, large kitchen with bar, tile & carpet, fireplace. Great neighborhood, Fannin School. Call 684-3890 or 561-3890 First Texas Real Estate	·NEED SPACE? 4 bedroom, 3 1/2baths, 3 living, 3fireplaces, formal dining, breakfast room, sun room. Extra edition has 1 living, bedroom, utility room covered patio. Leave a message for Lavonne Johnson, Re-Max of Midland 694-0444 or 682-8820 ext. 137.
CREDIT PROBLEMS? You pick the home and I will take care of the credit. Call Billy the Credit Doctor at A-1 Homes, 563-9000 or 1-800-755-9133.	3101 LOCKHEED- 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 living-swimming pool- 3038 square feet. $129,900. (915)570-8521. Open Sunday 2- 5.	FOR SALE OR Trade: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, brick. Gameroom, fireplace, 3 store rooms, big yard, fresh paint. Call 512-728-5121	→NEW TODAY← OWNER MOVING MUST SEE! Approximately 2,700 sq. ft. at a drastically reduced price of $81,900. 2% Buyer incentive at full price. Great neighborhood close to high school and elementary. Please call Pat Paxton at Langston Realtors- 682-9495 or 683-0888.
701 Real Estate: REAL ESTATE 700 — 700 Manufactured Homes; 701 Real Estate; 710 Open Houses; 720 Homes for Sale; 725 Condo/Townhouses; 730 Suburban Prop.; 735 R.E. Wanted; 740 Out of Town Prop.; 750 Lots and Acreage; 760 Farms/Ranches; 770 Resort Property; 780 Business Prop.; 785 Warehouse/Storage; 790 Investment Property			→NEW TODAY← 3 BEDROOM, 3 bath, brick, large den, fireplace, living room, all built in's in kitchen, dining area, water well, storage building, 2 car carports, extra lot. By owner $39,900. Stanton. Call 756-3675.
★ FORECLOSED HOMES! Low or $0 Down! Government & Bank Repos being sold now! Local Listings, 1-800-501-1777, ext. 260.			

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200' TO 2,000'. Ground floor offices. Park at door. Some at $5 per square foot. Near downtown. Call Don Roderick. Langston Realtors, 682-9495.	SINGLE OFFICES, entire suites, free parking, secretarial services, copiers, faxes, phones provided at very reasonable rates. 4500 W. Illinois, 201 E. Michigan, 602 N. Baird. Call Midland, 620-1500.	BEAUTIFUL OFFICE SUITE. 2 large rooms, executive office, reception, conference room. $675/ monthly. 3108 N. Big Spring. Contact Beverly Vaughan at 686-2008.
FOR LEASE/ Sale: Custom 6 room office, reception, 3 car garage and covered parking. Northside. Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 682-9495.	FOR LEASE; Business or medical office, approximately 1435 square feet at 1706 West Texas. $850 per month. Please call Shari Hamilton at 686-7000.	687 Commercial Property: PREMIER LEASE office space available; 2,785 square feet on Wadley Avenue. Suitable for law practice or multiple office set- up. Immediate occupancy available, negotiable. For a tour of space call Mike St. Germain at 694-7584.
OFFICE/ WAREHOUSE space for lease. 500 square foot office- 2,000 square foot warehouse. 2130 South Loop 250 West. Call Gene Abbott 563-2422.	OFFICE SPACE Available July 1, 1999 at North Park Executive Center, 731 West Wadley Ave. For information call, 687-1572.	WALL STREET Address: 1,665 sq. ft., Stand alone building with parking: 301 E. Wall, for lease or sale. 563-3300 Brian.
1701 NORTH BIG SPRING. Small office building, clean great location. $1,000/ month. Call 520-3529.	THREE ROOM office- new carpet, front door parking. $300 monthly. 3106 N. Big Spring. 686-2008.	FOR LEASE: all sizes and types of properties, office, warehouse, retail. 800 to 40,000 sq. ft. Some with fenced yards. 683-8681.
REDUCED: 200 SQ. FT. to 2,400 sq. ft. Downtown, park at door, Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 682-9495.	FOR LEASE: OFFICE or retail spaces at 2215 and 2217-B North Big Spring Street and 1706 West Texas. Call Shari Hamilton. Chaparral Realtors, 686-7000.	
OFFICE, RETAIL, Industrial properties available for sale or lease. Contact Dub House, 570-0705.		

668 Retail/ Stores	670 Warehouses/ Storage for Rent	675 Recreation Resort	685 Hunting Leases	700 Mobile Homes
PRIME, High Traffic location by HEB, Midkiff & Wadley, 3,100 square feet. Call Carol Hastings, The Bonner Group, Inc., 686-8181.	SHOP/ OFFICE close in. Air/ heat, secured yard, 1,500 sq. ft. $450 or 1,000 sq. ft. $250. 683-5697, 682-4789.	RUIDOSO CABIN- on the River. Sleeps 6. Call 697-1212.	MULE DEER- Davis Mountains. 6 guns, cabin, $800 each. Ric 915-283-2299.	GOOD CREDIT, Bad Credit, Bankruptcy, Divorces, Slow Pays. Call The Credit Doctor to own your new home. 80% Approvals. 915-563-9000 or 1-800-755-9133.
EXCELLENT LOCATION. Act now to take advantage of 970 square feet. Located at 2304 North Big Spring, Suite B. Please call 683-5639.		RUIDOSO Rentals nightly. Cabins, condos, some hot tubs. Century 21, Aspen Realty. 800-657-8980.		YOU MAY Qualify for $1,200 in free mortgage payments. (915)550-2125.
		RUIDOSO 1 BEDROOM Condo. Nightly/ weekly rentals, accommodates up to four. 682-8314/ 694-2500.		
		RUIDOSO Cabin's, Houses, Condos for rent nightly. Some with hot tubs, Don Harmon, Four Seasons Real Estate. 800-822-7654.		

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ABANDONED 1998 Doublewide! Lived in less than 12 months and already set up in mobile home park in Midland. 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths, fireplace and more. Super Low Down Payment. Call Lana 550-0018.	PAYMENTS based on your income. (915)550-2124.	SI ESTA Cansado de pagar Renta. Pero su credito esta mal, o no tiene credito. Venga a verme en A-1 Homes, Midland, TX, o hablieme al telefono (915)563-9000 o 1-800-755-9133 y pregunte por Cuco Aiellano, para ayudarle en su casa mobil nuev o usada.
HELP*** HELP*** Empty homes due to homeowners leaving the area. Bank says find new owners. Little or no down. Several to choose from. (915)550-0018.	5 BEDROOMS! DOUBLEWIDE! 98 Fleetwood, 28 x 76, Like new, Very E-Z Finance, A-1 Homes 915-563-9000 or 1-800-755-9133.	$$ FAST CASH $$ We buy mobile homes. Cash in 5 minutes. 563-9000 or 1-800-755-9133.
★ 2000 REASONS... 2,000 Sq Ft and $2,000 off Retail Price or $2,000 Manufacturers Rebate or $2,000 Shopping Spree. USA Homes, 4608 W Wall, Midland, TX. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.	OVER 100 Repos to choose from. Call to schedule a time to visit. 1-800-698-8003	1997 OAKCREEK- 1,300 sq. ft. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, Airline Mobile Home Park. Call 563-1999.
1/2 ACRE LOTS with septic and water- low down payment. Owner financing. American Realty, 520-7577.	MOBILE HOME Credit Hotline! E- Z Qualifying! Call 550-4033, (800) 725-0881.	★ COUNT DOWN to 2000. Huge 4 Bedroom Luxury Home... Was $44,999, Now $39,999, USA Homes, 4608 W Wall, Midland, TX. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177.
FOR SALE: 3 Bedroom,2 bath mobile home, 1/2 acre, Greenwood school district. $15,000. 683-5365, leave message.	REPOS- $500 Down! 9 to Choose From! From Low monthly payments! Easy Credit! 240 months, 12.5% APR. 561-8222 or 800-810-5170.	14' X 76' MOBILE HOME for sale. Good conditon. $8,000 or best offer. 570-5541, after 6PM.
ABANDONED HOMES!! Singles and Doubles, Low down payment and very EASY CREDIT. Come by and see John at A-1 Homes 563-9000 or 1-800-755-9133.	GIANT USED Home Sale! 3 Bedrooms start at $4,900! 561-8222 or 1-800-810-5170.	
FINALLY HOMES to fit any budget! Several 3 bedroom, 2 bath homes for under $350 per month*. Call for details. 1-800-698-8003. (payment based on $500 down, 10.25% A.P.R., 360 month purchase W.A.C.)	BEEN TURNED Down? Desperate lenders must sell repos! Call us! 561-8222 or 1-800-810-5170.	
★ 2K- GIVEAWAY... $2,000 Cash Drawing!! New 3 Bedroom Doublewide only $227/ Month, 10% Down, 8.75% APR, 360 Months. Details at USA Homes, 4608 W Wall, Midland, TX. 520-2177, 1-800-520-2177 with approved credit.		

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As an expression of our gratitude, CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors will contribute a portion of each sale our office closes to a fund for purchasing additional Thermal Imaging cameras for Midland's fire department. These heat sensing cameras help firemen find and save people trapped in fires by heavy smoke.

A fund has been established at Community National Bank. Contributions may be made to the Midland Citizen Fire Academy Alumni Association Special Account at Community National Bank.

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RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS

WEST WIND CT	New James Morris : 5 bd-4.5 ba-3 liv-Beautiful Course View! -3% Buyer Allowance	$ 425,000
RUSTIC	Picture Perfect on the Course: 5 bd-4.5 + .5 ba-3 bd-Fenced Pool Area	$ 389,000
COUNTRY CLUB	Major Remodeling: 4 or 5 bd-3.5 ba-3 liv-Old Midland	$ 379,900
VERDE GLEN	Beautiful New Whitley Home: 5 bd-3.5 ba-3 liv-Two Story	$ 358,000
CHADWICK	Beautiful Large Home: 5 bd-4.5+.5 ba-3 liv-4 car gar + 3 car gar w/Workshop	$ 355,000
COURTNEY		UNDER CONTRACT
REO	Remodeled Kitchen: 4 bd-4 ba-2 liv-Like Walking Into a Magazine Showhome	$ 192,500
CARRINGTON	Pretty Home in Green Tree North: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Lots of Extras -2% Buyer Incentive	$ 192,000
DEVLIN	Beautiful New Antilley Home: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Great Floor Plan-Spacious Rooms & Closets	$ 191,000
RIDGEFIELD CT	Great Graham Resale: 5 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Open/Bright -AON Home Warranty	$ 189,500
RIDGEBORO CT	Beautiful New Graham: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Corner Lot-Sprinkler & Hydromulched Yard	$ 189,500
GRASSLAND	Absolutely Gorgeous! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Mint Condition Payne Resale	$ 184,900
CHESLEY CT	Two Story w/Beautiful Entry: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Downstairs Master Suite	$ 184,500
HATHAWAY		UNDER CONTRACT
RIDGEMONT	Great Home: 5 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Beautiful Corner Lot-Great Kitchen w/Tile Countertops	$ 174,500
CRANSTON		UNDER CONTRACT
RIDGEMONT CT	Beautiful Graham Resale: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Light/Bright/Open Plan-Wonderful Kitchen	$ 169,900
ASHWOOD CT		UNDER CONTRACT
ASHWOOD CT	Great Home: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Lots of Upgrades-Good Floor Plan w/In-Law Arrangement	$ 164,900
SPRINGFIELD CT		UNDER CONTRACT
LANHAM	Nice Townhome: 3 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Every Corner of Home Accesses Lovely Pool	$ 157,500
STERLING CT	Great New Graham Home: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Sprinklers-Shrubs & Trees-Lots of Storage	$ 153,500
GRASSLAND		UNDER CONTRACT
NORTHFIELD CT	Ready for New Owner: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Recent Tile-Fresh Paint	$ 148,500
WHITMAN	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Plan	$ 145,950
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Game Room	$ 143,500
WHITMAN	By Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Can be 5 BR	$ 143,500
CYPRESS	NEW LISTING	$ 143,400
	Very Nice: 3 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Large Shade Trees-On the Golf Course!	
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Pick Your Colors & Options	$ 142,950
WINCHESTER	Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Cul-de-Sac Close to Midland College	$ 142,000
TEALWOOD	Young Rasnick: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan-Secluded Cul-de-Sac	$ 141,500
WEDGWOOD	Beautiful & Spacious: 3 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Well-Designed Space -3% Buyer Incentive	$ 140,000
HEATHER	REDUCED ! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Hobby Room + Bonus Room	$ 139,900
CULPEPER	Pool & Spa! 4 or 5 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Seq.Bdrm-Great Closet Space -3% Buyer Incentive	$ 139,900
KANSAS	'Old Midland' Charmer: 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Large Rooms-Great Yard & Pool	$ 139,900
McCLINTIC	Patio Style Home: 4 bd-3.5 ba-1 liv-Much Recent-Bedroom/Office	$ 139,500
WOODHAVEN		UNDER CONTRACT
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Roomy Plan	$ 137,950
DOWNING	Prepare to be Surprised! 5 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Lots of Room-Nice Large Den Behind Kitchen	$ 137,500
ROSEWOOD	Briarwood Addition: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-3-Car Garage Has Rear Paved-Alley Access	$ 137,500
HACKBERRY		UNDER CONTRACT
METZ PL	New Carpet Being Installed: 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Office Area off Large Bdrm	$ 129,900
CRISTA LN	New by Canton: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Many Extras-Ready to Move Into -3% Buyer Incentive	$ 129,900
FAIRFAX CT	Beautiful & Clean: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Lots of Updating-Large Master w/Jacuzzi	$ 129,500
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Room to Grow	$ 129,000
SAND HILL	Beautiful Graham Resale: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Seq.Master-Ready to Move-Into	$ 128,500
PINON CT	Mission Pines 2-Story: 3 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Roomy-Office off Master-Huge Utility w/Pantry Room	$ 124,000
KING RICHARDS ROW		UNDER CONTRACT
BERMUDA	Gorgeous! 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Spacious & Beautiful Master Suite-Fresh Paint	$ 122,900
TIMBER LN	Roomy: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Seq.Guest Suite-Recent Heat & AC Units-Circle Drive	$ 122,500
ARROYO	Close to Shopping/Schools! 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Breakfast Bar-Rear Entry Garage	$ 119,900
SPARKS	Nice Bill Hicky Twnhm: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Huge Mstr w/Private Study -3% Buyer Incentive	$ 119,900
DENTCREST	Lovely/Well-Cared For: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Good Sized Bedrooms-RV/Boat Parking in Back	$ 119,900
HUGHES	Big & Roomy Great Home: 3 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Separate Office w/.5 ba,heat & cool	$ 119,500
ROSEMONT	Quiet Cul-de-Sac: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Beautiful Yard-Seq.Master	$ 118,900
AUBURN	Quiet Cul-De-Sac: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Great Floor Plan w/Good Sized Rooms	$ 117,000
GODFREY	Pretty New Home by Hoffman: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Amenities	$ 117,000
GODFREY	Beautiful New Hoffman Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Ready to Move Into	$ 117,000
ROSEMONT	Lots of Shade: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Seq.Bdrm-Pretty Patio-3% Buyer Incentive	$ 116,900
WESTMINISTER	Light/Bright: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Lots of Updating-Nice Side Courtyard & RV Parking	$ 114,900
CALDERA		UNDER CONTRACT
BISHOPS CASTLE	Open Plan: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-See Thru Fireplace Between Den & Liv.Area	$ 109,900
STUTZ	Close to It All! 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Fresh Paint-Very Livable Plan-Recently Installed A/C	$ 109,900
AUBURN	Nice Large Bedrooms: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Recent Inside Paint & Carpet-Great Updates	$ 109,000
OJIBWA	More Than You'd Imagine! 3 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Pretty Pool-Extra Covered RV Parking	$ 109,500
PINEMONT	Great Floor Plan: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Many Recent Updates-Fresh Carpet/Tile-Seq.Master	$ 108,900
AMHURST CT	Shady Cul-de-Sac: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Spacious-Much Recent Updating	$ 107,000
FAIRVIEW	Fantastic Home in Plantation Hills: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Seq.Master-Large Bedrooms	$ 106,000
PRINCETON	Spacious! 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Tuck Away Those Teenagers	$ 100,000
BEDFORD		UNDER CONTRACT
WESTMINISTER	Light! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Lots of Living Space-Hot Tub-Wooden Play Center	$ 99,900
MARMON	Unique 2-Story: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Many Builtins-Updated Kit-Cozy Den -4% Buyer Incentive	$ 99,500
OAKMONT	Super Floor Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq. Master-Large Yard for Fun	$ 98,500
SAND HILL	Custom One-Owner: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Cul-de-Sac-3% Buyer Incentive	$ 98,000
TATTENHAM	Ham Radio Operator's Delight: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Country Charmer	$ 95,000
HUNTINGTON	Roomy: 5 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Recently Installed Kitchen Countertops	$ 94,900
CRESTWOOD	Townhouse in Great Cul-De-Sac Location: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Home Warranty Offered	$ 89,900
GODFREY		UNDER CONTRACT
FAIRHAVEN	Open Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Suite-Style Bedroom	$ 88,750
WARD	Glassed Atrium: 3 bd-2 ba-1 Extra Large Living-Workshop/Storage -$1,000 Buyer Incentive	$ 87,500
CASPER	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Could be 4 BR	$ 86,000
SPENCE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make Your Selections	$ 86,000
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan	$ 86,000
CASPER	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$ 86,000
MANOR	Nice Home in Superior Addition: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Lots of Tile-Garage-Sized Workshop	$ 84,900
MARK LN	NEW LISTING	$ 84,900
	Large Corner Lot: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pool Size Backyard-Water Well for Yard	
FLOYD	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plan Yours Now	$ 83,900
HARVARD	NEW LISTING	$ 82,000
	"Old Midland" : 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Nice Corner Lot-Flagstone Floors-Wet Bar & Bookcases in Liv.Rm	
ABBEY PL	Open Floor Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Cul de Sac-Large Walkin Closets -1.5% Buyer Incentive	$ 81,500
METZ		UNDER CONTRACT
DENGAR	Immaculate/Light/Bright: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Lots of Extras-Beautiful Yard	$ 79,900
LEHIGH	Nice Home: 3 bd 2 ba- 1 liv-Trash Compactor-Skyline Terrace Addition	$ 79,900
KANSAS	A Doll House: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-2 story-Upstair Bdrm Balcony Views Midland Skyline	$ 79,500
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Huge Bedroom w/Bath	$ 79,300
TREVINO	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$ 78,800
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 3 Bedroom	$ 78,400
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Options Available	$ 75,500
TREVINO	New Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for Retirees	$ 74,800
MANOR	NEW LISTING	$ 74,850
	Beautifully Maintained! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Spacious Living Area-Quiet Neighborhood-Move In Condition	
CASPER	By Whitehead: 3 ba-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors-Pick Options!	$ 72,800
SPENCE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan	$ 72,800
CANADIAN	Comfortable: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq.Master-Decorator Colors	$ 71,000
GRAHAM	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours	$ 70,200
LANHAM	Nice Patio Home: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Carpet	$ 70,000
MCDONALD	Ceiling Fans: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Separate Formal Dining Area	$ 70,000
BROOKDALE	Cute & Spacious! 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Great Workshop-Great Country Kitchen	$ 69,900
GODFREY	Cute Townhome: 2 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Lots of Open-Airy Space	$ 69,500
GRAHAM	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Convenient Plan	$ 69,200
GERALDINE	Lovely: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Sequestered Bedroom	$ 68,500
PLEASANT	Very Clean: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Attractive Fireplace	$ 67,900
BROWNWOOD	Immaculate/Updated: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-2 Seq.Bdrms-Jacuzzi (Never Used!)	$ 67,000
WADLEY	NEW LISTING	$ 67,000
	Beautiful 2 Story Condo: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Magazine Look-Plantation Shutters-Hardwood Floors	
CANADIAN	Northgate: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Breakfast Area-Ceiling Fans	$ 65,000
STANOLIND	Close to LHS: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Living Area-Spacious Backyard for Kids and Pets	$ 66,500
PRINCETON	NEW LISTING	$ 65,000
	Absolutely Cute! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Nice Side Lot-Recent Appliances	
NEELY	Cul-de-Sac! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-One Bdrm Has Super Bath	$ 65,000
SHANDON	Nice Fannin Area Home: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Recent Exterior Paint-Lots of Storage	$ 64,900
MCDONALD	Pretty: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Much Updating-Open/Bright -3% Buyer Incentive	$ 59,900
MCDONALD	Ask About H.I.P Financing! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Large Back Yard-Lots of House	$ 59,000
DOUGLAS	Lots of Cute House Here! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-A/C Unit Installed 7/98-Ask About H.I.P.	$ 59,000
BOWIE	Cute: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Easy Access to Loop 250	$ 57,000
OHIO		UNDER COTNRACT
DEWBERRY	Large Well-Maintained: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Rear Parking-7' Fence	$ 55,000
THOMASON	NEW LISTING	$ 52,900
	Clean!!! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Den Could Be Guest Bedroom	
W. 26th (Odessa)	Do Your Own Thing! 4 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Big Unfinished Master Bedroom	$ 50,000
E. 30th (Odessa)	Affordable: 3 bd-1 ba-2 liv-Recent Roofing-Buy Soon/PickCarpet	$ 49,900
STOREY	Great Starter Home: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recently Updated-Corner Lot	$ 49,900
EISENHOWER		UNDER CONTRACT
PUEBLO	Great First Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Carpet & Vinyl	$ 47,000
LOUISIANA	Lots of Potential! 2 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Nice Area	$ 43,900
DAWN (Odessa)	Great Home: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Close to Schools-Recent Inside Paint & Carpet	$ 42,500
WILSHIRE	Great Property: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Recent Carpet and Vinyl	$ 42,500
BOWIE	You + TLC = Home! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Roofing-Carpet Installed 12/98	$ 41,900
HARLOWE	Clean/Ready to Move Into! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Fresh Paint & Tile-Just Waiting for You!	$ 40,000
IDLEWILDE	Nice Condo: 2 bd-1.5 ba-1 liv-All Upstairs Bedrooms	$ 39,900
KANSAS	Lovely Cottage-Style Home: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Hardwood Flooring-Ask About Owner Finance	$ 39,900
COWDEN	Nice Two-Story: 2 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Large Bdrm w/Full Bath Upstairs-To Be Sold As-Is	$ 32,000
TYLER	Large Home w/Hardwood Floors: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Has Extra Building-Zoned Light Industrial	$ 28,000
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
GASTON		UNDER CONTRACT
COWDEN	Great Investment Possibilities: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-To Be Sold As-Is	$ 16,500
BOULDER	NEW LISTING	$ 13,500 ea
	Four Fairmont Park Condos: Each has 1 bd-1 ba-1 liv + den-Buy One or Buy All!	

SUBURBAN LISTINGS

E. CO RD 110	Wow! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pool-Barn/Stable/Shop-Greenwood Schools	$ 275,000
E. CO RD 99		UNDER CONTRACT
W. CO RD 58-1/2	For Sale or Lease: 4 or 5 bd-3.5+.5 ba-2 liv-Stables-Apprx 5 Ac Available	$ 174,000
S. CO RD 1126	Jacuzzi & Skylight in Mstr Bath: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Apprx 2.15 Ac-Greenwood ISD	$ 169,900
S. CO RD 1128	Sunset Estates: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Master Bath w/Jacuzzi-Apprx 2.1 Ac-Greenwood	$ 157,750
E. CO RD 110	Country Charmer! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv--Apprx 1.4 Ac-Buyer Incentive	$ 119,500
E. CO RD 110	Bring Horses! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Apprx 2.25 Ac-Barn/Stalls-Arena-Steed Run	$ 114,000
TATTENHAM	Midland's Highest Peak: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Ham Radio Operator's Delight	$ 95,000
W. CO RD 124	Many Extras: 3 bd-1.5 ba-1 liv-Concrete Storm Cellar-2 H2o Wells-2 Septics	$ 90,000
E. CO RD 107	Wonderful Country Oasis: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Wrkshp-Greenwood ISD	$ 56,000

LOTS & LAND

LONG ST (Odessa)	Res Lot-Corner of Westridge & Long in West Odessa	$ 1,200
HOGAN CT	One Res.Lot-Fairway Park at Loop 250 & Lamesa Road-Apprx 99' Frontage	$ 2,500
TREVINO	One Res.Lot-SF Det-Fairway Park-80' Frontage per MCAD	$ 2,500
E. GOLF COURSE	One Res.Lot-Capped Water Well-East of Lamesa Road-Survey Available	$ 3,000
W. GOLF COURSE	Two Res.Townhome Lots-May Sell Separately or Together	$ 4,500 ea
FLOYD CT	One Res. Lot/Fairway Park/70' Frontage per MCAD	$ 5,000
W. 67th (Odessa)	One Res. Golf Course Lot	$ 8,000
S. CO RD 1122	20 Lots in Super New Subdivision Reata Ranch Estates-Pick Yours Today!	$ 10,000 ac
E. CO RD 108	Corner Lot behind Greenwood School-Apprx .5 Acre-Great Access	$ 10,500
W. CO RD 123	Ridgewood Subdivision-Apprx .66 Ac	$ 19,500
MILLER & DERBY RD (Gardendale)	Corner Location-Water/Sprinkler-Pipe Fence-Approx 5.5 Ac-Barn/Stalls	$ 26,000
W CO RD 40	Approx 9 Ac-Fenced-One Water Well-Could Be Right For Nice Country Home	$ 38,500
WEST WIND CT	Green Tree North Lot - Cul-de-Sac - Golf Course View!	$ 59,900
W. CO RD 2950	Approx 667 Ac In Martin County	$ 220,000
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.	Approx 640Ac - Can Be Used For Cotton Crop	$ 1,248,000
E. LOOP 250 N.	Loop Frontage Between Big Spring & Lamesa Streets-Can't Be Divided-Approx 65 Ac	$ 1,300,000

COMMERCIAL

JASMINE	I-20 Accessible - Zoned IPI	$ 10,000
JASMINE	Great I-20 Access - Zoned IPI	$ 25,000
E. HWY 80	Frontage Rd Access-Apprx 1.47 Ac	$ 35,000
N. MAIN	Apprx .554 Ac-E. of Big Spring/N. of Golf Course-Ask About Possible Owner Finance-Zoned 2F	$ 42,500
FLORIDA	Great Visibility - Package of 5 lots	$ 50,000
FLORIDA	Multiple Uses	$ 55,000
ANDREWS HWY	6 Rooms + Kitchen-Could be DayCare, Office or Light Industrial	$ 85,000
ANDREWS HWY	NEW LISTING	$ 90,000
	Hot Corner Location - Near Hospital - High Visibility - High Traffic Count - Ideal Drive-Thru Location	
KENTUCKY	Zoned C-3	$ 108,000
N. MAIN	Three Lots Zoned 2F-May be sold separately-Each Apprx .5 Ac-Ask About Possible Owner Finance	$ 127,500
FRONT	Zoned LI/RR Spur	$ 450,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

KEITH ANTILLEY

DEVLIN	New & Beautiful in Grassland: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Great Floorplan-Wood Blinds & Shutters	$ 191,000

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CRISTA LN	Ready For You! 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Lots of Extras-In Crestgate-3% Buyer Incentive	$ 129,900

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RIDGEBORO CT	Beautiful/Open/Airy: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Corner Lot-Plantation Shutters-Sprinkler	$ 189,500
STERLING CT	Great Home w/Lots of Storage: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Shutters & Miniblinds-2Trees	$ 153,500

HOFFMAN CONSTRUCTION

GODFREY	Beautiful New Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Amenities	$ 117,000
GODFREY	Fabulous New Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Ready to Move Into	$ 117,000

JAMES MORRIS

WEST WIND CT	Fabulous: 5 bd-4.5 ba-3 liv-Beautiful Course View!-3% Buyer Allowance	$ 425,000

WHITEHEAD CONSTRUCTION

WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Roomy Plan	$ 145,950
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Game Room	$ 143,500
WHITMAN	By Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Can be 5 BR	$ 143,500
WHITMAN	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Plan	$ 142,950
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Room to Grow	$ 137,950
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Privacy Bedroom	$ 129,000
CASPER	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Could be 4 BR	$ 86,000
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Private Bedroom is Large	$ 86,000
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan	$ 86,000
CASPER	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$ 86,000
FLOYD	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plan Yours Now	$ 83,900
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Your Amenities	$ 79,300
TREVINO	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$ 78,800
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 3 Bdrm	$ 78,400
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Options Avail	$ 75,500
TREVINO	New Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for Retirees	$ 74,800
CASPER	By Whitehead: 3 ba-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$ 72,800
SPENCE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan	$ 72,800
GRAHAM	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours	$ 70,200
GRAHAM	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Convenient Plan	$ 69,200

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Great "Old Midland" location. Home on nice corner lot has 3 bdrm, 2 baths, 1 living area. Enjoy flagstone flooring, wet bar and bookcases in the living room. Call Karen Foster, 570-8200/evening, 697-4434.

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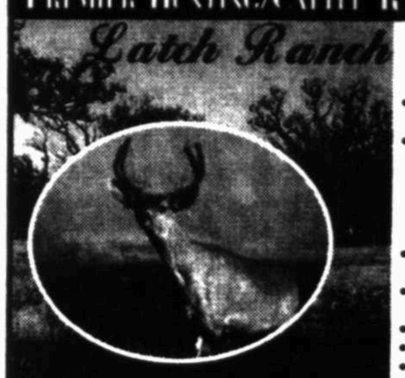
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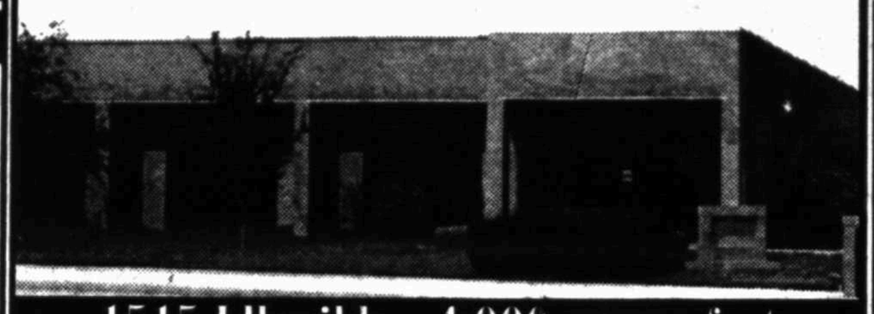
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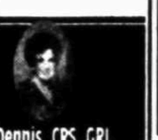
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✔ REDUCED: LARGE 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, formal dining, large utility, storage, covered patio, plantation shutters, 2 car garage. 2507 Frontier, Fannin Terrace. Will go fast at $83,000! 685-3381/ 661-8412.

BY OWNER 806 Sinclair. 5 bedroom, 3 bath, family room 18X29, formal dining, $85,000. 682-7837/ 550-3461.

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GREAT LOOKING: only $68,000. 4604 Laura. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, double garage, large secluded kitchen. 689-0103.

2407 METZ PLACE. 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car, formal dining, large living. $90,000. 570-1048.

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OWNER FINANCE. 3701 Gaston. 3 Bedroom, 1 bath. $29,000. Low down payment, 11.25%, 14 years, $325 monthly. Call 570-8211, 499-1559 pager. Owner/ Agent.

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323 Rocky Lane 3/2	$46,'s
209 Dewberry 3/2	$45's
613 Ruby 3/1/1	$40's
4604 Brookdale 3/2	$40's
4013 Pleasant 3/1	$39's
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4604 Brookdale	$47,450
4618 Pleasant	$46,000
4517 Pleasant	$48,000
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3508 Jordan	$58,900
4509 Belton	$66,050
1101 McDonald	$70,000
3028 Fredna	$75,000

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720 Homes for Sale

→NEW TODAY←
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KEY
To Abbreviations

Bdrm.	Bedroom
Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA.	Non-Qualifying Assumable
QA.	Qualifying Assumable
Ac.	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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PATIO HOME; "Older Midland", updated, three bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, plantation shutters, double garage, $129,500. 682-4479.

BY OWNER- 3102 Lockheed: 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, double garage. Too many amenities to list. Must See! 520-3890.

❤ 3210 CAMARIE- Lovely Fannin 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living, double garage home with many new updates, including A/C unit. Large backyard with trees, patio, gas grill, and above ground pool are great for summer relaxing. $77,900- 697-4820, 688-5982.

BY OWNER: 3 or 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, formal dining, utility room, fireplace, security system, pool, workshop. Assumable, non qualifying loan. 2407 Maxwell. $99,000. By appointment 570-0915 or 686-9308.

MUST SELL! 1106 McDonald. $77,000 or best offer. 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas. Sequestered master, sunroom, skylights, fireplace, built ins. Large back yard. Walk to Bonham, Alamo Junior High. 522-1981.

NEW LISTING
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REDUCED PRICE: By owner, 1304 McDonald. Very clean 4 Bedroom, 2 bath, sequestered master, like new carpet and paint inside and out. $79,900. By appointment only. 694-5307 or pager 560-7553.

720 Homes for Sale

2103 REGAL Place. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car. 1,850 square feet, cul-de-sac. $82,500. 520-0900.

725 Condo Townhouses

→NEW TODAY←
TWO BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath. 2415 Idlewilde #1. $45,000 or make offer. 689-9981 leave message.

INVESTOR SPECIAL! 2 Bedroom, 1.5 bath condo, $20,000, Monthly dues. Remax/ Chaparral, 686-7000. Jody Smith Realtor, 694-9426.

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3232 WHITTLE WAY. 2 Bedroom townhouse, 2 1/2 bath, double garage, wet bar, fireplace, dining room, lots of extras and remodeled. $73,000. Call 684-6653, 8- 5 Weekdays. Ask for Bill.

730 Suburban Property

3.55 ACRES- East County Road 119, $10,000. Call Donna Omar 685-0400 or 682-9495.

3 BEDROOM, 2 bath mobile home, < 1 acre. 1412 WCR 125. $20,000! 687-5609 after 5:30.

BY OWNER- 6 Bedroom, 4 bath- Over 4,000 sq. ft. 3 acres with arena, barn, tack room, dog run, pool, 2 water wells. $165,500. 688-5493/ 683-8067.

3 BEDROOM Brick, 1.75 baths, fireplace, refrigerated air, kitchen upgrade, 4+ acres, horse stalls, roll irrigation system, alfalfa field. Ridge Heights, County Road 130 East, $110,000. 682-3779.

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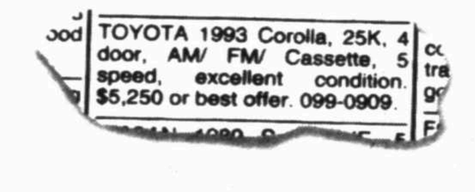
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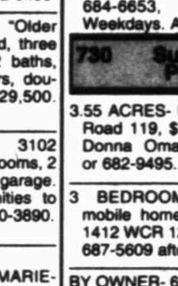


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NEW LISTING!!

POLO PARK...Fabulous 4BR/3BA home has pool and spa plus plenty of yard left over. Lots of tile and berber carpet, wood floors in formal dining, sequestered master. Ask Anita for more. **$142,500**

WADLEY HEIGHTS...Light and bright 3BR/2BA home has sequestered master, fireplace, skylights, office, inside laundry room and is located in an established, tree-lined neighborhood **$74,500**

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RIDGLEA...Cute 3BR home with 2 LA's in very desirable area has such potential!! Large trees front and back. Home needs a buyer to complete some renovations **$61,900**

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GREEN TREE COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES...This one is a knockout! 2 story Spanish style beauty has 4 BR, 3 full baths, gorgeous tiled atrium, inground pool with arbor sitting on the 15th fairway of Green Tree golf course. Wow!! **$149,900**

GRASSLAND ESTATES...Gorgeous 4 bdrm on quiet cul-de-sac has 2 living + formal dining + enclosed porch. Seq. master, beautiful den flooring. Fully landscaped, 1 year new! **$149,900**

GREEN TREE NORTH...Located on golf course, this 4 BD home has 2 LA's, seq. guest wing, gorgeous master bath; view of course from kitchen, den, formal dining and master. Don't miss chandelier in dining room. Ask Anita **$162,500**

GRASSLAND ESTATES...3% BUYER'S ALLOWANCE!! Spacious 4 BR Graham - built home on quiet cul-de-sac has huge gourmet kitchen, 2 LA'S, pergo flooring in den, lg. bdrms with lots of built-ins **$184,900**

GREEN TREE NORTH...Absolutely spectacular 5 bedroom Keith Whitley-built home located on a huge lot on the golf course has pool and spa, 3 living areas plus gorgeous study, spacious gourmet kitchen, built-ins galore, sumptious master bath, et., etc., etc. Too many amenities to list. Call Anita for more!! **$439,000**



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DAD'S UNFORGETTABLE SUMMER He'll always treasure the year you bought him this immaculate 4 BD, 3 BA home. Formal living and dining, den, wonderful kitchen with breakfast bar and island **$163,900**
DAD, IS THE BAR-B-Q READY? This 4 BD, 3 1/2 BA home is ready for a celebration. Spacious sunken den, wet bar, formal dining area. Game room overlooking landscaped backyard, open patio & POOL **$129,900**
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DAD'S FAVORITE CHAIR will fit in this 3 BD, 2 BA, spacious living area featuring high vaulted ceiling and brick fireplace, formal dining area, bright kitchen with built-in microwave and breakfast nook **$87,400**
HOUSE BUILD FOR DAD Father on relax in the in-ground pool & hot tub or on the covered patio. He can store his tools in the storage shed or the workshop. Or live in the 3 BD, 2 BA home with formal living & dining, game room, study/office, and guest quarters **$79,900**
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4-5PM
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6810 Island Circle $392,500
5401 Heartland $182,500
2101 Wellington (5 Bedroom) $172,500
5500 Kingston $149,900
5001 Polo Pkwy $142,500
4605 Rosewood $139,900
4108 Crestridge $129,900
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Choate-Trinity Estates-Great Value $279,000
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Newer 5 bdrm, 3 1/2 ba, 2 LA plus study, 3 garage. Sandy Scott 686-8323. 684-0370.
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Golf Course-Inside Gorgeous. SPECIAL! ..... **Reduced $118,000**
Over 3900sf. Two living areas, 4 BRs, 3 1/2 BAs. Call Joyce 682-3191
3006 Meadowbrook...2 Fireplaces! $115,000
4 bd, 2.5 baths, 2 living, updated kitchen, seq. master, pool! Victoria 689-4800.
2824 Auburn ..... **Reduced $113,900**
4 bedrooms, pool. Immaculate, so much recent new. Please call Jo 683-1425.
2822 Fannin $112,560
Big in great area. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, very clean. Call Caleb L. Matott
Keenland-$3000 Buyer's Bonus $110,500
Country living in city, barn, greenhouse, U/C quarters! Vicky Garrett 570-8889.
Maxwell-3% Buyer's Allowance $110,000
Bright & open, recent paint & papers, gorgeous. Backyard. Vicky Garrett 570-8889
213 Carol Lane $109,000
Great location - city & country. 4BR, 2BA, 1LA. Nice. Call Jane 682-1995.
Mahler-WORKSHOP-REDUCED! 6% Buyer's Allowance $109,900
4 bedroom, 2 living, immaculate, workshop. Please call Jo Braden 683-1425.
Durant-IMMACULATE! $109,900
Bedone 4 or 5BR, 2 1/2 BA, 2 LA - not flood plane. Call Sandy 686-8323. 684-0370.
Imperial $107,500
4BR/2LA near Lee High School w/trees! Call Anita 684-0387
Exeter ..... **Reduced $105,000**
Sequestered master bdrm, low maintenance yard. Call Clemmie.
2108 Whitney ..... **Reduced $104,900**
4bd/3bath. MaMar location & nice. Call Donna 697-0490, Ext. 158.
3603 Shandon-New Listing $104,900
4 bedroom, Immaculate. Lee High. Call Jo Braden 683-1425.
3306 Crestmont ..... **Reduced $99,900**
Lovely 4 BR, spacious rooms plus large yard. Call Donna 697-0490
Dentcrest ..... **Reduced $99,900**
4 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 liv. area. Great flo U/C Call Sam.
Gleneagles ..... **Reduced $99,900**
4 bedrooms, formal dining, 1 living, tile floors. Great Place. Call Jo Braden 683-1425.
Shandon-New Listing $98,900
Fannin School, pool, workshop, decking, please call Jo Braden 683-1425.
Bobwhite-Odessa $98,750
4BR, 2BA 2 story all redone! Call Chris 567-6200 pgr.
2904 Dora Pl-3% Allowance to Buyer- **4 BD plus Bonus Room** $95,900
Call Marilyn Jo Smith at Ext. 139 or at 689-0144
Mogford $95,000
Totally updated "Old Midland" 4, 2, 2LA, Beautiful! Call Jane Petree 682-1995.
Windsor ..... **Reduced $89,900**
4 bedroom, 2 living areas, sequestered master bdrm. Call Clemmie
Green Tree Blvd $89,900
Nice 4BR townhome, small yards & lots of new! Nelda Welborn 697-8301
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Spacious 4BR, formal dining, spacious kitchen, sunroom. Hurry! Sandy 686-8323 or 684-0370.
Keenland-Country in City ..... **Reduced $89,900**
This property has been recently updated. Call Lavonne 694-0444.
Hyde Park $89,500
4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bth, large liv. area, open & bright. Call Sam House 699-2163.
2300 Lockheed-Seller offers 3% Allowance to Buyer - **Much sq. ft.** $87,500
Call Marilyn Jo Smith at Ext. 139 or at 689-0144
McDonald $85,000
Sparkling pool, new deck, 3 or 4BR, 2BA, 2LA. Call Alice Howard 694-3040
Danger ..... **Reduced! $81,000**
4BR, 2BA, oversized liv. & dining, corner FP in den. Norma Pine 682-0662.
Seaboard-Lots of updating! ..... **Reduced! $79,900**
4BR, 2BA, 3LA w/new paint & carpet. U/C ation! Chris Beckett 567-6200 pgr
Sinclair Ave ..... **Bargain at $79,900**
Spacious 4BR, 2BA, maintained corner lot in "Old Midland". Alice Howard 694-3040.
2500 Neely-Great Buy - Hurry! ..... **Reduced $72,500**
Beautiful 4 BR, formal dining, Sooo pretty! Call joyce brickey 682-3191
4621 Thomason-2 Fireplaces! $59,900
4 BD, 3 full baths, 2 living areas, 2 car garage. Nice yard! Victoria 689-4800.
Glenwood $53,900
Open kitchen w/den concept, updated papers, great covered patio. Call Vicky
302 Tanglewood-New Listing $53,000
4-2-2LA, lots new, jacuzzi. Call Denise
1314 E. Pine $42,000
2 Story - Nice - Call Clemmie

3 OR LESS BEDROOMS

3925 Baybrook Court-New Listing $255,000
Beautiful Bates Resale 3BR, 2 1/2 bath, 2 LA, 3 CG, 2 fireplaces. Lots of tile. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.
Grassland...Low Maintenance $209,000
Incredible! Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.
Teakwood-On the Course $187,000
Could be 3BR w/study or 4BR, 3 bath, den + formals. Ask for joyce 682-3191
404 Spring Meadow Court-New Listing $172,500
Gorgeous townhome 2LA, 2BR, 2 bath most unique! Call Jane Petree 682-1995.
Teakwood ..... **Reduced $147,000**
Open plan satillo tile, whirlpool tub. Pool size yard. Vicky Garrett 570-8889
Meadowwood Ct. $142,900
Great 2 BR, 2 bath, 1 LA Patio home. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.
Greentree $137,500
An almost Perfect home on Driftwood. Mary Jo 684-4268.
2301 Sinclair-Fantastic Fannin Home! ..... **Reduced $135,000**
You won't believe it, huge home! Call Caleb 697-9400.
Castleford-Lots of room! +3 Car Garage $131,500
3BR, 2BA, 2LA, quality all around, built-ins, french doors, outstanding! Norma Pine 682-0662.
2301 Regal ..... **For Lease $800/Mo.**
3 bdrm, 2 bath. Call Ruth 697-1217
4403 Lennox-3BD Beauty in Great Location $127,800
Call Marilyn Jo Smith at Ext. 139 or 689-0144. Custom with study and 2LA.
Neely-Reduced $124,500
Large patio home priced to sell. Call Clemmie.
Emerson-6% Allowance $123,500
A wonderful home, 3 BR, 2 BA, formal SOLD Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.
2507 Idlewilde-Superior new construction! $120,000
Superior new 3BR, 2BA by David Baker. Choice Location! Chris Beckett 567-6200 pgr.
Harvard-Hardwood Floors $119,900
A wonderful home - Old Midland - beautiful. Mary Jo 684-4268.
1403 Ventura $117,000
Updated Wallace Patio home - side yard grass. Call Donna 697-0490.
Oaklawn-6% Buyer Allowance $114,900
Quiet older Midland - unique 3BR, 2BA, study, 2LA. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323.
5108 Ashdown-One Owner! ..... **Awesome! $113,900**
Saddle Club South, Fabulous HOME! 3BR, 2BA. Chris Beckett 567-6200p
Lennox $113,000
Spectacular Home! Light, open, contemporary SOLD lot of tile, metal roof. Call Vicky
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Kahler built - just like new, desk, formal dining, sep. tub & shower - one of a kind. Larry or Debbie 684-0369
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Immaculate. Open. Spacious plan. formal dining, huge kitchen, bonus room. Sandy 686-8323/684-0370
1402 W. Pecan-6% Buyers Incentive $108,000
Spacious 3BR, 2BA, townhouse. Formal liv. w/FP. Shari Hamilton 742-2819pgr.
Vista West $107,900
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Stanolind-Townhome $105,000
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Western-2 Story Townhome $102,800
2BD, 2 full & 2 half baths, 2LA, lots of tile, beautiful patio. Anita 684-0387
2513 Shandon-Grand...Fannin School $102,000
Immaculate! Light & bright...move-in condition. Larry or Debbie 684-0369.
1808 Missouri $99,990
Lots of character in Museum District. Call Caleb 697-9400.
Springmont-New Listing $99,900
Great 3BR, 2BA, 2LA or study, pool, RV storage/workshop. Hurry! Call Sandy 686-8323. 684-0370.
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Conoco listing - open & brite 3BR in Trinity. 2 LA's. Call Anita 684-0387
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Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369
5114 Ashdown-Absolute Doll House in Saddle Club South $97,500
Call Marilyn Jo Smith at Ext. 139 or 689-0144.
2504 Idlewilde ..... **Reduced $96,000**
Practically brand new - owner anxious. Call Caleb 697-9400
Danger-SUPER GORGEOUS - GAME ROOM $95,000
Extremely Pretty 3BR, Rear Gar, hot tub, ask for Joyce Brickey 682-3191
913 Country Club-"As Is", Offers Please!! $95,000
Call Marilyn Jo Smith at Ext. 139 or at 689-0144
Daventry Pl. $95,000
Best buy in Prestigious Saddle Club South. Call Cheryl 682-8820. 689-4600
Angeline-3% Buyer Incentive! $94,900
Pretty yard. Large bedrooms. Updated, clean, clean. Ruth Young 682-7884
3401 Claremont-Fairmont Park ..... **Reduced $93,900**
Super nice 3BR, 2BA, all upgrades, big kit, corner lot w/lush yard! Chris Beckett 567-6200 pgr
3018 Fredna-New Listing $93,500
Huge master bedroom, lots of tile, call Clemmie
Oakmont-Across from Park ..... **Reduced $91,900**
Super 3BR, 2BA, formal dining, hurry - call Sandy 686-8323 or 684-0370
2301 Terrace-Nicely Updated! Workshop! ..... **Reduced $89,900**
3 lrg. bd, 2 baths, tons of tile, workshop, 2 car garage! Victoria 689-4800
3200 Dentcrest...Updated Townhome! $89,900
3 bd, 2 bath, 2 story w/gazebo & jacuzzi on gorgeous corner lot! Victoria 689-4800
Seaboard-Reduced!!! $4,000 A/C Allowance - $2,000 Carpet Allowance $89,900
MaMar location. Deborah 520-2112
1805 N. H $89,900
2 living areas, sparkling pool, call Clemmie
1300 W. Texas-Duplex or Large House! $89,900
Darling & updated! Could be duplex - Side A-2/1 5. Side B-1/1! Nice! Victoria 689-4800
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3BR, 2BA, 2LA, updated kitchen, sprinklers & workshop. Alice Howard 694-3040
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3 bed, 2 ba, wonderful yard & water well. Call Lavonne 694-0444
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Bonus room off breakfast area, oversized bedrooms, huge LA, house out back.
Stanolind $87,500
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4513 Fairbanks-Lots of Updating! $85,500
3BR, 2BA w/island FP separating liv & din. Shari Hamilton 742-2819pgr
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3 bd, 2 ba, cozy home w/new roof, nice yards, courtyard! Victoria 689-4800
Wydewood-New Listing $82,500
Immaculate, totally redone, 3 BR, 2 BA, formal dining or 2nd living area - Perfect! Hurry! Sandy 686-8323. 684-0370.
Bedford-New on Market $82,500
SMASHING! Call Larry or Debbie 684-0369.
Belton Place-New Listing $81,900
Sooo gorgeous, the decor, 3/2/2 + FP & peaceful backyard w/raised gazebo. Great master suite. Call Joyce Brickey 682-3191
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Wonderful house in ODESSA, location U/C ear the mall - call Clemmie
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Large courtyard. 3 bed, 2 bath, different floor plan. Call Ruth Young at 682-7884.
2100 Lindora...Across From Park $79,900
Darling 3 bd, 2 bath w/lots of updating! Victoria 689-4800.
Gulf $79,900
Wonderful trees, old Midland neighborhood...Spacious rooms. Call Billie 697-5545.
Stanolind $79,900
2 large living areas, 2 1/2 baths, formal dining, super yard! Call Vicky
#6 Marinor Ct. - $4000 Buyer Incentive $79,900
3 bed, 2 baths, formal dining, covered patio, 2 garages! Victoria 689-4800
2600 Spartan $78,500
3 BD, 2 BA, 2 car garage. Call Lavonne 694-0444
1707 Community Lane ..... **Reduced $77,900**
3 bd, 2.5 bath, 2 living, hardwood floors, mature trees! Victoria 689-4800
Norwood ..... **Reduced $77,900**
Updated patio home. 2 bdrm, 2 baths, siding, tile, 2 car. Call Sam 699-2163.
Fredna $77,800
Spacious & priced to sell. Call Donna Ext. 158
3902 Douglas-Close to Schools! Nice Area! ..... **Reduced $76,500**
3 bed, 2 bath, formal dining, mirrored wall, seq, master, 2garage! Victoria 689-4800
Boyd-What a cutie! Lots of updates! $74,900
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Conroe-Resnick Built $74,900
Darling, newer carpet/tile, island kitchen. Debbie or Larry Hatfield 684-0369
5200 Pinion Court-New Listing $74,900
McMorris Built, cul-de-sac, walk to Bush. Call Jo Braden 683-1425
Apperson-3% Buyers Allowance $74,500
3BR/2BA. Seq. master, office, enclosed porch. Call Anita.
Maranatha $74,000
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2 or 3BR Townhouse, super plan. Call Clayton 682-9494
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2 BR, 1-1/2 BA. Beautiful Cottage in Museum area. Call Joel Oldham to see
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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1-2:30

3311 HAYNES — Lee Culver — 139,900
Reduced! Marvelous contemporary w/private pool. Ready to move in.

2501 GULF — Danny Norwood — 117,500
Fabulous home in Fannin area w/tons of charm PLUS 3% buyer incentive.

5005 RAINBOW — Laura Manulik — 69,900
New condition, seq. master, large living area, rear garage, quiet cul-de-sac, walk to school.

OPEN 1-5

5602 FENWAY — Sue Laengrich — 223,000
Gorgeous new TH now complete. North of Abell Jr. High. 3rd garage. Great floor plan.

OPEN 2-3:30

3001 GULF — Betty Ford — 92,500
Lots of updating in this 3-3-2, 2LA & dining, cabana over spa, outside storage. 3% incentive.

OPEN 2:30-4

1612 DENGAR — Danny Norwood — 81,000
Great 4BR home in Old Midland located on a quiet, serene street! 3% buyer incentive being offered!

OPEN 3-4:30

2409 METZ — Lee Culver — 129,900
Privacy plus in this well established area.

OPEN 3-5

2400 SHELL — Jana Tucker — 149,500
"Southern Living" traditional w/4BR + study, 3BA, Mexican tile & hardwood floors, brick patio & beds.

OPEN 3:30-5

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RACQUET CLUB-Incredibly beautiful w/everything; formals, den gameroom, exercise room, hobby room, fabulous kitchen! Truly stunning and unequaled location 537,000

WINCHESTER CT-Incredible TH - indoor pool in fabulous living area; 4BR/6BA; MBR w/library, stunning studio, office, 3FP, 5 garages, absolutely wonderful 495,000

FAIRWOOD-Absolutely stunning 5/4/3 with 3-car garage and 3FP's. Pool & the list goes on! Wonderful 460,000

ISLAND CIRCLE-Super 5BR/2LA + huge office/study on the lake at Green Tree North 399,900

SINCLAIR-2 story Warwick beauty. 4/3.5/2LA + study, custom gourmet kitchen, sparkling pool, paddle tennis court 399,500

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CITATION-Incredible Saddle Cub North TH! Pool, spacious formals, huge den, 2BR tuest house. Lovely 345,000

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ISLAND-5BR/4BA/3-car garage, lovely home with a gorgeous view of the lake 333,000

CRESCENT PLACE-Fabulous Crescent Place home with great space, wonderful updating, sparkling pool 325,000

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AUGUSTA-First class home and pool 297,000

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BAYBROOK CMP-4BR/3+BA, gourmet kitchen, seq. master, Bill Brown construction, light & bright, ready for you! 278,000

SPRINGFIELD-Fabulous Paul West custom with large rooms and tons of storage 265,000

BENT TREE-Fabulous 4/3/2 on North Nine in GT. Hardwood floors, 3FP's, super master suite. All the amen 249,000

RADCLIFF CMP-Fabulous 5/4/3/2LA/2 dining, workshop 241,250

SINCLAIR CMP-Outstanding TH, luxurious mstr w/2BA, gorgeous formals, den, high ceilings, lush landscaping, pool 235,000

RUSTIC TRAIL CMP-Spacious 4BR/3.5BA/3 garage and 3 super living areas plus newer pool, gorgeous golf course view, could be 5BR, new paint 229,900

HILLCREST-Custom 5BR in mint condition! Three great LAs + hobby room 226,900

TEAKWOOD TRACE-Fabulous contemporary 2-story w/enormous bonus room, 3-car garage, lots of amen 225,000

HATHAWAY CMP-lovely home in Grassland. 4BR/3BA w/3LA. 2 large yards. Don't miss LA attached to garage 224,000

BASSWOOD-Huge 2-story in Green Tree. 4BR/3.5BA. Enormous den w/wet bar. Very large rooms 224,000

CUTHBERT-Gracious living totally remodeled, marble flooring-all amenities - hot tub - pool size yard 223,900

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TRANSACTIONS CLOSED	325
TOTAL TRANSACTIONS	1127

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COUNTRY CLUB-Charming 2 story in great neighborhood in "Old Midland". 5BR, hardwood floors 199,500

DEVLIN CMP-Great new construction in Grassland. Wonderful open plan, lovely decor, good location 196,000

DREXEL CMP-Fabulous 2 story in Grassland 195,900

LOS ALAMITOS-Smashing custom built 4/3.5/3. This is a beautiful, spacious home. Don't miss it 195,500

CRANSTON-Beautiful new construction - great price, loaded w/super features 195,000

HATHAWAY CT.-Charming 4/3/3 Mark Payne custom resale. Absolutely beautiful. Don't miss 194,500

BOYD-Wonderful location w/lots of new. 4BR, gourmet kitchen, great pool. Lovely 2-story 189,500

MEADOWRIDGE-2LA & gameroom. 4BR (2 seq.), tons of storage + amenities 189,500

GRASSLAND BLVD CMP-Lovely Keith Antilley construction in Grassland. Wonderful plan and amenities 180,000

RIDGEMONT-Spacious, bright 4BR/3BA home in Grassland and only 3 years old 179,900

GREENRIDGE-4BR/3.5BA- like new, great yard 177,200

GRASSLAND BLVD.-Wonderful new construction by Jack Cunningham - ready for occupancy. 5BR/3BA 175,900

HUMBLE-Big pool nestled under big trees and a smashing 4BR/2BA home in MaMar. Absolutely stunning 2-story 175,000

FOX HOLLOW-Fabulous Trinity West! Nice large home! Tall ceilings, tile. 2FP, 3-car garage 175,000

WOODHOLLOW-4BR Resnick, below appraisal 175,000

TEAKWOOD TRACE CMP-Immaculate 4/3/2LA PLUS office, formal dining, huge closets, plantation shutters, circle drive 158,900

CASTLEFORD-Spacious 4BR/3BA/2LA. New roof, tile flooring, great pool 158,400

DUKES-4/3/2LA/3-car gorgeous Mark Payne Custom. Immaculate - Polo Park amenities 155,500

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BEDFORD-Charming 4/4 with spacious rooms, great master retreat, hardwoods, 2 patios, deck. Pristine! 152,500

CULPEPER-Spacious and charming 4BR on quiet cul-de-sac. Beautiful condition w/nice updating 150,000

QUAIL POINT-Fabulous 3BR/3BA TH, totally updated. It's what you've been waiting for 149,500

SINCLAIR-4BR/4BA/3LA in Fannin area w/seq. master, kids' wing, brick patio and big backyard 149,500

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HAYNES-Beautifully landscaped contemporary w/lovely pool 139,900

GOLF COURSE CMP-Distinctive architecture + peaceful landscaping. 3BR/3BA. Boguilos limestone floors & FP 139,900

COUNTRY CLUB-3BR in Old Midland, great kitchen, spacious master, hardwood floors, lovely yard 139,500

AUBURN CMP-Wonderfully spacious 4BR/3BA on tree-lined street. Has its own water well 139,500

CASTLEFORD CMP-You get a lot for your dollars, quality, versatile plan, move-in condition, 4/3 w/super yd 139,500

DRIFTWOOD CMP-A 4BR, 3BA, 3 car garage Green Tree Beauty. Ready to Sell! 139,000

SUNDANCE CMP-Wonderful new Kahler construction in Grassland. 3% builder's incentive. 4BR/2BA 138,613

RICHMOND-Great 4BR in Polo Park, extra large dining, 2LA, not too much yard 136,500

VALLEY FORGE-Professionally decorated TH. Extra special master suite w/2 bath areas. You'll love it 135,000

SHELL-Remarkable remodel. 3/2.5/2LA/new floors (slate, wood & marble), cabinets and built-ins 132,500

BRUNSON-Museum area columned 2-story home 3/3.5/2LA w/pool & hot tub, hardwood floors, jacuzzi tub 130,000

METZ CMP-Elegant privacy w/3% buyer incentive at list price 129,900

OAKRIDGE CMP-Nice open floor plan. 4/3/2LA, 3 fireplaces - one is double-sided 129,500

DOWNING-Wonderful 4BR in mint condition w/seq. master, 2FP, open floor plan 127,900

GOLF COURSE-Spacious, stable home - now home owners fee. 3/2.5, new paint, clean carpet, priced to sell 127,500

SPRING MEADOW #6-TH 3/2/1LA, very nice master bedroom downstairs 125,900

COUNTRY CLUB-Ready now! Spacious 3BR/2.5BA in Old Midland. Huge kitchen, updated master bath 125,000

MAMAR-Fabulous home plus a great room for studio or in-law quarters. The possibilities are endless 124,900

EDGEMONT-Fabulous Fairmont Park home w/tons of storage everywhere! Light, bright and updated 124,900

BAYBROOK CMP-Beautiful home in Green Tree w/lots of new! Open floor plan. Light & bright 124,500

BISHOPS CASTLE-Adorable 3BR/2.5BA/2LA in Polo Park w/great kitchen! A must see!! 124,500

MARMON CMP-Great updating w/shutters, skylights, flagstone entry, RO, water softener, warranty 124,000

LEARMONT CMP-Flexible floor plan, 4BR/1LA or 3BR/2LA. Great home office-designer touches. Don't miss 123,500

FAIRVIEW LANE CMP-Seller will look at any offer. Also offering 2% towards buyer's CC or paint allow 120,000

HARVARD-Bigger than it looks. Old Midland 3/2.5 w/2 spacious living, hardwood & brick floors 120,000

SHANDON-Fabulous 5BR/3BA/2LA. Lots of tile, super kitchen 119,900

BERMUDA-4BR/3BA, hot tub in separate room, incredible space w/vaulted ceilings, wet bar & much more 119,900

WESTMINISTER-Wonderfully different plan, gorgeous pool & terrace, humongous closets. 2LA/3BR/2.5BA 119,500

BEDFORD-Lovely "Old Midland" w/spacious bedrooms, baths and kitchen. Wonderful large yard 119,500

STUTZ CMP-Generous 4BR, one-owner home, beautiful landscaping, numerous custom features 118,520

GREEN TREE-Super, golf course, 3BR TH, custom built, home warranty 118,000

GULF CMP-Immaculate well-cared for home in "Fannin" area with all the updating done! 117,500

HUMBLE CMP-Immaculate Avalone home w/2 huge BR/2BA, living, den, study, sunroom/gameroom 116,900

FAIRBANKS CMP-Cute as a button 4BR/2BA w/lots of recent updates! Don't Delay! 116,500

ARROYO-Great living space w/formals + garden room + fab hobby room. 4BR, pool, skylights. A winner 116,500

CRESTGATE-Lovely 4BR, extra large LA & den and double-sided fireplace 116,000

SENTINEL-Country living in the city! 3BR/3BA/2LA w/gorgeous pool 115,900

FAIRHAVEN-Better than new in quiet cul-de-sac neighborhood 115,000

BOYD-Picturesque drive-up on this 2-story 3/2.5 in older Midland w/lush landscaping 114,900

BEDFORD CMP-Charming Old Midland 4BR great location, updated kitchen 114,900

FANNIN-4BR/2.5BA. Large home in established Fannin neighborhood 112,500

STUTZ CMP-4/3/2 w/2-car garage, 2 story 2BRs down and has formals 112,000

HUMBLE-Spacious 4BR in a great location. Lots of upgrades, water well, shop & storage house - Offering home warranty 110,000

MOSS-TH w/pool, 3BR/2.25BA, lots of updating, great features 110,000

GLENEAGLES-1998 model TH w/a maintenance free yard. 3BR/3BA 110,000

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ST. ANDREWS-1998 model TH w/a maintenance free yard. 3BR/3BA 110,000

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CALDERA-Great floor plan w/3 or 4BR, 3 full baths 109,900

CASADY CT CMP-4BR/3.5BA/2LA plus computer/sewing room. Check this price! In Trinity Meadows 109,000

GULF-Updated contemporary, high ceiling, light and bright. Huge live oaks, 3% buyer incentive 109,000

OAKRIDGE-Super 4BR w/lots of love 108,900

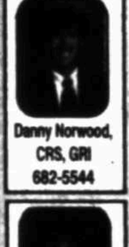
HERMITAGE CMP-Super home on cul-de-sac. Fantastic pool, 3BR w/seq. master 104,900

APOLLO CT CMP-Quiet cul-de-sac location w/super corner FP, hot tub and sauna 103,000

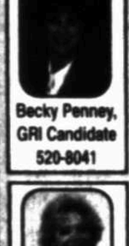
HOYA-3BR/2BA/2-car garage, great home in growing area 102,000


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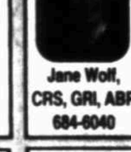

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CRESTMONT CMP-Great open floor plan, clean, light and bright 99,900

DAVENTRY-Tall ceilings, new carpets & paint, lots of the "Open Kitchen" formal dining. Great plan! 99,900

MARMON CMP-Exceptional buy. 4/3 w/2LA. Popular plan, spacious room. Great location 99,900

GULF-An exceptional 3BR home, updated, clean, light & bright. A 3% buyer incentive is offered 99,900

MICHIGAN CMP-Cool off in the pool! Updated kitchen, 4BR/2LA. Must see this one 99,700

DAVENTRY CMP-Super Saddle Club South. 3BR/2BA in mint condition. Low maintenance yard 98,000

WESTERN-Lots of square footage for the money in great neighborhood 97,500

ST. ANDREWS-One of a kind. 3BR, balcony loft, soaring ceilings, atrium, formal dining, pretty corner lot 96,500

PLEASANT-Huge! Over 4000 sq. ft. for all the room you need 96,000

STUTZ CMP-Tons of updating. Super affordable, 4BR in great area. Neighborhood pool. Incentives 95,000

NORTHRUP-Unique home across from Midland Christian School. 3BR/2BA 94,500

METZ CMP-Don't miss this well priced 4BR, 2BA on Cul-de-sac. Lots of room to roam 94,500

HAYNES-Charming patio home w/many extras. Convenient location, FP in kitchen, decked backyard 94,500

CLAREMONT-Charming 1995 built 3BR/2BA/2-car garage, quiet cul-de-sac w/lots of tile & closets 92,900

GULF CMP-Unique floor plan. MaMar. 3/3/2/2LA, cabana, hot tub. 3% incnetive 92,500

CANADIAN CMP-Custom bit Gary Kahler 4BR/2BA. 4 yr. old in Northgate. Open plan w/wooden blinds 92,000

MICHIGAN-Old Midland Charm. Lots of square footage. Berber carpet, 10x24 outside storage 89,900

PRINCETON-Light, bright, open TH w/seq. master 89,900

ELMA CMP-3% buyer incnetive! Wonderful Wydewood 3BR/2BA w/LA and formal dining 89,900

WARD-Possible 0 down. Super nice home in wonderful condition. Very open plan, light & bright 89,900

STEWART CMP-Excellent home in superior shape inside & out. Located on quiet cul-de-sac 89,500

NORTH L CMP-Beautiful home located in mature area. 4BR/3BA w/3 large LAs. Charming inside & out 89,000

PURPLE SAGE-Vista West addition, big backyard, 3 spacious bedrooms, teal carpet 87,000

JORDAN-VA qualifying assumption at a great rate. Snappy 3BR contemporary, new HVAC 85,900

SEABOARD CMP-Extra nice 3BR, recent remodel included a huge LA/FD & lots of built-ins 85,000

VENTURA CMP-Just right 2BR TH, new carpet, beautiful doors, easy care for you! 85,000

FREDNA CMP-Fabulous! Lots of new. Lots of mirrors and this 3/2/2 is well priced 84,500

HYDE PARK CMP-Nice home in LHS area. Must see to appreciate 83,900

WYDEWOOD-Charming home with huge LA, darling kitchen/breakfast area, great master, huge backyard 82,000

DENTCREST CMP-Super TH 3BR/2.5BA, 2 story, home warranty 81,500

DENGAR-Fabulous 4BR in "Fannin area" w/new kitchen, 3% incentive to buyer 81,000

BATES CMP-Super - says it all! Huge garage, spacious living and super size yards 80,000

STOREY-Great investment property! 2/2 per side with FP 80,000

LANHAM-Wonderful & spacious 2BR TH w/loft that could be 2nd LA or 3BR, tons of storage 80,000

JOY CMP-Precious 3BR/2BA. Spacious, open, light, bright. Huge closets, big backyard 80,000

WYDEWOOD-Darling 3BR/2BA home. Beautiful yard with lots of flowers 79,950

DOUGLAS CMP-Well maintained home in mature area. 3BR/2BA with a lot of extras 79,900

DENGAR CMP-Well maintained 4/2.5, spacious rooms. Hurry 79,900

NEELY CMP-It's only perfect! Lovely formals, spacious den, sunroom, remodeled kitchen, custom decor 79,900

NEELY CMP-3BR updated like new! Berber carpet, ceramic tile, RV covered parking, Gazebo/pond 79,900

KERTH-Spacious, attractive home and yard 79,900

HUNTINGTON-Spacious 3BR/2BA/2LA/2-car garage, screened-in patio, open floor plan 79,900

HUMBLE-4BR/2BA, large, open kitchen, new oven, ceramic tile, landscaped, 2LA, mature trees 79,900

JOY CMP-Bright & charming 3BR/2BA, pretty drive-up, spacious master. Come today 79,900

HUMBLE CMP-4BR/2BA/1LA, built in 1987 in "Old Midland", mature area a Plus! 79,500

NORTHTOWN-Small backyard, cul-de-sac, nice floor plan, tons of new 79,400

MARANATHA CMP-Exceptional w/many updates! Great 3/2 w/1 or 2LA, super kitchen 77,900

LAVACA-Magazine pretty! Very spacious home in Northgate! 3/2/2, sprinklers. Ready for you 77,500

AMISTAD CMP-Great home ready to move in. 3BR/2BA w/storage shed, sprinkler and security system 77,500

SIXTH (STANTON)-3BR/2BA, excellent condition, quiet neighborhood 76,800

ELMA-Charming 2 story/3BR townhome with downstairs master! 76,500

MAXWELL-Super 4BR, tree shaded patio, charming BA, home warranty 76,500

PROVIDENCE-Appealing, great location, 3BR/2BA/2LA, formal dining & 2-car garage. Paneled den w/FP 76,500

BAUMANN-3BR/2BA/3BA/2-car garage. Wonderful floor plan, corner FP, landscaped 76,000

PLACID-4/2 w/2 living. Sunroom is dynamite 75,900

SAN ANTONIO-Great 3BR/2BA w/new A/C/heat. Fresh 75,000

FANNIN-Approximately 1900 sq. ft., big rooms, oversized yard, good value 75,000

LANHAM-3BR, large living area w/FP & formal living or dining. Lots of recent updating 74,900

CLUB DR CMP-Totally charming 3BR in Old Midland and delightful for entertaining 74,800

BUCHANANA-Super Resnick bit. home on cul-de-sac. Study off master, saltillo tile. Berber-type carpet 74,900

SHELL CMP-Tall trees and lots of shade make this 3/2 w/2LA especially inviting 74,500

ELMA-Spacious & neat TH w/3BR/2.5BA, 2-car garage on cul-de-sac 74,400

CLOUDCROFT-Nice 3/2/2 w/minimum yard on quiet cul-de-sac 74,000

CONROE CT. CMP-Great Resnick built Northgate home w/large living/dining combination 74,000

GODFREY CMP-Quiet beauty near Bonham & Alamo schools. 3BR/2BA 73,000

McDONALD-Great location in Rusk/Lee area. 3/2/2. Corner lot across from Rusk School 73,000

WHITNEY CMP-Super 3BR in Fannin area. Large great room, low maintenance 72,500

SAN ANTONIO CMP-Great plan in this squeaky clean 3/2, neutral decor and move-in ready 72,000

NASWORTHY-Adorable 3BR/2BA w/new paint, ceramic tile plus $1,500 carpet allowance. Don't delay 72,000

MICHIGAN CMP-One of the most well maintained homes in Midland. You won't believe how nice 71,900

SPARTAN-Sharp 3BR/2BA w/2LA, high ceilings, seq. master, neutral colors 71,500

FANNIN CMP-Great remodel, corner FP, new carpet and paint. Please buy 69,900

SINCLAIR-Old Midland, great space, comfortable home, 2FP 69,900

JORDAN CMP-Much new. 3BR/2BA/1LA + computer room, large covered RV parking. New carpet 69,900

CARPENTER-Stanton. Updated 3BR/3BA + 3LA. 3rd LA huge would make wonderful master 69,000

MISSION CT.-Super neat 2BR/2BA TH. Refrigerator remains 69,500

GERALDINE CMP-Super 2BR TH in excellent condition, lots of ceramic tile 69,500

RAINBOW RD-Cute little home among larger properties small yard 69,000

SPARKS CMP-See sparks fly! 3/2/2, updating in progress 69,000

OXFORD- CMP3BR, 2BA, large living area, 2 car rear entry. Great way to start the new year 68,900

GREENBRIAR CMP-3BR/2BA/2-car garage w/pretty rock FP and roomy backyard. Great location 68,000

HUMBLE CMP-What a treasure! Immaculate 3/2 w/2LA PLUS sunroom, sprinklers and gas logs 66,500

WHITTLE WAY-The price is right on this 3BR/2BA, vaulted ceiling, fireplace 66,000

AMISTAD CMP-Lots of new! New tile in kitchen and baths, plus fresh paint inside and out 65,000

COUNTRY CLUB-So much space for the money! 3BR/2BA in great area. Will lease 63,500

RAINBOW-Best buy in this neighborhood. 3BR/2BA, fireplace and 2-car rear entry garage 63,000

GULF-5BR/2.5BA/2LA. Needs TLC! Great investment property 62,000

GOLF COURSE-Wonderful location! Zoned residential house is to be sold with property as is 60,000

MEREDITH-Neat 3BR on quiet cul-de-sac in Northgate, big kitchen, storage shed 60,000

GULF CMP-Spacious condo, pool/courts nearby. Newer carpet, 2BR/2BA, huge office or play room 59,500

WILSHIRE-Lots of room for everyone. Den w/lovely corner FP, 4BR/2BA, 2-garage, workshop 58,500

LOUISIANA CMP-Great first time home. 3/2 full baths, 2-garage, 15'x32' shop + 10 1/2'x16 1/2' storage 57,800

PINE CMP-Good price, good condition, large rooms, no wasted space 57,500

PINE CMP-Like new 3/2 TH, spacious room 57,500

TREVINO-Neat and clean, seq. master bedroom, formal dining area 57,500

BENTWOOD CMP-Updated, exceptional large rooms, seq. MBR, FP, roomy baths 57,000

ALPINE CMP-Great starter home, close to schools and shopping 56,900

LOUISIANA CMP-Old Midland charm with giant backyard 55,900

CUTHBERT CMP-Cozy 3BR/2BA/2-car home w/country kitchen, seq. master and spacious backyard 54,900

PLAYER CT-3BR, 2BA, 2 car garage, corner fireplace, located on quiet cul-de-sac! Call now! 53,500

MONTY-Lots of new in this 3/2/2. New carpet/paint. Nice floor plan 52,500

FRANKLIN-Quadraplex - great investment property. 2/2 bedrooms and 2/1 bedrooms. Good tenant 50,000

STOREY-Investment property. Repairs in progress. Lower price as is condition 49,950

STANOLIND CMP-Lovely starter home. 3BR/2BA, central air and heating. New carpet, fresh paint & more 49,900

BOYD-3BR/1.5BA Stucco home w/detached 2 car garage on huge corner lot 49,900

STOREY CMP-Wonderful "Old Midland" home in super condition! Guest cottage is a plus 49,900

K ST-4BR/3BA/2LAs. 2.88 acres, huge rooms, lots of storage 49,000

MICHIGAN-Priced right, 3BR/2BA, sprinkler system. Over 1600 sf. Refrigerated air/central heat 47,500

ERIE CMP-3BR/2BA/1LA, fresh paint, 12" tile in kitchen & entrance in '96 47,000

ERIE-4BR/2BA could be 3BA/2LA, very nice curb appeal 45,000

ZENETA-Charming 3/2 in West Odessa. Owner financing available 42,595

RIDGEROAD CMP-Big Spring. Nice 3BR/2BA/2 garage, new carpet and paint 42,000

IDLEWILDE #11 CMP-2BR/1.5BA TH, taupe colors, spotless, nice area. Bedrooms up 41,900

TENNESSEE CMP-Precious 2BR/1BA cottage - close to MHS w/hard wood flooring, central A/C 41,500

HARLOWE CMP-Nice 2BR with fresh paint and carpet plus white ceramic tile floors. A winner! 40,000

TRAVIS-Large 2BR/2BA + office or 2nd LA, high ceilings. FP 39,900

STOREY CMP-Nice and clean, recent carpet & fresh paint, large "bonus" room (12x20) 3BR/2BA 39,900

HOLLOWAY CMP-Adorable and affordable 2BR/2BA w/2LAs and office 39,900

SWEETBRIAR CMP-Great 4BR with tons of space, storage and back yard 38,000

STOREY CMP-Good buy for first time buyer. 3BR, brick on west side 38,000

CROCKETT-3/1 + bonus room and storage. Neat & fresh 36,000

PEACH CMP-3BR/1.5BA in convenient neighborhood central ht & ac - Hardwood floors under carpet 37,500

PLEASANT CMP-3BR/1BA, corner lot, 2-car garage, new interior paint & carpet, new H/AC '98 35,000

NOBLES-Charming 2BR cottage, near schools, downtown and parks 35,000

ROOSEVELT-Move in condition! Cute, affordable 2BR w/2LAs 29,900

THOMAS CMP-Investment Property - To Be Sold As Is 24,000

BOULDER #604-2BR/2BA/1LA, FP, second level faces Loop 250 17,000

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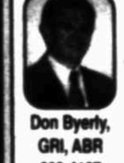
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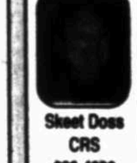

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S. CO. RD. 1265 CMP-Gorgeous home w/19+ acres. Country living at its best! Close to Midand & Odessa. Separate HT off master; Gazebo, 3 patios, 36x36 shop, catfish pond. Owner may finance 299,900

S. CO. RD. 1118 CMP-An exceptional country estate w/a 4BR home, 11 acres, enormous workshop and numerous other out buildings for horses, ostriches, and more 297,000

W. HWY. 176-Cowboys paradise. 3BR/2BR on 16.92 acres, arena, 250 trees 205,000

KNIFFEN CMP-Resnick custom. 3BR/2BA, 2.88 acres, country paradise. Won't last 199,900

E. GOLDENROD CMP-Exquisite suburban property on 3 acres. Master BR has FP! 197,900

N. Co. Rd. 1243 CMP-Absolutely better than new. Perfect 3BR/2LA, formal dining, large shop & Pecan trees 192,500

N. CO. RD. 1242 CMP-Exceptional 4/3, lots of amenities PLUS 2 large barns, 5 stalls. Arena, sprinklers, 3.76 acres 189,000

W. CO. RD. 58 CMP-Builder's own home. Plans say over 3340 sq. ft. Bright open floor plan. 2+ acres 179,000

S. CO. RD. 1218-Updated country home on 20 acres with mature Pecan trees 175,000

W. CO. RD. 58 CMP-New construction - 4BR/3BA/2LA + formal dining, fenced and pasture fencing in process 155,000

FM 307 CMP-34+ acres w/lighted arena, stalls and cross-fenced pastures and 3/2/1 house 153,000

S. CO. RD. 1130-Lots of new in this 3BR/2BA/2LA/2FP & 3-car garage. 5.22 acres 152,500

W. CO. RD. 68 CMP-Wonderful, totally redone, super pool includes Colorado River Tap. Must see 139,900

FM RD 715 CMP-Country property. 3BR/2BA/1 large LA, huge closets & kitchen. 10 acres and 5 wells 137,000

W. CO. RD. 150-50 pecan trees, 2 acres, fabulous home! Sprinklered, Mexican tile, high ceilings. WOW 125,000

MIDKIFF-Minutes from the Mall on 2 acres, custom 4BR w/2LAs plus sunroom 124,900

IRVIN CMP-Ideal suburban 4BR w/2LAs and pond 119,900

S. CO. RD. 1200 CMP-Wonderful custom 3BR/2BA, tons of space, open & light, approx. 1

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Around Town/3E
Dear Abby/7E

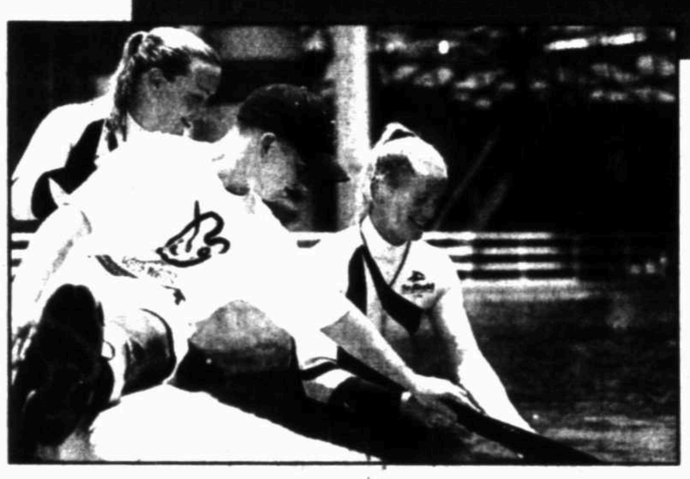




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Trainer Julie Magil, above, coaxes a killer whale to give M.D. Anderson patients an up-close-and-personal view of some sharp teeth at SeaWorld. Lupe Marquez, 14, top left photo, of Odessa gets his camera ready as Shamu, the killer whale makes his appearance. Marquez, below, and an M.D. Anderson staff member splash by on the log ride at SeaWorld.

A whale of a time!



With instruction from two SeaWorld trainers, 13-year-old cody Wetzel of Andrews touches the dorsal fin a killer whale.



Staff Reports

SAN ANTONIO — Kicking off a summer of field trips, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center recently brought 30 of its patients from across Texas to SeaWorld. Youth from age 8 to 14 were flown courtesy of Southwest Airlines to the water park for a tour that included a face-to-face introduction to Shamu, the park's killer whale.

Billed as the "High Flying Adventure to SeaWorld," patients included Cody Wetzel, 13, of Andrews, and Lupe Marquez, 14, of Odessa.

The field trip was funded by the Children's Art Project at M.D. Anderson. About 80 percent of the hospital's pediatric patients overcome cancer and live long lives.

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Photo courtesy of SeaWorld Adventure Park

SeaWorld's newest ride is the Steel Eel hypercoster that "dives" 15 stories and provides moments of weightless 'air time.'

Eel: Terror of the deep?

Staff Reports

SAN ANTONIO — The new Steel Eel hypercoaster at SeaWorld of San Antonio is being billed as the "terror of the deep" dive. This is because riders, at one point, plunge into a 15-story dive. Riders also will experience giddiness during periods of "air time," or weightlessness, as they race up and down the camelback humps that make the coaster unique. The four undulating eel-like bumps gave the coaster its name.

The coaster is one of 25 shows, rides and experiences in the park that primarily features marine animals and an ocean environment. Riders must be at least 4 feet tall.

SeaWorld is open for the summer daily through Aug 15. Then it will be open weekends Aug. 21-29 and Labor Day weekend Sept. 4-6. One-Day admission for adults (12 and older) is $31.95 plus tax, $21.95 plus tax for Children (3-11) and children age 2 and younger are free.

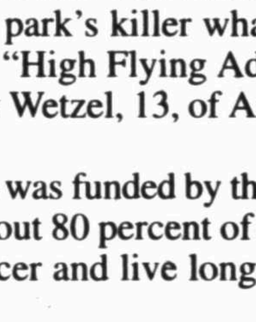
For more information on SeaWorld call (210) 523-3611 or check out the Internet web site at http://www.seaworld.org.

BOOMER BLUES

All I know about fathers I learned from watching my husband

By Myra Lee Salcedo

It's Father's Day, and being in our 40s, the number of cards my husband and I buy for our fathers and grandfathers has dwindled to one — my father. Sadly, I don't even know my father that well. My parents divorced when I was 2 years old, shortly after the birth of my younger brother. At the time, in the late 1950s, divorce was downright scandalous.



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I grew up in a household of women with no fathers, grandfathers or uncles in sight.

By the time I started school, all I really understood was that I didn't have a father. I soon learned the meaning of word "bastard" when it was hurled at me the first day of kindergarten.

Several weeks into the school year, I sat alone at a table for two in kindergarten during our classroom's father/daughter luncheon.

When my second-grade teacher assigned oral reports on "My Father's Job," my mother wouldn't tell me my Dad's vocation. I seemed to remember it had something to do with rocks (geology), but all she would say was: "He has rocks in his head."

Refusing to get up in front of the classroom to report on a father with rocks in his head, I made up a rather farfetched job for him as an astronaut (thus explaining his lengthy absence and inability to visit me) and had him circling Saturn. Sounded good to me.

A kindly teacher took me aside and explained that my tale was one of fiction, not fact, and suggested I consider fiction writing, but not to make things up. After class I told the teacher that I didn't know of my father's whereabouts or what he did and burst into tears.

"He doesn't care about me and I have to tell that next time?" I asked.

"No," came the reply. "Next time you can talk about your mother's job," the teacher said, somewhat baffled that she actually had a child of divorce in her classroom, obviously a new experience for her.

For years I felt like something was wrong with me that an integral piece of my family was missing; that I had a parent who consisted of a long-distant voice on the telephone every few years or so. I consistently hated the question: "So, what does your father do?"

So all I know about fathers I have learned from watching my husband, Andy. He's the guy who insisted on being present at my son's birth (a natural childbirth of course, the '70s thing to do) and had the nurses leaving me in the throes of labor to grab onto him when he started swaying and it appeared he was going to tumble into a faint. He did, however, compose himself enough to later run down the hall (garbed in a floppy aquamarine shower cap, shirt and booties) shouting "I have a son! I have a son!"

He was also the first to proclaim his premature-size daughter with the horribly bruised up purple face (due to a rough birth) as having "the most beautiful little face in the world."

WHO SAYS MEN AREN'T AFFECTIONATE?

Andy is the disciplinarian, but he is also affectionate, something that was foreign to me when I met him. I don't come from a family of huggers or those who express love very well. Andy never fails to tell every member of his family that he loves them every day. It's something that's become so ingrained I didn't really think about until Thursday morning. Running low on gas, I pulled into a convenience store a few blocks from the house. On her way to work, my daughter was right behind me. Always on the lookout for a "deal," she hopped out of her car and offered to pump my gas if I would buy her a soda and a snack. While I was paying the clerk, Amanda scooped her stuff off of the counter, pecked me on the check and said, "I love you, Mom, bye."

I didn't realize how loudly she had spoken until I noticed the silence and that the bustling store had come to a halt. The gentlemen behind me asked, "Was that your daughter?"

"Yes," I replied, surprised I wasn't embarrassed.

"Does she tell you she loves you every day,?" he asked.

I nodded. "Yes, several times a day."

"Gosh, I wish I had that," the man said, pocketing his change and leaving.

I realized the reason my kids express affection so easily was due to their father's example.

Aside from affection, there have been a lot of scuffed knees, especially one belonging to my daughter that she tore open skidding onto newly-laid gravel in a bicycle accident. I arrived in the bathroom to see my husband attempting to put several flimsy Band-aids over a gaping wound. Ever watchful of the budget, he was hoping to avoid a trip to the doctor's office. Mom, however, whisked said child off to an emergency clinic where she busted the budget by getting six stitches. And Mr. Fix-it thought three band-aids would suffice?

He later made up for his lack of nursing skills during a trip to California he took with our daughter during her senior year of high school. For years she had wanted to see the traveling Broadway show of "Miss Saigon." My husband told her that an upcoming show was sold out in Los Angeles, and performances wouldn't start until the week after they returned to Midland from vacation. He had managed to get tickets to another musical.

Arriving at the theater in L.A., my daughter saw a "Miss Saigon" poster which my husband explained was for the upcoming show they would miss. She insisted on having her picture taken in front of it. She isn't really smiling in the picture. Instead there is a wistful look on her face.

It wasn't until the music came up that she realized she was indeed attending a performance of "Miss Saigon."

"I started crying; Dad started crying. We were hugging and crying and the people in our row must have thought we were crazy," my daughter said. "It was the best memory I will ever have of my Dad's surprises."

Please see **FATHERS/2E**

eBay addict: Stop me before I double click again

By Beverly Bundy
N.Y. Times News Service

Stop me before I double-click again.

My eyes are bloodshot, my wrists are sore and my back aches. But I'm so entranced, I can't stop.

My husband's car breaks down, and he has to walk three miles in 90-degree heat because he can't call home, the line is busy. I'm making a buy.

It started, like most habits do, with curiosity. One online purchase certainly wouldn't be a gateway to sin. One hundred personal checks later proves otherwise.

I'm an eBay junkie — addicted to an auction house in cyberspace.

Software engineer Pierre Omidyar had only the sweetest intentions when he started eBay three years ago. He set up a personal World Wide Web page as a forum for his girlfriend to trade the Pez dispensers she collected.

Now his simple page has morphed into a 2.25 million-item inventory covering 1,627 categories with 3.8 million registered users. The beauty of the system is that the company does not own the inventory — it belongs to the sellers who pay eBay a listing fee and a percentage of the sales price to offer their goods through the whiz-bang of computer land.

The result is garage-sale heaven. Just a five-minute perusal of the site clicks up 135 listings of Mexican pottery, 1,563 of Depression glass, 3,858 dolls, 484 African-American art objects, and, heaven help us, 8,572 Beanie Babies.

A woman in Idaho is offering gently worn cowboy boots, a Hawaiian seller is selling earrings made in India and a woman in England is advertising toast forks. And you can see what you buy — most of the listings include one or more color photographs of the item, pointing out flaws or details.

This isn't QVC, where you buy a cubic zirconium that you'll see coming and going at Wal-Mart. No sir, these are genuine, one-of-a-kind ''objets.''

No more pawing through formula-stained Onesies, Dallas Cowboys coozies and lidless crockpots to get to the Steuben vase. No more Saturday mornings of crack-o'-dawn alarms to beat out the other garage-saler. No more trying to juggle the children, the traffic and the marked-up classifieds.

And the eBay facilitators make the shopping as pleasant as possible.

The system is set up like any live auction. Items are offered in categories, shoppers click on entries that catch the eye ''GENUINETURKISH VASEHAND PAINTED'' and look at the description as well as the photograph.

If you care to bid, look at the last bid, figure what you'd like to pay, enter the amount and submit the bid. When the auction is completed (most are scheduled to run five days) the high bidder is notified by e-mail from eBay. Seller and buyer have three days to get in touch by e-mail, and the buyer sends off a check or money order, including the purchase price and usually, postage.

Like a real-deal auction, there is technique to be learned. Most heavy bidding seems to occur within an hour or two of the item's close time. Sometimes the seller sets a reserve price, meaning it won't sell unless a certain price is met.

I blame my addiction — as many people do — on the stress of my job. I was compiling information for a yearlong ''food through the century'' project. I needed old recipes, old photographs, just plain old stuff to help me get a handle on the way we've been eating for the past 100 years.

After tackling the local libraries and my own collection of cookbooks, on the advice of a co-worker, I turned to eBay.

My first purchase was Item 887792861: Jell-O Recipe Booklet — Work of Art!!! 1925 (I was the high bidder at $6). I followed that with Item 88541687: RECIPES The House of Chan Cookbook 1952 ($3). Then came Item 88282989: 500 Delicious Salads (recipes) Cookbook OLD ($2). This, I've gotta say, rocks.

By now I was a regular. I knew my way around the site. (''It's like crack,'' said one co-worker. ''Walk away and just say no.'') Now I could peck around for things I used to buy at flea markets before I had a house payment and a child and a college fund to build.

First I bought treasures for myself. Item 88911475: Gorgeous Colors! — Bakelite (?) Old Jewelry Box ($10.49). Then came Item 90691226: Old Dip Bowl w/ Recipes on Outside Gold Trim ($1.50). I followed that with Jade/Jadite lamp No Reserve ($29.52).

It got to the point that I was firing up the laptop as soon as I walked in the house after work. Dinner was left to the boys to perform. I had tchotchkes to track down. But a little guilt did start to seep in around the screen.

Item 96695543: SOAP ''MADE IN SPAIN'' (3) SEE PIC!!! ($4.99) will send my mother-in-law over the moon come Christmas. She loves Macedonia glycerin soap and hasn't been able to find it since a trip to Europe 15 years ago.

Item 95919386: WOW 3 MINT HESS TRUCKS 1992/93/94 IN BOXES ($74.95) filled in the holes in my son's green-and-white truck collection.

But my sacrificial buys didn't help my case — the phone became an issue. My son's friends couldn't get through, my husband's office couldn't reach him, my parents wondered whether Fort Worth had been hit by another hailstorm.

My husband insisted on a cable modem to free up the phone. Add $30 a month to the household budget. My 6-year-old knew to tell a playmate that a word processor ''doesn't get eBay.'' The household schedule was being affected. Lots of the auctions end around 7-9 p.m. Pacific time — two hours later here — time I should be using to get ready for the next day.

But all will be forgiven. Wait until next week when the mailman drives up with Item 111100650: Wooly Mammoth Skull with Ivory Tusks.

GETTING STARTED: THE EBAY ESSENTIALS

Getting started on eBay is frighteningly simple.

Type www.ebay.com to get the site. If you want to window-shop, simply type your particular interest in the Search bar and press Enter.

For a full explanation of the site, go to the New User section and click. If you want to bid, you'll have to go to the Register area, also on the home page.

To register, you must be at least 18 years old. The form will ask for your e-mail address, your name and street address. A primary phone number is also required. No credit card information is required.

If you wish, you can supply such information as your sex, age, education and income level.

Within 24 hours, eBay will e-mail you a confirmation code, and you're ready to bid dot com.

SAFETY FIRST

A 13-year-old New Jersey boy had his Internet privileges yanked after he racked up almost $3 million in eBay bids on a red 1955 Ford convertible, a van Gogh painting, an antique bed, a copy of a Viking ship and a Superman comic book.

Despite a stern ''You must be 18 years old'' reminder (in red) on the top of the auction site's registration form, he went ahead and registered. And bid, and bid, and bid.

Kevin Pursglove, eBay spokesman, said the company has a strict policy against bidding by anyone younger than 18. But he said eBay mostly works on the honor system; it's up to users to report deadbeat bidders.

The number of consumers complaining that they were defrauded online went from 1,280 in 1997 to 7,752 in 1998, according to Internet Fraud Watch, an online fraud reporting system created by the National Consumers League.

But as e-commerce mushrooms, the Internet companies are coming up with options to protect the mostly honest shoppers.

On eBay, there's payback if buyer or seller is less than honest or prompt. The ''Feedback'' forum allows buyers and sellers to leave messages about their transactions.

In addition, the company offers i-Escrow, a service that acts as the third-party agent in sales.

Here's how it works. The buyer and seller agree on a price. The buyer sends credit-card information (MasterCard, Visa, American Express, Discover, Diners or Carte Blanche) or a check or money order, to i-Escrow. Meanwhile the seller sends the item to the buyers. When the buyer lets i-Escrow know the item has arrived and is as advertised, i-Escrow forwards the money to the seller.

This service costs the buyer 5 percent of the purchase price (with a $5 minimum) for objects up to $5,000. Items priced at more than $5,000 get a discount rate.

FATHERS: They can express affection with their families

(From 1E)

A great lover of surprising people and being surprised, there is no surprising Mr. Into-Everything. Any surprise party ever planned has ended up with him finding out, calling the guests and orchestrating what everybody should bring.

My husband was also the guy who forced his children to order their own meals at every hamburger joint and restaurant we ever went to as soon as they could speak nearly intelligibly. Never mind that they held up a line of hungry people as they tried to explain they wanted their eggs "all mixed up" (scrambled.) His children were NOT going to be wallflowers. They were going to learn to speak up and be self-sufficient.

I think this early training was how he later got both our children to sing on stage with him in their later years. (Teaching his children to sing was a fatherly duty; teaching them to dance fell to me, since Mr. Two Left Feet is not renowned at the theater for his coordination. During a rehearsal of "The Wizard of Oz" as the Tin Man, he walked out on stage and sprained his ankle by merely walking. It was noted by fellow actors that Andy was likely to be the first person ever to break a leg just walking across the state).

One of his finer moments in singing happened when he got his two grade school-aged children and his (even younger) niece to sing different parts simultaneously along with the Neil Sedaka song "Breaking Up is Hard to Do." The only way the kids could keep their parts straight was for all of them to cover their ears with their hands and sing at the top of their voices. For years, my daughter couldn't sing without covering her ears.

Upon moving to Midland in 1982, both of our children immediately became theatre brats, accompanying their father to the theater with homework and pillows.

A Midland school principal and thespian stopped me a few years ago to tell me one of her fondest theatre memories. It was of my husband leaving the theatre one night in his shirt sleeves during a snowfall with a bitter blowing wind. He was walking across the theatre parking lot as snowflakes fell and struggling with a huge bundle in his arms. The bundle was wrapped in Andy's heavily insulated snow coat and had feet sticking out one end. "Daniel's asleep," the shivering father whispered as he trotted by.

The principal said she then remembered she had seen the small boy stretched out on the coat reading a book earlier in the evening. The reason she told me the memory was because she had recently seen my son as a young adult and couldn't believe how fast time passed.

I guess it's the small moments we remember best about people. — the little gestures of devoted love that touch us the most. Of course, we remember the arguments, the mismatched socks Dad wore, the orange T-shirt and magenta shorts with the Mickey Mouse sunglasses (his San Antonio vacation attire), his tendency to serve blackened biscuits for dinner, and all the times he was impatient or overbearing.

But we also remember the surprises, his penchant for being the first one to arrive at any school function his children were involved in and ALWAYS, ALWAYS the last one to leave (because he has to say hello to absolutely everyone — a trait garnered from his own highly social father). It's the kind of thing that makes the kids drive their own cars to church. Who wants to wait 45 minutes at lunchtime for dad to hug everyone in the building? We also remember the moments of tenderness like his creating a big ruse about a surprise Broadway performance for his daughter or giving up his coat in the snow for his son.

I grew up without seeing those things in a father, without having any father figure in my life or fond memories of father. But I'm blessed that I got to experience the true meaning of "having a Dad" — through my children's eyes — as an adult.

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It's going to be a long, long, summer for parents

By Monica Frazier Anderson
N.Y. Times Service

Let's just cancel this season. Summer vacation is not working out. My children have been out of school for only two weeks and I think that is about long enough.

It's not that I don't enjoy their company, au contraire, every moment is special. It's just that I feel selfish having them all to myself for hours and hours every day. Other people deserve to share in the joy, the camaraderie, the electric bill.

Frankly, I can't afford summer. My children think we're supposed to do something exciting and entertaining every single day. They become bored right after breakfast. We've got 2,000 channels of television, but they can't find a single program worth watching or a book that will hold their interest. I barely get a cup of coffee down before the whining starts.

"Mom, can we turn the air conditioner on? It's hot in here."

"It is on."

"But Mom, look at all the sweat on my face, I'm burning up."

"That's not sweat, it's dew. You woke up too early. Just sit still and breathe slowly."

In disbelief, my son walks over to the thermostat and exclaims, "This thing is on 78 degrees! Can I turn it down some? It's cooler outside than it is in here."

"If you do, we'll have to unplug the refrigerator. Take your choice. It doesn't matter to me. You and your brother have eaten up all the food anyway. Which reminds me, please stop leaving empty boxes in the pantry and also, whenever there is only one potato chip left, feel free to dispose of the bag."

"Man, you and Dad are so cheap."

"No, cheap people don't want to spend their money. We are simply broke. We want to spend money but we don't have any because we spent it all on Star Wars, Putt Putt, football camp, seven trips to the grocery store, new swimming trunks, goggles and T-shirts."

He remains unfazed by our plight. "OK, what about our allowance? We haven't gotten it for two weeks."

"There are 12 pennies in a box under my bed. I was saving them for a special occasion but you can split them with your brother. I'll just cut my hair myself."

Laughing, he says, "Gee, you're worse than Ebenezer Scrooge."

"Son, Ebenezer had money. I'm just broke. Now, go put your goggles on, it will keep the dew out of your eyes."

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Meditation helps heart

By Sylvia Wood
Hearst News Service

NISKAYUNA, N.Y. — Every afternoon, Edward Koch sits in a chair in his home and meditates.

He had a heart attack in 1994 and health specialists at Kaiser Permanente encouraged him to improve his diet, exercise and meditate to help with his recovery program.

Of all those lifestyle changes, meditating proved to be the most simple yet the most challenging for Koch, then a 64-year-old researcher for the General Electric Co.

''You say, 'Am I doing it right? Am I leaving something out? Why aren't I levitating off the ground?''' he said.

Koch has yet to levitate but through daily meditation he has experienced a sense of peace and inner strength against the distractions and stresses of daily life.

''In traffic, I didn't have that urgency or road rage. My wife seemed to notice I was a lot calmer. I think it's helped me fight this heart disease,'' he said.

A growing body of research shows that meditation does just that, by reducing heart rate and blood pressure, improving immune function and decreasing stress-hormone levels.

In ''Dr. Dean Ornish's Program for Reversing Heart Disease,'' meditation is given the same importance for improving heart health as diet and exercise.

A 1995 panel at the National Institutes of Health found ''strong evidence'' that meditation and other relaxation techniques are effective at treating a variety of chronic conditions, from heart disease to migraines, lower-back pain and arthritis.

''Any form of stress management is helpful,'' said Dr. David Armenia, the medical director of Cardiac Rehabilitation and the Intensive Care Unit at Ellis Hospital in Schenectady. ''The problem is that getting most people to do it is difficult.''.

Koch was a skeptic. When he first started meditating, he felt fidgety and his mind jumped around, flitting from thought to thought. ''At first, I didn't think too much of it ... but I did it because it was part of the program.,'' he said. ''I look forward to it now.''

Stephan Bodian, a longtime practitioner and teacher of meditation and the author of a new book, ''Meditation for Dummies,'' tells his students not to worry about that initial restlessness. Meditation takes practice,

''It's important to know that there's really no wrong way to meditate,'' Bodian said from his office in Marin County, Calif. ''It's to make a shift from thinking and planning to just being.''

As he said in his book, our minds stress us out by replaying negative conversations, hashing over worrisome scenarios and creating inner dramas based on past or future events. Such constant mind chatter not only raises the level of stress hormones in the body, but also distracts us from enjoying the moment.

''Through the regular practice of meditation, you can reduce your suffering and stress by stilling and ultimately dissipating the confusion and turbulence inside you,'' Bodian said. ''As one Zen master put it, 'If your mind isn't clouded by unnecessary things, this moment is the best moment of your life.'''

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Newlywed couple honored with cocktail buffet

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

A cocktail buffet honored newlyweds **Nancy (Conine) and Henry Hester** while they were visiting Midland recently.

The festive event was held at the home of **Nancy and Richard Gibson.** Also hosting were **Dyan and Kip Agar, Joan and Pat Baskin, Kay and Charles Bird, Pat and Brent Blonkvist, Paula and Frank Cahoon, Johnna Curle, Joann and Dr. John Foster, Lee and George Harley, Andree and Bill Hickey, Joanie Holt, Mary Alice Knox, Patti and Watson LaForce, Lou and Don Matson,** and **Peggy and Gene Schafer.**



McKnight-Harrison

The couple were married April 13 in Las Vegas, Nev., and are now at home in Boulder, Colo. Nancy is the daughter of Midlanders **Marty Holland Conine** and **Jim Conine.**

TO CELEBRATE another successful "Celebration of the Arts" and to honor the many volunteers, a party was held a recent Saturday night at the home of **Robin Sams.**

Robin and her co-chair, **Jeff Darr,** read an original poem expressing their heartfelt appreciation to the event's chairmen, and in turn, they were recipients of framed photo montages of the two-day event.

Chan Price, president of the Arts Assembly of Midland, the Celebration's sponsor, said that the 16th annual event raised approximately $63,000. It was held in mid-May in downtown Midland.

Among the volunteers seen at the party were **Susie and Darren Groce, Jack Swallow, Tracy and Greg Alexander, Shane Boring, Peggy and Harold Allen, Kathy and Bob Young, Dana and Mark Taylor, Carol and Joey Hawkins,** and **Karen and Niranjan Sharma.**

WE HAVE RECEIVED word that ex-Midlanders **Jan and Sam Hurt** and new Abington, Va., residents, are enjoying the town to which they recently moved, as well as their new home.

The couple, who pursue their art endeavors together, were asked to display their works in an exhibition at the Starving Artist Cafe shortly after their arrival and were introduced to the local citizenry at an opening night reception.

The cafe is a local favorite and nationally recognized by such august publications as The Wall Street Journal and Southern Living.

Jan enjoys working in mixed media and collage, while Sam works with heavy contrast black and white photography, followed by additional toning. He maintains his Midland oil and gas exploration business long distance with the help of good employees.

THE LOSS OF A CAMERA, two pairs of new shoes and a film of the city they were visiting did not dampen the spirits of **Neva Rousselot** and **Peggy Thorsen,** who recently returned from visiting the Pacific Northwest.

"It was a memorable trip, with surprisingly no rain," says Peggy. "We stayed in a lovely suite in the Serrento Hotel in Seattle, with complimentary limo service at our beck and call."

Highlights included visits to the Market, the Arboretum, where the state flower, the rhododendron, was blooming in vibrant color, and the Space Needle. Theater buffs, the women saw two plays, "The Crucible," and "The Dark Sisters."

The Midlanders boarded a ferry for a wonderful side trip to Victoria, British Columbia, where they stayed at the James Bay Inn, within walking distance of downtown.

Visits to the beautiful Empress Hotel and the spectacular Buchart Gardens were highlights of their stay.

Topping off the week was a Whale Watch trip. "We saw about 18 killer whales from our vantage point in a small, Zodiac boat. It was cold, about 44 degrees, but we wore insulated wet suits."

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AROUND TOWN

Midland and Ector County offices of Texas Agricultural Extension Service will sponsor a Farm/Recreational Pond Field Day 9 a.m.-noon June 22 at the Boyd Reece Pecan Farm.

Topics will include pond management, pond site selection and construction, stocking of ponds, fertilizing to increase production, pond ecology, harvesting fish to maintain balance, and pond weed control. Michael Masser, associate professor and extension fisheries specialist from Texas A&M University, will be speaker.

Cost will be $5 per person. Anyone with a Texas Department of Agriculture Pesticide Applicator License will receive one Continuing Education Unit.

For more information and directions, call 687-1351 or 498-4071...

...MIDLAND COUNTY Public Library's brown bag lunch program this week will feature Judge George (Jody) Gilles speaking on "The Jury System and How It Works." The program is scheduled for 11:45 a.m. June 23 in the library's meeting room. The library is located at 301 W. Missouri.

Judge Gilles is serving his seventh year as Midland's 142nd District Court judge.

The library's summer series, themed "It's a Mixed Bag," will continue each Wednesday through Aug. 4. Participants are invited to bring brown bag lunches; drinks will be provided by Albertson's on Midland Drive. Talks will be 25-30 minutes in length and allow time for questions from the audience. Call 688-8991...

...PREVENT BLINDNESS Texas will host its second annual Light the Night for Sight walkathon 7 p.m. June 26 at the outdoor track at Odessa College. Funds raised will benefit educational programs of the organization.

The walks will demonstrate how to have safe and fun summer evening celebrations, including upcoming Fourth of July events.

Prizes will be awarded for the person and the team who raise the most money, as well as in categories such as best-lighted pet, stroller and person. Anyone donating $50 will receive a glow-in-the-dark T-shirt with the Light the Night for Sight logo. Call 683-0003...

..."A STAR-SPANGLED SALUTE," the Independence Day celebration in downtown Midland, is scheduled for July 3-4.

The event will begin on July 3 with the 37th annual Children's Sidewalk Parade, sponsored by the Col. Theunis Dey chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Registration will be 9 a.m., with the parade scheduled for 10 a.m.

Also on July 3, "Sirens and Suspenders," displays by the Midland Fire Department, will be shown from 9 a.m.-noon; Pickwick Players will perform at 11 a.m.; and at 2 p.m. such events as Lawn Chair Brigade, Picnic in the Park, Confederate Air Force flyover; tours of downtown Midland and the Brown-Dorsey Home; and Family Time in the Park will be presented.

Summer in the City will present Midnight Stampede from 6-8:30 p.m., and the Pulsations from 9-11 p.m.

On July 4, festivities include Family Time in the Park 1-6 p.m.; Fourth of July parade, 6 p.m.; performances by Pickwick Players, 7-7:20 p.m.; First United Methodist Church Choir, 7:30-8 p.m.; Tall City Line Dancers, 8:15-8:30 p.m.; West Texas Harmony Sweet Adeline chapter, 8:45-9:15 p.m; and Lawn Chair Brigade, 9:20-9:25p.m. Midland-Odessa Symphony, with the pryotechnic and laser light finale, will perform at 9:30 p.m.

Call 683-7111...

...AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of Retired Persons, Midland chapter #256, will meet June 21 at the Senior Center in Kingsway Mall. Pot luck meal will be served at 6:30 p.m. The Gospel-Heirs, gospel singers from Crestview Baptist Church, will perform. Call 682-1700 or 694-1447...

Happy birthday, TV dinner, only don't call it by that name

By Nathan Cobb
N.Y. Times News Service

BOSTON — In the beginning, there were frozen turkeys. There were 10 railroad cars filled with frozen turkeys. Or maybe there were 12. Or 11. Gerry Thomas really isn't sure.

"The point is that there were a mess of them and we couldn't find a home for them," the 77-year-old Thomas recalls, referring to the January day in 1954 when he had a stone cold problem on his hands. It seems that Thomas's employer, Omaha-based C. A. Swanson & Sons, needed to get rid of a passel of turkeys that hadn't made the holiday cut. His solution: a frozen dinner consisting of turkey, dressing, gravy, cornbread, peas, and sweet potatoes, all ladled with ice cream scoops into a partitioned metal tray. His idea for a name: the "TV Dinner."

"Everybody thought I was crazy," muses Thomas, who now lives in Arizona. "It was a huge gamble, and it never should have succeeded."

Success? Only 5,000 to 6,000 of those original 98-cent TV dinners were produced. Within a year, Thomas recalls, 10 million more had been shipped. As many as 300 million were annually turned out in subsequent years. A uniquely American cuisine — if that's the right word — had been born. Swanson dropped the name "TV Dinner" in 1960, but has resurrected it (through the end of June) in honor of its 45th anniversary, along with the original six-color packaging that features a wood-grain TV and plastic knobs. In March, Thomas was rewarded for his contribution when he placed his handprints in the sidewalk outside Mann's Chinese Theater in Hollywood, right between those of Ron Howard and Sean Connery.

"We were just trying to get rid of turkeys, not build a business," says Thomas. "It's an incredible story."

IT IS INCREDIBLE, too, that the type of meal Thomas begat is still a staple of supermarket frozen-food cases 45 years after its accidental birth. Frozen dinner receipts exceed $1 billion a year, their sales curve neither rising sharply nor dropping precipitously. They are just kind of there, quietly selling about 600 million units annually despite the explosive popularity of fresh, grab-and-go "home meal replacement" fare being peddled over the counter by food stores. Roughly half of us buy at least one frozen dinner each year, whether we admit it or not. Sales have been helped considerably through the years by the proliferation of microwave ovens, the emergence of the working couple, and the frantic pace of our lives.

Still, the TV dinner — and who can resist still calling it that? — has always had an image problem. Remember the old joke — that the best way to consume one of these things was to throw away the food and eat the package? "There's been a certain stigma associated with the trayed meal over the years which is hard to shake," points out Warren Thayer, editor in chief of Frozen Food Age, a trade publication. "Still, there'll always be a place for it."

Most frozen-dinner processors — the major players are Nestle USA, ConAgra Frozen Foods, and Vlasic Foods International (Swanson) — would rather discuss trendier products. Mention the D word and they are likely to change the subject to more upscale frozen entrees. (A frozen dinner is defined by the US Department of Agriculture as having at least three components, consisting of meat, poultry, cheese, eggs, vegetables, fruit, potatoes, rice, or other cereal-based products. An entree is a principal dish or main course, and can include a single vegetable.) Few companies actually label their dinners "dinners," in part because they don't want the product seen as something that can be eaten only around sundown. Until this year, Swanson hadn't run a television ad for its frozen dinners in a decade.

"We do meals, not dinners," emphasizes Roz O'Hearn, director of division and brand affairs for Nestle USA's frozen business, which includes the Stouffer's and Lean Cuisine lines.

And when they're talking about those frozen meals, executives such as O'Hearn would prefer to focus on newer products — such as "skillet" meals, "bowl" meals that can be microwaved, and large-portion meals suitable for feeding a whole family — rather than the trayed descendants of the TV dinner.

Still, when you meander along the frozen-food cases of your local supermarket, you won't find a shortage of such reliable dinners-in-trays as chicken, turkey, and Salisbury steak. (With the likes of pot roast, beef tips, and meatloaf mixed in.) Ethnicity tends to run along the lines of lasagna or enchiladas. Exotica generally involves tinkering with chicken: chicken Dijon, glazed chicken, herb-roasted chicken, etc. And the taste? "Generally just so-so," declared Consumer Reports in a recent test of frozen meals and entrees.

FROZEN DINNERS tend to have broad appeal, but some of us enjoy heating and eating them more than others do. Least likely to reach for them are young singles, childless couples, and new families. They're also less popular with African-Americans than with whites. Blue-collar families, older couples, and elderly singles are strong buyers, as well as a group that a recent National Frozen Food Association survey described as the "Hectic Have-Tos": convenience-dependent folks who lead fast-paced lives. On the other end of the scale in this study were the "Frozen Rejectors," a.k.a. "confident cooks."

When Gerry Thomas concocted his TV Dinner 45 years ago, frozen foods had already been around for nearly a quarter of a century. A few airlines had even tried feeding frozen dinners, called "Strato-Plates," to passengers during the 1940s. But it was Thomas who brought precooked meals to the masses. "Even back then, women were working outside the home in greater numbers," he says. "They were looking for something fast to fix for their kids, something that wouldn't give them a guilt complex. And, of course, there were no fast-food chains."

Sales of frozen dinners eventually flattened out during the late 1970s, but rose again in the 1980s with lower-calorie offerings. And the baby boom kids, who had been trained on TV dinners, liked them just fine. The dinners persevere today, the vast majority still in trays, even with innovations such as bowls and bags. They are an enduring slice of American pie that won't go away, despite their image problem and an industry that often seems to treat them like . . . well, like an unwanted guest at the dinner table.

"You know, I could never find a man that admitted eating a TV Dinner," Thomas says. "Women would admit it, but not men. My conclusion was that we had an awful lot of closet TV Dinner eaters."

Bean salad is vegetarian

Associated Press

This vegetarian recipes use canned beans as its source of protein, fiber, vitamins and minerals. This easy-to-make dish involves very little actual cooking time, with a minimum of time spent over a hot stove on a fine summer day.

Hawaiian Bean Salad has a sprightly tropical taste, with its combination of pineapple, chili and spice.

HAWAIIAN BEAN SALAD

1/4 cup lime juice
2 tablespoons orange juice
2 (15-ounce) cans dark red kidney beans, drained and rinsed (see note)
15-ounce can black beans, drained and rinsed (see note)
2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
1 garlic clove, minced
1 red bell pepper, diced
1 cup crushed pineapple, drained
1 small green chili pepper, chopped
2 scallions, diced
1/2 teaspoon allspice
1 tablespoon chopped mint
Salt and pepper to taste

Combine juices, oil and garlic in a medium bowl. Toss in the beans. Add remaining ingredients and let stand at room temperature for 30 minutes. Serve immediately or refrigerate.

Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Recipe from: Michigan Bean Commission.

QUINCEANERA

Midland girl marks 15 years

Cynthia Aguirre, daughter of German Aguirre and Maria Aguirre, offered her thanks to the Lord for her 15th birthday on May 22 in Saint Stephens Catholic Church in Midland. A reception followed at La Villita Convention Center in Midland. Miss Aguirre's chambelane (escort) was Auden Do La O' De la Rosa. She is the sister of David Zendejas of San Antonio and the granddaughter of Jose Macias and Bertha Macias of El Paso; and Ezequiel Aguirre and Melita Luna de Aguirre from Guanacebi, Durango, Mexico.



Cynthia Aguirre

Dios Bendito
GRACIAS

Por mi 15 años de vida y por mis padres y seres queridos. Te prometo Señor, sequir tus pasos, y hacer tu voluntad hoy, mañana y siempre.

Tips make packing easier

NEW YORK (AP) — Summer is a busy season for travel. And when it comes to packing, whether for business or pleasure, the decision-making process can be difficult. Irene Wilson, trend forecaster for Spiegel Catalog Co., says the increase in travel spending — up 95 percent since 1986 — is directly related to the growing number of women who are traveling for business and pleasure.

But it's impossible to pack one's entire wardrobe into one or two suitcases. In a travel poll by Danskin, which markets and manufactures leading brands of women's activewear and dancewear, two-thirds of the women surveyed said they tended to overpack because they wanted to have the right outfit for any occasion.

Many companies are offering customers interchangeable pieces that can be used to create a travel wardrobe. These can include knit tanks, blazers, skirts and pants; knit dresses that can be accessorized for business or pleasure; and packable raincoats in their own travel pouches.

Danskin's Packables is a collection of wrinkle-resistant skirts, pants, tops and dresses, in a variety of colors, that can be mixed and matched. Silhouettes include a one-button jacket, cropped cardigan, long-sleeved tunic, sleeveless shell, crew neck T-shirt, V-neck T-shirt, slim pant, drawstring pant and skirt, long skirt, short dress and long dress.

Some tips from Spiegel on how to pack:

- Roll items to maintain shape.
- Fill the lost space in shoes with underwear and-or socks.
- Place sweaters and other bulky items flat in the bottom of your luggage to maximize space.
- Be sure everything matches with everything else.
- Don't pack anything that "maybe" you'll wear, and when you're finished packing, take out one more thing.

Go surfing! On the Net

By L.R. Shannon
N.Y. Times News Service

If your summer vacation goes beyond basking on a beach with Dick Francis or lolling alongside a mountain lake with Danielle Steel, you could learn about the Civil War or how to cook haute or basse cuisine or even study real French.

Thousands of Web sites offer educational trips, and you could spend an entire three-week vacation without getting to the bottom of them. But Shaw Guides can streamline the search.

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There are detailed data about more than 3,500 arts and crafts workshops, cooking vacations, educational travel programs, golf schools and camps, language vacations, photography workshops and tours, tennis schools and camps, water sports schools and camps, and writers' conferences.

I put in a request for any type of educational travel from the end of July to the end of this year, and came up with 263. I looked at a bunch of them, including Holt's Battlefield Tours, an English outfit; the Four Corners School of Outdoor Education, in Utah; and the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology, in Oregon.

A typical listing gives the program's Web addresses, though not all the entries are on the Web; year established; a brief description; number of programs a year, their length and group size; location and months of operation; and all the names and numbers to call.

SMITHSONIAN TOURS
www.si.edu/tsa/sst

More than 300 "learning vacations" are offered by the Smithsonian Institution and can be sampled at its Web site. The site is clean and mercifully unexciting; design has matured in the last few years. The vacations range from three days to three weeks, and generally take 20-some people. The prices, which are not low, include hotels (unless listed as optional), most meals, sightseeing, lectures, tips and transportation on the tour; transportation to the beginning of the vacation is often extra.

BRIDGE WINNERS

The following are bridge winners for May 31-June 6.

MONDAY
1. Lenora Slusher, Peggy Cook
2. Jimmie Penn, Sue Gardiner
3. Norma James, Joe Salman
4. Becky and Lyle Kinsey

WEDNESDAY
NORTH-SOUTH:
FLIGHT A:
1. Deborah Brookins, R.J. Englert
2. Jimmie Branch, Jimmy Cox
3. Jimmie Penn, Becky Kinsey
FLIGHT B:
1. Deborah Brookins, R.J. Englert
2. Jimmy Cox, Jimmie Branch
3. Kathryn Gesell, Joe Brittain

EAST-WEST:
FLIGHT A:
1. Lena Nichols, Jean Pistole
2. Mary Renton, Ken Hill
3. Aggie Anguish, Sue Gardiner
FLIGHT B:
1. Mary Renton, Ken Hill
2. Ann Servatius, Clarence Marley
3. Barbara Steinert, Babe Griffin

THURSDAY
1. Fena Berry, Joe Salman
2. Billie Ruppe, Beverly Holmberg
3. Betty George, Helen Owen
4. Sally Reeder, Dixie Gifford

FRIDAY
TALL CITY
OVERALL WINNERS
1. Terri Tedford, Martha Poss
2. Kathryn Evans, Jerry Crooker
3. Jane Myers, Dixie Gifford
4. Wyoma Whitlow, Marsha Swanson
5. Jimmie Penn, Lester Dewey
6. James Simpson, Becky Kinsey
EVENING:
1. Jean Pistole, Deborah Brookins
2. Marian Mathews, Ann Servatius
3. Betty Sheeler, Flo Curry
4. Frances Levin, Laura Williams
5. Orpha and Wm. Sears
6. Debbie Kemp, Ricki Perry

SATURDAY
1. Lena Nichols, Leonora Slusher
2. Gloria Crites, Becky Kinsey
3. Marc Levine, Mark Lair
4. and 5. Tie: Betty Sheeler, Jerry Williamson, Belvin Redus, Clarence Marley
6. Laura Williams, Ann Servatius
EVENING:
1. Leonora Slusher, Lena Nichols
2. Aggie Anguish, Ricki Perry
3. Laura Williams, Ann Servatius
4. Maggie and Dan Keleher
5. Marc Levine, Mark Lair
6. Billie Rush, Jo Price
BRACKETED KNOCKOUT TEAM:
1. Betty Dickerson, Billie Mitchell, Mary Hammond, Jimmie Penn

SUNDAY
SWISS TEAM
1. Sandra Rhodes, Linda Jerman, Buf Slay, Jerry Crooker

Winners announced

NEW YORK (AP) — Ladies' Home Journal magazine has announced the winners of its first Women's Choice Awards, an honor bestowed on female celebrities by the women who admire them.

In a nationwide poll, 6,000 readers cast votes for their favorite stars through the Ladies' Home Journal Web site. Meg Ryan was chosen as best actress. Other winners: favorite TV actress: Helen Hunt; favorite comedian: Whoopi Goldberg; favorite all-around performer: Bette Midler; favorite female TV reporter: Katie Couric.

CLUB NEWS

XI ALPHA MU CHAPTER, BSP

Xi Alpha Mu chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Joela Herring. Laurel Dow was co-hostess. Ms. Herring gave a program on the scrapbook. Plans were made to attend a baseball game and the fireworks display. Amy Barnhill won the door prize.

ALTRUSA

Altrusa International Inc. of Midland met at the Hilton Hotel and Towers. Mary Gillam welcomed new members Elizabeth Harrell and Michelle Rodriguez. Bonnie Baker led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Altrusa collect. Caroline Keisling gave the Accent. Janis Moore gave the year-end financial report. Jean Reid was appointed chairman of the standing rules annual review committee. Dovie St. Peters announced the program for June. Carol Kullman, Mary Alice Tidwell, Ruth Price and Francine Weaver presented mini-workshops with the members of their committees. Mary Ritchie led the Altrusa benediction.

TEJAS GARDEN CLUB

Tejas Garden Club met for luncheon and installation of officers in the home of Jacki Simmers. Co-hostesses were Tonya Carroll and Mary Lou Wilson. Louise Henderson was a guest. Mrs. Simmers was presented with a gift in appreciation for her work as president.

EN AMIE

En Amie Review Club met for luncheon and program at Green Tree Country Club. May Lou Cassidy reviewed "I'm Not as Old as I Used to Be," by Francis Weaver. Edna Sexton is a new member. Guests were Juanima Hamm, Francis Stapp, Francis Newton, Johni Hughes, Victor Jean Robbins, Suzzane Nutting, Karen Burkett, Tamera Morris, Vera Tudor and Bessie Collins. Hostesses were Sally Whiteley, Linda Evans, Mary Sue Harrison, Kay Sterrett, Judy Pike and Betty Simpson.

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ENGAGEMENTS

HERRINGTON-MURDOCK

Kristal Autumn Herrington and Brad Murdock, both of Midland, plan to be married 4 p.m. Aug. 14 at Midland Bible Church. The bride-elect is the daughter of Toni and Bud McCurdy and Vergil Herrington, all of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Cindy and David Murdock of Midland.

Miss Herrington is a 1997 graduate of Midland High School and a student at Blinn College School of Dental Hygiene. Her fiance, a 1995 graduate of Lee High School, is a senior at Texas A&M University, where he is majoring in business.



Kristal Autumn Herrington and Brad Murdock

FRITZ-JAY

Charmaine Louise Fritz and former Midlander James L. (Pepper) Jay, both of Hanford, Calif., plan to be married 6:30 p.m. Sept. 18 at First Presbyterian Church in Hanford.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry B. Fritz of Hanford. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. James L. Blaisdell of San Antonio.

Miss Fritz is a 1995 graduate of Hanford Union High School. She earned an associate's degree in accounting from Heald College in Fresno, Calif., and is an accountant with SAF-T-CAB Inc. in Fresno. She is a member First Presbyterian Church.

Her fiance graduated from Lee High School in 1993 and earned a bachelor of arts degree in history from the University of Texas at San Antonio in 1997. He is youth director at First Presbyterian Church in Hanford.



Charmaine Louise Fritz and James L. Jay

JACKSON-SALCEDO

Leigh-Anne Jackson will become the bride of Daniel Ramon Salcedo, both of Midland, at 5 p.m. Aug. 14 in Midland. Miss Jackson is the daughter of Roy and Terri Jackson of Midland. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stallings, and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stallings, all of Clovis, N.M. Parents of the groom are Andre "Andy" Rene and Myra Lee Salcedo of Midland.

Salcedo is the grandson of Charlotte "Chala" Salcedo of Dallas, Carol Mae Tatum of Las Vegas, Nev., and Arlie "Art" and Sally Tatum of El Paso.

Miss Jackson is a 1995 graduate of Lee High School and a cosmetology school graduate. She is assistant manager with Wet Seal.

Salcedo, a 1993 graduate of LHS, attended Midland College on the Abell-Hangar scholarship. He is employed with Cattle Baron restaurant.



Leigh-Anne Jackson and Daniel Ramon Salcedo

ANNIVERSARIES

Couple celebrates anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. C. DeWayne Davis celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently. Davis and the former Dorothy Hamilton were married June 11, 1949, at First United Methodist Church in Stanton.

The couple has two children — Mary Lou Selby of Ephrata, Wash., and DeWayne (Deen) Davis Jr. of Burleson. They also have six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Davis served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He is a former Midland County Commissioner and former Chamber of Commerce executive, and is retired from Midland Independent School District. Mrs. Davis retired as an administrative secretary in the legal division at Texaco Inc.



Mr. and Mrs. C. DeWayne Davis

McDuffeys take anniversary trip

Sam and Nelda McDuffey of Midland celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a two-week trip on Amtrak through Philadelphia, Boston, Battle Creek, Mich., and Chicago.

McDuffey and the former Nelda Warren were married June 17, 1949, in Eastland. They have seven children — Susan McDuffey, Kasie McDuffey, Kortnie McDuffey and Cindy Singleton, all of Midland; Judy Flood of Odessa, Kim Johnson of Battle Creek, Mich., and Perry McDuffey of Mesquite — as well as seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

The couple lived in Colorado City and Lamesa before moving to Midland in 1952. They are members of the First Baptist Church in Midland.



Sam and Nelda McDuffey

LIFESTYLE GUIDELINES

The deadline for all items to be published in the Lifestyle pages is 2 p.m. Friday, the week before said item is to be published.

AROUND TOWN

Items submitted for the Around Town column will be published at least once; more than once if space allows. The Around Town column is published Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Deadline for all Around Town items is 2 p.m. each Friday for items which will be published the following week, beginning on Monday. The space is free of charge and is offered on a first-come/first-serve basis.

CLUB NEWS/LUNCHEONS/FASHION SHOWS

Deadline for all Club News items, luncheons and fashion shows (which are published in Sunday newspapers) is 2 p.m. Friday, 10 days before the item will appear.

MILESTONE EVENTS

The Reporter-Telegram publishes announcements of such milestone events as engagements, weddings and wedding anniversaries, and quinceneras, bar mitzvahs and bat mitzvahs of charge.

Deadline to have an announcement published in the Sunday paper — including wedding engagement and anniversary announcements — is 2 p.m. 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.

■ Wedding announcements: Wedding announcements must be published up to six weeks after the event. Names of no more than 25 attendants for the bride and 25 attendants for the bridegroom will be published. Cities of residence for wedding attendants will no longer be published. Relationships will be published only for brothers and sisters, parents (or grandparents) or children of the wedding couple. For those wishing to list more, advertising space may be purchased.

■ Wedding anniversaries: 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.

Forms for weddings, engagements and anniversaries are available in the Editorial 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 in the Editorial Department after publication, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be enclosed for the photo to be returned by mail.

Summer fun abundant in NYC

By Jerry Morris
N.Y. Times News Service

It was in early March when we departed Pennsylvania Station and grabbed a cab to our hotel to avoid the rain.

Rain? It wasn't raining — it was snowing. And we didn't realize it until we started to gaze at St. Patrick's Cathedral well below our 45th floor room at the New York Palace. Suddenly, we realized those were snowflakes in front of us, but that they turned to rain at street level. New York is full of wondrous sights, and those at street level can be quite different 45 stories above.

In any season, in any weather, New York City can be fun, but summer is special.

Dining and shopping are two of the more popular things to do, so check out Restaurant Week this week when 100 of the top restaurants in the city offer three-course, prix-fixe meals at $19.99.

From July 1 to Aug. 31, stores on Madison Avenue and in SoHo are offering special values, especially to those paying with an American Express card.

From July 1-Sept. 30, more than 50 of the city's museums, art centers, zoos, and historic sites will be offering one-hour tours highlighting their best offerings. Music also will be popular this summer with free performances by the Metropolitan Opera throughout the five boroughs. The JVC Jazz Festival runs through June 27, and other concerts are planned. Almost every week there will be street fairs in various neighborhoods.

In the museum world, art exhibits range from Cezanne to Van Gogh, and June 12 the American Museum of Natural History opened the Gottesman Hall of Plant Earth, which includes frozen ice-core samples from Greenland, towering sulfide chimneys from the ocean floor, and life-size casts of rock outcrops from Switzerland. Everything in the hall is designed to explain our planet's inner workings.

For information on planning a visit to NYC, call 800-NYC-VISIT or stop by the new Visitor Information Center at 810 Seventh Ave. at 53rd Street or log on to www.nycvisit.com or www. newyork.citysearch.com. With more than 62,000 rooms, there should be no problem finding accommodations, but the city offers assistance with a one-stop hotel rate and availability line: 800-846-7666.

New York City's hotels all offer special packages, and great experiences. The New York Palace (800-NY-PALACE) features a weekend shopping getaway that includes a discount at neighboring Saks Fifth Avenue along with personal shopping assistance and complimentary gift wrap. The package begins at $245 a room. The hotel also features a "hotel within a hotel" called The Towers with luxurious features, including room service from Le Cirque 2000 restaurant (including its legendary creme brulee), which is located in the Villard House, part of the hotel.

Looking for a touch of the Irish? The Fitzpatrick Grand Central Hotel at East 44th Street and Lexington Avenue, and the Fitzpatrick Manhattan Hotel at Lexington and 56th streets, offers Irish amenities in every room. The Manhattan has 52 suites with separate living area that have sofa beds for the kids. Rates begin at $199 at the hotels (call 800-367-7701).

The Times Square area's newest luxury hotel is The Premier with features such as oversized baths, full- length windows, luxurious beds, and Premier signature champagne Popsicles, alone worth a visit. The hotel is adjacent to the Millennium Broadway hotel and the Hudson Theater. Weekend rates are $279 through June 30. Call 212-789-7778.

The Benjamin, 125 East 50th St. on the corner of Lexington Avenue offers an intimate, boutique-style setting, and the promise of a better night's sleep than at home. Benjamin guests can choose from its 11 Sound Sleep Pillow Menu for just the right one to place your head on. For information, call 888-4-BENJAMIN.

The Holiday Inn Wall Street is the first new hotel in the area in eight years. The hotel is filled with the latest technology. Weekend rates begin at $150. Call 212-232-7800.

Or, maybe you're looking for some history. The Roosevelt Hotel, circa 1924, is celebrating its 75th anniversary with rates beginning at $175 through Sept. 6. The hotel has been throughly restored while retaining all the glamour of its past. This is where Guy Lombardo began welcoming in New Year's Eve.

Two turn-of-the-century hotels that have been refurbished but offer a taste of old New York are the Herald Square Hotel (212-279-4017) and the Wolcott Hotel (212-268-2900), both on 31st Street between Broadway and Fifth Avenue. The hotels offer rates of about $130 for two.

For a "Suite Family Value," consider Manhattan East Suite Hotels, nine distinct all-suite properties with rates beginning at $220 a night through July 31. The package offers separate rooms for parents and kids, a free guide, and more. Suites offer kitchens with microwavee. Call 800-ME-SUITE.

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ELSEWHERE IN NEW YORK STATE

The Adirondack Museum in Blue Mountain Lake is featuring "Rockwell Kent's Adirondack Legacy," with rarely exhibited paintings, drawings, and books. Kent, an outspoken proponent of leftist causes, became the subject of Senator Joseph McCarthy's Committee on Un-American Activities, and as a result his work was shunned in the United States in the '50s.

Saratoga Springs, best known for its thoroughbred racing, which this year runs July 28 through Labor Day (the biggest race, the Travers Stakes, is Aug. 28), is also a place famed for its healing waters, history, and honors: Among recent awards are the American Heritage's first Great American Place, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation's designation as a Great American Main Street. For information, call 800-526-8970.

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CRUISE THE HUDSON

NY Waterway's "American Castle" cruises offer a day trip along the Hudson River, visiting historic sites such as the Rockefeller Estate at Kykuit and Lyndhurst, the country's finest Gothic Revival mansion. The Lyndhurst cruise includes an optional visit to Sunnyside, the home of Washington Irving. Cruises depart from Pier 78 at West 38th Street on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays at 10:30 a.m., returning at 6 p.m. The Lyndhusrt cruise is $49 for adults, $25 for children; the Kykuit cruise is $60 a person. For information, call NY Waterways at 800-533-3779 or visit www.nywaterway.com.

Visit to Big Apple doesn't have to be expensive

By Richard P. Carpenter
N.Y. Times News Service

We've said it before and we'll say it again: New York City doesn't have to be expensive. Here, from the New York Convention & Visitors Bureau, are just some examples of free good stuff:

■ With a Big Apple Greeter leading the way, you can see New York from a New Yorker's point of view. These experienced volunteer guides share the secrets of their neighborhoods at no charge. But make an appointment at least 10 days in advance. Call 212-669-8159 or visit www.bigapplegreeter.org.

■ Concerts and dance performances are yours to enjoy under big palm trees at the World Financial Center's Winter Garden, a handsome glass-enclosed business and shopping complex on Lower Manhattan's waterfront. Special summer events are held outdoors. Call 212-945-0505 or visit www.worldfinancialcenter.com.

■ You can take in folk paintings, pottery, furniture, quilts, and other 18th-century decorative arts at the American Museum of Folk Art, which is free Tuesdays through Sundays until 7:30 p.m. Call 212-595-9533 or visit www.folkartmuse.org.

■ Money, money, money: Watch millions of dollars worth of commodities change hands at the New York Mercantile Exchange Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The exchange's museum is open 9 to 5. Call 212-299-2499.

■ Whether you like classical music, jazz, drama, opera, or dance, you'll relish the free warm-weather performances in NYC parks by the New York Philharmonic, City Opera, Shakespeare in the Park, and many more groups. Call 212-360-3444.

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Travel Trivia: For what is New York City's 47th Street best known? (Answer at end of column.)

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In a name: Times Square was originally called Longacre Square. Quotable: "He adored New York. . . . He romanticized it all out of proportion. To him . . . this was still a town that existed in black and white and pulsated to the great tunes of Gershwin." — Woody Allen in "Manhattan."

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You're the star: The NBC Experience is a new, interactive, high-tech attraction at NBC headquarters, 30 Rockefeller Plaza.

Through blue-screen technology (and for a price), you can be interviewed by Jay Leno, ride Conan O'Brien's desk, or forecast the weather with Al Roker of "Today" — then take home a tape of these or other encounters.

In addition, you'll find a high-definiton TV theater, a memorabilia museum, a sweet shop, and lots of merchandise for sale.

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Big mouth: The Statue of Liberty's mouth is three feet wide.

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Bubbly treat: Champagne Popsicles are served in the lounge of the Premier Hotel in Times Square.

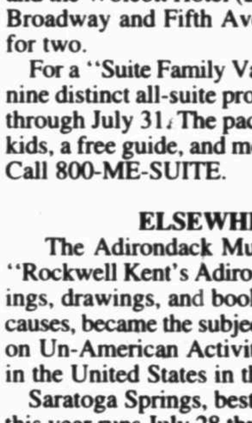
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WEDDINGS

ARRINGTON-FORET

DALLAS — The home of Dr. David Klamer in Dallas was the setting for the noon May 22 wedding of Vicki Dawn Arrington of Colleyville and Allan Thomas Foret of Fort Worth. Judge Fletcher Freeman officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Nadine Arrington of Colleyville and the late Jimmy Arrington. Parents of the bridegroom are Gene and Carolyn Foret of Midland.

Sandy Ormerod served as honor attendant for the bride, who was also attended by Shelly Swain and Tricia Simpson.

Paul Eldridge was honor attendant for the bridegroom. David Faulkner and Toby Morey also attended the bridegroom. Weston Pollock, Kory Bryant and Mark Fisher were ushers.

The bride is a 1996 graduate of the University of Texas at Arlington and Ultrasound Diagnostic School. She is a medical technician at Las Colinas Medical Center in Fort Worth. Her husband graduated from Texas Christian University in 1990 and is a graduate student at Texas Woman's University.



Mr. and Mrs. Allan Thomas Foret

After a western Caribbean cruise, the couple lives in Bedford.

SIVAGE-BIRD

FORT WORTH — Keri Ann Sivage of Midland became the bride of Brant Michael Bird of Abilene 5 p.m. May 15 at Western Hills Baptist Church in Fort Worth.

Parents of the bride are Dr. and Mrs. Vernon Sivage of Jinja, Uganda, Africa. The bridegroom is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Craig Bird of Thomasville, N.C.

Amy Sivage was honor attendant for the bride, who was also attended by Jennifer Randolph, Natalee Miller and Misty McGee.

Matthew Schwandt was honor attendant for the bridegroom. His other attendants were Coby Bird, Mara Bird and Courtney Pugh. Ushers were Jeremy Perkins, John Savage, Duncan Boyle and James Barta.



Mr. and Mrs. Brant Michael Bird

After a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple lives in Abilene.

CUELLAR-MORALES

ODESSA — Elizabeth Cuellar of San Antonio and Novert A. Morales of Midland were married at First United Methodist Church in Odessa. The Rev. Bill Heggemeier officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Roy and Hilda Cuellar of Odessa. Parents of the bridegroom are Felipe and Celia Morales of Midland.

The couple lives in Midland.



Mr. and Mrs. Novert A. Morales

VanETTEN-COWAN

ODESSA — Tracey Lynn VanEtten of Odessa became the bride of Michael Duraine Cowan of Midland 2 p.m. June 19 at Temple Baptist Church in Odessa. The Rev. Griffin Jones officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Freddie and Sharon VanEtten. Parents of the bridegroom are Mike and Kathy Cowan.

Renee Davidson was honor attendant for the bride, who also was attended by Micalee Wiggs and Denise Wiggs.

Stacey L. Adams was the bridegroom's honor attendant. His other attendant was Chase Smith. Ushers were Rob Cross and Eric Wiggs.

After a wedding trip to Negril, Jamaica, the couple will live in Midland.

NICHOLS-CLARK

Crestview Baptist Church in Midland was the setting for the 2 p.m. June 19 wedding of former Midlander Patricia D'Ann Nichols and Kyle Wayne Clark, both of Lubbock. The Rev. Ty Morris Jr., assisted by Saralyn Murphy, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Don and Barbara Nichols of Midland. Parents of the bridegroom are James and Stacia Clark of Kermit.

Rachel Jamison Baldwin was honor attendant for the bride. Also attending the bride were Shelley Stringer Marshall, Casey Anderson Ingouf, Melissa Robertson Thomas, Sarah Ann Nichols, Douglas Ryan Nichols, Angie Clark Jordan, sister of the bridegroom; Leslie Michele Ridley, Katie Deanne Ridley, Kathy Nichols Armstrong, Donna Doyle and Richard Atchley.

Donny Elder was honor attendant for the bridegroom, who also was attended by Rex Kilgore, Shannon Cooke, Jimmy Burleson, Paton Parrish and Cathy Parrish. Ushers were Steve Nichols, brother of the bride; Andy Stanton, Brian Thomas and Chris Garza.



Mrs. Kyle Wayne Clark

After a wedding to St. Thomas and St. John in the U.S. Virgin Islands, the couple will live in Lubbock.

CARR-GALLAGHER

ODESSA — Amber Sue Carr and Jimmy Coursen Gallagher, both of Midland, were married 7 p.m. June 4, at Temple Baptist Church in Odessa. The Rev. Jerry Thorpe officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Joe and Marla Carr of Midland. Parents of the bridegroom are Donny and Vickey Gallagher of San Angelo and Glee Holcombe of New Braunfels.

Casey Newcum was honor attendant for the bride. Her other attendants were Amanda Stanley, Tiffani Zachry, Jennifer Gallagher, sister of the bridegroom; Erica Stricher and Melinda Creel.

Honor attendant for the bridegroom was Ryan Hamilton. He also was attended by Steven Beck, Chad Creel, Larson Langston and Chaice Pipkin. Ushers were Chad Creel, Shawn Creel, Brandon Anderson and Clayton Henson.



Mrs. Jimmy Coursen Gallagher

After a wedding trip to Sweetwater, the couple lives in Midland.

KING-MELENDEZ

Lisa Renee King and Javier Alberto Melendez, both of Midland, were married 3 p.m. May 30 at the Seventh Day Adventist Church. Hector Quinones officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon King of Midland.

Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Juan Melendez of Midland.

Marisela Romero, the sister of the bridegroom, and Susan King, the sister of the bride, were the bride's honor attendants. She also was attended by Elsa Franco.

Leo Romero and Roger King, the brother of the bride, were honor attendants for the bridegroom, who was also attended by John Orellana, son of the bride, and Leo Romero Jr.



Mrs. Javier Alberto Melendez

The couple lives in Midland.

ESTES-THOMPSON

LAMESA — First Baptist Church in Lamesa was the setting for the 7 p.m. June 5 wedding of Shea D'Lynn Estes of Lamesa and Andrew Trey Thompson of Midland.

The Rev. Rick McGee, pastor of First Baptist Church of Smyer, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Jack and Theresa Estes of Lamesa. Parents of the bridegroom are Michael A. and Alma Thompson of Midland.

Lisa Lee was honor attendant for the bride, who also was attended by Chasti Aguirre, Dawn Sipll, Rebecca Hill, Michel Ann Thompson, sister of the bridegroom; Errin Etheredge, Lauren Hodges, Morgan Hodges, Jordan Hodges and Devin Allen.

The bridegroom's honor attendant was his brother, Jon Paul Thompson. His other attendants were Carey Gentry, Matt Gilmore, Josh Jacobs, Chris Owen and Craig Kuiper. Ushers were Troy Coleman, Jeremy Gilliam, Jerimiah Luttrell, Cade Nobles and Lon Estes, brother of the bride.



Mrs. Andrew Trey Thompson

After a honeymoon in Las Vegas, the couple lives in Houston.

SCOGGINS-LACEY

NASSAU, Bahamas — Sandals Royal Bahamian Resort was the setting for the 4:30 p.m. June 8 wedding of former Midlander Krystal Ann Scoggins and Dr. Stuart R. Lacey, both of Lubbock, Texas.

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Shirlene Scoggins of Midland, Texas. Parents of the bridegroom are Don and June Lacey of Portales, N.M.

The bride graduated from Texas Tech University and earned a master of science degree in nursing from West Texas A&M University. She is a family nurse practitioner with Physician Network Services. Her husband is associate professor of surgery and pediatrics, and director of the surgery residency program at Texas Tech University Health Science Center. He also is attending pediatric surgeon and chief of pediatric trauma services at University Medical Center and at Convenant Children's Hospital.



Mrs. Stuart R. Lacey

After a honeymoon in the Bahamas, the couple lives in Lubbock.

Expert recommends ways to care for feet

NEW YORK (AP) — Abusing and neglecting your feet can add up to a lot of problems, says Dr. Suzanne M. Levine, podiatrist with New York Weill Cornell Center of New York Presbyterian Hospital. Levine has some advice for dealing with the most common foot worries:

■ Corns and calluses. Treat your feet with warm soaks and slough off some of these hard, thickened areas of skin with a pumice stone. Avoid those over-the-counter treatments that contain acid, Levine cautions, because the ingredients can burn skin or cause ulcers.

■ Cracked heels. Not only are they ugly, they can become infected. The doctor recommends using exfoliating products with an alpha-hydroxy acid for treatment.

■ Ingrown toenails. If one develops, first soak your feet in warm water laced with Epsom salts or vinegar. After soaking, gently push the skin away from the nail with a clean orange stick. Then file the ingrown nail with a clean new emery board, apply antibiotic ointment, and bandage. If the problem persists, or if the toenail to too painful to treat yourself, see a podiatrist.

■ Foot odor. Eating spicy foods often causes stinky feet. Avoid very spicy foods and drink lots of water. Dusting your feet at least twice a day with a deodorizing powder may offer some relief. One treatment Levine recommends is soaking your feet in a tannic acid solution, which can be made by brewing two teabags in a quart of warm water.

■ Athlete's foot. The first rule is to never go barefoot in public areas. Swimming pools, locker rooms and saunas are germ-laden territories. Wear rubber sandals in wet places and dry your feet thoroughly, especially between the toes, after you shower. Levine says some over-the counter products are very effective in treating athlete's foot.

If you're vigilant, you can maintain good-looking feet year round, says Levine.

She recommends a regular routine including soaking feet in a warm Epsom salts solution, followed by a session with the pumice stone. At night, apply a moisturizing lotion or cream — menthol- or mint-infused creams are good. Before bedtime, massage your feet by kneading the sole of each foot, including instep and toes, with your thumbs.

And, she adds, choose shoes that are well-cushioned, substantially soled and comfortable.

Even most beloved pets can make owners sick

NEW YORK (AP) — You share a lot with your little four-legged family members — but that can include infections that can make you sick.

Owner of two dogs, Dr. Philip Tierno, director of clinical microbiology at NYU Medical Center, has some tips for fellow pet owners who want to protect both their animals and themselves:

■ After you stroke, handle or pat your pet, wash your hands. That turtle you picked up out of his aquarium may carry salmonella, a leading cause of gastrointestinal diseases in humans.

■ Don't allow your dog or cat to lick your mouth, nose, or any open wound. Animals can transmit germs such as Pasteurella that can prevent healing of the wound.

■ Keep your pets' vaccinations up to date. Dogs and cats can get rabies or syphilis-like leptosperosis, both of which can be transmitted to humans.

■ Groom your pets. A clean, well-brushed dog or cat is less likely to be a source of fungal infections; he's also less likely to have fleas and ticks.

■ Don't let your pet go into the wild. Housecats, for example, are usually healthier than cats that roam outdoors. The outdoor cat will eat mice and birds that carry toxoplasma, the world's leading parasite affecting 2 billion people each year. Toxoplasmosis in pregnant women, whose immune systems are already stretched, can cause fetal birth defects.

■ Feed your cat prepackaged foods only. An indoor cat who eats prepackaged foods usually will not carry toxoplasma.

■ Wash your hands vigorously after dealing with your cat's litterbox or your dog's pooper-scooper. You can avoid picking up infections, including Toxocara, a roundworm that migrates in the body. There are 2,000 cases of visceral larval migrans each year, Tierno points out.

■ Take notice of any changes in your pet's appearance. For example, if his coat suddenly becomes lackluster or sparse, he may have ringworm. This fungus, which grows on the surface of animals' skin, can be transmitted to humans.

■ Be especially vigilant about cleanliness when your pet is ill. When applying medications to a sick pet, always wash up with a germicide.

■ Don't let a dog or cat play with you to the point that it bites or scratches. Even a housecat, if she draws blood, can transmit cat-scratch disease, bartonella. This organism lives in the fleas on cats and can cause swollen lymph glands in humans.

■ If you have more than one pet and one animal is sick, wash your hands thoroughly before touching the others. It's also a good idea to have all pets checked by your vet when one becomes ill.

Good advice comes from small book

By Elizabeth Schuett
N.Y. Times News Service

GIBSONBURG, Ohio — In an attempt to be all things to all readers, I've taken to giving advice on everything from table etiquette to curing bunions. Since I am dismally unqualified to advise on anything, I have found another source for this timeless information I offer so freely. It is a tattered little tome titled, The Standard Cyclopaedia of Useful Knowledge. It was published by F.M. Lupton, New York, in 1896. I found it in a box of stuff nobody wanted.

Want a cure for the common cold? Here it is: "A cold in the head can be cured at once if taken care of at the very beginning. Dissolve a tablespoonful of borax in a pint of hot water; let it stand until it becomes tepid; snuff some up the nostrils two or three times during the day, or use the dry, powdered borax like snuff, taking a pinch as often as required. At night have a handkerchief saturated with spirits of camphor, place it near the nostrils so as to inhale the fumes while sleeping."

For folks who'd rather swallow than snuff: "Put five cents' worth of pine pitch into a pint of water. Let it simmer until the water is well impregnated with the flavor. Dip out the gum which remains undissolved and add honey enough to sweeten and make a thick syrup. Strain this and bottle. Dose, a teaspoonful four or five times a day, according to the severity of the cough. It will afford speedy relief."

A paragraph in the Home Physician section of this handy little book explains, "How People Get Sick" and offers suggestions for preventing a variety of illnesses. "Eating too much and too fast; swallowing imperfectly masticated food; using too much fluid at meals; drinking poisonous whiskey and other intoxicating drinks; repeatedly using poison as medicines; keeping late hours at night and sleeping late in the morning; wearing clothing too tight; wearing thin shoes; neglecting to wash the body sufficiently to keep the pores open; exchanging the warm clothes worn in a warm room during the day for costumes and exposure incident to evening parties; compressing the stomach to gratify a vain and foolish passion for dress; keeping up constant excitement; fretting the mind with borrowed troubles; swallowing quack nostrums for every imaginary ill; taking meals at irregular intervals, etc."

Wow! It's a wonder any of us have survived.

There's another section called: "What an Old Housekeeper Has Learned." I love it! It suggests that: "People who chew plenty of good beef and eschew pork are sensible." There's also a reminder that "If we wish to prolong our lives we should always put one day between washing and ironing."

Although a heck of a lot has changed in the last one hundred years, one bit of advice offered under the heading: "Dangers of Childhood" seems timeless: "Childhood is the period during which the foundations are laid. It is characterized by almost absolute dependence on the parents, and therefore the responsibility rests upon them whether the foundations of the superstructure shall be good or bad, and indeed whether there shall be any superstructure at all."

The Cyclopaedia's cover is worn, its pages brown and brittle, but its advice nonetheless valid.

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Education Extra!

College-bound students play loan game

By Angela Townsend
N.Y. Times News Service

DAYTON, Ohio — After the caps and gowns have been returned, the parties thrown and the rejection letters thrown away, the real business of being a would-be college student begins.

Call it Economics 101: Footing the Bill.

Amber Meyers has that part under control. On June 5 she graduated from Franklin High School. In August she starts her civil engineering studies at the University of Dayton.

Because Meyers, 18, started the scholarship and student loan hunt during her junior year, she has lined up enough grants and scholarships to cover half of her tuition, and an additional $6,000 in Perkins and subsidized Stafford loans.

"There's a little bit more that I need, but for the most part I'm pretty well covered," said Meyers, who began an internship this week with the City of Kettering, Ohio, part of her financial aid package.

The college-bound most likely have become experts in their own right in the world of student loans. But there's a whole new crop — students and parents — who haven't a clue where to turn.

"If students were starting the process now at Wright State, they wouldn't receive smaller campus-based funds (ie. the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity grant, Federal Perkins loan or federal work-study)," said Jennifer Penick, associate director of financial aid officer at Wright State University whose office is dealing with last-minute financial aid processing for the winding-down school yea, summer and for the fall.

But she emphasized that there is still aid out there to be had. "There's still time to apply for federal financial aid and to receive major types of federal and state funding," she said.

Meyers admits she didn't know what she was getting into before her junior year. The first person in her family to attend college right out of high school, Meyers said she was "kind of dumb to the fact. It was, 'Oh, you've got four years, don't worry about it.' But then by the middle of senior year, you realize, 'You've gotta pay for college.' "

For the uninitiated, guidance counselors, college financial aid offices and financial institutions with whom you're familiar are the first places to stop.

That, coupled with the expansion of the Internet, has made navigating the student loan process less of a headache and more of a gold mine.

"It used to be that you would go to your local bank, savings and loan, or credit union and apply for a federal loan," said Mark Cannon, a Miami University alumnus who serves as executive director of the Coalition for Student Loan Reform, a Washington, D.C.-based organization of state and private student loan companies.

"We are really gearing a lot of our products and services to be able to provide loan services and products via the Web," said Jim Eickhoff, senior vice president for business development and marketing for Cincinnati-based Student Loan Funding Resources.

Like other lenders across the country, SLFR offers its own brand of loans. Its Jump Start Stafford loan was made available for the first time in 1997 to Ohio students and to out-of-state students attending Ohio schools. All recipients must be eligible for either subsidized or unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loans.

While SLFR has obviously established itself in the lending community — since 1984 the company has provided more than $4.5 billion in financial aid to 730,000 students, primarily in Ohio, with $1.1 billion in loans granted for the 1998-99 school year alone. Finding the one that fits your individual needs, such as discounted interest rate payments, account access and flexible repayment alternatives is essential.

The gateway to financial aid is the four-page FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), a mandatory form for college students. Once filed, colleges use the "expected family contribution" established by the FAFSA and the individual colleges' costs to determine if accepted students are eligible for subsidized or unsubsidized loans as part of its financial aid package.

Each college typically provides students with a list of preferred lenders with whom they already have a relationship.

The whole student aid path — including a one-page promissory note that collects borrower information, certifications and promise to re-pay the loan — usually takes no more than four weeks to process.

"One of the biggest ones is, 'Am I eligible? Do I make too much money?' " said Denise Rossitto, spokeswoman for Washington, D.C.-based Sallie Mae (Student Loan Marketing Association). "People tend to think (that option) is beyond reach for middle-class families."

That hasn't been the case since 1992, when the federal government created unsubsidized loans for students from middle- and upper-income families, regardless of income.

WHAT'S NEW?

With the recent trend in dropping student loan interest rates — and with tax incentives and early-payment programs — more people are finding student loans more affordable. Each summer Congress sets the maximum federal loan interest rates (meaning Stafford loan lenders can go below that rate as low as they want). Last July 1 the Department of Treasury reset the rate to 6.86 percent (while a student is enrolled) and 7.46 percent (during repayment), the lowest rate in 17 years.

The Master Promissory Note is a new Stafford loan application/promissory note for the 1999-2000 academic year that cuts down on paperwork for institutions and borrowers of Stafford loans.

At the discretion of each individual college, the MPN will be used as of July 1 as a multi-year promissory note. Students will have to fill out the form — basically a promise that they will pay the money back — only once during their enrollment in a four-year or graduate school, as long as he or she stays at that school, and continues to borrow from the same lender.

Sallie Mae is testing a new student loan program called Laureate, which would give colleges the ability to provide loans for students through the Internet, with three schools. It plans to expand its test program to 50 more schools in the upcoming school year.

"We're real anxious to get this across all campuses in the country. The whole management access for financial aid officers is just unbelievable," Rossitto said. "The program will get the loan applied for, approved, guaranteed and funds dispersed within 24 hours."

Meyers credits her high school guidance counselors and family friends with steering her in the right direction. Despite having to re-think her college choice (the University of Notre Dame topped her list) after looking at finances, Meyers can't wait to become a UD freshman.

She's also looking toward the future.

"My little brother is a freshman in high school," Meyers said. "I'm telling him to start all of this earlier than me."

Where to get help with college loans

COLLEGE LOANS: Helpful telephone numbers and web sites

Coalition for Student Loan Reform
(202) 872-0559
www.cslr.org

Student Loan Funding Resources Inc.
Free "Call A Counselor" hotline, (877) 477-7537 (SLFR)
www.studentloanfunding.com

Sallie Mae (Student Loan Marketing Association)
Parent Answer Service (800) 806-3685
(800) 892-5321
www.salliemae.com

USA Group
(800) 448-3533
www.usagroup.com/students/faqs.htm

U.S. Department of Education
(800) 872-5327 (USA-LEARN)
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www.ed.gov/proginfo/SFA/StudentGuide/

Federal Student Aid Information Center
(800) 433-3243

Ohio Board of Regents, Columbus
(888) 833-1133

Ohio Department of Education, Columbus
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www.fafsa.com — allows you access to the U.S. Department of Education's FAFSA.

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www.fastweb.com — The Internet's largest free scholarship search. You must first set up a personalized profile.

www.estudentloans.com — The LoanFinder program allows you to research and compare different alternative loan programs.

www.finaid.org — A web site sponsored by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators which contains information about financial aid, how to apply, estimators of expected family contribution and other useful resources.

MAKING THE GRADE

Robert Bell and **Jimmy Doss** were named to the president's honor roll for spring 1999 at Texas State Technical College in Sweetwater.

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Midland High School student **Susan Birkelbach**, daughter of Larry and Diane Birkelbach of Midland, was awarded Chevron's Presidential Classroom Scholarship. She will spend a week in Washington, D.C., this summer gaining a better understanding of how the federal government works. Miss Birkelbach will take part in seminars presented by leaders from each branch of government, the media and lobbying organizations. Students are scheduled for a private tour of the White House and appointments with their respective Senators and Representatives office.

Miss Birkelbach was selected because of her academic standing and demonstrated leadership in school and community activities. Her honors and extracurricula activities include tennis team, Latin Honor Society and National Honor Society. She is a member of Who's Who, is active in the First Baptist Church youth group and volunteers with Casa de Amigos.

MHS student **Cara Frisbie**, daughter of Charles and Betty Frisbie of Midland, was also the winner of Chevron's Presidential Classroom Scholarship.

At MHS, she is a member of the National Honor Society Science Club, Texas Scholars, Who's Who and the basketball team. Miss Frisbie is also active in Symphony Belles and her church, the First United Methodist Church.

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Michael J. Stoker of Midland was named to the Provost's List for the spring semester of the 1998-1999 academic year at Texas Lutheran University.

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Kristina Bicking, a 1999 graduate of Lee High School, was awarded a $1000 Midland Texas Exes Alumni Scholarship to attend the university of Texas at Austin.

Miss Bicking is the daughter of Marcheta and Alan Jochimsen. While at LHS, she was a National Merit Commended Scholar, member of National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society as well as the debate team and volleyball team. She will major in international business. Miss Bicking will be honored at the Lila B. Etter Alumni Center in Austin Sept. 1.

Jody Nicholson, daughter of Karen and Jim Nicholson and a 1999 graduate of Midland High School, was also awarded a $1000 Midland Texas Exes Alumni Scholarship. While at MHS, she was a member of National Honor Society, the Junior Classical League, student council, captain of the soccer team and senior class treasurer. She will attend the University of Texas at Austin where she will major in natural sciences. Miss Nicholson will be honored at the Lila B. Etter Alumni Center in Austin Sept. 1.

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Former Midlander **Misty Dawn Burrell** was named to the dean's list at Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls.

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The University of Dallas inducted former Midlander **Alena Oetting** into the Phi Beta Kappa academic honor society during a May 14 ceremony. Ms. Oetting, a 1999 University of Dallas graduate, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Oetting of Midland. She earned a bachelor of art in math magna cum laude and was named outstanding senior in math. She will pursue a doctorate in mathematics.

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Hudson Hanks, son of Dan and Judy Hanks of Midland, recently graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor of science in restaurant/ hotel/ institutional management. He graduated cum laude and had been on the President's honor roll since the fall of 1997.

Hanks is a 1994 graduate of Greenwood High School and plans to attend Southwestern Theological Seminary in the fall.

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Rebecca Jo Slay, a 1993 graduate of Lee High School, recently graduated magna cum laude from Liberty University with a bachelor of science music degree. She is the daughter of former Midlanders Jimmy and Nancy Slay.

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Chris Fortenberry of Greenwood High School was selected outstanding performer at the 1999 University Interscholastic League Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest for his performance on the French horn. The contest was May 29 and 31 at the University of Texas in Austin and Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos.


Fortenberry


Martin

Heather Martin of Lee High School was also selected as Outstanding Performer for her clarinet performance.


Montoya

Edmundo Montoya of Lee High School was selected as Outstanding Performer for his trombone performance.

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University of Graduate Women of Midland recently awarded recognition to four students.

The Hulda Driscoll Memorial Award for leadership, high academic standards and concern for others and the Frances Sidwell Creative Writing for outstanding creative writing ability were given in a memory of former UGW presidents.

Midland High School student, **Louisa Mussleman**, received the Hulda Driscoll Award.

She is the daughter of Henry and Melinda Mussleman. Miss Mussleman was a MHS cheerleader and active in Young Life, CBS and her church.

Meagan Warren, daughter of Don and Sherry Warren, received the Frances Sidwell Creative Writing Award.

As a student at MHS, she was in the band color guard and the first rifle team. She was also the Westside Lion's Club Queen.

Lee High School student, **Lindsay Kellum**, received the Frances Sidwell Creative Writing Award.

She is the daughter of Danny and Debbie Kellum. Miss Kellum was student council vice-president, Midland Morning Lions Club Queen, D.A.R, member of the Lee Chorale and Origin and All-State Choir member.

Meredith Simmons, daughter of Dee and Sandra Simmons, received the Hulda Driscoll Award.

As a student at LHS, she was captain of the swim team, she was a symphony belle, Girl Scouts, D.A.R.E and is a member of the National Honor Society.

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Four former Midlanders named to the Austin College Dean's List for the Spring 1999 semester are **Michael Entzminger**, **John Gipson**, **Joseph Jordan** and **Reid Merritt**.

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Kristi Brown is a recipient of the Presidential Scholarship for 1999-2000 at McMurry University in Abilene.

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Adam Vaughan, son of Steve and Lucille Vaughan of Midland, received a master's degree in biomedical engineering from Southwestern Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences in Dallas June 5.

Vaughan attended Midland High School and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn., majoring in biomedical engineering.

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Former Midlander **Yolanda Michelle Boyd** was named to the Dean's List for the 1999 Spring semester at Texas A&M University at Commerce.

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EDUCATION NOTES

Registration for the second summer term at South Plains College, Levelland, is 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. July 5 in the women's gym. Late registration is 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., July 6 and July 7 in the counseling center and 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., July 6 and July 7 in the admissions and records office in the administration building.

A $15 late fee and a $5 add/drop fee will be charged during late registration. Classes begin July 6 and end Aug. 5.

For more information or class schedules call the South Plains College office of admissions and records at (806) 894-9611, extension 2374 or 2375.

Wanted: Kid radio correspondent

N.Y. Times News Service

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Mr. Fussy goes to the bookstore

By Alex Beam
N.Y. Times News Service

(With apologies to the late Roger Hargreaves, creator of Mr. Fussy, Mr. Nonsense, and 42 other delightful children's book characters.)

Mr. Fussy's family has sent him to the bookstore to buy a Father's Day present for himself. Mr. Fussy would rather not have a Father's Day present. All things being equal, Mr. Fussy would rather not have Father's Day, when everyone tries to make him "happy." If they wanted him to be happy, they would do away with these ridiculous "days."

Coming to the bookstore was a mistake. Perhaps he should have settled for a necktie. Or for one of those Brookstone barbecue forks that tell you the temperature of what you are grilling. Vice President Al Gore would like one of those. Last year, Mr. Fussy heard the vice president deliver a stirring July Fourth address on the importance of grilling red meat to over 160 degrees. Mr. F. felt his vote sway GOP-ward inside him.

Mr. Fussy likes to read, but he is very fussy about books. Most fathers must be less fussy than he, judging by the many special shelves replete with Father's Day offerings: books about golf and barbecuing, two activities Mr. F. cannot abide. Then there were the usual Grishams and Clancys — booksellers talk about them as if they were deli items, like "turkey" and "Swiss" — and tales of Arthurian valor from our not-so-distant past, most of them springing from the pen of literary Stakhanovite Stephen Ambrose.

How to choose? Mr. Fussy has his own rules for books. Size matters. Mr. Fussy likes his books the way he likes his voice mail messages: brief, cogent, and to the point. Twenty seconds into a voice mail screed, Mr. Fussy puts down the receiver and waits for the dial tone. He likes short books, the way he likes short parties. "Bring the wine, leave by nine," he used to tell his dinner guests. Now that he lives in what passes for polite society, Mr. Fussy has to keep his feelings about hospitality to himself.

But don't you love a good, short book? Michael Cunningham's "The Hours," 230 pages — perfect! Dava Sobel's "Longitude," 184 pages — bingo! The short list could go on and on. They say there are books so good you never want them to end, although none comes readily to mind. (The best book ever written, Cecil Woodham-Smith's "The Reason Why," is only 292 pages long.) Locked in short-term memory is Mr. Fussy's recent slog through Tom Wolfe's "A Man in Full," which seemed more like assigned reading than fun.

Rule Number Two: Always judge a book by its cover. The most beautiful book cover Mr. Fussy ever saw was the lovely illustration for Michael Dorris's "A Yellow Raft in Blue Water." Nowadays, booksellers seem anxious to cloak their covers in a luxuriant cerulean color (see Charles Frazier's "Cold Mountain" or Chris Bohjalian's "Midwives") that Mr. Fussy calls "selling blue." That Mr. Fussy has neither bought nor read any of these three books undermines his credibility on this point.

In principle. Mr. Fussy wants to read only good books. Some people will read only books that have survived for over a century. But then Mr. Fussy would have to read Walter Scott and ignore Robertson Davies; what's the point of that? And of course, it all depends what one means by good books.

Do you mean good-good books, like Paul Auster's "Mr. Vertigo"? Or good-bad books, like the gossipy Hollywood tripe that Mr. Fussy devours? Examples given: Charles Fleming's impossibly awful "High Concept," or the superb Nancy Griffin-Kim Masters expose of Columbia Pictures, "Hit and Run." A good-bad book is one that has no redeeming social value, but is fun to read. Then there are bad-bad books, which are gruesomely written and hell to read. That's where Messrs. Clancy and Ludlum come in.

Then there are good books with bad elements, like the Louis Begley novels, "The Man Who Was Late" and "About Schmidt." These are engaging and beautifully written, but reveal the author to be a dirty old man. Put another way, Begley gets a lot right, but he gets sex wrong. He should talk to Diane Johnson, author of "Le Divorce." She gets sex right. How does Mr. Fussy know? He'd rather not say, but he knows.

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Scampi is quick-cooking

Associated Press

Cooks in a hurry don't need to sacrifice flavor. That's the breezy message of "Redbook Flavor Rules!"

The cookbook promises "More than 200 recipes, plus hints, tips and tricks for really great food." It's a full-size hardback tome, with plenty of color photos, both of how-to sequences and finished dishes. The premise is: You're home, everyone's hungry, but you can still serve home-cooked, made-from-scratch food that tastes good.

The flavor part comes from use of seasonings such as fresh herbs, smoked chilies, balsamic vinegar, garlic and citrus.

Nouvelle Scampi, the book explains, takes about 20 minutes to prepare and 10 minutes to cook. It's "nouvelle" because of "the eye-opening tang of lime juice and the heady aroma of basil, miles away from the dish's restaurant origins." And it has only 10 grams of fat per serving.

Scampi is the Italian name for giant prawns found in European waters (the dish called Shrimp Scampi, which nonsensically translates as Shrimp Big Prawns, has become an Italian restaurant standard). "To approximate what a dish made with real scampi might be, try to find shrimp that come 16 to 20 to the pound. If they're terribly expensive, you can, of course, use smaller specimens," the book's editors say.

NOUVELLE SCAMPI

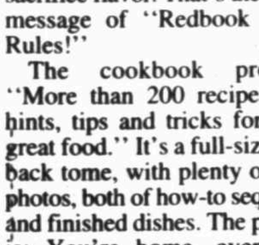
1 tablespoon olive oil
1-1/2 pounds large or jumbo shrimp, shelled and deveined
3 large garlic cloves, minced
1/3 cup fresh lime juice
1/3 cup chicken broth
1/4 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1/4 teaspoon salt
4 teaspoons unsalted butter, in pieces
2 tablespoon chopped basil

In 10-inch nonstick skillet, heat oil over medium heat. Add shrimp and cook, tossing frequently, 3 minutes, or until just cooked through. With slotted spoon, transfer shrimp to a bowl.

Reduce heat to low, add garlic to pan, and cook, stirring frequently, 1 minute, or until tender. Add lime juice and cook 1 minute. Add broth, cayenne and salt; increase heat to high and cook 2 minutes, or until slightly reduced.

Remove pan from heat and return shrimp to pan. Add butter and basil and swirl until butter has just melted and shrimp are coated.

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DEAR ABBY

Son writes tribute to his own father

By Abigail Van Buren



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DEAR READERS: Several years ago, Richard H. Kent, a retired colonel who served in the U.S. Air Force, sent me a poem he'd written as a tribute to his father. I have kept it in my book of special treasures.

Today I'm sharing it in honor of fathers, stepfathers and grandfathers everywhere.

Read on:

A BELATED GRACE
by Richard J. Kent, Springfield, Va.

Make me half the man my father was
And I'll know that I've been blest.
Give me half his courage and loving care
And a kingdom I'll possess.
When I was young and foolish
I heard but I didn't hear
His words of wisdom, his sound advice,
The need to persevere.
When I grew older and wiser,
I saw what I hadn't seen:
His strength to cope with adversity
And do it with dignity.
No need for the Ten Commandments
When I came to a fork in the road.
I had only to think what he would have done
And again, he'd carry my load..
Make me half the father to my two sons
As the father he was to me
And I know that I will rest at peace
Throughout eternity.

DEAR ABBY: Your columns about random acts of kindness prompt this letter. I'd like to tell you about some people I'll never forget.

I was taking the train to Oklahoma from Chicago for my Christmas vacation during World War II. I stood on the platform while all the servicemen boarded, and soon the train was packed.

The conductor leaned out, announced, "There is no room for you!" and closed the door.

I was standing in the snow and it was getting dark, and all I could think of was, "Will I ever get home?"

Then a couple of the cooks leaned out of the dining car and said I could ride with them. They had such wonderful smiles and laughs. They pulled me up, put an apron on me, and sat me beside a big, warm, pot-bellied stove. After they had served everyone else, they cooked a wonderful meal for me. It was so much fun.

When we arrived in St. Louis, they took my luggage and we ran through all the steam until we found the train going to Oklahoma. I'll never forget them, and think of them often. — ANN IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR ANN: You must be a person "of a certain age" to remember train travel when the industry was in its glory. Those were wonderful times.

The dining car staff was generous to take you under their wing, and you probably received better service than any other passenger.

DEAR ABBY: I recently saw a celebrity actually show his bare backside on a daytime talk show.

If this is called "mooning," what is it called when a woman lifts up her blouse and shows her bare breasts? —CURIOUS IN BRADFORD, VT.

DEAR CURIOUS: Exhibitionism!

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Still Hurting," we had to write.

The letter concerned a woman who witnessed a mother embarrass her son by asking him if he was "stupid or dumb or both" while they were in a store.

Abby, my mother was very embarrassed because she thought it was referring to HER. Because of that letter, we now have a deal with our mother. Whenever her temper starts to get out of hand, we let her know before she says anything hurtful to us. We're proud to say our mother has not said anything hurtful since that letter ran.

Thank you for pointing out to our mother that words can cause lasting scars. It changed her. Now we get hugs, kisses and no more hurtful words. — HAPPIER KIDS IN FRESNO, CALIF.

DEAR HAPPIER KIDS: I'm pleased that the letter motivated your mother to stop her verbal abuse. It takes great self-discipline to change the habits of a lifetime, and I applaud her for it.

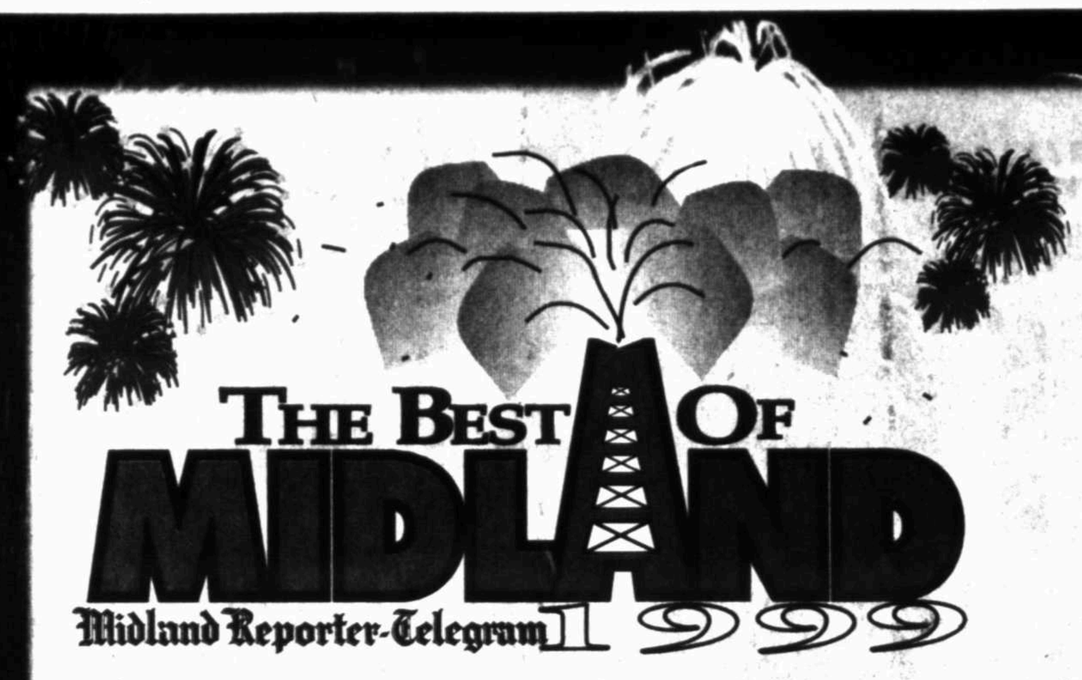
DEAR ABBY: I heard a good one recently that I thought you might like to pass along in the name of good clean fun:

A 6-year-old visited a retirement home with her Brownie troop and was recounting her adventure to her mother. "I saw a 103-year-old man with a cat, and a woman who was 104!" said the child. "I even talked to a woman who was 108!" Amazed, the mother asked her how she knew their ages. Her daughter replied, in a tone that made it clear the answer should have been obvious even to an adult, "Mommy, it was written on their doors." — JACK THE JOKER

DEAR JACK: Thanks for the laugh. One nice thing about telling a clean joke is there's a good chance no one's heard it before!

Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.





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Best bank_____
Best bookstore_____
Best boot store_____
Best bridal registry_____
Best cable/wireless/satellite TV_____
Best car wash_____
Best carpet cleaner_____
Best catering service_____
Best cellular service_____
Best children's shoe store_____
Best childrens store_____
Best cigar store_____
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Best credit union_____
Best day care_____
Best discount store_____
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Best toy store_____
Best travel agent_____
Best used car dealer_____
Best utility co._____
Best video rental store_____
Best western wear store_____
Best wine shop_____
Best women's shoe store_____
Best women's store_____

EAT, DRINK & PLAY

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Best all-night restaurant_____
Best all-you-can-eat deal_____
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Best barbeque_____
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Best fajitas_____
Best fast food restaurant_____
Best gift basket_____
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Best hotel_____
Best italian restaurant_____
Best local band_____
Best local radio talk show_____
Best margarita_____
Best movie theater_____
Best movie theater popcorn_____
Best new restaurant_____
Best oldies station_____
Best place to buy a pickup truck_____
Best place to country dance_____
Best place to dance_____
Best place to get a burritto_____
Best place to get a cheeseburger_____
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Best place to get dessert_____
Best place to get ice cream_____
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Jackson: Past meets present

By Stephen Hawkins

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Mississippi's capital city reflects a mix of the state's sometimes troubled past with the progress that has helped it develop into a contemporary Southern city.

A focal point of the civil rights movement in the 1960s, Jackson embraces that history and the positive changes that evolved from it. Several museums in the city highlight both the struggles and the triumphs.

At the same time, this city of 200,000 people is moving forward. The area is home to WorldCom, one of the nation's largest telecommunications companies.

The first permanent exhibit in the United States focusing on the civil rights movement is at the Old Capitol Museum. It contains film footage from the 1960s, documents, photographs and other items pertaining to the black struggle in Mississippi between 1954-70.

Artifacts portraying the experience of Mississippi blacks in the fields of history, art, music and literature are on display at the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center. The museum was once the first public school for black children in Jackson.

Medgar Evers' home is now a museum that provides visitors with a piece of civil rights history. It was outside that home in 1964 that the NAACP leader was assassinated, a crime that went unpunished until 1995, when Bryon De La Beckwith was convicted of murder in his third trial in the case.

On the edge of downtown Jackson is the Farish Street Historical District, a 125-acre area that is on the National Register of Historic Places.

The district showcases architectural examples representing craftsmanship skills of numerous black building contractors. The area includes antebellum, Creole, Queen Anne, shotgun and bungalow cottages, in addition to business structures from the early 20th century.

There is emphasis on the city's rich black history, but there is also much more. Several other museums in Jackson showcase a wide scope of lifestyles and varied achievements.

Living examples of life in rural Mississippi during the 1920s can been seen at the Mississippi Agriculture Museum in a recreated small town in a wooded area just off Interstate 55.

Nearby is the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum. The shrine includes interactive exhibits and displays portraying some of the state's great athletes — from the early exploits of Dizzy Dean to the latest achievements of Jerry Rice and Brett Favre.

The Mississippi Museum of Natural Science houses the largest collection of specimens — more than 250,000 of them — related to Mississippi's natural history. The museum has a massive aquarium system with game fish, a luxuriant garden and several hands-on displays.

More than 3,000 works related to Mississippians and their culturally diverse heritage are displayed at the downtown Mississippi Museum of Art.

Next door is the Russell C. Davis Planetarium, one of the largest planetariums in the South. That facility includes a theater with a wraparound screen for star shows, laser shows and wide-screen films.

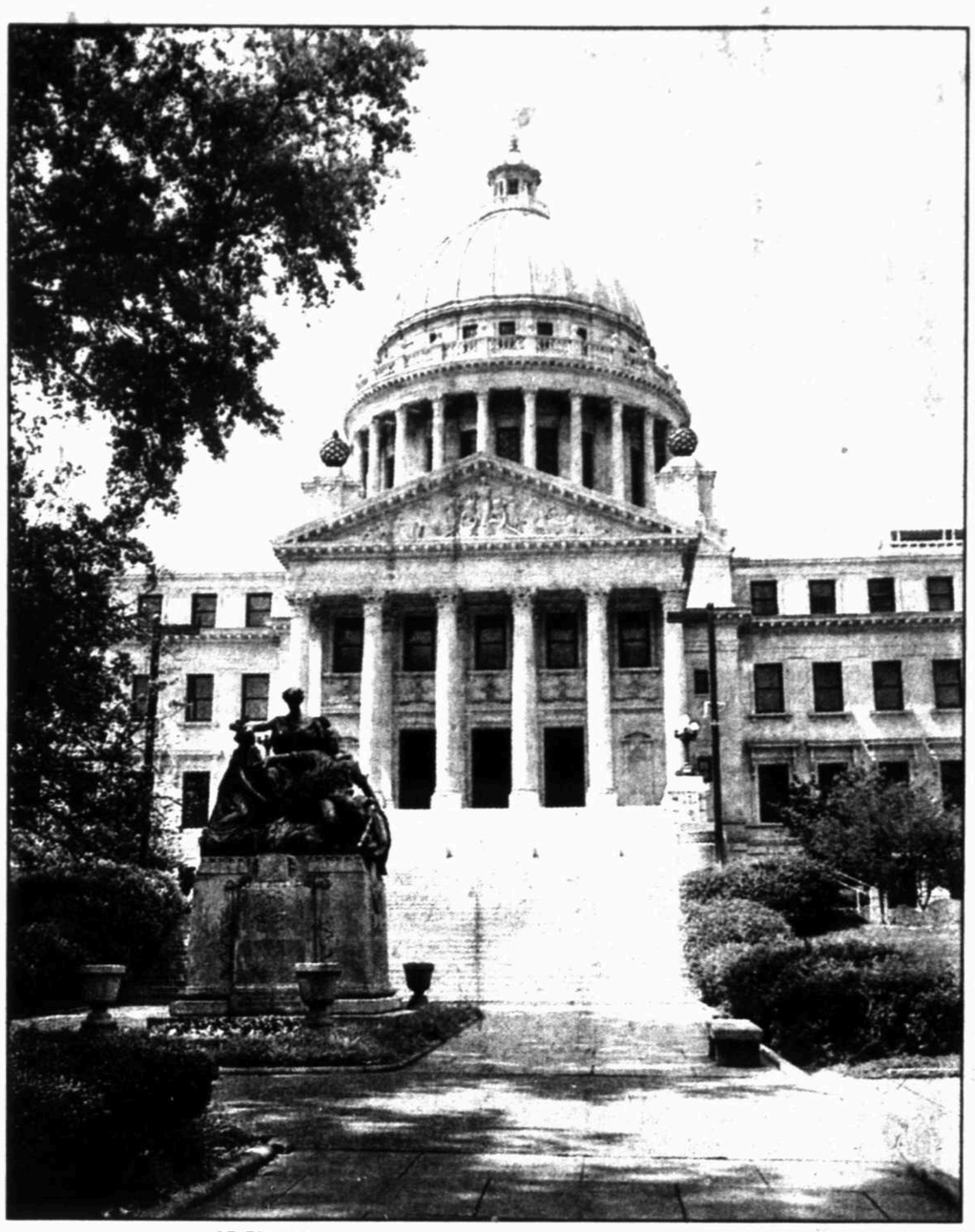
The Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience tells the story of the pioneering spirit of Jews, whose culture reflects their historical past from before the Civil War to the civil rights movement and beyond.

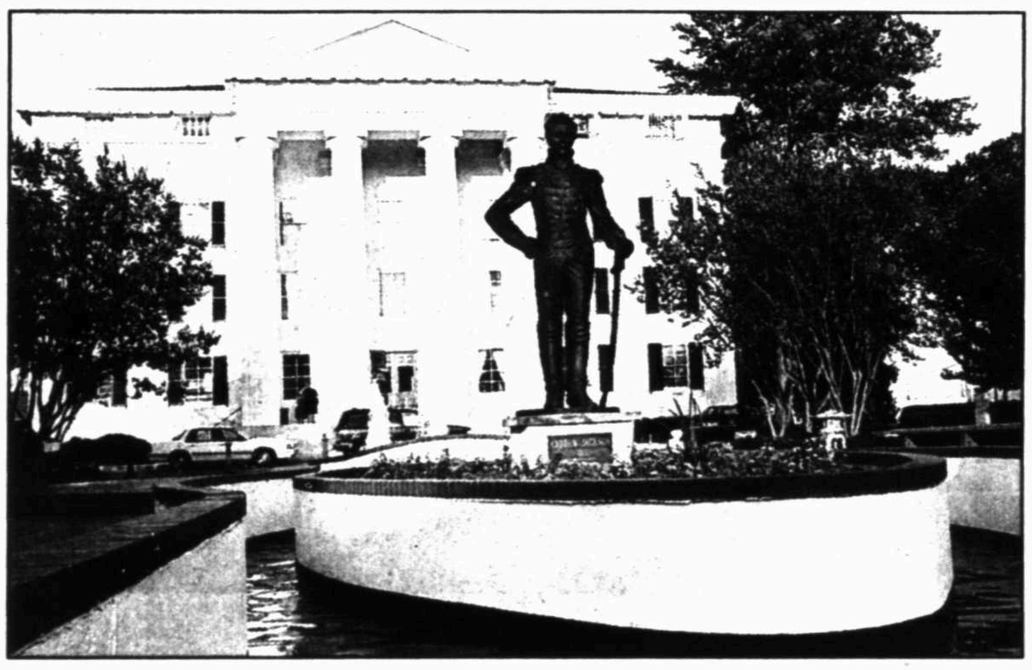
Then there is the classic architectural designs of the government buildings, all within a long walking tour of each other downtown.

The Capitol, completed in 1903, exemplifies the beaux arts classical style of architecture.

A National Historic Landmark and an example of Greek Revival public architecture, the Old Capitol now serves as the state historical museum. Used as the state Capitol from 1839-1903, the museum has exhibits on Mississippi from its earliest days through the Civil War, Reconstruction, the cotton culture and the civil rights movement.

Jackson's City Hall is a Greek Revival building constructed in the 1840s. The building has continuously served as City Hall, but was also used as a hospital during the Civil War. The building was renovated in the 1960s, and a formal garden plaza outside was designed around a bronze statue of Andrew Jackson, the city's namesake.





AP Photos

Top photo, the Mississippi State Capital is one of the prominent sights to see in Jackson. Completed in 1903, the building exemplifies the beaux arts classical style of architecture. Left photo, City Hall in Jackson is a Greek Revival building that was built in the 1840s. Although it has always served as City Hall, it was used as a hospital during the Civil War. The formal garden plaza with the bronze statue of Andrew Jackson was added in 1968.

If you go:

Associated Press

GETTING THERE: Jackson is in the middle of Mississippi, where three major highways — Interstates 55 and 20 and U.S. 49 — intersect. At its point on I-55, the capital city is almost halfway between New Orleans and Memphis, Tenn. Jackson International Airport provides nonstop service to Atlanta, Denver, Dallas, Houston, Little Rock, Memphis, Baltimore, New Orleans and Chicago. Amtrak also serves Jackson.

WEATHER: Hot in the summer and mild in the winter. Jackson has to deal with the heat in the summer with high temperatures and high humidity. But in the winter, temperatures rarely are unbearable, the average winter temperature being in the low 40s.

LODGING: Jackson has more than 46 hotels and motels, offering more than 5,500 rooms. Many of the hotels, including major and regional chains, are located just off Interstate 55. There are a wide variety of rooms, from economy to luxury to extended stay, and rates vary accordingly.

DINING: There are more than 400 restaurants in the Jackson area, many of them providing rooms for banquets and meetings. The cuisine ranges from Southern cooking heavy on fried chicken and catfish, to international fare.

SHOPPING: From antiques to upscale name-brand items, Jackson provides a wide array of shopping choices. Included in Jackson are the Antique Mall and a flea market that opens each weekend at the state Fairgrounds. There are two main malls, Metrocenter on the west side of the city and Northpark just north of the city limits in Ridgeland. There are also several other shopping centers that include boutiques and other specialty shops.

INFORMATION: The Metro Jackson Convention and Visitors Bureau can be reached at 601-960-1891, and the city of Jackson's Web site is www.visitjackson.com. The Mississippi Division of Tourism also provides travel planners at 1-800-WARMEST.

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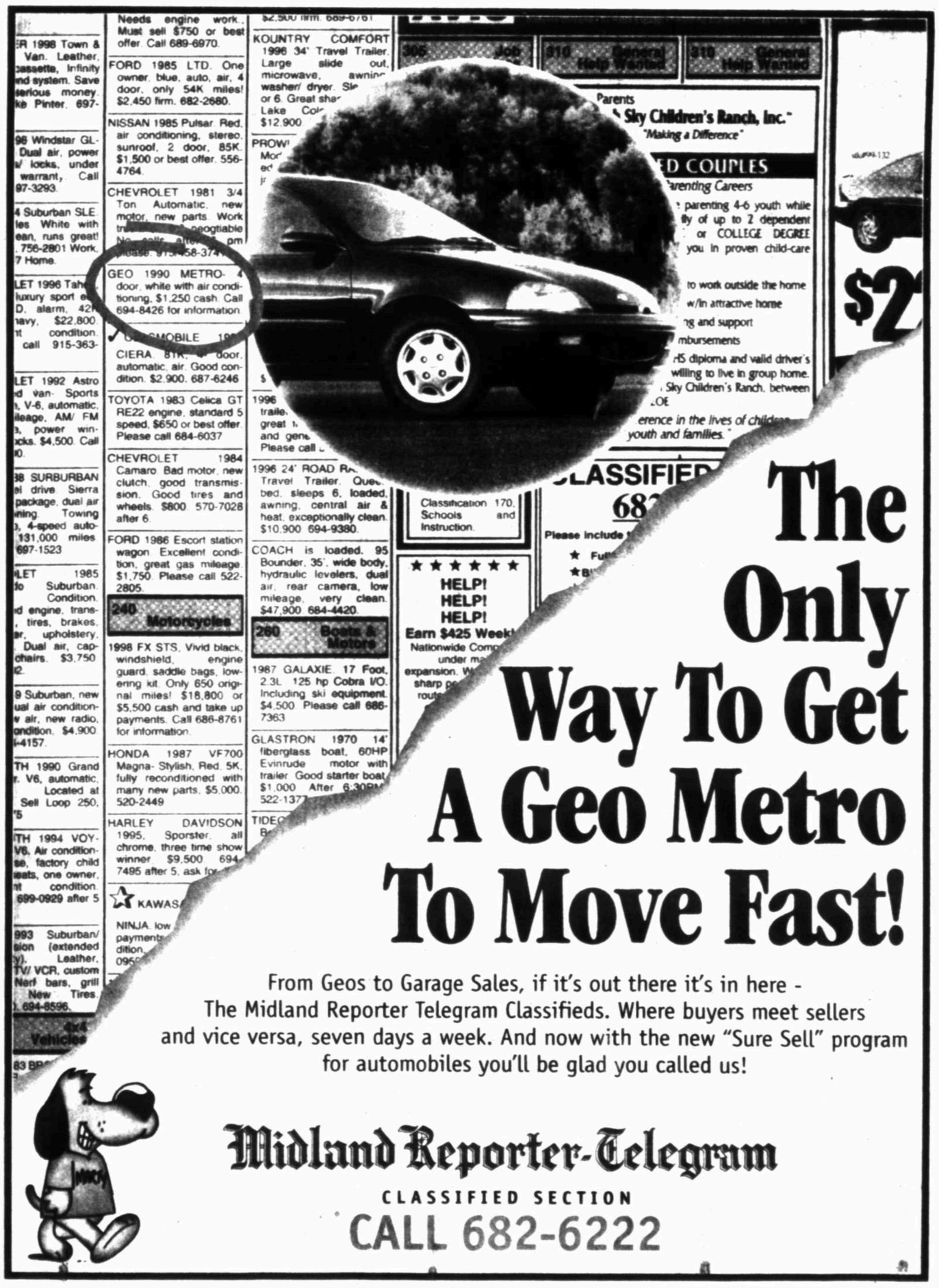
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'City of Fountains:' Kansas City shines

By Kathy McCormack

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Fountains seem to be everywhere here, spurting from bronze dolphins and winged seahorses at City Hall, Greek gods and mermaids in the main shopping district, even around the ballpark scoreboard.

Kansas City calls itself "The City of Fountains," not just because it has so many of them, but because they all are so different, fitting into the labyrinthine landscape of the city's parks and boulevards.

While many have been around for decades — the oldest active one was built in 1899 — there are several newer ones and still more in the works.

"It's a huge team effort and it continues to be after they're up and running," says Anita Gorman, a member of the City of Fountains Foundation, a private fund-raising group. "They have to have people watching over them all the time."

As to just how many fountains there are in the City of Fountains, no one can say. The parks department oversees about 40 public ones.

"There are so many that are on private grounds and corporations that nobody knows," Mrs. Gorman says.

The city's first fountains, at the turn of the century, were not meant to be works of art. In fact, they weren't even meant for people. They were drinking fountains for horses and dogs.

Nowadays, visitors can find everything from a long reflecting pool along the mansionlike homes of Ward Parkway, near the Country Club Plaza, to a friendly muse with a net full of fish in the middle of downtown.

Some fountains are memorials, tributes to Vietnam veterans, Eagle Scouts and city firefighters killed in the line of duty. Others are just for fun, such as sculptures of children playing near the city's waterworks building and the square of 30-foot high dancing waters at Crown Center. One park has a fountain that doubles as a wading pool.

Visitors can make reservations for a guided, two-hour tour (by car or trolley) that takes in about 25 of the best-known public fountains in the greater Kansas City area.

One recent trip began at the Country Club Plaza, a pioneer of the American shopping mall built to look like Seville, Spain. Some of the most popular fountains are here, including the 8,000-pound cast lead sculpture of Neptune raising his trident and guiding his seahorse-drawn chariot.

There's also the goddess Diana gathered with children in front of a cascading waterfall, and a group of fauns, half-human, half-goat beings, sitting around a small rectangular pool.

The J.C. Nichols Memorial Fountain — the city's signature fountain — also is at the plaza, dedicated to the late developer who created the district and surrounding residential areas. He brought back much of the fountain art from trips to Europe. The first plaza fountain was set up in 1923.

"It was so successful that others who wanted to be successful wanted to emulate him, and it continues," Mrs. Gorman says.

The fountain marks its 40th anniversary next year. The display of four bronze riders on horseback underwent extensive plumbing work last year, getting a new set of stainless steel pipes.

The pieces, which were transported from the garden of an old estate in Long Island, N.Y., are 10-1/2 feet high, surrounded by a two-tiered basin that shoots out streams of water. There's also a central geyser that spouts up to 30 feet. In between the horsemen is a smaller group of children riding dolphins.

While it's not certain what the horsemen represent, the most popular theory is that they stand for four rivers: the Mississippi, Seine, Rhine, and Volga. The Mississippi River horseman has a feathered headdress and aims a spear at an alligator. The equestrian from the Volga is fighting a bear.

The fountains themselves must fight the ravages of time and weather. At least 10 around the city need varying degrees of rehabilitation, Mrs. Gorman says. Money raised by private organizations buys the fountains and creates an endowment; public dollars are spent to operate and maintain them.

Through the years, there has been an effort to build more fountains outside of Kansas City proper. One of the largest is the Northland Fountain, a big circular pool with a series of arch-spouting water jets that sits in the middle of some well-trafficked highways. It stands up well to freezing temperatures in the winter, showing off fountain ice sculptures.

You'll hear some people say that Kansas City has more fountains than any other city, including Rome.

"That's the height of podunk," the tour driver said dismissively.

Mrs. Gorman has her own theory: "Rome had more, but they all don't work."

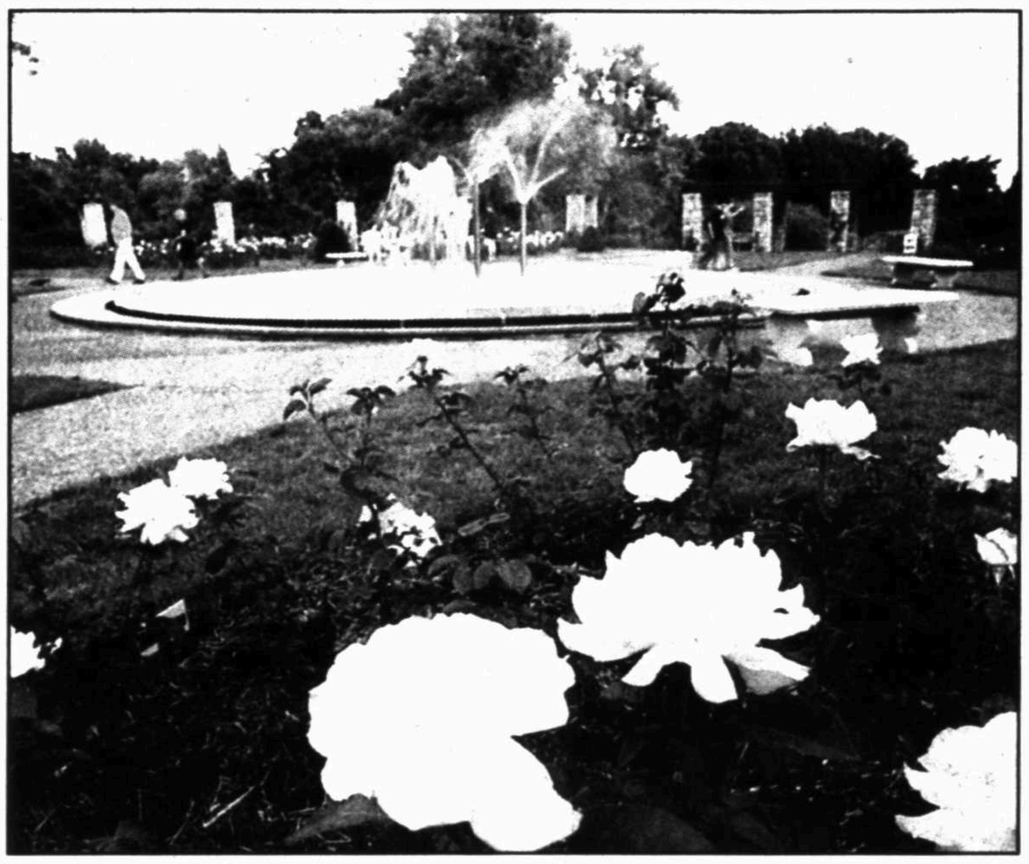
If you go:

To make reservations for the City of Fountains tour, call Gray Line Kansas City Tours at (816) 221-3399. Tickets are $12 per person. Allow two hours for the tour.



AP Photos

Top photo, the J.C. Nichols Memorial Fountain, located in Country Club Plaza, is Kansas City's signature fountain. Its 40th anniversary will be next year. Bottom photo, the fountain at the Loose Park Rose Garden has a beautiful setting among thousands of roses. Kansas City calls itself "The City of Fountains," not just because it has so many, but because they are so different.



Visit Internet before visiting Kansas City...

By Roger Petterson
Associated Press

Going to Kansas City? There's still time to make plans for this year's jazz festival, and they claim to have the world's best barbecue.

Check up on everything from history to an explanation of why they call it the "City of Fountains" at the city's Convention and Visitors Bureau — www.visitkc.com/aboutkc.cfm.

This year's Kansas City Blues & Jazz Festival — www.kcbluesjazz.org — is scheduled for July 16-18. Tickets availableonline.

Try Kansas City Bar-B-Q Connection — www.rbjb.com/rbjb/bbq.htm. There's a collection of barbecue-related links at BBQsearch — www.bbqsearch.com.

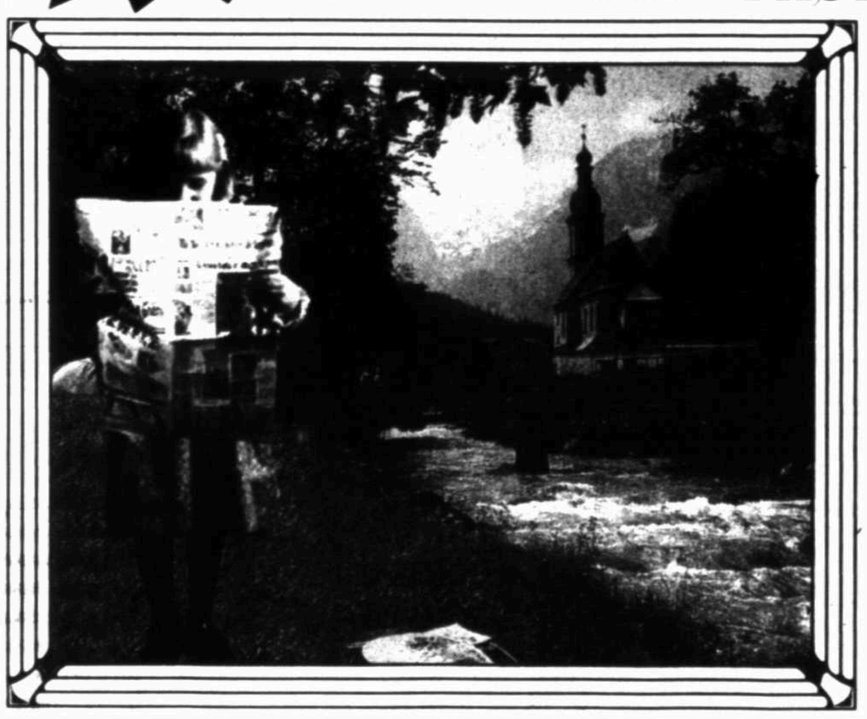
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Community

Economic Development
Economic diversification of the Midland economy is important.
[ ] strongly agree [ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree [ ] no opinion

The existing cluster system in the public

Midland needs to continue to renovate and revitalize its downtown core.
[ ] strongly agree [ ] agree [ ] neither agree nor disagree

Economic Development

Economic diversification of the Midland economy is important.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to create new jobs outside the oil and gas industry.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to continue development of the retirement industry.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to apply for a state or federal prison.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
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[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to continue to renovate and revitalize its downtown core.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland and Odessa should work together toward economic development along highway 191 between the two cities.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to become a regional distribution hub.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
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[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to develop and recruit businesses to the community which produce value added products from our raw petroleum products.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

The existing cluster system in the public schools is a good system for Midland.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

The city, county and school district should attempt to renovate existing office space as opposed to new construction for growth needs.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
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[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Comments/Suggestions:_____

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Community participation survey

midland VISION 2000 and beyond

Midland Vision 2000 and Beyond is the community's planning process for the next decade and began with a community meeting in March. Nine Task Forces are currently discussing the many ideas and visions that came from that meeting. They are now identifying specific goals that will go to the community in draft form in September.

In order to facilitate that goal-setting process, these Task Forces need your participation. Please fill out this survey form, then fold, and return it as a postage-paid mailing.

Please write in your zip code. All responses will remain confidential.

Vision 2000 Survey

Please fill in the last two digits of your ZIP code __ __

Please check the answer that most closely matches your feelings about each idea for improving Midland.

Future Facilities for Midland

Midland needs a new stadium for high school athletic events.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a new professional baseball stadium.
[ ] strongly agree
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[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a new Sports Complex that would accommodate high school and professional sports.
[ ] strongly agree
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[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland Center needs extensive renovations and expansion.
[ ] strongly agree
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Midland needs a new Convention Center.
[ ] strongly agree
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[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a Performing Arts Center for live performances and concerts.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs an all-purpose Expo Center (for rodeo events and showing animals, cars, boats, etc.).
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a new Midland High School.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Lee High School needs extensive renovations and expansion.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to renovate the three older Junior High Schools.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs to renovate the Freshman Schools.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Below is a list of major public facilities being considered for development in Midland during the next ten (10) years.

Please indicate the three (3) you believe Midland needs most.
[ ] Convention Center Construction/ Renovation
[ ] Expo Center
[ ] Performing Arts Center
[ ] Secondary school Construction/ Renovation
[ ] Sports Complex combining high school and professional sports stadiums

Midland Parks, Sports, & Recreation

Midland needs more parks.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs more Neighborhood Community Centers.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Existing parks in Midland need to be updated and expanded.
[ ] strongly agree
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Existing parks in EAST Midland need to be updated and expanded.
[ ] strongly agree
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[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Existing parks in SOUTH Midland need to be updated and expanded.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

The parks in Midland should be enhanced with more landscaping, including blooming plants and trees.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs more large parks like Hogan park or Beal Park (now under construction).
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a skateboard park.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs more public tennis courts.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland and MISD need better track and field facilities than currently exist.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a larger public golf course (more holes).
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs additional public golf courses.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs more outdoor recreational playing fields (soccer, baseball, softball, etc.).
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs more indoor public recreation areas (volleyball, basketball, and inline hockey) with facilities to hold tournaments.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Are there types of parks not available in Midland which you would like to see here?

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Are there sport/recreational opportunities or facilities not available in Midland which you would like to see made available?

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Arts, Museums, & Libraries

Midland needs an Imax®Theatre.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a science museum.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

The historical structures of Midland should be preserved.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs a larger branch library.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

The County Historical Museum should be moved to secure quarters, renovated, and promoted as a civic asset.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland should continue to expand public arts and entertainment events involving the entire community (such as Celebration of the Arts, Mex-Tex Menudo Cook-off, Septemberfest, and Summer in the City).
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Home Development Issues

Midland has available housing.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland has available home financing for purchase or home improvement.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Senior Issues

Midland needs more Senior Citizen Centers.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs more nursing care facilities.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland needs additional affordable adult day care like Mission Adult Day Care at Manor Park.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Transportation

Midland needs transportation for the elderly (to reach health care appointments, attend adult day care, buy groceries, etc.).
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

If Midland had transportation for the elderly, it should be:
[ ] on demand (by placing a phone call)
[ ] regularly run on a schedule
[ ] no opinion

Health & Social Services

Midland needs to position itself as a major regional health care provider.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland has adequate medical/health care providers.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Midland has adequate social services.
[ ] strongly agree
[ ] agree
[ ] neither agree nor disagree
[ ] disagree
[ ] strongly disagree
[ ] no opinion

Are there additional medical/health care services that you would like to have in Midland?

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Are there any social services needed in the community that are currently not addressed?

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Comments/Suggestions:_____
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Geotechnical Training



Jerry Donalson, Dick Lodewick and Bruno Hanson, bottom row, and Woody Woodside, Christy Reed and Stephen Culpepper, top row, were honored for contributions to the Midland College Petroleum Geotechnology Training Center. Dale Beikirch, top right, is the program's director.

'We wouldn't be where we are today if it hadn't been for the generosity of the community'—

Midland College President
David Daniel

Ceremony honors nine 'pioneers' of geotechnical training program

With the expectation that the petroleum industry will continue to be a major part of the Permian Basin economy, President David Daniel reinforced the college's commitment to the Midland College Petroleum Geotechnology Training Center (PGTC).

Daniel made the commitment in a presentation that honored nine people who have been instrumental in building the program—one of only two such community college programs in the state.

The program, designed specifically for the oil and gas industry, is helping participants integrate seismic, production, well log, geologic and engineering information at a computer workstation.

"The individuals we honored are pioneers of the program," Dale Beikirch, PGTC director, said. "It's really because of their contributions and efforts that the program is where it is today."

Those honored were:

—Bruno Hanson of the Hanson Corporation who helped secure grants of more than $75,000 from the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) and the AAPG Foundation.

—Jerry Donalson, account manager with GeoQuest, whose initial offer of more than $2.1 million in software provided the impetus for starting the program.

—Sarah Stanley of GeoQuest and formerly geotechnical program director at North Harris Community College, whose program served as the model for the MC program.

—Wayne M. "Woody" Woodside and Steven L. Culpepper of Trend Technology, who helped with the acquisition and installation of hardware and software and continue to provide maintenance for the program's computers.

—Richard Lodewick, retired Midland College administrator and first director of the Geotechnology program, who was instrumental in identifying the need for and creating the program.

—Albert S. "Buddy" Wiley, a PhD candidate and former exploration manager for Santa Fe Energy Resources, who with Lodewick was instrumental in shaping the program. He also served as adjunct instructor for the program.

—Christy Reed, an adjunct instructor for the program and a senior consultant for Geological Software Consultants, who worked with Lodewick and Wiley to build to the program and acquire new software.

—Corene Wiley, who served as program administrator.

Because of the ongoing work of the nine honorees, the MC program "will make its mark" as one of the best geotechnolgy programs in the country, Daniel said.

Donalson said she is delighted with Midland College's commitment to the program. "It is critical to my clients to have this software in Midland," she said.

The program serves a dual purpose of giving new career skills to oil and gas personnel and increasing the job pool for local companies, she said.

Being able to train employees locally is an "additional service for my clients in Midland," Donalson said.

The PGTC is a "triple win situation," Beikirch said. Local training benefits employers and employees, software companies can build a wider customer base and the ability to offer local training fits with the college's larger goals of serving the community, he said.

And, the program serves a vital function in the oil and gas community, Beikirch said.

Primarily, "the PGTC provides a valuable service to geoscientists who need to acquire and upgrade computer workstation skills," he said.

Because local oil and gas company personnel can stay in Midland and get advanced customized training rather than traveling to Houston or other locations to upgrade and advance their skills, companies can reduce training costs for their employers.

The program is supported by more than $5 million in donations including a $2.8 million gift of geologic, geophysical, and visualization software from LandMark Graphics Corporation, one of the leading companies in the development of oilfield exploration and production software.

LandMark's gift combined with previous donations from GeoQuest ($2.1 million), GeoGraphix ($250,000), and Seismic Micro-Technology among others, places Midland College at the leading edge for providing technological training for the Permian Basin's oil and gas industry.

"We wouldn't be where we are today if it hadn't been for the generosity of the community," Daniel said.

Additionally, the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG) and the AAPG Foundation each donated $25,000 to the program, and each group then issued an another $7,500 challenge grant.

That grant was matched by the Hahl Proctor Charitable Trust and monies raised through last year's Oil Patch Speaker Series, which added another $30,000 to the program last spring.

Other contributors to the program are: Trend Technology, Chevron, Marathon, QC Data, Geologic Data Services, Petroleum Information/ Dwights, Spirit Energy, Texaco, Burlington Resources, Interpretive Imaging, GeoPlus, Vest, Midland College Foundation, Beal Foundation, Society of Professional Earth Scientists, Texas Bureau of Economic Geology, Van Howbert, Earl Sebring, Rodney Robinson, and Bernold Hanson, TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc, Shell Oil Company, Willard Green, Dynamic Graphics, Inc., Midland Map Company, and Bank of America Energy Studies Scholarship.

AAPG grants reduce tuition

A $20,000 grant from the American Association of Petroleum Geologists will help reduce the tuition for several of Midland College's Petroleum Geotechnolgy Training Center (PGTC) classes.

This summer, classes in Geographix: The Basics and Z-Map Plus for Beginners will be offered at the reduced tuition cost of $75.

The purpose of the grant is to help improve conditions in the petroleum geology profession by helping to reduce the cost of courses that are part of the AAPG's mid-career transition training program.

Additional courses with reduced tuition will be offered this fall. For more information about class times and dates and how to take advantage of the tuition discounts, call 686-4242.

BRIEFLY

Paramedic program

The deadline to apply for the Midland College fall/spring paramedic and emergency medical technicians (EMT) programs is July 1.

Students applying for either program should pick up an application at the Midland College Health Sciences building. A current high school, GED, or college transcript and the application should be submitted to Carolyn Bloodworth, Health Sciences admissions lab attendant.

At that time applicants will be given information about taking an entrance exam. Application, transcript and the entrance exam must be completed and returned to Bloodworth by 5 p.m. July 1.

Paramedic students are accepted on a point system. Points are earned for entrance exam score, EMS course work already completed and GPA. The top 20 students will be admitted to the program.

The top 25 students based on entrance exam scores will be accepted into the EMS program.

Call Gary Roberts, EMS program director, at 915-685-4593 for more information.

Continuing Education

The following continuing education courses begin in the next several weeks at Midland College. For registration information, call 685-4518.

Computer & You will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday, July 7. Brandon Brunson is the instructor.

Windows 95 will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, July 8. Brandon Brunson is the instructor.

CPR for Health Care Professionals Renewal will be 8 a.m.-12 p.m., Saturday, July 9. Gary Roberts is the instructor.

Computer & You will be 6-8:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, July 12-15. Pilar Wilson is the instructor.

Excel will be 12-2:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, July 12-15.Ofelia Welch is the instructor.

Office 97 will be 6-8:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, July 12-22. Susan Crenshaw is the instructor.

Quicken will be 9-11:30 a.m., Monday through Thursday, July 12-15. Robbie Campbell is the instructor.

Windows 95 will be 3-5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, July 12-15. Terri Kirk is the instructor.

Internet will be 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, July 13 and 15. Melody Johnston is the instructor.

Legal Aspects/Sr. Citizens will be 5:30-10 p.m., Tuesday, July 13. Kristi Elsom is the instructor.

Step Aerobics will be 5:30-6:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, July 14-Aug. 19. Becky Speight is the instructor.

Tummy Trimmers will be 6:30-7:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, July 14-Aug. 19. Becky Speight is the instructor.

CPR for Health Care Professionals will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, July 16. Gary Roberts is the instructor.

Real Estate Mandatory Continuing Education will be 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, July 17 and 18. Donna Gore is the instructor.

Instrument Pilot Ground School will be 7-9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 22 through July 8. Deon Christensen is the instructor.

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McCormick Gallery

Photographer opens summer show in McCormick Gallery

An exhibition of works by Fort Worth photographer Bonnie Terrazas will be on display in McCormick Gallery through July 22.

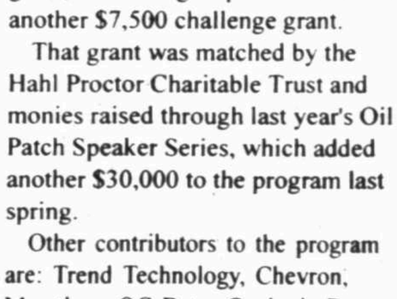
Terrazas is a graduate of Texas Christian University. She is a photo assistant at the Amon Carter Museum in Fort Worth and has worked on numerous free-lance art projects.

Her work has been exhibited in *Arte Latino*, an invitational exhibition for Latino arts in the metroplex; *After Thoughts*, a solo exhibition at Texas Christian University; and, *Serious About Something*, a group exhibition at Texas Christian University.

She has been featured twice in *Cross Talk*, the annual North Texas Juried Exhibition at Texas Christian University.

For more information about the exhibit, contact J. Don Wallace at 685-4770.

McCormick Gallery is in the foyer of the Allison Fine Arts Building. Summer gallery hours are 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Monday-Thursday.



Vision 2000 Survey

Midland needs a new Midland High School.
[ ] strongly agree

Existing parks in EAST Midland need to be updated and expanded.
[ ] strongly agree

Midland needs additional public golf courses.
[ ] strongly agree

Midland needs a larger branch library.
[ ] strongly agree

Transportation

Enjoy French food in 'Heidi' country

By Glenn Collins
N.Y. Times News Service

The great lightning summer getaway to the French Alps began as a timeout during the dream tour, a 30th wedding anniversary trip to France with our two sons. We reasoned that after days of togetherness exploring Normandy last July — examining the Bayeux Tapestry, poking into nearly every pillbox on the Calvados coast and standing awestruck in the great American cemetery at Colleville-sur-Mer — it might be wise to separate for a while. Then, we could appreciate one another even more when we reunited.

Thus the plan: our sons, Brian and Alex, generously agreed to endure four days of residence in the Paris we love, without the inhibiting presence of their parents. They reassured Sarah and me that this would be an acceptable sacrifice for two handsome, unattached guys in their mid-20s.

Meanwhile, Mom and Dad, the madcap anniversary revelers, would zoom off to the Alps in a rented Mercedes (OK, this was the big anniversary, not the budget trip). A week later, after the older generation marveled at snowcapped vistas, the baby boomers and the Gen-X'ers would meet up in the eighth arrondissement with many exciting tales to tell.

The only problem with this plan was our utter ignorance of the French Alps, which we had never visited, and therefore were passionate about. Friends fueled our rabid Alpinism by contending that, in the Haute-Savoie, we'd have all the joys of Heidi country, but with French food.

If the French Alps at a distance seemed initially confusing to a couple of neophytes, we had two firm but humble ambitions: we wanted to test ourselves with some strenuous mountain hiking, and we wanted to have the garden-variety tourist experience of riding the Aiguille du Midi cable car to its famous 12,600-foot view of Mont Blanc.

But where to stay? For weeks beforehand we scouted the guidebooks, and Sarah zapped Alpine Web sites. It seemed that Chamonix, site of the first Olympic Winter Games in 1924, was definitely the center of the action for nonwinter visitors. But there were all of these other legendary towns with marquee ski names such as Albertville, Courchevel, Megeve and Val d'Isere.

At last we chose Megeve because the Web site pictures were wonderfully quaint and because the town was the home of an unusual hotel that intrigued us from its Internet presentation: Les Fermes de Marie, an Alpine mini-hamlet that seemed to offer a country paradise.

AND SO, SOON ENOUGH, we were braving suicidal Citroens in the counterclockwise bedlam of l'Etoile during the morning rush. Within an hour we were rolling along the A6 past field after field of sunflowers under cloud-flecked skies.

We arrived in Megeve in late afternoon, after a 380-mile drive and a lunch stop in Beaune. Tooling about as we quested for Les Fermes de Marie, Megeve appeared beyond-belief picturesque: narrow, winding cobblestone streets, village squares, weathered fountains, ivy-covered walls of Savoy ocher and a 14th century church with a bulbous bronze-green belltower.

As we learned during our stay, Megeve is a curious mixture of chic and rustic, balancing luxury boutiques and agricultural festivals, with accommodations ranging from four-star hotels to farmhouse rooms. Days were warm, with low humidity, and mountain nights were refreshing; ever visible were the surrounding Alps and the lush expanse of meadows beneath granite peaks.

We discovered that unlike Chamonix (with its importunate traffic, its 100,000 summer day-trippers and its hodgepodge of hotels) and unlike Courchevel (with its planned ski developments), Megeve is a true village, a center of commerce for 80 surrounding farms. Thanks to the serendipities of Savoy history, many Megevan buildings survive from the 15th and 16th centuries. Preservation and building codes have discouraged the high-rise mania rampant in other Alpine villages, and Megeve bans autos in the town center.

LES FERMES DE MARIE turned out to be a hotel that is an ersatz Savoy village of eight chalets on two acres, with 69 guest rooms, virtually all of them affording a postcard view of the Rochebrune Alp.

The owners, Jean-Louis Sibuet and his wife, Jocelyne, are both second-generation hoteliers who have crafted Les Fermes into their one-of-a-kind statement, almost as if it were an interconnected hamlet of Frenchified Joseph Cornell boxes.

The public rooms are a charm festival of antiques, folk art and warm plaids, seemingly arrayed by a Savoyard Ralph Lauren. In the homey spaces of Les Fermes, visitors walk under ancient exposed farmhouse beams on creaky floors through hallways lined with equally ancient agricultural implements and bosky artifacts: 200-year-old Savoyard pottery, 100-year-old cheese presses, and sheaves of wheat. There are antique prints as well as folk-art paintings and wood carvings in a Savoyard naif style, many of them created by both Sibuets, who have used the hotel as a gallery for their own art. If on first view the ambiance is aggressively hospitable, it all works somehow. So does the spa.

Our cozy ground-floor room in a wing of the warrenlike compound was furnished with French country pieces including a 17th century armoire, a 200-year-old walnut table, a rose-figured rustic bedspread; the large well-appointed bathroom was lined with glowing tiles of rose, pink and white from Salernes.

For the most part, the 10-year-old Les Fermes has not been discovered by Americans, who form only 4 percent of the summer clientele.

"It is famous in Italy and France, and the concept is being much imitated in Europe," said Andre Seigneur, director of the Megeve Tourist Office, when we encountered him later in the week. But, he said, copycats have a difficult time duplicating the Sibuets' construction techniques.

To build Les Fermes, Sibuet spent most of a decade visiting the farms of Megeve, surviving endless courtesies, negotiations and not a few libations, while asking farmers if he could buy the centuries-old wood from venerable abandoned barns and shepherd outposts. The antique lumber collection he amassed — some of the wood 300 years old, from 60 barns and houses — became his inventory for new construction, the frame upon which he built Les Fermes.

"Each piece of wood has a story, and each farmer told me that story," said the 43-year-old Sibuet, after I introduced myself and asked about Les Fermes. "Ultimately the farmers would have put the wood in the fire. But now it has a place. And now the farmers are proud of their wood and come here to visit it."

Mrs. Sibuet said she sees Les Fermes as an expression of mountain life and Savoyard culture — "the wood, the antiques, the artifacts, the cuisine." As for the last, we sampled the offerings at the Grand Salle, the hotel's main restaurant (there are two others), which seats 140, with its floor of worn 200-year-old terra-cotta tiles rescued from ancient Savoy castles. We tasted appetizers (a bacon souffle and fat little grilled bacon-wrapped langoustines with risotto and local mushrooms) and entrees (sea bass and pork) and accompanied it all with a robust local $20 gamay that perfectly complemented the puissant Savoy food.

The next day we took a stroll into town, a seven-minute streamside walk by the River Arly. We discovered not only Hermes and Faconnable, but also Le Comptoir, an antiques store that has a Paris headquarters and is filled with Black Forest treasures. We also took in the legendarily upscale Aallard ski emporium, where stretch ski pants were pioneered and where, in winter, jet-setters secure not just their skis but also their more essential apres-ski accessories.

We visited the tourist office at the Maison des Freres on Rue Monseigneur Conseil, a former monastery and school with three-foot-thick walls that was built in 1730. "Our goal is to maintain our Savoy identity and quality of life while increasing our international clientele, and making the summer season longer," Seigneur said. "But we cannot grow too much." Megeve has 5,000 residents but swells to 40,000 in the winter and summer tourist seasons. Summer tourism in Megeve — which was established in the 11th century and became a small but fashionable health resort 100 years ago — actually preceded the winter invasions of the beautiful people. It wasn't until 1916 that the Baroness Maurice de Rothschild decreed that Megeve should become a French ski resort akin to St. Moritz in Switzerland. She attracted kings, queens, moguls, politicians and the idle rich.

The director Roger Vadim shot "Les Liaisons Dangereuses" with Jeanne Moreau at the Hotel Mont Blanc, which we found in the Place de l'Eglise. Jean Cocteau, who decorated the bar in the hotel (which the Sibuets now own, in addition to four other Megevan hotels), named it Les Enfants Terribles. Encountering so many Parisians, he dubbed Megeve the 21st arrondissement of Paris.

NEAR THE TOURIST OFFICE, the staff of the Mountain Guide Office at Maison de la Montagne told us that no fewer than 31 guides from Megeve were available for personal or group mountain jaunts. Among the recreational options are hiking, summer bobsledding, fishing, riding, paragliding, mountain biking, rafting, cycling, rock climbing, long-distance glacier walks and even a six-day climbing course with a guide leading to the summit of Mont Blanc. And yes, there is tennis and swimming and golf.

Megeve is also a paradise for randonnees — rambles, or unstructured hiking — with marked trails offering walks that flaunt Alpine views while threading past farms and waterfalls, through extravagant wildflower meadows and cool forests of pine.

And then, we took time out from four days and uncounted miles of glorious hiking to achieve our other goal. Following the directions of Ghali Bennani, the concierge at Les Fermes, we drove 22 mountainous miles on improbably scenic roads to Chamonix, the overcrowded Mont Blanc mecca that is the staging area for the cable car to Aiguille du Midi, the splinter of granite that affords a dramatic view of Mont Blanc. When we arrived, the famously long lines had dispersed that morning because it was foggy and overcast. We chose to take the cable car up into the fog anyway, even though we were told at the ticket booth that there was no view of Mont Blanc.

Soaring past the spectacular Bossons glacier as we ascended, we hit the fog bank, as promised. Miraculously, though, near the top of the Aiguille, we punched through the fog to the brilliant sun above. After ascending to the terrace, we had a startling panorama of Mont Blanc and the surrounding Alps rising from pillowy mist.

Two days later, we drove back to Paris for the grand reunion. Our celebratory toast was spontaneous, and heartfelt: we vowed not to wait 30 years to return, touched our glasses and said, "Bonnes vacances!"

If you go:

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Megeve itself can be done on a day trip, but a minimum of four days is advisable for those wishing to explore the town and its hiking trails, while using it as a base to visit Chamonix, Le Montenvers, the great Mer de Glace glacier, and the cable-car thrills of the neighboring Alps.

By car, Megeve is an hour from Geneva, two hours from Lyons and six hours from Paris (with no stops). It is also possible to take the TGV from Paris to Sallanches, which is seven miles from Megeve.

Although Megeve has 37,000 tourist beds, it is often tightly booked in August, during the annual vacations taken by what sometimes seems like the entire French population. But during June, July, September and early October the crowds are gone and, except during festivals, such as the week around July 14, there are hotel bargains.

The venerable, busy tourist office at the Maison des Freres on Rue Monseigneur Conseil is referral central for visitors. Its Web site is www.megeve.com; telephone (33-4) 50.21.27.28; fax (33-4) 50.93.03.09.



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SUMMER in the CITY



By Georgia Temple

Music, dance and culinary delights bring a little bit of Europe to life here when Summer in the City presents German/Czech Heritage Night July 8 in downtown Midland.

"People can expect to listen to wonderful toe-tapping music," said Sue Buck, who works for Wagner and Brown, Ltd., as an engineering assistant and is the volunteer chairman for the event.

"The Havlak-Batla Polka Time Band members hope people will do more than listen," said Mrs. Buck. "We hope they will feel free to dance."

Free dance lessons are available Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at Susie's South Forty for those interested in learning or improving their Schottische, 2-Step, polka and Flying Dutchman steps. To register call 570-4040.

"Everyone should take advantage of Susie Hitchcock's generous offer of free dance lessons," Mrs. Buck said.

Ms. Hitchcock agreed, saying, "It's fun to learn the dances of different countries. So many times you hear a certain music and you want to be able to dance to that, so this is what that's about."

Learning the steps will be, Ms. Hitchcock said, "A matter of relaxing and not taking it seriously."

The Havlak-Batla Polka Time Band has performed at numerous events including the 50th anniversary of the Church of St. Lawrence in Rosenberg.

"We had no idea that we had such European history in West Texas," Mrs. Buck said of the band. "The ancestors of the leaders of the band were the original European settlers of the Olfen/St. Lawrence area. These forbearers started an insurance business, and the original lodge remains standing and still retains its quaint name, 'The Benevolent Brotherhood of Insurance Adjusters.' To imagine that their children are still passing on this century-old tradition of music is wonderful to me."

"The band is the only one of its kind in West Texas," said Delmar Batla, co-leader of the band along with Joe Havlak. "That covers from San Angelo-El Paso to the west, Amarillo to the north, and the Hill Country to the south and east. Those familiar with Texas geography will recognize this as a big assignment."

The Heritage Night event, set for 7 to 9 p.m. on July 8, also features a German dinner and snacks for sale, works by artist Virginia Rachal, a children's area that includes games of strength, storytellers and the opportunity to make paper dolls and a polka-dot quilt that will hang at the Midland County Public Library, and two contests with prizes awarded in each.

The Beard Contest features such categories as longest, grayest, best groomed, most unusual and most rustic.

The Baking Contest includes the following categories: cakes, tortes and pies; yeast breads and rolls; sweet rolls and pastries; cookies and bars; authentic Czech/German style sweets, pastries and cakes. Entry sheets are available at Sugar Bakers, Murray's Deli, Tony's Bakery, Banc One, Seven-Eleven Food Stores, La Bodega or at the event. For more information call Donna Crowley, 699-1490.

"This is one of our highlights," Mrs. Buck said of the Baking Contest. "We don't want anyone to be intimidated by the word contest. We want entries."

Judging the baked goods will be local European-born chefs using a modified criteria from the Texas Chefs Association. Those judges are Canadian Michel McKay of The Courtyard, Austrian Alois Munzer of La Bodega, German Rudy Bernard of the Wild Scallion, and Lux-

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Above, Rudy Bernard, top left, Victor Cloninger, Serge Eherhard, bottom left, Alois Munzer, and Michel McKay will be judges for a baking contest for the German/Czech Heritage Night at Summer in the City on July 8. At far left, Susie Hitchcock-Hall, behind, goes over dance steps with Sue Buck, left and Agnes Biggs, who is also shown at left in her outfit. Below, the Havlak-Batla Polka Time Band will perform at Summer in the City.



Photo at top by Cori L. Takemoto

Photos of dancers by Tim Fischer

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Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Joyce Nichols Lewis

"DOING UP GIFTS?" BY FRANCES HANSEN

ACROSS

1 Prima ballerina
7 Summer top
13 Assailed on all sides
18 Bellowed
19 Nation's targets
20 Crusted meat dish
21 Start of a verse
24 State divisions
25 Mrs., abroad
26 Rabbitlike rodent
27 Mahayana movement
28 Propagate
30 "Leo the Lion" co.
31 Spraying device
35 Venetian export?
36 Conn. collegian
37 — Nui: Easter Island
41 Yodeler's feedback
42 Grey or McCrea
43 Gives the boot
44 Site of the first Olympics
45 More of the verse
51 Link
52 Topnotch
53 — Peak
54 Sierra —
55 Pyrenees republic
57 He'll give you a hand
59 Packaging unit
60 Cookie —
62 Rave
64 Leatherneck
67 Brontë and Dickinson
69 Made changes
73 Cremona notable
74 Arlo's restaurateur
75 Zulu warrior regiment
76 "— keeping you up?"
77 More of verse
82 Italian innkeeper
83 Holy Fr. ladies
84 Chevy, e.g.
85 First name in fashion
86 Curl up with a book
87 Craggy hill
88 Abzug with the hats
90 "The Count of Monte —"
92 Long March leader
93 "Reign of Terror" author
94 "Norma —"
95 Reach one's goal
98 Ovid's omelet
99 Helps, British style
104 End of the verse
108 Turkey lobe
109 "Because it's there" mountaineer
110 Intertwine
111 Like Falstaff
112 LeBlanc's detective Lupin
113 Fashioned

DOWN

1 "The Red"
2 Oz visitor
3 Waikiki locale
4 Wrinkle-remover
5 "Washington Crossing the Delaware" artist
6 More uptight
7 "Bali —"
8 Height: Abbr.
9 Free up
10 "Did" the Continent
11 Inward, in anatomy
12 Alphabet link
13 Kind of companion
14 Caesar's reproof
15 Partner of polish
16 e.e. cummings book
17 Place for a drive
19 Map abbrs.
20 Greedy
22 Layer
23 Small villages
28 Whistled
29 Rub the wrong way
31 Conductor Zubin
32 Become blocked with floes
33 Tatter
34 Ballerina's balancer
35 Heavyweight champ, 1992
36 Skillful
37 Third man in the ring
38 Dole out
39 This could be grand
40 Popular ski resort
42 Scientist Salk
43 Author Conrad et al.
46 — Gulf: Aegean inlet
47 Met's Marilyn
48 Fat farm
49 "Man of La Mancha" star
50 Flexible
56 Bypassed
57 Resigns from a job
58 Leinedorf or Segal
59 "Mea —!"
61 Cage occupant
63 Swedish folk dance
64 Hoople or domo
65 Tickle
66 Jamaican sect member
68 Offering at 3 Down
70 Inveighs against
71 Irish patriot Robert
72 Rivera or Velazquez
74 Pennsylvania railroad town
75 Smidgen
78 Memorable Fred
79 Old tar
80 Month of fireworks
81 Lalo's "Le — d'Ys"
88 Cuts at a slant
89 Make possible
90 Stashes away
91 Up-to-date
92 Sappy tree
93 She wrote "Laughing All the Way"
94 Furrow or groove
95 He had a whale of a time
96 Head of France?
97 Explosives, briefly
99 Porker's place
100 Like a hooter
101 Russian mountain range
102 Tortoise-hare affair
103 Made tracks
104 What it takes to tango
105 Singer Sumac
106 Long, long time
107 "— we having fun yet?"



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Jacqueline Bigar's Stars

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, June 20, 1999:

Focus on accomplishment, success and making your life more comfortable. Luck is unusually high; you are able to create what you want. Friendship plays an enormous role in your decisions and your long-term directions. Network, communicate, reach out to friends and work toward goals to make this an unusually successful year. If you are single, you're likely to tumble into a very special relationship, in which you feel like you can have nearly everything. Be open to someone who is very optimistic and positive. If attached, building stronger foundations allows greater closeness. Work on building a better friendship as well as a closer love relationship. LIBRA can be a lot of fun!

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Catch up on important communication. Hook up with friends. Surprises comes your way if you are open to another's ideas and positive energy. Complete a project, then make time for some recreation. Enjoy yourself! Tonight: Socialize.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Make hay while you can. Remain playful and receptive to what others suggest. A child or loved one adores your attention. You could feel tense about spending. You know how to say, "No!" Slow down and allow yourself some R & R time. Tonight: Put up your feet and relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Don't let pressure escalate. Handle a home project early in the day. An invitation has you dancing out the door. Reach out to others. Allow greater caring to flow. News from a distance has you daydreaming. Schedule a trip in the near future. Tonight: Play the night away.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You could feel pressured to make a must appearance. Catch up with friends and do some visiting. Think about catching some rays at the beach or at a favorite outdoor spot. A partner has much to share; spend some quality time together. Tonight: Make it easy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Intuition and news mix. You now know which way to go. Listen carefully to a friend who informs you of the pros and cons of a particular friendship. Let your imagination flow. Partners enjoy your creativity. Together, you will have more fun. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Don't let social pressure gnaw at you. You know what works for you — and what doesn't. Clarity can make a big difference with decisions involving money and partners. Check out an investment. Allow your mind to roam as you peruse opportunities. Tonight: Your treat.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Take your time getting up and going. Think through a decision involving a partner and a potential trip. Brainstorm with others. Be willing to share your resources and your mind. A child or loved one piques your imagination — do more sharing. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Be clear about your choices involving work and day-to-day life. You could overestimate your energy levels. Be realistic about how much you can accomplish. Make plans for brunch with friends. Keep in mind that you need some leisure time, too! Tonight: Play it low-key.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Assume responsibilities, bring friends and family together. A loved one is absolutely delightful this morning. Later, seek out your friends or start a spontaneous party. The more, the merrier. Refuse to let anyone pressure you. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Take an overview, make calls, gather information. You might not see eye-to-eye with others. Discuss the source of a problem before it festers. Consider restructuring your work or perhaps trying a different schedule. A parent appreciates your attention. Tonight: In the limelight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Examine what you want from one particular friend. Your views on pleasure, children and/or the basics of living could be diametrically opposed. Take a new route if necessary. Detach, think and reflect. Another perspective opens a door. Tonight: To the movies.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Remain in touch with your long-term goals within a relationship. Sometimes you might find it easier to roll with opposition than to take a stand. A partner or a dear friend offers many different ideas. Do not lose your centering. Tonight: A deep conversation.

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BORN TODAY
Actor Danny Aiello (1933), actor John Goodman (1952), singer Cyndi Lauper (1953)

Goren Bridge

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAH HIRSCH

BRILLIANCY OR...?

Neither vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ J 10
♡ Q 2
◇ A K J 10 7 3
♣ J 10 2

WEST
♠ 8 7 6 4 3 2
♡ 5
◇ 6 5 2
♣ 9 8 4

EAST
♠ Q 9 5
♡ K 10 9 3
◇ Q 9 4
♣ K Q 7

SOUTH
♠ A K
♡ A J 8 7 6 4
◇ 8
♣ A 6 5 3

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1♣	2♡	Pass	3♣
Pass	3NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Nine of ♣

This hand was reported from an international team tournament in the Netherlands. South played brilliantly to land nine tricks, but does the hand merit such attention?

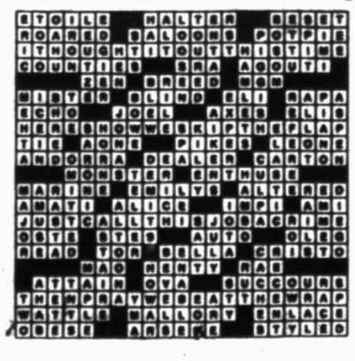
First, we were given no explanation of the bidding. It would seem that the normal contract to reach is four hearts, which will be in jeopardy only if the cards lie as in the diagram. However, North-South landed in three no trump — clearly the top spot.

West led the nine of clubs against three no trump, covered by the ten and queen and won with the ace. Since the opening bid marked East with all the missing cards, declarer is reported to have played off the ace, king and jack of diamonds, discarding the ace and king of spades from hand! In with the queen of diamonds, East could not prevent declarer from gaining access to dummy's diamonds to assure nine tricks. Indeed, East had to defend well to hold South to that total. Very pretty indeed.

Unfortunately, there is a far simpler line which guarantees nine tricks as the cards lie, and would make 10 if hearts were 3-2. Declarer wins the ace of clubs at trick one and leads a heart to the queen and king. Suppose East exits with a spade. Declarer wins, cashes the ace and jack of hearts and surrenders a heart trick, coming to nine tricks via four hearts, two spades, two diamonds and a club.

We leave it to our readers to decide. Did declarer actually play three no trump as reported? Or was the spectacular unblocking play found in after-the-fact postmortem? And should a prize be awarded to a line which could cost a trick with virtually nothing to gain?

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE





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SUNDAY, JUNE 20

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: Art in the Park, features outdoor sculptures: Breech by Willie Ray Parish; Gift from the Bovine Clan by T. Paul Hernandez; Night Sea Passage by Ben Woitena; and America the Beautiful by Greg Reuter, through June. A different selection of sculptures will be installed in September, to remain on display through June 2000. Windlands Park, 1000 W. Dengar, 687-1149. Free.

Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: Infinity, 2:30 p.m., and Mars, 4 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged. Children must be accompanied by adult.

The Brigl Collection: EXHIBIT: Selected works by William A. Brigl, by appointment, 1701 N. Garfield, 683-8445. Free.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: Museum open Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sunday 2:00-5:00 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa. 550-3811. Exhibits are free.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBIT: Modern and contemporary art. Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Thurs.-Sun. or by appointment, 1114 N. Big Spring, 685-9944. Free.

Midland Community Theatre: MYSTERY: "An Inspector Calls," final performance, 2 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBIT: La Salle Shipwreck Excavation, 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 RockHounds: BASEBALL: Midland's baseball team plays El Paso Diablos at home, through June 24, Christensen Stadium, 6 p.m. Stadium is on Loop 250 at Lamesa Road near Hogan Park. 683-4251. Admission charged.

Museum of the Southwest: SUMMER SUNDAY LAWN CONCERT: Sandhills Blue Grass, down home blue grass music, 7:45 p.m. Public invited to bring lawn chairs, quilts, picnics, drinks. Refreshments available for purchase. EXHIBIT: Un/Familiar: Contemporary Artist Series, featuring works of Beth Henry, final week, Here and Now Gallery. EXHIBIT: Taos Founders, featuring works from the Taos Society of Artists which portray the beauty of the Southwest and its unique inhabitants, through October 17, Hogan Gallery. EXHIBIT: Sculpture selections from the Museum's collection, through January 2000, 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, Mon.-Thurs. 7:45 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 2-5 p.m., call 915 335-6646. Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: SUNDAY RIG TOURS: tours of the modern drilling rig, 2:30-4:30, weather permitting, a docent will be at the site near Interstate 20 to explain the rig for no additional charge, Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., call 683-4403. Admission charged. SUMMER CLASSES: Session One: Exploring Energy, including solar, nuclear and fossil fuels, for children ages 6-10, with Museum exploration, hands-on energy experiments, and snacks, June 21-24, 9 a.m.-noon, 1500 I-20 West. Fee charged.

Permian Playhouse: MUSICAL: "Ain't Misbehavin'," matinee performance, 2:30 p.m., 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa, 550-5456. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: 10 a.m. -5 p.m. 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 800 862-7123. 1351. Admission charged.

White Pool House Museum: EXHIBIT: Like a Double-Edged Sword: The Black Civil Rights Movement in Texas, through July 29. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 E. Murphy St., Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

MONDAY, JUNE 21

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 College: KIDS' COLLEGE: Classes for students completing grades 1-6. Two sessions will be offered, June 14-24 and July 19-29. All classes are scheduled between 12:30 and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Call 685-4518 for more information.

Midland Community Theatre: DRAMA CAMP: Summer Theatre School Session I, for ages kindergarten through 6th grade, through June 24. Session II is July 19-29, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-2544. Tuition charged.

Midland RockHounds: BASEBALL: Midland's baseball team plays El Paso Diablos at home, through June 24, Christensen Stadium, 7 p.m. Stadium is on Loop 250 at Lamesa Road near Hogan Park. 683-4251. Admission charged.

Paint and Palette: CLASSES: "Kool Art," taught by Ann Fennell for children of all ages, Monday-Friday 1-3 p.m., through June, 2200 W. Wadley #20, 682-6681 or 570-1684. Tuition charged.

TUESDAY, JUNE 22

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: Experiment Gallery, featuring lessons on electricity, light, waves, and weather, with a variety of hands-on activities, through September 12. Museum hours Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m. 683-2882. Free. SUMMER MINI-CAMPS: Ka-Boom Academy, June 22-25, for children ages 7-10, Tuesday-Friday 1-5 p.m. Variety of classes at various times throughout the summer, Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri. Call Karen Winkler at 683-2882. Fee charged.

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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

Midland County Public Library: BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES: The Jury System and How It Works, Judge George Gilles, 142nd District Court, 11:45 a.m., 301 W. Missouri, Library Meeting Room, 688-8991. Free lecture; public invited to bring a sack lunch.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 24

Midland RockHound's baseball team plays El Paso Diablos at home, Christensen Stadium, 7 p.m. Stadium is on Loop 250 at Lamesa Road near Hogan Park. 683-4251. Admission charged.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: FAMILY NIGHT: Energy Scavenger Hunt, 6:30-8 p.m., 1500 W. Interstate 20, 683-4403. Free.

Permian Playhouse: MUSICAL: "Ain't Misbehavin'," through June 25, 8 p.m., 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa, 550-5456. Admission charged.

Summer in the City: ENTERTAINMENT: Country Night, 7-9:30 p.m. Artwork will be presented by oil painter Herb Cooper. Entertainment provided by Ricky Bolen and Texas Mud, with kid-oriented entertainment by Cowboy Dan. Refreshments available for purchase. Please bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets. 109 N. Main, Centennial Plaza in downtown Midland, Texas Best 687-8852. Free.

FRIDAY, JUNE 25

Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: Infinity, 8 p.m. every Friday except holiday weekends. Star talk and telescope viewing following show, weather permitting. Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged, free for Museum of the Southwest members. Children must be accompanied by adult.

Midland RockHounds: BASEBALL: Midland's baseball team plays Wichita Wranglers at home, through June 30, Christensen Stadium, 7 p.m. Stadium is on Loop 250 at Lamesa Road near Hogan Park. 683-4251. Admission charged.

Permian Playhouse: MUSICAL: "Ain't Misbehavin'," final performance, 8 p.m., 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa, 550-5456. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: CONCERT: Back Porch Swing Summer Concert Series, featuring Western Americana, Western swing, and cowboy music by Jean Prescott, 8-10 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets to spread on the lawn west of the building, 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 915 332-7123. Free.

Summer Mummers: PERFORMANCE: 51st Season, through Sept. 4, featuring "Meteor Crater Madness" or "Can't Tell an Asteroid From a Hole in the Ground," 8 p.m. Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

SATURDAY, JUNE 26

Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: Infinity, 1 p.m., and Mars, 2:30 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged, free for Museum of the Southwest members. Children must be accompanied by adult.

Camp Fire Boys and Girls: BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT: Slammin' in the City 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, benefiting Camp Fire, with a kidsí fun court and slam dunk and free throw contests, downtown Midland, 520-1552. Entry fee charged.

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Specter of cystic fibrosis hands over guitarist pursing his dream

By Ken Kusmer
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — In a perfect world, Michael Hartman's debut CD would sell a million copies and his place among the guitar greats would be assured.

In his decidedly imperfect world, though, Hartman hopes his instrumental rock album, "Black Glue," finds an audience large enough to earn him a second release. If not, he'll no doubt find a way to gather strength from the setback — something he's learned from living with cystic fibrosis, a disease that may kill him within 10 years.

But the disease helped introduce him to his guitar hero, Steve Vai, a break that gained him passage through industry doors — a journey other would-be rock stars only dream about. But cystic fibrosis, a hereditary disorder that can lead to fatal lung infections, leaves Hartman, 23, sickly and constrained.

He points to the catheter shunt implanted in his forearm, the gateway for antibiotics he takes to treat the ailment he likens to "having the common cold all the time."

"If it was a perfect world, there would be no limitations, but it's not a perfect world," Hartman says.

"When they say I can't do it, I usually try 10 times harder to do it."

Such determination helped create "Black Glue," the CD Hartman co-produced with guitarist John Christ of Danzig and released by Fuel 2000 Records. A portion of the proceeds from sales goes to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation of America.

"Black Glue" has quickly become a critical success. The Gavin report, an industry journal, called it "a brilliant record full of adrenalized rockers and mellow acoustic gems."

Reviewer Paul Gargano wrote in Metal Edge magazine: "Whether he's raging in full-on rock splendor or approaching his art from a more embattled personal side ... 'Black Glue' is the guitarist's gently weeping, loudly screeching statement."

One song, "Pooh's Day Off," was featured in the Sandra Bullock-Ben Affleck movie "Forces of Nature" and is due to be released as a single this month.

But commercial success is more elusive, especially in the realm of instrumental guitarists dominated by Vai, Jeff Beck and Joe Satriani. By the end of May, the nationally released CD had sold only 300 copies.

During an Indy 500 weekend street concert in Indianapolis, Hartman nervously acknowledged his music's limited appeal, explaining to an appreciative audience numbering in the hundreds that it was "left of normal."

During a lengthy interview before the show, though, he was more upbeat.

"My music is what makes me feel alive," he said.

Certainly, it was enough to drive an Indiana teen-ager to seek fortune and fame — and to find it — in the Los Angeles music scene.

"I don't look at it as overnight success, because I've been playing since I was 7 years old," Hartman said.

The 110 pounds clinging to Hartman's 5-foot-7 frame leave him gaunt despite a daily infusion of about 8,000 calories. Vulnerable to the flu and colds, he fled the unpredictable winters of his native Marion five years ago and relocated to California. He lives in the desert north of Los Angeles.

He had gained a taste for California three years earlier, when he was 15. That's when his doctors enrolled him in the Make-A-Wish Foundation. "They didn't think I was going to be around much longer," Hartman said.

He survived, and he also got his wish — a trip to California to meet Vai, who became a friend and mentor encouraging Hartman to pursue his dream while opening industry doors for him.

"That's what lit the fire, because I saw what he had," Hartman said.

Midlanders discuss ideal TV land fathers

By Georgia Temple
Staff Writer

Decades of television and film have served viewers portrayals of dad's role in family life. Some have presented the man of the house as a father who knows best; others have shown an earthier view of the married-with-children estate.

This Father's Day several West Texas Dads expressed their thoughts on television and film depictions of fatherhood. In doing so, some chose a serious approach while others selected humor.

"The one that comes to my mind all the time is 'Father Knows Best,'" said Midland Mayor Bobby Burns, noting that he was thinking of the ideal picture of fatherhood as shown in film.

"I'm in the insurance business," Burns said. "In that show, he was an insurance agent, which allowed him to spend a lot of time at home with his kids. I'd say he was the ideal father in TV land."

Robert Young also received a vote of approval from Texas District Court Judge Dean Rucker who claimed he was "old fashioned.

"I still like the Robert Young father figure in 'Father Knows Best' or the Ward Cleaver (Hugh Beaumont) in 'Leave It To Beaver.' They had great mutual respect for each other, the children and the father. And portrayed on television, they had a very warm and loving relationship."

Rucker also mentioned the "way the dad (Tim Allen playing Tim Taylor) got along with his boys" on television's "Home Improvement" and the "Andy Griffith Show."

"Some church (Golf Course Road Church of Christ) is having a 'Return to Mayberry Night,' and it has to do with using the Andy Griffith Show," Rucker said. "They are going to show them and then discuss family and family values. The Andy Griffith Show is a wonderful role model for that."

The father-role Lorne Greene played in "Bonanza" came to the mind of David Daniel, president of Midland College. The series premiered on television Sept. 12 1959, and continues today in reruns.

The series appealed to Daniel because of the "interplay" with the sons - Adam, Hoss and Little Joe — "and the psychology which was used to maintain harmony among competing siblings."

Daniel also mentioned "Father Knows Best," placing the series on "the situation-comedy side" and saying he watched the series "sometimes as a diversion. I liked adventure things more."

The Andy Hardy series and Judge Hardy popped into U.S. District Court Senior Judge Lucius D. Bunton's thoughts when asked about programs that dealt with fathers. As for movies? "I think one of the better ones was 'To Kill a Mockingbird,'" Bunton said.

The Nelson family occupied center stage for Dr. Joseph Baressi, superintendent of Midland public schools.

"Ozzie Nelson, without question," said Baressi. "I grew up with one brother so there's two of us and Mom and Dad, and I identified with that more than anything else."

Tim Young, general manager of the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale, Inc., and the father of three preschool age boys, laughed as he listed two movies that he felt presented "different sides of fatherhood. It's either 'Kramer vs Kramer' or 'Godzilla'."

Marvin Wynn, president of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, mentioned Fred MacMurray and "My Three Sons" saying the series showed "the way dads used to be.

"I'm not sure it's that way anymore," Wynn said. "It's certainly a goal that we all ought to look back at in this topsy-turvy world we're living in."

At first, Rob Hunt, conductor and artistic manager of the MOSC, had difficulty coming up with a film Dad that he felt was representative of fatherhood in the real world.

"For some reason, I'm coming up with the caricature Dads like in 'Pleasantville,' but that certainly is not my idea of what a Dad is," Hunt said. "The movies usually show Dads in atypical situations. I don't think many movies or TV shows show normal Dads or normal families.

"Perhaps that represents the general distortion of American family life that the media is sometimes responsible for hoisting on the American people. The fact that I'm having trouble thinking of a show that really represents my idea of fatherhood leads me to think so."

Hunt decided "'Father of the Bride,' both in the original and the remake, is a nice depiction of a normal father with the normal difficulties in letting go of the child as they mature and go through their progressive phases of becoming independent."

Texas District Judge John Hyde recalled the movie "The Yearling," starring Gregory Peck and Jane Wyman.

"Gregory Peck was, I think, a good frontier father in that movie trying to teach his boy how to take care of himself, how to be responsible,' said Hyde. "That movie comes to mind as one that" showed "a very good father."

Hyde's greatest influence came from example.

"I just remember as a young boy seeing a lot of fathers that would be active in school programs with sons and daughters," said Hyde. "That had a tremendous impression on me as a boy.

"More than any TV or movie roles that stuck with me as the impression in my mind as the role of the father. And it really wasn't anything that I heard anybody say; it's just what I saw fathers doing with their children that stuck in my mind."

Clapton auctions off guitars to fund residential rehab center

LOS ANGELES (NYT) — The residential rehab center Eric Clapton is funding on the West Indies island of Antigua is apparently turning into something of a financial drain on the legendary guitar slinger.

In fact, Clapton is auctioning off 100 stage and studio guitars, including Brownie, the famous 1956 Fender Stratocaster he used for the "Layla" sessions, as well as a rare 1958 Gibson Explorer, a 1974 Martin 000-28 steel string, a 1959 Gibson ES-335, a 1952 Fender Telecaster and a 1956 Gibson ES-350TN, in order to fund the facility.

Brownie, for example, is expected to fetch $80,000 to $100,000 at auction Thursday at Christie's in New York.

Selected highlights from the collection were on display last weekend at the Beverly Hills auction house.

It was a strange and frustrating feeling wandering through the exhibit. Although only a couple of guitars were behind glass, the last thing you were encouraged to do was touch the instruments.

Heck, some worry wart was loudly complaining that visitors were getting too close to the precious Gibsons and Fenders, and the velvet ropes would arrive the next morning.

It was frustrating because you so badly wanted to play some of the 40 rare instruments, especially the magnificent '52 Tele or the Explorer.

EVENT: Organizers planning beautiful fun day in downtown

(From 1F)

embourger Serge Eberhard of Murray & the Frenchman. Also acting as a judge will be Victor Cloninger of Foods Fantastic.

"It's always wonderful to get all the local amateur bakers out where we can see them and taste their wares,' said Cloninger.

Such factors as originality and execution will be taken into consideration, said McKay. "Taste is extremely important. To me, that is the most important criteria."

Eberhard agreed. "Definitely taste. Taste and presentation. You eat with your eyes first."

The judges echoed Mrs. Buck's words; none wanted people to feel hesitant to enter the baking contest.

"We're just having fun and a good time," said Bernard. "That's basically what it is. It's not a professional competition. It's supposed to be fun."

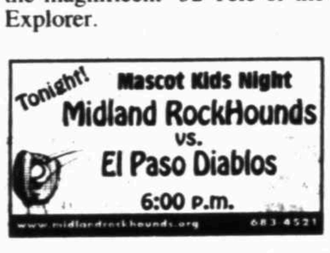
Food and drinks will be sold at the event. No admission is charged for Summer in the City, which also has events scheduled for June 24, July 15, 22 and 29.

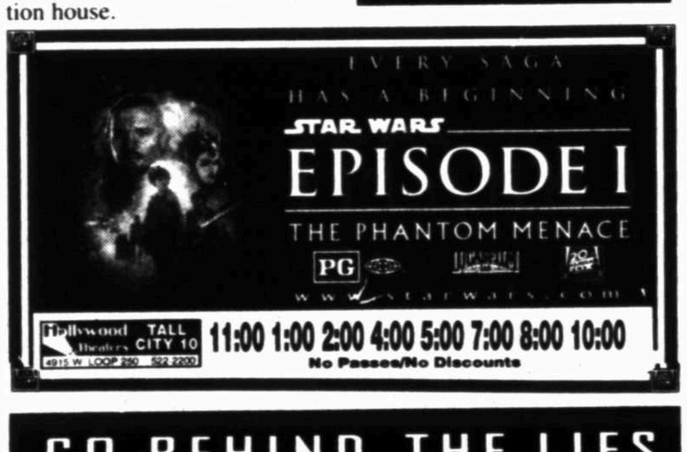
Bernard summed up the organizers' plans for July 8 by saying, "A beautiful fun day in downtown Midland. We will be serving food. We will have German beer. We will have a band playing; it's going to be fantastic."

Georgia Temple is the Arts & Entertainment writer for the Reporter-Telegram.



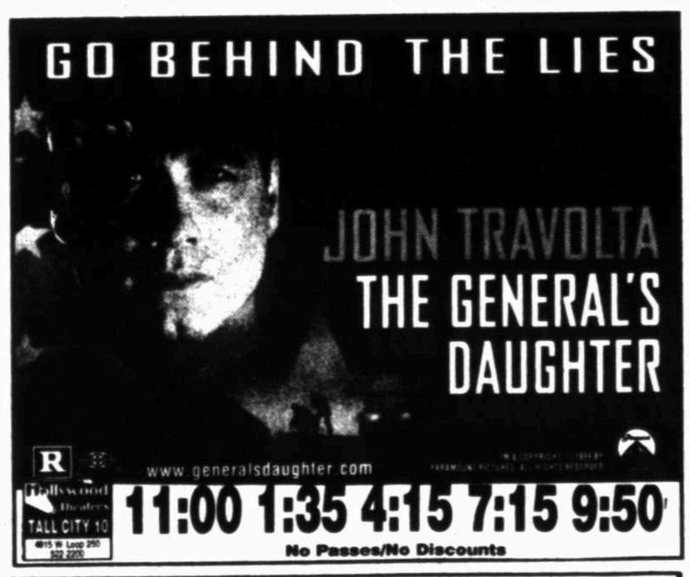












✔ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin June 20-26

Sunday, June 20

Performance set

FORT WORTH — Neil Simon's "The Sunshine Boys," a Casa Manana production, is at the Bass Performance Hall through today.

The comedy is a special two-week-only production and is the only performance in Texas. Jack Klugman (Willie Clark) and Tony Randall (Al Lewis) star in the production about a pair of legendary vaudevillians, who are trying to resolve their differences and get along with each other long enough to do one of their skits for a television special.

Casa Manana's production of "The Sunshine Boys" is directed by Anita Ross and stars Peggy Joyce Crosby as the sketch nurse, Doug Jackson as Eddie, Mitch Erickson-the voice, TV director and Jerry Russell as the patient.

Performances are 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Tickets are $67, $52, $40 and $26 available by calling TicketMaster at 972-647-5700, or at the Casa Manana Theater box office, 3101 West Lancaster in Fort Worth.

Monday, June 21

Paintings displayed

The Garden Room at Midland Country Club is showing oil paintings by Ginger Witte through June.

Ms. Witte is a multi-media artist and children's art teacher at Paint and Palette. She has exhibited at Celebration of the Arts, Septemberfest and Cole Theater, and has been juried into many Midland Arts Association shows held at the Museum of the Southwest and Midland College.

For information call 687-0908.

Meetings set

The West Texas Harmony Chorus meets every Monday evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Memorial Christian Church, 1001 Andrews Highway.

The group is made up of women from the Permian Basin. Their goal is to promote the art form of singing four-part harmony, barbershop style, through education and performance. Interested singers are invited to attend.

Live entertainment

ODESSA — Live entertainment starts at 9 p.m. every Monday through Saturday at Chelsea Street Pub, located in Music City Mall in Odessa.

There is no cover charge. Please use outside entrance after mall hours. Entertainment features karaoke with Rocky and Kym June 21-26 and June 28-July 3.

Tuesday, June 22

Live entertainment

The Press Box, located inside the atrium at San Miguel Square, corner of Wadley and Midkiff, features live entertainment beginning at 8:30 p.m. every Tuesday through Thursday and 9:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

Psycho Tropikal Phunk will perform Tuesday, June 22; Luscious Funk performs Wednesday, June 23; Andy Roman and the Jazz Crew are Thursday, June 24; Rhythm Aces Friday, June 25, Bert Herrin Saturday, June 26, Psycho Tropikal Phunk returns Tuesday, June 29 and Passover Zoo will perform Wednesday, June 30.

Works displayed

ODESSA — A showing of works by acrylic artist Becki Smith and panoramic photographer Jon M. Smith entitled "Two Views of the World" is on display through the summer at Proteus Gallery and Salon, 112 W. 5th St.

Mrs. Smith's paintings range in size from 18 inches by 24 inches to 48 inches by 60 inches. The images, Mrs. Smith said, "Often reflect my inner world."

Smith's photographs, taken over the past nine years, feature images from Italy, France, Spain, Greece and Turkey as well as West Texas and New Mexico.

Wednesday, June 23

Lunch program

The program in the library's second floor meeting room is open to the public. Drinks are provided and the audience can bring lunch, The talk begins at noon and time is allowed for questions.

The June 23 program features Judge George (Jody) Gilles of the 142nd District Court speaking on "The Jury System and How it Works." Judge Gilles is serving his seventh year as district court judge. The library's summer program is sponsored in part by the Midland Reporter-Telegram. Drinks are provided by Albertson's on Midland Drive.

Thursday, June 24

Fandangle

ALBANY — The Fort Griffin Fandangle is set for June 24-26. The nationally known historic musical show will begin under the Texas sky each evening at 8:30 p.m. in the Prairie Theater just outside of Albany. The Fandangle Parade is scheduled for June 24 at 6 p.m.

Ticket prices range from $5-$15, depending on seating. Albany is located 150 miles west of Dallas/Fort Worth and 30 miles northeast of Abilene.

For information call (915) 762-3838.

Trio Voronezh

RUIDOSO, NM — The Spencer Theater presents Trio Voronezh who will perform the sounds of Russia using traditional instruments July 17. It is the second of three outdoor events at the Spencer Theater. Tickets for the show will also be $12 for adults and $5 for children under 13 years old in advance and $14 and $6 the day of the show.

The third outdoor event is an ice cream social on Aug. 14, featuring the Las Cruces Sweet Adelines. Admission to the event is $12 per carload.

Tickets are available by calling the Spencer Theater Box Office toll free at 1-888-818-7872, through ProTix 1-800-905-3315 or at a Furr's grocery store Customer Service desk. For more information about the Spencer Theater visit their web site at www.spencertheater.com.

Live music

ABILENE- Bob's, located at 1066 South 2nd Street, hosts live music featuring Strychnine. For more information call (915) 672-0971.

Friday, June 25

Outdoor concert

ODESSA- The Presidential Museum in Odessa presents Amarillo native, Jean Prescott, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., Friday, June 25 as part of the Back Porch Swing summer concert series.

The singer-songwriter is the two-time winner of the academy of Western Artists Will Rogers Cowboy Music Female Vocalist of the Year, winner of the Cowboy Music Album of the Year for her album "Prairie Flowers," and in 1997, the Western Music association named her Female Entertainer of the Year. This year, Mrs. Prescott has been nominated by the Academy of Western Artist for Female Vocalist of the Year in western music and western swing and Entertainer of the Year. She and her husband, Gary are also nominated as Duo of the Year.

Her recordings include "Keeping the West Alive," "Me and My Pard" and "Prairie Flowers." For more information contact The Presidential Museum, 332-7123.

Saturday, June 26

Painting exhibit

Midland Art Association is featuring an oil painting exhibit by Big Spring artist, Estelle Howard, at the Midland American Bank throughout June.

Ms. Howard is a multimedia painter and works in vivid bright colors of the South West. She studied with Paul Milosovich, Howard Carr, Tony Couch, Howard College and Cloudcroft School in New Mexico. She has won many awards and has been accepted into Juried Exhibits.

Upcoming Midland-Odessa

Lunch program

The program in the library's second floor meeting room is open to the public. Drinks are provided and the audience can bring lunch, The talk begins at noon and time is allowed for questions.

The June 30 program features Pat McDaniel, director for development, art and special events for the Haley Library and History Center, speaking on "Independence: Worthy Dying For?" The library's summer program is sponsored in part by the Midland Reporter-Telegram. Drinks are provided by Albertson's on Midland Drive.

Comedian performs

Comedian Sean Morey, singer of "The Man Song," will appear at The Ranch July 8. Show time is 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are $12 in advance and $14 at the door. For reservations call 682-5911.

Upcoming Outside Midland-Odessa

Musical running

FORT WORTH — Casa Manana Theatre presents a two-week only run of the musical, "Once on This Island." Performances, which began June 15, are Tuesday through Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices are $32 for adult; $26 for senior citizens 55 and over; $18 for students and children 18 and under.

"Once on This Island," is a fairytale that weaves the classic themes of love, loss and redemption with the fabric of Caribbean culture, art, religion and social structure. It is an American musical with book and lyrics by Lynn Ahrens and music by Steven Flaherty. It is based upon Rosa Guy's novel, "My Love, My Love," which was inspired by Hans Christian Anderson's, "The Little Mermaid."

Tickets are available at TicketMaster, (972)647-5700, or at the Casa Manana Theatre box office, 3101 West Lancaster. The phone number is (817) 332-2272.

Fireworks show

AUSTIN — The Austin Symphony presents a fireworks show at dusk on the shores of Town Lake July 4.

The program will include music from Star Wars: The Phantom Menace, patriotic marches and the 1812 Overture. The event is free and open to the public.

The fireworks show continues after the concert at 9:30 p.m. The orchestra will perform throughout the fireworks.

Musical-drama

SALADO — Salado Legends is a historical musical-drama performed in Tablerock's Goodnight Amphitheater, located on Royal Street.

Showtime is 8:30 p.m., July 24, 31 and August 7. Visitors can also make reservations for dinner by calling (254) 947-9205. Dinner is served at 7:30 p.m. in the amphitheater. Tickets are $6 for the dinner and $15 for the show.

The play is written by Jackie Mills, author and playwright from Salado. The crew members, composers, musicians, actors, artists, dancers, sponsors and local dignitaries were honored in U.S. Congressional Record by judge Chet Edwards of Texas for "bringing to life the history of Central Texas pioneers through song, dance and story."

Performance set

POST — Garza Theatre presents, "Curse You, Jack Dalton!" by Wilbur Braun and directed by Jake Morgan.

Performances begin at 7:45 p.m. Friday and Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. They are June 25 through June 27, July 9 through July 11 and July 16 through July 18.

Tickets are $8 for adults and $5 for children ages six to 12 and are available at the box office. For tickets call the box office, open 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, at (806) 495-4005.

Midlanders in the News

Mummers top 10

The Texas Commission on the Arts has selected Midland Community Theatre's "Summer Mummers" to be in its top 10 picks for Texas tourists.

TCA, the state agency responsible for promoting art and cultural tourism across the state, has developed a list of 10 cultural events to help travelers make their summer vacation plans form June through August. For more information, visit the TCA's Texas travel web site, www.artonart.com.

Murals painted

Mickey Rubio has painted several murals on the walls of the burn building used to train fire fighters at the Midland Fire Department's Drill Field.

Rubio has been a Midland Fire Department Cadet for over a year and is attending Midland College.

The 20-year-old Midland native is working on an architectural degree and has been accepted to the Art Institute of Dallas. He is trying to raise the money to go in October. There he will pursue a degree in computer animation and graphics.

He has raised $16,000 through loans, but is still $18,000 short.

Open meeting

An open meeting is set for 5:30 p.m. June 29 for anyone who is concerned with the future of Midland Community Theatre.

The Board of Midland Community Theatre hired John Gimmler, a consultant from Staley/Robeson. Staley/Robeson is an international consulting firm for non-profit organizations. Gimmler is based out of Dallas. His job is to meet with members of the community and determine the concerns and goals about the future of Midland Community Theatre.

Last week, Gimmler met with 95 people to discuss the theater. He will return to Midland Tuesday and Wednesday, June 29 and 30, to meet with business leaders, foundation heads, former donors and members of the academic community. For more information call the theater, 682-2544.

Applications

July 1 postmark

Applications for the Austin Film Society's Texas Filmmakers' Production Fund 1999 must be postmarked by July 1. The fund is for emerging film and video artists in the state of Texas. It makes rarely seen works of film accessible to the film community. In September, the fund will award $50, 000 in grants ranging from $1,000 to $5,000 to regionally produced projects.

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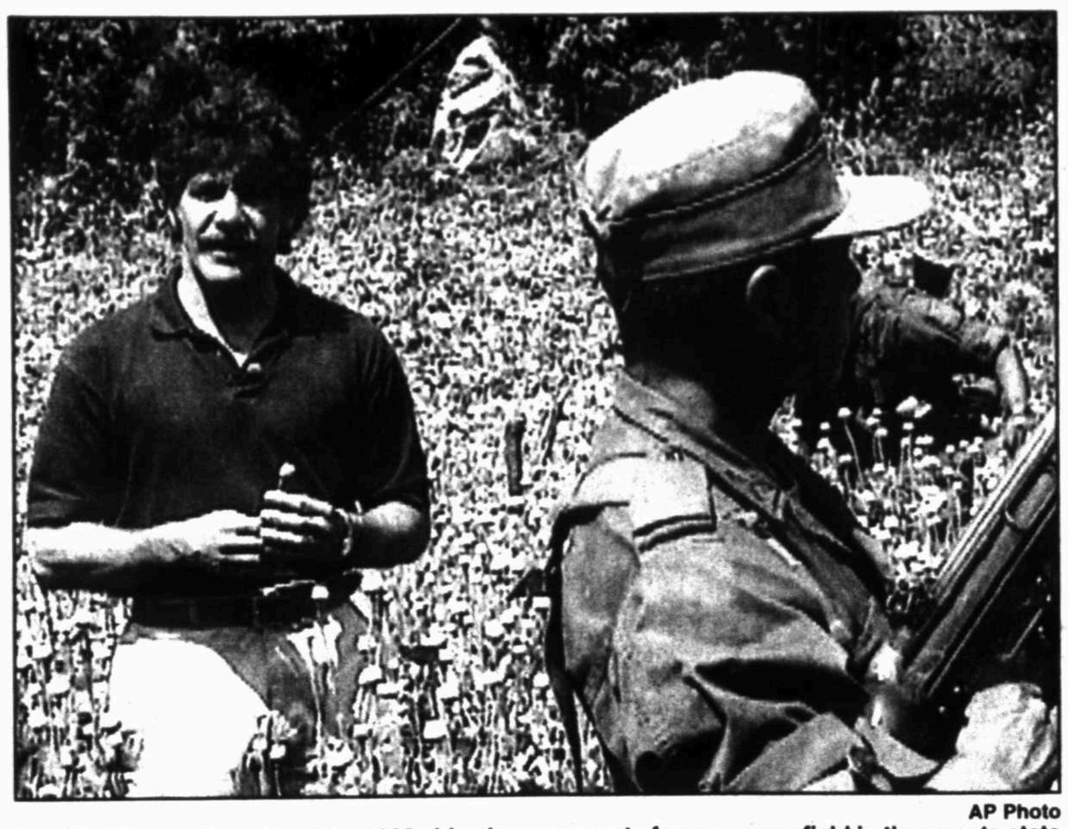
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Geraldo Rivera, shown in a May 1999 video image, reports from a poppy field in the remote state of Guerro about the Mexican army's effort eradicate the source of opium and heroin. The report is part of the NBC News special, "Drug Bust, The Longest War" that airs today at 7 p.m.

Rivera declares drug war lost; his own personal battles rage on

By David Bauder
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's not hard to find NBC's $5 million man, Geraldo Rivera, on television. You just have to know where to look.

Try the "Today" show, where Rivera's action-packed reports on the Kosovo Liberation Army first aired this month. But don't try the "NBC Nightly News," where a Rivera report has never been shown.

Try prime time today, when Rivera's documentary, "Drug Bust, The Longest War," airs at 8 p.m. But don't try "Dateline NBC," where Rivera believes he's not welcome.

Better yet, try cable, where MSNBC repeatedly ran the Kosovo reports.

A year and a half into his lucrative new contract with NBC, the former syndicated talk-show host still doesn't feel completely accepted at the Peacock Network. He may get more camera time than anyone else in the company, but he yearns for the time he doesn't get. It's a strange dynamic.

First, the drug special.

It's the third special report to emerge from Rivera's documentary unit, and he reaches the pointed conclusion that the decades-long war on drugs was in large part a waste of money.

"We have lost the war on drugs," he said. "It's like Vietnam. At some point we've got to say we have lost and no one has had the courage to do that."

Rivera talks to a veteran drug smuggler and a U.S. Customs inspector about efforts to stem the flow of illegal drugs into the country. "Drug Bust" also examines why addicts who want help have an easier time finding drugs than treatment.

Since the war on drugs was declared in 1971, it has cost $300 billion of taxpayer money, and drugs remain readily available, Rivera said.

"A generation of politicians has been corrupted," Rivera said. "This has been a cancer on the souls of the supplier nations. America is this huge, voracious vacuum cleaner sucking up all the illicit narcotics the world can produce."

Unlike news reports, documentaries generally take a clear point of view. "Drug Bust" is particularly provocative. Rivera's eagerness to say how he feels — also shown in his spirited defense of President Clinton during the impeachment trial — probably has something to do with the arms-length relationship he has with some of NBC's old guard.

Rivera doesn't think his opinionated nature is all that unusual in network news.

"If you don't think the reporters at NBC had opinions during the impeachment crisis, the vast majority of them in diametric opposition to mine, then I don't think you were watching," he said.

Since signing his NBC deal in November 1997, Rivera has been rankled at not having any reports aired on "NBC Nightly News," the network's flagship show anchored by Tom Brokaw.

In December 1997, Brokaw said of Rivera: "He does what he does, and I do what I do. There's very little common ground between us. That doesn't mean he doesn't have the right to do what he does." Brokaw hasn't talked much about his colleague since then.

Yet Rivera's feelings were hurt anew by the treatment of his Kosovo reports. He hoped they were good enough for "Nightly" to seek them out.

"The writing is on the wall, the sky and the ground," Rivera said. "It's just not going to happen. I don't think it will ever happen. If that piece didn't get on, I don't think they'd use anything. I know that 'Dateline' and 'Nightly' are like the country club in my neighborhood. I'm not allowed in."

The network's only comment: "Each NBC News program makes its own editorial decisions," said spokeswoman Alex Constantinople. Privately, NBC executives note that "Dateline NBC" has run Rivera's work in the past.

Rivera said frustration with his situation is partly why he's considering a daily radio talk show. "The motivation, honestly, was, 'OK, you don't want me, I know a lot of other people who do,'" he said.

If his role at NBC continues to evolve, Rivera said, he'd be much less inclined to seek out the radio job.

"I think there's a real need for an aggressive, populist alternative to the Rush Limbaughs and Oliver Norths of the world," he said. "It's time for liberals to stop being embarrassed about their political philosophy. Having said all that, I probably don't have the time to do it."

'Pirates of Silicon Valley'

'ER' doc goes from IVs to PCs

By Lynn Elber
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — In the new TNT film "Pirates of Silicon Valley," Noah Wyle is ungroomed, arrogant and generally unappealing.

An irresistible opportunity, says the actor, whose portrayal of Apple Computer Inc. magnate Steve Jobs is a sharp departure from the idealistic, fresh-faced physician Wyle plays on "ER."

Not that he immediately jumped at the project, which chronicles the rise of Jobs and fellow computer empire builder Bill Gates of Microsoft Corp. Anthony Michael Hall plays Gates in the film debuting 8 p.m. EDT today on TNT.

Wyle initially ignored the script, citing his preoccupation with "ER." Then the "Pirates" producers tried a different tactic.

"They sent over a documentary that aired on PBS a couple years ago, 'The Triumph of the Nerds.' I popped it in the VCR, really on a whim to see what the guy looked like, and I was bowled over.

"The first clip of Jobs is in 1984, and he's standing on a stage at a stockholders' convention, introducing the Macintosh. He turns it on, and there's this gasp and thunderous applause ... and this smile just comes across his face. It was such a hodgepodge of everybody's technology, but one man was on that stage taking credit.

"I turned to my fiancee (make-up artist Tracy Warbin) and said, 'If I don't play this guy, I'm gonna kick myself for the rest of my life,'" Wyle recounts.

Given his tender age — 28 — it could have been a long and bruising session. But Wyle's thoughtful approach to his career makes such a scenario unlikely.

In his off-"ER" hours, Wyle has avoided rushing into quickie TV movies or silly big-screen fare. Instead, he's leaned toward independent films like the family drama "The Myth of Fingerprints." He's also been in local stage productions, including "The 24th Day."

"The Myth of Fingerprints," part of the 1997 Sundance Film Festival, intrigued him because its script contained silences that seemed as eloquent as any dialogue, Wyle said.

"Coming from a family dynamic where silence was almost a weapon if you used it properly, I got excited about trying to show a family that did that and have it be interesting," said Wyle, who grew up with six siblings in Los Angeles.

"Pirates of Silicon Valley" offered the vibrant part of Jobs, who is portrayed as a sometimes-heartless visionary working to create a brave new high-tech world. It also, Wyle said, was a smart exploration of a pivotal period.

"This story leapt off the page because I couldn't believe no one had done it before," Wyle said. "On the surface, it's a great American fable about how the largest accumulation of wealth in the history of mankind was obtained, and who got stepped over, stepped on, stabbed in the back in the process.

"But underneath, you see the origins of a revolution that we're still feeling reverberations from."

The actor, impeccably dressed in a blue blazer and slacks and unerringly polite during an interview to promote "Pirates," actually has more to talk about than his latest project.

His summer vacation is devoted in part to a venture that's close to his heart: his Blank Theatre Co., which sponsors a young playwrights' festival. He helps fund it somewhat improbably, serving as spokesman for a Maalox campaign celebrating American heroes and donating his fee.

The theater, run by Wyle and Daniel Henning, culls 10 plays from nationwide submissions, brings the authors to Los Angeles and stages their works. Wyle usually joins the cast of one production.

"It's one of the more rewarding things we do," Wyle said.

For fiscal rewards there's "ER," which enters its sixth season on NBC this fall, has consistently ranked as TV's top-rated drama and has allowed its stars to reap multimillion-dollar salaries.

All that hasn't kept the cast intact. Sherry Stringfield checked out early, George Clooney hung up his stethoscope last season to intern as a movie star and Julianna Margulies leaves in 2000. Wyle, however, says he is staying put as Dr. John Carter.

"When the show started, no one knew what to expect. Then, when it became immensely popular, the natural progression was to see it as a stepping stone to somewhere else," he said.

"I just came around to the fact this isn't so much a springboard as it is a great experience; why not sit with it as long as it will run. It's never gonna happen to us again. None of us are going to do a television series with this kind of impact.

"I'm a young man, I've got plenty of time to explore other parts and roles. ... If the writing stays as consistently strong as it's been and the people on the set are as passionate as they are, I have no reason to leave."

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Young hedonists get 'real' on MTV

By John Carman
Hearst News Service

You know it'll be a good year on "The Real World" when you feel an instant dislike for the vile youths onscreen.

Say aloha and settle in. Off with your clothes.

This season, Honolulu is home base for the perversely entertaining MTV series. The debauchery begins Tuesday.

Here comes Teck, 22, by appearances a younger version of Dennis Rodman. He's vanning to his new beachfront digs with one of his new housemates, Ruthie, 21.

Ruthie was raised in a Hawaiian foster home by a strict Filipino family, but she's got a curvy Polynesian look going.

Teck approves. They've just met, and he's already got action in mind. But wait. Ruthie's got a girlfriend. A girlfriend, man.

Ruthie, on Teck: "He's got some game. He won't get it from me, but he'll get it."

So Teck settles for getting naked the moment he arrives at the "Real World" house. Ruthie, too. They're both judicious blurs as they strip and leap giddily into the outdoor swimming pool.

Teck and Ruthie are thus occupied when their five housemates arrive one and two at a time. Teck is forever standing in the pool to extend his hand, which apparently outdistances his other blurred appendage.

Newly arrived housemate Amaya, 21, a UCLA grad from Oakland, Calif., drops her jaw. My God, he's standing naked in the pool. Not the low Teck introduction she had in mind.

Matt, a 22-year-old Southern Californian, is noticing Ruthie, not Teck. When it comes time to pick roommates, Matt says, "I want to sleep in Ruthie's room." And he does, along with Amaya.

"It kind of feels like I'm living on a page of National Geographic," Matt observes, thinking of all the bare bodies around him.

Kaia, 22, is a Chicagoan and UC Berkeley student. She gives the impression of strength and levelheadedness.

But Kaia, too, has a philosophical problem with attire. She seems to regard a pair of panties as overdressed. "I really, really like looking at myself," Kaia says. "Call it narcissistic if you want."

OK. It's narcissistic.

Justin, 21, is the brains of this year's crew. He's taking time off from Harvard Law to be on "The Real World." Justin is also gay.

I do not dislike Justin. But Justin has some challenging months ahead of him. His roomie is Colin, 19, another UC Berkeley student. Colin's just a bit perplexed by this gay thing.

"You don't mind if I sleep naked, do you?" Colin asks Justin. Colin will take the top bunk.

That's what happens Tuesday night. Oh, there's also the matter of the ambulance.

As soon as they're settled in, the cast goes out partying at a nearby bar. Ruthie promptly drinks herself into a stupor. And what a profound stupor it is — eyes rolled back in her head, limbs akimbo, brain shut down for repairs.

They get her home, stand her up in the shower and tell her to throw up. Then they call the ambulance. Whoosh, Ruthie's off to the hospital.

Yep, it's one more season of prime American youth.

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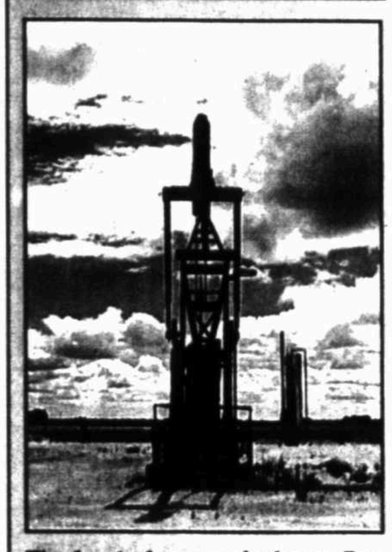


Back Row: Coaches Gary Walker, Cary Billingsley, Tim Culp, Dale Redman, Brad Carpenter.
Middle Row: Joe Brosig, Taylor Billingsley, Jeffrey Ryon, Brandon Britto, Dylan Carpenter, Corey Culp.
Front Row: John Evans, Bryan Hastings, J.D. Benton, Reid Redman, Miles Walker, Grant Henderson.

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The front of a pump jack on a Permian Basin cloudy day.

SIPES awards scholarships

DALLAS — The SIPES Foundation, administering the scientific, educational and charitable programs of the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists, has recently announced that eight outstanding earth science students will receive $1000 scholarship awards. Applications were accepted from upper-division or graduate students in any field of earth science.

SIPES Foundation 1999 scholarship recipients are Brian D. Locke, pursuing a master's degree in geology and geophysics at Rice University in Houston, Texas; Brook C. D. Riley, a doctoral student in geological sciences at the University of Texas at Austin; Joy A. Robbins, an undergraduate petroleum engineering student at the University of Texas at Austin; Summer Rupper, an undergraduate student in geology at centenary College in Shreveport, Louisiana; and Krysti Weed, a master's degree student in geology at Wichita State University.

Others include Adam E. Wheeler, a master's degree student in geology at the University of Southwestern Louisiana in Lafayette, Louisiana; Christopher Zahm, a Ph.D. candidate in geology at the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado; and Eric C. Zimmerman, pursuing a master's degree in geology at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

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Marathon to explore off Ireland

By David Wells
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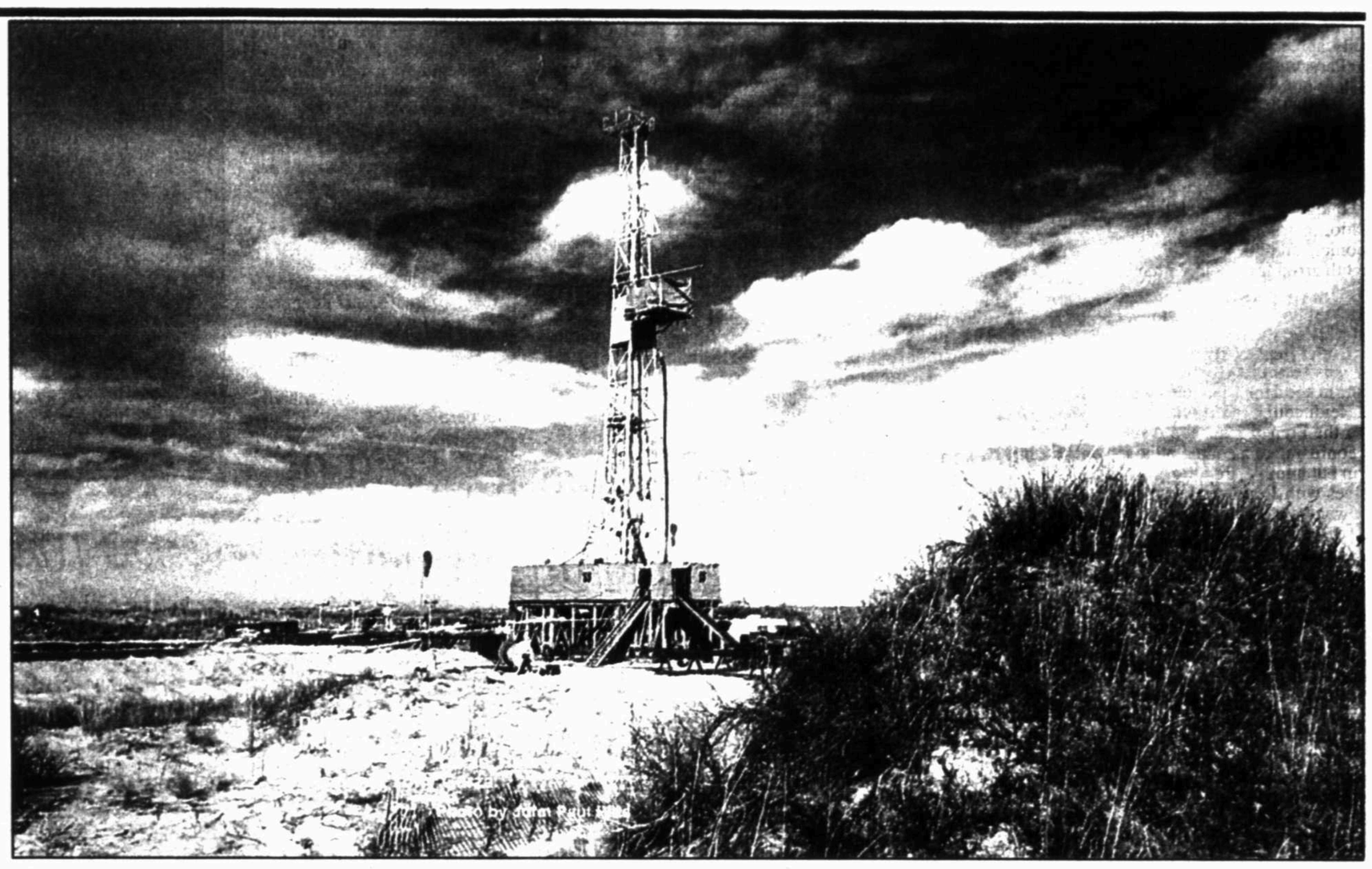
Houston (Bloomberg) — Marathon Group, the sixth-largest U.S. oil company, said Ireland's government awarded it the right to look for oil and natural-gas about 35 miles off the country's western coast.

Marathon agreed to spend two years trying to determine whether the area has enough reserves to become commercially viable. After two years, the company said it can ask for a one-year extension, walk away from the project or seek government permission to drill a well.

Houston-based Marathon, with sales of $21.7 billion last year, is a separately traded unit of Pittsburgh-based USX Corp.Marathon shares fell 1/16 to 32 1/16.

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Natural gas supply will meet summer demand

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Will Texas natural gas producers be able to meet the demand for electricity this summer?

"Hot summer days are expected to put increased demands and challenges upon Texas natural gas producers, but the state is well positioned to meet the challenges," says Texas Railroad Commissioner, Tony Garza.

Even though gas storage, is 20 percent above the same levels at this time last year, Garza said the Commisson is monitering the situation closely. "So far we do not see a shortfall, but we will continue to be foward-looking to develop policy and incentives to spur growth in the market."

He said forecasts call for an increase of 30-50 percent in natural gas consumption over the next 15 years with 80 percent coming from domestic sources. To meet the demand, Garza said Texas producers would have to rapidly accelerate drilling activity.

> "If Texas is to meet increasing demands for natural gas it must look for ways to grow in the industry."
> Tony Garza,
> Texas Railroad Commissioner

That prospect, however, does not appear likely anytime soon. Low oil prices and restrained budgets, have taken a heavy toll on natural gas supplies, According to latest Texas Railroad Commission, Texas natural gas drilling, completions and production are down significantly from last year — a fact that could increase the demand factor.

Total drilling permits issued todate for 1999 is 611, compared to 1,728 for the same period last year. Natural gas production as of January 1999 was 457.9 Mmcf of gas, down from 469.6 Mmcf last January. Natural gas completions in March were 313, down from 395 last March. Only 34 completions were in the Texas portion of the Permian Basin. Deep South Texas was the leading gas area with 74 completions.

"If Texas is to meet increasing demands for natural gas it must look

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Key unveils cost-cutting, restructuring strategies

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Key Energy Services has developed a management restructuring plan that will strengthen the company's management team in Midland, while allowing the company to focus on cost reduction and market changes, says Francis Johns, Chairman, President and CEO.

The heart of the restructuring plan calls is a three-person executive team that will manage day-to-day operations, develop ongoing cost reduction plans, expand the quality and services provided to existing and new customers and improve employee and customer safety.

The operations committee will consist of : James Byerlotzer, who will become Executive Vice President of domestic well service and drilling operations; Thomas K. Grundman, who will become Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer and oversee international operations. Kirk Edwards, formerly the President of Odessa Exploration, a division of Key, will become Senior Vice President of Human Resources and Technology.

Bylerlotzer has had extensive senior management experience with Pride and Dawson well servicing. Grundman, formerly ran PNC Bank's oil and gas group and was with Chase Bank. He replaces Stephen McGregor, who will return to his home in Washington D.C., but will remain with the company as a consultant. Kirk Edwards will help develop technology improvement to provide better service and well-site information to customers.

The drilling company of Key Energy, which maintains 75 drilling rigs, will also relocate management to Midland and will managed by Gene Grimes, who has had significant management experience with Lakota, Wilbro, Nabors and Grace drilling.

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Oil prices fall as weak demand outweighs production cuts

LONDON (AP) — Weaker global demand for oil offset production cuts by oil exporters, causing the price of crude to drop last month by more than $2 per barrel, the International Energy Agency reported Friday, June 11.

Oil inventories fell more slowly than expected, even though compliance with agreed production cuts by oil-producing countries improved to 90 percent from April's level of 82 percent, the agency said in a report faxed from its Paris headquarters.

Global crude production fell last month by 400,000 barrels per day to a new total of 73 million barrels per day.

However, a decline in seasonal demand for heating oil and other products together with uninterrupted exports from Iraq helped depress prices. OPEC's benchmark price for a barrel of crude dropped to $12.66 a barrel in May from $15 in April, the IEA said.

Last month's price decrease followed a $7 per barrel run-up during the previous 2 1/2 months. That earlier price jump resulted from an agreement by OPEC members and other producers to slash production by 2.1 million barrels per day in an effort to boost prices.

The IEA forecast that global demand for oil would rise this year to an average of 75 million barrels per day, an increase of 1.4 percent above 1998. Much of the reason would be continued economic recovery in Asia, particularly in Japan and South Korea, it said.

Among OPEC's 11 members, only Nigeria, Kuwait and Algeria increased production in May, the IEA reported.

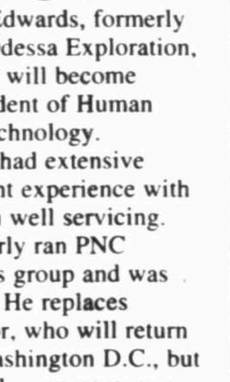
The IEA is part of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, a group of the world' most developed nations.

JOHN PAUL PITTS

Texas predatory pricing action sending a message

A legal storm is brewing that has foreign oil producers looking anxiously to the horizon. As the petition by Committee to Save Domestic Oil Inc. heads into the final stages before presentation to the Department of Commerce, another anti-dumping action is trying to get off the ground in Texas.

Texas has harsh anti-dumping legislation that dates back to John D. Rockefeller and many oil producers in the state are pressing Texas Attorney General John Coryn to look at these laws in light of the recent price collapse that saw crude oil prices drop 40 percent in 18 months, creating the loss of tens of thousands of jobs and billions of lost revenue by taxing entities in the state.



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Under Texas laws, any firm, and its corporate heirs, found guilty of predatory pricing within the state can be barred forever from doing business in the state. A predatory pricing ruling against foreign producers could be devastating to both Venezuela and Saudi Arabia who have extensive refining assets in Texas. It could also be historical in nature.

According to the Texas Business & Commerce Code the appropriate test for predatory pricing under the Texas Antitrust Act is: (1.) The seller has objectively reasonable expectation of recouping its losses due to alleged predatory pricing by charging higher prices at a later date, that is predatory pricing must be economically feasible, (2.) The price charged is below average variable cost, or there is substantial barriers to market entry. (3) The seller is charging prices below its short-run profit maximizing price and its average cost. (4.) The benefits of the seller's price is dependent on the ability discipline or eliminate competition.

A look at the record could make a case for all of the above. Yet, Cornyn has shown little passion for pursuing an antitrust action in Texas.

The Texas action is being spearheaded by "The Campaign to Open the Eyes of Texas. In a letter to Cornyn, Bob Landreth, of the Campaign told the Attorney General that nearly all state and national oil and gas trade organizations were behind the Commerce Dept. petition. He further sent copies of the Texas antitrust statues and press clippings which detailed the transparent attempt by foreign producers to destroy U.S. producers.

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Shell to cut 1,000 jobs to save $350 million

By Reed V. Landberg
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London (Bloomberg) — The Royal Dutch/Shell Group, Europe's largest oil company, said it would cut 1,000 jobs worldwide as part of a cost-cutting program in its chemicals unit to save $350 million a year by 2001.

Shell said 400 of the jobs will come from its U.S. chemicals operations, representing about 8 percent of its 5,000 U.S. chemical workers. U.S. employees were informed of the cuts in March, a spokeswoman said.

The plans show Chairman Mark Moody-Stuart is making good on promises to save at least $2.5 billion a year across the company by 2001 in a program the company started in December to revive its profitability.

"It's quite reassuring that the program they set out is being adhered to," said Jurjen Lunshof, an analyst at Credit Lyonnais Securities, who recommends investors "add" the stock to portfolios. "In the troubled groups such as chemicals, their changes are underway and they're addressing the problems."

Everet Henkes, chief executive of the Anglo-Dutch oil company's chemicals business, told analysts in London the cuts would be in addition to 3,500 announced earlier as part of asset sales. The chemical unit has 12,500 workers, excluding those employed by joint ventures.

U.S. shares of Royal Dutch Petroleum Co., the Netherlands-based holder of 6- percent of Shell, rose 7/8 to 60 1/8. Shell Transportation & Trading Co. shares in London, reflecting 40 percent of the group, rose 1.14 percent, or 5.5 pence, to 488.75 pence. Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. shares in Amsterdam rose 0.45 euro to 57.45 euros.

There were no major announcements from Shell at a routine briefing for City of London analysts. Rather, analysts said executives from the group's natural gas and power generation and the chemicals unit used the meeting to detail progress on the cost cutting program started in December. The staff cuts were detailed in slides shown to analysts and posted on Shell's web site. The briefings will be repeated tomorrow in New York.

In December, Shell said it would sell 40 percent of its chemicals unit, which had assets of $12.44 billion, to strip away less profitable specialty chemicals and rubber production and focus on manufacture of commodity petrochemicals such as polyethylene, which is a basic building block of a wide range of plastics.

Today, Henkes put more detail on the cost cutting plan, revealing the 1,000 job cuts and reiterating that plans to save $150 million this year alone were on track. Shell already has said its chemicals unit would lose 3,500 staff from asset sales, though none of the job cut figures had been published in Shell press releases or briefing documents before.

The $350 million in cost cuts is more than the $300 million figure Shell published in December. A Shell spokeswoman said the previous figure didn't include $50 million attributed to rising output of chemicals and savings in procurement that the company had presented differently in December.

Analysts were unconcerned with the change, saying they'd look at Shell's underlying profitability as the main measure for the company's performance. Shell's profit fell 89 percent to $901 million in 1998 as oil prices touched a 12-year low and margins in the chemicals, refining and natural gas unit narrowed.

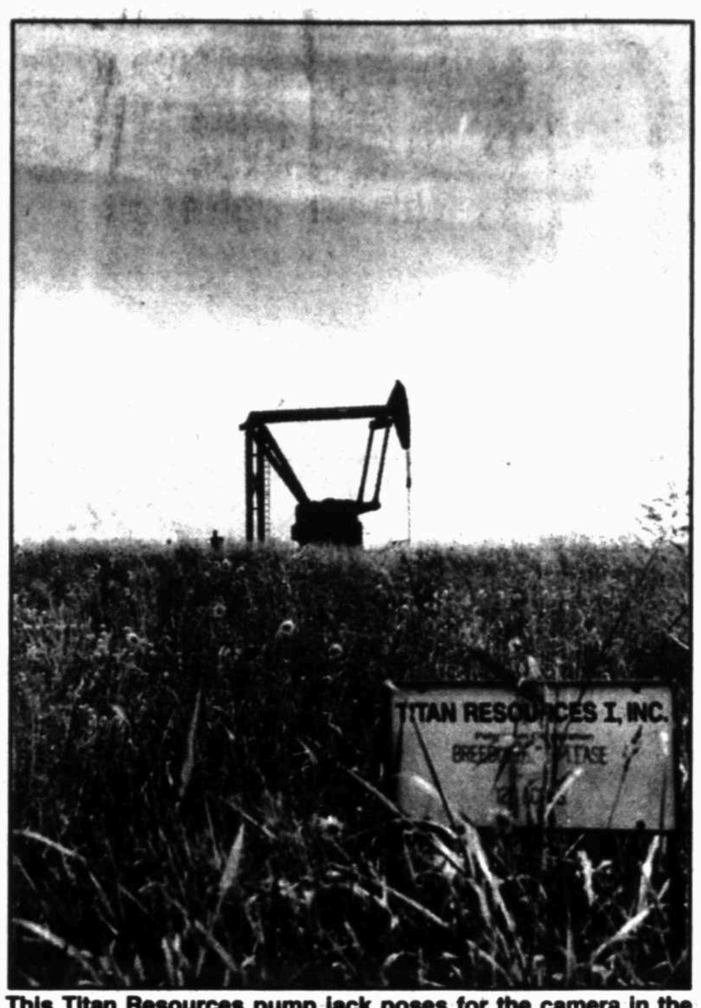
"We've seen a lot of companies declare cost targets, and the problem is verifying they've achieved them," said Mark Horn, an analyst with T. Hoare Canaccord. We'll be focusing on net results."

Shell also detailed its strategy to build the downstream natural gas and power business, which develops electric power plants and pipelines that consume natural gas. Karen de Segundo, who became chief executive of the unit last year, and her staff said demand for liquefied natural gas could continue to rise at about 8 percent a year until 2010.

The company expects gas demand in Europe of about 700 billion cubic meters a year in 2020 will exceed supply from the region by about 200 billion cubic meters as the fuel takes market share from oil and coal to fire power generation plants.

De Segundo, in her first major strategy presentation to City of London analysts since becoming the unit's CEO, said the unit whose profit dropped 47 percent in the first quarter already has completed some of the reforms planned in December. The unit sold its Transok gas pipeline network in the U.S. and restructured its Tejas gas business.

The unit accounted for just 2.8 percent of Shell's operating profit in the first quarter, though Moody-Stuart is attempting to tilt the group toward gas production and power projects considered more environmentally friendly than burning oil.



This Titan Resources pump jack poses for the camera in the grassy fields of the Permian Basin.

Pioneer signs definitive agreements for sale of $105 million of Texas and Canadian properties

DALLAS (BUSINESS WIRE) — Pioneer Natural Resources Company has announced the signing of multiple definitive agreements for the sale of certain oil and natural gas properties in Texas and Canada for total proceeds of approximately $105 million. Pioneer intends to use the proceeds from the sales to retire bank debt.

Pioneer signed a definitive agreement for the sale of certain natural gas properties in South Texas to CNG Producing Company for $62.3 million. The transaction is expected to close on August 31, 1999 with a July 1, 1999 effective date. Pioneer has also signed an agreement for the sale of a field in West Texas for $8.2 million with closing anticipated on June 30, 1999.

In Canada, Pioneer initiated a process to divest 68 non-core properties earlier this year. Approximately one-half of the properties to be sold are now under eight purchase and sale agreements with combined proceeds of approximately $35 million. These agreements have effective dates within the second quarter and are expected to close by the end of June. Five letters of intent have also been signed for additional proceeds of $35 million with closings anticipated early in the third quarter. While the properties to be divested represent approximately 49% of Pioneer's Canadian production, the properties represent only 24% of Canadian proved reserves. Pioneer is retaining eight core properties in Canada, over 90% of which are operated by the Company. Production from these retained properties is 82% natural gas with an approximate operating cost of only $2.00 per barrel oil equivalent.

Scott D. Sheffield, President and CEO stated, "These divestitures are another significant step in the execution of Pioneer's strategy to streamline operations and reduce bank debt. Combined with the previously announced divestiture to Prize Energy Corp., Pioneer has signed definitive agreements for the sale of approximately $350 million of domestic and Canadian non-core properties."

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for ways to grow the industry," said Garza. He said new incentives for natual gas drilling and production would help. One of the bills is HB 2615, a high cost gas incentive, that focuses on large reserves in tight, and deep formations that are costly to drill. Garza said the bill would help strengthen the natural gas sector.

More will be known about the overall health of the natural gas industry this fall when the National Petroleum Council finishes a comprehensive analysis of the industry. Conducted at the request of Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson, the analysis will focus on the critical issues of natural gas supply, demand and distribution and their link to the U.S. economy. The study will also look at steps state and federal government can take to help the natural gas industry meet expanding demand.

West Texas Geology Foundation instructs local science teachers on Oil and Gas

The West Texas Geology Foundation hosted a workshop for science teachers June 9 through June 11 in Andrews at the Devonian Elementary School. Seventeen third to seventh grade teachers, sixteen from Andrews and one from Eunice, NM, learned to teach the module "Energy: A Closer Look at Oil and Gas." The module was developed by the Denver Earth Science Project, a branch of the Colorado School of Mines in Golden, Colorado with input from oil and gas professionals. The workshop leader was Laurie Steenrod, a middle school science teacher from Aurora, Colorado, who helped develop the module.

Each teacher was given a notebook with lesson plans and activities and a resource kit filled with materials for demonstration and experiment. The training and materials will enable the teachers to explain the oil and gas business at the student's own grade level.

Part of the second day of the workshop included a presentation by Midland geologist Dan Wambaugh. He explained the activities of an independent in the oil business and brought cores and rock cuttings from a producing formation for the teachers to examine with a microscope.

On the third day the teachers visited Hanford San Andrews miscible CO2 project near Seminole in Gaines County. This field has been successfully injected with water and carbon dioxide. The location is so environmentally friendly that a family of robins build a nest under a shelter for one of the control boxes, and cotton tail rabbits chase each other around the tank batteries. The teachers were hosted by the Fasken Oil & Ranch, Ltd., unit operator for the Hanford (San Andres) field. Operations were explained by Carl Brown, engineer for Fasken.

The workshop was possible because of generous contributions from thirteen individuals, corporations and foundations. The West Texas Geology Foundation has organized three workshops since 1996 and trained a total of fifty-two teachers in the Permian Basin.

KEY: *Restructuring plan to strengthen management team*

(From 1)

Odessa Exploration, the oil and gas production wing of Key Energy, will be sold and certain personnel combined into Midland operations. The company has retained Petrie Parkman & Co. of Houston to provide an advisory role with the sale of the production company which has production of 750 barrels per day and 5,500 Mcf of gas per day.

Johns said Key, the world's largest rig-based well servicing firm with 1,420 rigs, has cut over $20 million in operating costs over the past nine months and would continue in its efforts to be a low-cost, decentralized organization. "We have experienced a steady increase in rig utilization, revenues and EBITA contribution each month since February."

He said with the recent $192 million equity offering and assuming a successful sale of Odessa Exploration the company would be able to significantly strengthen its balance sheet and liquidity. Johns said the industry was improving, but it would take several quarters of improvement to regain the activity levels of late 1997 and early 1998.

PITTS: *Companies take legal action*

(From 1)

Landreth asked the state's top lawyer and his 600 lawyers to affirm the anti-trust laws of Texas and send a warning to foreign oil producers that Texas intends to enforce the laws already on the books. The Permian Basin Petroleum Association also sent a letter to Coryn, asking him to look into the issue of predatory pricing by Venezuela, Iraq, Kuwait and Mexico in violation of the Texas Anti-Trust Act.

In formal response to the "Open the Eyes of Texas Campaign" Cornyn wrote: "Although the matters highlighted by you are difficult to thoroughly resolve at the state level, I have instructed the Antitrust Section of my Consumer Protection Division to make every effort to evaluate what relief we can provide you." Action on the matter was speeded up when Texas Railroad Commission Michael Williams requested the Attorney General's office to look into the possible violation of Texas anti-trust laws.

The head of the Attorney General's Anti-Trust Division has requested information on Department of Commerce petition, but it remains to be seen if Coryn will get a vision for this project and back Texas producers by taking a long, hard, honest look at the statues. If he does not the case will have to be made in court by private parties.

Nonetheless, with two legal actions now going against foreign oil producers who orchestrated the collapse of oil prices in 1997, the message should be loud and clear: "Predatory pricing, or the dumping of petroleum products at extraordinarily low prices designed to inflict injury upon domestic producers is unfair trade in America, and unfair trade will not be tolerated."

While there is much denial that these legal actions have had an impact the policies of foreign producers, there is contrary evidence that the message has already been received by low-cost foreign producers and has helped temper the crude oil pricing system. Crude oil prices began to rise in February, shortly after the Commerce petition made its debut. There have also been repeated phone calls to Oklahoma politicians monitoring the strength of the petition. This is clearly a legal storm that foreign producers did not see coming.

If those filing the anti-dumping petition with the Department of Commerce are confident they can make a case for predatory pricing, those in Texas are equally confident that they can prevail in court. The state is uniquely positioned legally because so much of the foreign crude oil is landed directly at Texas ports. Texas is the largest importer of Iraqi crude oil, which was rumored to be coming into the Port of Corpus Christi at $3 to $5 per barrel.

"There were wells in sight of Iraqi tankers that were forced to shut-in because of low oil prices," said Frank Cahoon, a Midland producer. "If this case is not won outright with damages, at least we will have activated predatory pricing laws in Texas."

John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Midland Reporter-Telegram

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By Norman Johnson



Midcoast granted permit for Pipeline in Bajio region of Mexico

HOUSTON (BUSINESS WIRE) — Midcoast Energy Resources Inc. has announced that Midcoast del Bajio S. de R.L. de C.V., ("Midcoast del Bajio"), which it jointly owns with Associated Pipe Line Contractors Inc., has been awarded a natural gas transportation permit for the Bajio region of central Mexico by Mexico's Energy Regulatory Commission ("CRE").

The permit granted by CRE allows the construction of a 59.1 mile (98.5 kilometer) 16" pipeline in the state of Guanajuato, Mexico, which will run from an interconnection with a Pemex Gas y Petroquimica Basica ("Pemex") pipeline near Valtierrilla to Leon. This pipeline would provide natural gas transportation services to parts of central Mexico that do not currently have access to natural gas and which include numerous major industrial and residential areas.

Midcoast del Bajio will hold an open season from July 16, 1999 to July 26, 1999 for firm transportation capacity on the proposed pipeline, pursuant to its general terms and conditions of service and the regulations of CRE. A series of informational meetings will be held jointly with Pemex to answer questions from potential transportation customers and other interested parties. These meetings will be held on June 24 in Irapuato, Guanajuato at the Hotel Parador del Rio from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on June 25 in Leon, Guanajuato at the Fiesta Americana Hotel from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Midcoast is a Houston-based pipeline company with regional offices in Texas, Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alberta, Canada. The Company transports, gathers, processes and markets natural gas and other petroleum products through approximately 60 company-owned pipelines covering 2,500 miles in nine states, the Gulf of Mexico and Canada.

Benz elects 3 new directors

HOUSTON (BUSINESS WIRE) — Benz Energy Ltd. announces that Russell Cleveland of Renaissance Capital Group, David P. Quint of RP&C International, and Gary R. Petersen of EnCap Investments have been elected as directors of Benz by the company's board of directors.

Cleveland is principal founder and the majority shareholder of Renaissance Capital Group, a firm which provides capital to emerging publicly-owned companies. As a chartered financial analyst, Cleveland has been specializing in investing in emerging growth companies for more than 35 years. Cleveland currently serves as president of the managing general partner of Renaissance Capital Partners, Ltd., president and director of Renaissance Capital Growth & Income Fund III, Inc. (NASDAQ), and a director of Renaissance US Growth and Income Trust PLC, which is traded on the London Exchange. He also serves on the boards of five other companies. Cleveland is a published author and has contributed to and been quoted in several national publications including "The Wall Street Journal," "Barron's," "Equities Magazine" and "Business Week."

Quint is a founder and chief executive officer of RP&C International, an international investment banking boutique with offices in London, Zurich and New York. Previously, Quint was managing director of the United Kingdom subsidiary of a U.S. oil company and an attorney with Arter & Hadden, specializing in international corporate transactions. Quint is a graduate of The University of Notre Dame where he received a bachelor's degree and a Juris Doctorate.

Petersen is a founding partner of EnCap Investments, a firm specializing in procuring and managing institutional capital and providing merchant/investment banking services for exploration and production companies. EnCap is the largest private source of institutional capital for the U.S. energy industry. Prior to founding EnCap, Petersen served as senior vice president and manager of the Corporate Finance Division of the Energy Banking Group for RepublicBank Corporation, where his duties included mergers and acquisitions, financial advisory services, and institutional fundraising activities for the energy industry. Petersen, who holds B.B.A. and M.B.A. degrees in finance is also a member of the board of directors of four other public companies.

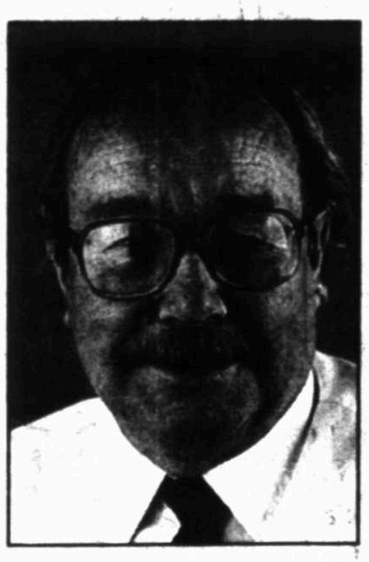
Robert S. Herlin, senior vice president and CFO of Benz, commented, "We are very pleased to have added these three prominent members of the financial community. Their expertise will greatly contribute to Benz achieving its re-capitalization and growth plans."

Abraxas says delisting will not effect efforts to enhance liquidity

SAN ANTONIO (BUSINESS WIRE) — Abraxas Petroleum Corporation has announced that recent delisting of the Company's common stock is not expected to materially impact efforts to improve overall liquidity and enhance capital available for development projects.

The Company continues to examine certain financing alternatives including private equity issuance or the restructuring of a portion of its long-term debt. The Company might also seek to sell certain non-core assets in both the United States and Canada including the sale of a portion of its New Cache Petroleums Ltd. subsidiary to its 48% owned Grey Wolf Exploration Inc. subsidiary. The Company will also review project financing alternatives for a portion of its exploitation capital requirements.

Abraxas Petroleum Corporation is a San Antonio-based crude oil and natural gas exploration and production company that also processes natural gas. It operates primarily along the Texas Gulf Coast, in the Permian Basin of western Texas, western Canada and southwestern Wyoming. Safe Harbor for forward-looking statement: Statements in this release looking forward in time involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties, which may cause the Company's actual results in future periods to be materially different from any future performance suggested in this release. Such factors may include, but may not be necessarily limited to, changes in the prices received by the Company for crude oil and natural gas. In addition, the Company's future crude oil and natural gas production is highly dependent upon the Company's level of success in acquiring or finding additional reserves. Further, the Company operates in an industry sector where securities values are highly volatile and may be influenced by economic and other factors beyond the Company's control. In the context of forward-looking information provided for in this release, reference is made to the discussion of risk factors detailed in the Company's filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission during the past 12 months.



John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

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MEETINGS

The Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists (SIPES) will hold a luncheon on Wednesday, June 16 at 11:30 am in the Midland Country Club.

Guest speaker will be Louis Renaud. The title of his talk is "School Trust Lands and the General Land Office." He will discuss the history of the General land Office and its current oil and gas activity policy.

Renaud has been an independent landman since 1975. He was appointed to the State Land Board in 1997 by Governor George W. Bush, and presently serves this three member Board with Land Commissioner David Dewhurst, and Bill Warnick of Lubbock.

The Natural Gas Producers will hold its monthly meetings Thursday, June 24 at 11:30 am at the Midland Country Club.

Speaker Mike Swihart, President of Plunger Lift Systems, Inc., will present "Plunger Lift Systems, Applications and Maintenance."

Swihart is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin. He was previously employed by ARCO Oil and Gas Co., Alyeska Pipeline Service and Marathon Oil Co.

Call 687-1042 by Noon Tuesday, June 22 for reservations.

Hanover compressor to raise $200 mln through lease agreement

By Maura Webber
c.1999 Bloomberg News

Houston (Bloomberg) — Hanover Compressor Co., the largest U.S. supplier of natural-gas compressors, said it completed a lease agreement to raise $200 million that it will use to make acquisitions and pay off debt.

Under the agreement, a newly formed trust bought $200 million in compressors that are being leased back by Hanover for five years and used in normal operations. Hanover can repurchase the equipment at any time.

Houston-based Hanover, whose compressors are used to move natural gas out of wells and through pipelines, now has $200 million available under an existing revolving credit line. The lease will cost $14 million, the same amount of revolving debt that Hanover will pay down with sale proceeds.

The transaction was arranged by Chase Manhattan Corp.'s Chase Securities Inc. and follows a similar lease-back completed in July 1998.

Hanover shares fell 1/8 to 30 11/16 in late morning trading.

SIPES Foundation awards earth science students

Since its establishment in 1981, the SIPES Foundation has awarded scholarships to more than ninety-five promising earth science students. Funding for the 1999 awards was received from SIPES members, Charleton D. Speed, Jr.; the Stephen E. Collins Memorial Scholarship Fund; and the Edward A. McCullough Endowed Fund. The SIPES Foundation also conducts and films educational seminars, publishing technical and business articles, and maintains a library of earth science films in Dallas, Texas.

The Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists is a national organization of more than 1300 self-employed geologists, geophysicists and engineers engaged primarily in domestic energy exploration and development. SIPES has thirteen chapters located in oil and gas centers of the United States.

Diamond Offshore Drilling announces drilling contract

HOUSTON (BUSINESS WIRE) — Diamond Offshore Drilling Inc., has signed a letter of intent for a three-year contract for its 7,500-foot, dynamically positioned drillship "Ocean Clipper" to drill offshore Brazil in 1,500 meters of water. The contract will commence at the end of the fourth quarter of 1999 and is expected to generate revenues of approximately $103 million. Additional payments will be made if the rig works in water deeper than 1,500 meters or earns bonuses that are available under the contract.

Diamond Offshore is a leader in deepwater drilling. The Company's fleet of 46 offshore drilling rigs consists of 30 semi-submersibles, 15 jack-ups and one drillship. The fleet operates in the waters of six of the world's seven continents.

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	This Wk.	Last Wk.	Last Year
USA Land	425	431	710
USA Offshore	99	101	129
Canada	170	158	254
U.S. Directional	155	159	230
U.S. Horizontal	31	30	41
U.S. Gas	411	421	599
U.S. Oil	136	134	267

This information updated June 11 , 1999

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TEXAS

DIST. #7C

Coke	00
Concho	00
Crockett	02
Irion	01
Kimble	00
McCullough	01
Menard	00
Reagan	01
Runnels	00
Schleicher	01
Sutton	02
Terrell	02
Tom Green	00
Upton	03

DIST. #8

Andrews	03
Brewster	00
Crane	00
Culberson	00
Ector	01
Glasscock	03
Howard	01
Hudspeth	00
Jeff Davis	00
Loving	00
Martin	01
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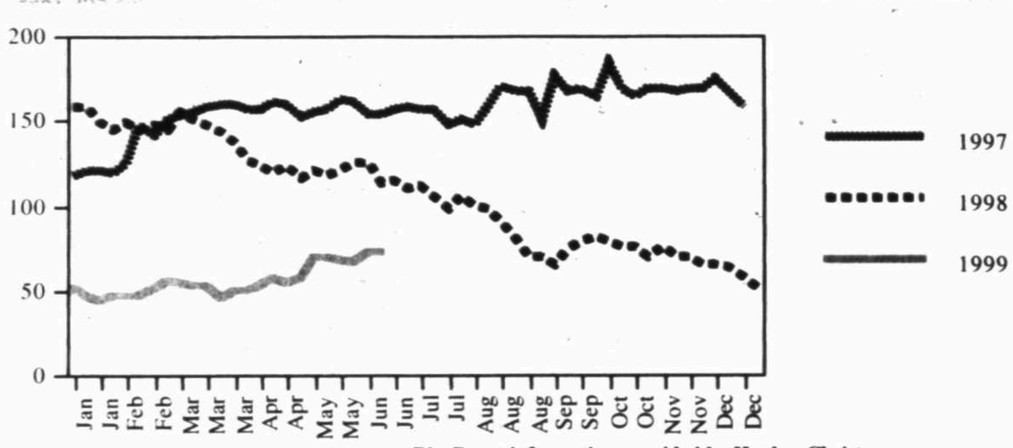
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Hockley	01
Kent	00
King	00
Lamb	00
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Lynn	00
Motley	00
Scurry	00
Terry	01
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TEXAS TOTAL 41

NEW MEXICO

Chaves	00
Eddy	13
Lea	19
Roosevelt	00
N.M. TOTAL	*32*

Basin Total	73
Year Ago	110



Rig Count information provided by Hughes Christensen

WILDCATS

TEXAS RRCD 7C

Coke County

L.C.S. Prod. Co.
Stowe #5
Wildcat-D; 1-J.A. Montieth Survey; A-529; 467 FNEL 467 FNWL of survey; 7 miles N-NE of Bronte; obj:5800

Concho County

Ultra Oil & Gas, Inc.
Pfluger, W. #4B
Wildcat-D; Johann Mahr; A-633; Blk 72, Sec 2050; 2106 FNL 2417 FWL of lse; 2106 FNL 2417 FWL of survey; 7 miles SW of Eden; obj:2000; permit #485143; API #095-31858

Crockett County

Belco Energy Corp.
Conoco Powell GMS Deep #6
Wildcat-D; N. A. Miller/W. D. Parker; A-4734; Blk BB2; Sec 2; 467 FSL 5171 FWL of lse; 467 SL 7100 FE'LYE of survey; 15 miles SW of Big Lake; obj:9000; permit #484061; API #105-38262

Menard County

Nordan Oil & Gas Corp.
Hillert, A. W. #5A
Wildcat-D; H&GN RR Co.; A-423, Blk N//A; Sec 3; 1280 FWL 2810 FNL of lse; 1280 FWL 2810 FNL of survey; 6 miles SW of Menard; obj:2800; permit #480008; API #327-30869

Sutton County

Louis Dreyfus Nat. Gas Corp.
Jones Ranch #303
Wildcat-D; 3-W J Thornton G W Swearing Survey; A-1068; 4466 FSL 1000 FEL of survey; 13 miles SW of Sonora; obj:8075; GE 2392

TEXAS RRCD 8

Andrews County

Discovery Operating, Inc.
University 11A #2X
Wildcat-D; UL; A-000000, Blk 11, Sec 10; 660 FSL 1880 FEL of lse; 2050 FNL 1880 FEL of survey; 16 miles SW of Andrews; obj:8200; permit #485018; API #003-38491

Howard County

Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc.
Powell Ranch "38" #2
Wildcat-D; T&P RR Co./S W Honzingo; A-1165, Blk 31, T1S, Sec 38; 933 FNL 2131 FWL of lse; 933 FNL 2131 FWL of survey; 6 miles S of Coahoma; obj:8000; permit #485151; API #227-35341
Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc.
Barber "1" #2
Wildcat-D; T&P RR Co.; A-104, Blk 31, T1S, Sec 1; 733 FSL 1700 FWL of lse; 733 FSL 1700 FWL of survey; 3 miles S of Coahoma; obj:8000; permit #485103; API #227-35339
Santa Fe Energy Resources, Inc.
Texaco "25" #3
Wildcat-D; T&P RR Co.; A-116, Blk 31, T1S, Sec 25; 660 FNL 1350 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 1350 FEL of survey; 7 miles S of Coahoma; obj:8000; permit #485102; API #227-35340

Pecos County

Limark Corp.
Comache State "18" #1
Wildcat-D; T.&STL RR Co./J. W. Rettig; A-9329, Blk 140, Sec 18; 1980 FNL 660 FWL of lse; 1980 FNL 660 FWL of survey; 12 miles NE of Fort Stockton; obj:5600; permit #485145; API #371-36916

Ward County

Abraxas Pet. Corp.
HNG Fee 57 #1
Wildcat-recompletion; H&TC RR Co.; A-205, Blk 34, Sec 57; 1320 FSEL 2620 FSWL of lse; 1320 FSEL 2620 FSWL of survey; 9 miles SE of Pyote; obj:14860; permit #481381; API #475-30695
Amtex Energy, Inc.
Winter 5-20 #1
Wildcat-D; PSL/A. V. Winter; A-1277, Blk B-20, Sec 5; 1122 FNL 165 FWL of lse; 1122 FNL 2485 FEL of survey; 8 miles SE of Monahans; obj:7700; permit #484077; API #475-34595

Winkler County

Penwell Energy, Inc.
Roark "34" #2
Wildcat-D; PSL/T. G. Hendrick; A-1574, Blk 27, Sec 34; 602 FSL 796 FWL of lse; 602 FSL 796 FWL of survey; 9 miles W of Kermit; obj:10200; permit #495-32752; API #495-32752
Pogo Producing Co.
Maxwell "23" #1
Wildcat-completion; PSL/J. Elliott; Blk B-5, Sec 23; 567 FWL 2370 FSL of lse; 5 miles SSE of Kermit; obj:8050; 24 hrs tested; pumping; 47 BO; 69 gas' 99 BW; gas-oil ratio 1470; permit #482442; API #495-32747

TEXAS RRCD 8A

Gaines County

Apache Corp.
Granger #1
Wildcat-D; WTRR Co./A. Williams; A-1231, Blk G, Sec 92; 1500 FSL 400 FWL of lse; 1500 FSL 2220 FEL of survey; 7.7 miles SSE of Seagraves; obj:6000; permit #483147; API #165-35391

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy, Inc.
N.W. Ira "B" #3
Wildcat-completion; H&TC RR Co.; Blk 97, Sec 167; 666 FNL 837 FEL of lse; 5 miles NW of Ira; obj:6719; 24 hrs tested; pumping; choke size 28/64ths; 73 BO; 30 gas; 0 BOW; gas-oil ratio 411 to 1; pressure 20; permit #483592; API #415-33702

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

TEXAS RRCD 7C

Concho County

Pickens Co., Inc.
Hendricks "B" #1
Dare I (Hope)-field transfer; Fisher & Miller; A-163, Blk 72, Sec 2840; 467 FNL 467 FEL of lse; 467 FNL 467 FEL of survey; 1 mile E of Eden; obj:1900; permit #485112; API #095-31837

Sutton County

Dreyfus, Lois Nat. Gas Corp.
Shurley 111 #13
Fawcett (Wolfcamp)&Sawyer (Canyon)-D; HE&WT RR Co., A-328, Blk B, Sec 111; 2616 FSL 2137 FEL of lse; 2616 FSL 2137 FEL of survey; 4.5 miles SW of Sonora; obj:6650; permit #485002; API #435-34955
Dreyfus, Lois Nat. Gas Corp.
Reinhardt 6 #8
Fawcett (Wolfcamp)&Sawyer (Canyon)&(Strawn, N)-D; G.C. Corbin/B. M. Halbert; A-1467, Blk JK, Sec 6; 2011 FSL 500 FEL of lse; 5893 FNL 500 FEL of survey; 7.5 miles W'LY of Sonora; obj:8450; permit #485001; API #435-34954

TEXAS RRCD 8

Crane County

Pennzenergy Exp. & Prod., L.L.C.
McKnight, M. B. #42
Sand Hills (Wolfcamp)-recompletion; PSL/M B McKnight; A-1109, Blk B-21, Sec 2; 1980 FSL 5940 FWL of lse; 1980 FSL 660 FWL of survey; 15 miles NW of Crane; obj:6505; permit #485056; API #103-00010

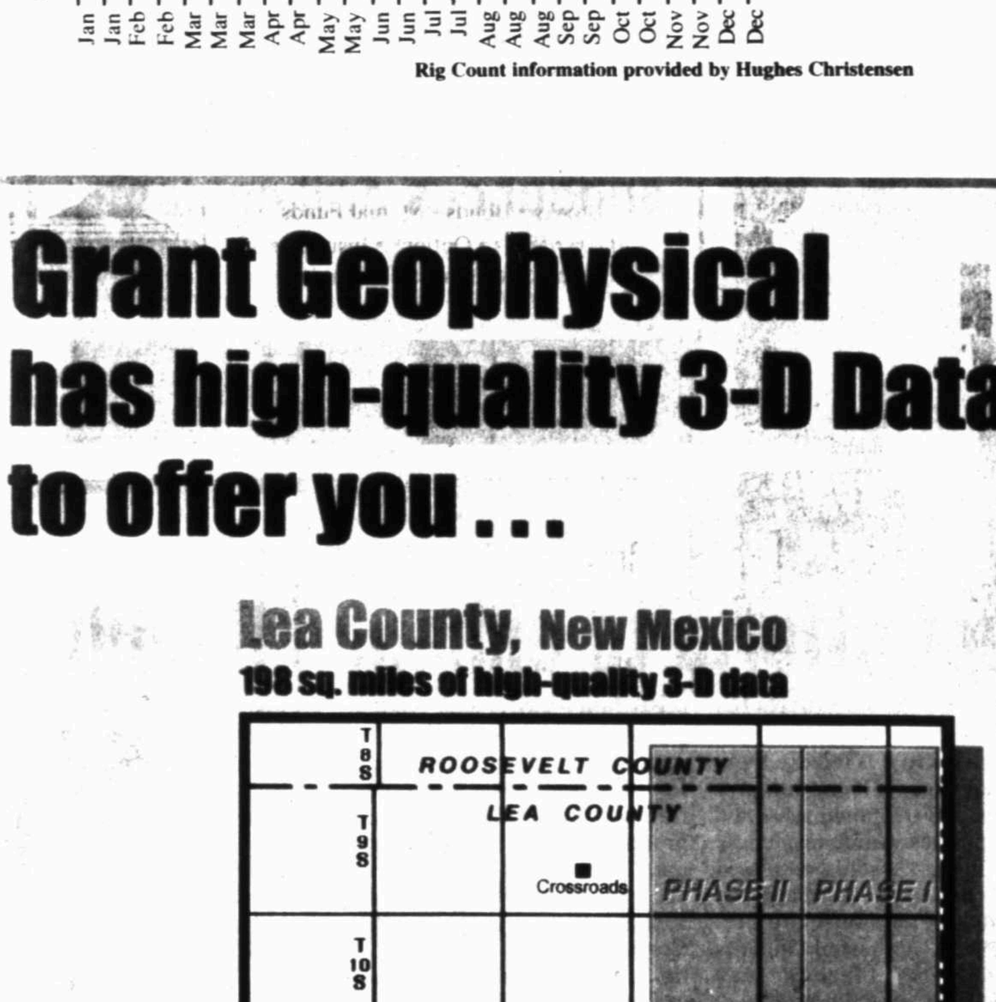
Midland County

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
O'Daniel, E. T.
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T&P RR Co./S. Wright; A-1012, Blk 37, T2S, Sec 4; 1369 FEL 3250 FSL of lse; 1369 FEL 2041 FNL of survey; 1 mile NE of Spraberry; obj:7400; permit #477817; API #329-34101
E R Operating Co.
Brooks #1
Azalea (Strawn)-recompletion; T&P RR Co.; A-820, Blk 38, T2S, Sec 30; 660 FNL 2310 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 2310 FEL of survey; 11.2 miles SE of Midland; obj:12000; permit #485016; API #329-31770

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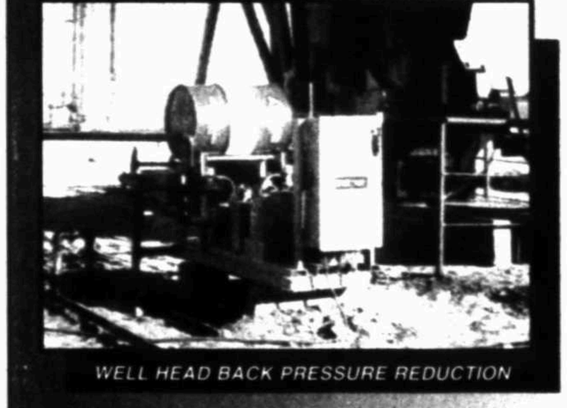
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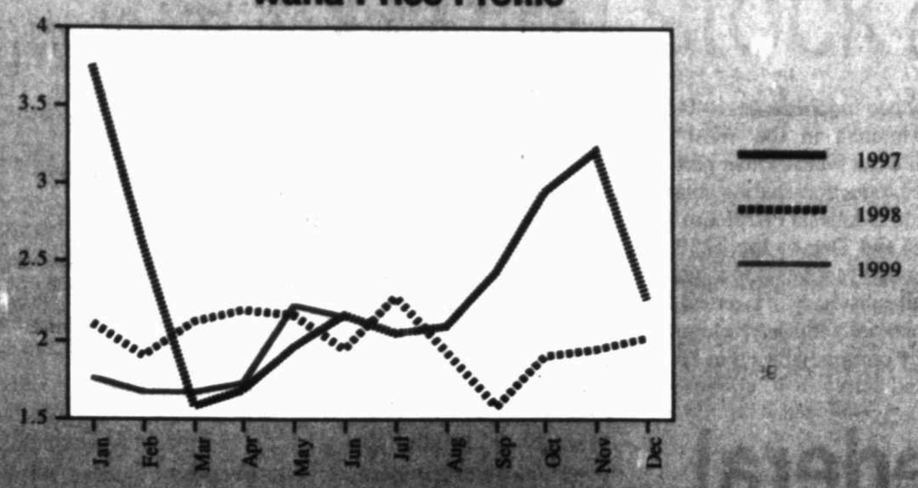
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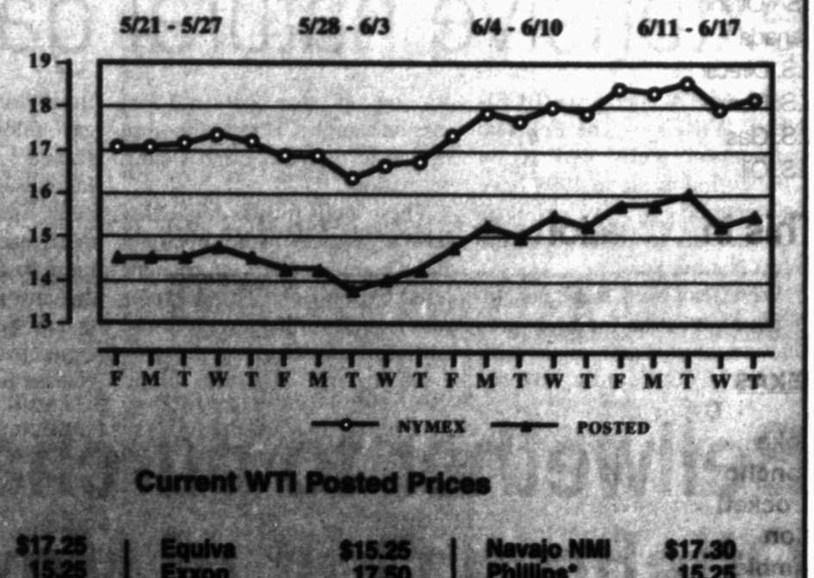
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Chevron	17.25	Mobil*	16.00	Sun*	15.25
E.O.T.T.	16.00	Navajo WTI	15.50		

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* Net Price without transportation charge

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

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Reagan County

Energen Resources Corp.
Hunt, Fannie M. #2
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; TC RR Co.; A-461, Blk L, Sec 11; 1000 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 1213 FSL 2849 FWL of survey; 2 miles S of Stiles; obj:8300; permit #485158; API #383-35002

Winkler County

Bass Enterprises Prod. Co.
Keystone Holt Unit #9351
Keystone (Holt)-D; PSL/J B Walton; A-1835, Blk B-3, Sec 1; 7900 FNL 6610 FWL of lse; 1300 FNL 2650 FWL of survey; 7.5 miles NE of Kermit; obj:5150; permit #485160; API #495-32754
Bass Enterprises Prod. Co.
Keystone Holt Unit #9354
Keystone (Holt)-D; PSL/J B Walton; A-1835, Blk B-3, Sec 1; 7979 FSL 6566 FWL of lse; 2581 FNL 2606 FWL of survey; 7.5 miles NE of Kermit; obj:5150; permit #485159; API #495-32753
Concho Resources Inc.
Jasper, W.S. #1
Jasper (McKee)-recompletion; PSL/G. G. Paxton; A-1216, Blk B-6, Sec 14; 660 FSL 660 FEL of lse; 1980 FNL 660 FWL of survey; 6 miles SE of Kermit; obj:11935; permit #485111; API #495-00171
Sage Energy Co.
Sealy Smith 69B #1
Darmer (Canyon)-recompletion; G&MMB&A; A-54, Blk A, Sec 69; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of lse; 1980 FEL 1980 FSL of survey; 16 miles SE of Kermit; obj:9350; permit #485037; API #495-31213

TEXAS RRCD 8A

Gaines County

Texaco E&P Inc.
Robertson Unit #51H
Robertson, N. (Clear Fork 7100)-recompletion horizontal well; PSL/J. Dow; A-454, Blk A-21, Sec 25; 1320 FSL 1320 FEL of lse; 1320 FSL 2640 FEL of survey; 11 miles SW of Seminole; obj:6050; permit #485003; API #165-32382

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Ector County

Yucca Energy, Inc.
Forest #1
Goldsmith, E (Grayburg); T&P; Blk 43, T1S, Sec 6; 1220 FWL 1470 FSL of lse; 2.25 miles SE of Goldsmith; obj:4165; permit #483364; API #135-37741

Pecos County

Bruce A. Wilbanks Co.
Yates, I.G. D1 #106
Toborg; T&GN; A-728, Blk 1, Sec 62; 1321 FNL 1967 FWL of lse; 1 mile SW of Iraan; obj:675; 24 hrs tested; pumping; 5 BO; gas TSTM; 950 BW; permit #466812; API #371-36754
Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
Jerusha Robbins "A" # 10
Puckett (Ellenburger)-completion, deepen; T&ST L RR Co.; Blk 126, Sec 28; 5678 FSWL 660 FWL of lse; 23 miles SE of Fort Stockton; obj:14,004; permit #481298; API #371-02440

Ward County

Abraxas Pet. Corp.
HNG Fee 57 #1
Taurus (Devonian); H&TC RR Co.; Blk 34, Sec 57; 1320 FSEL 2620 FSWL of lse; 9 miles SE of Pyote; obj:17620; 24 hrs tested; gas lift; choke size 64/64; 9 BO; gas 65; 22 BW; gas-oil ratio 7222; tubing pressure 90; permit #481381; API #475-30695

San Angelo

DISTRICT 7C

Concho County

Pickens Co. Inc.
Fritz #5125
Mellersview, W (Cross Cut Sand gas)-completion; 125-72-T&NO RR Co. Survey; A-890; 1700 FSL 1675 FWL of survey; 4 miles W of Millersview; calculated absolute open flow 385,910 of gas daily; production is through treated perfs 2782-788; TD 3185; 4 1/2 inch casing set; PBTD 2970; GE 1787

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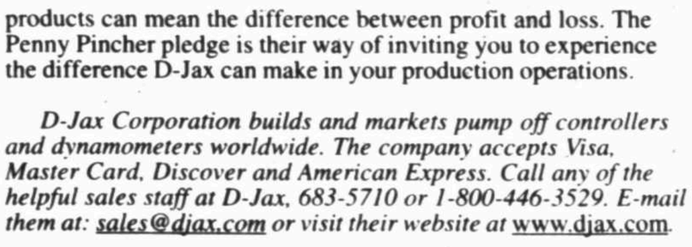
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Conoco Indonesia wells encounter extensive natural gas zones

JAKARTA, Indonesia (BUSINESS WIRE) — The first two delineation wells drilled by Conoco Indonesia in 1999 have encountered extensive gas bearing intervals in Block B of the West Natuna Sea.

West Belut No. 2 and Belut No. 5 have potential for high production rates of natural gas with minimal CO2 according to electric logs, pressure data and formation samples. Both wells were drilled to the Arang and Udang formations.

These wells further delineated natural gas zones in the three-field Belut complex that were encountered by the Belut No. 3 exploration well drilled in 1998 and earlier discoveries.

Natural gas reserves in the Belut complex are not part of the gas sales agreement recently signed between Pertamina, Indonesia's National Oil Company, and Singapore. However, these reserves could help to meet increased Singaporean gas demand and fill spare capacity that is being built into the gas export pipeline between the West Natuna Sea and Singapore.

Conoco Indonesia has a 40-percent interest in the West and South Belut Fields. Other partners in the production-sharing contract include Indonesia Petroleum Ltd. (35%) and Texaco Inc. (25%).

Conoco Indonesia is a wholly owned subsidiary of Conoco Inc. Conoco is a major, integrated energy company based in Houston and active in 40 countries.

Conoco's Dunham and McKee meet with Venezuelan President

HOUSTON (BUSINESS WIRE) — Conoco President and CEO Archie W. Dunham and Executive Vice President Rob McKee today held substantive talks with Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez concerning Conoco's activities and investment in Venezuela.

"We are encouraged by President Chavez's vision for Venezuela, and look forward to a long and economically beneficial relationship with the people of Venezuela. I was particularly pleased with President Chavez's sensitivity toward the needs of foreign investors, and I'm optimistic that Venezuela is a country where Conoco can grow long-term," said Dunham.

Conoco's joint venture with Petroleos de Venezuela, Petrozuata, is a $2.4 billion project. Over the 35-year life of the project, Petrozuata will produce extra-heavy crude oil (9 degree API gravity) from Venezuela's Orinoco Belt, blend it with a diluent, transport it to facilities at Jose on the northern coast, and upgrade it into a synthetic crude oil for export. Production began in August 1998; the upgrader facilities are expected to be completed in 2000.

Dunham, McKee and President Chavez also discussed Conoco's previously announced discovery in Venezuela's Gulf of Paria West.

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Bellwether to purchase 40 federal Offshore Gulf of Mexico properties

HOUSTON (BUSINESS WIRE) — Bellwether Exploration Company has announced the execution of a definitive agreement to purchase interests in 40 federal Gulf of Mexico blocks within 20 fields. The seller is Energen Resources Corporation. Working interests ranging from 6 to 69% are being acquired in 12 fields, with interests in the remaining 8 fields being overriding royalties. Three of the working interest fields will be operated by Bellwether. Current net daily production from the acquired interests is approximately 12 million cubic feet of gas and 850 barrels of oil and condensate, approximately 35% of which is from the three operated fields.

The purchase price for the interests is $22,250,000, subject to adjustment for revenues and expenses after the Jan. 1, 1999 effective date and for gas imbalances. The transaction is expected to close by the end of June. The Company expects $10 to $15 million in net development expenditures in these fields over the next 18 months. Currently there are 6 recompletion/workover proposals approved and 5 drilling proposals and 4 recompletion/workover proposals are under evaluation by Bellwether.

Bellwether Exploration Company is an independent oil and gas exploration and production Company headquartered in Houston. Bellwether employs a balanced program of producing property acquisitions and technology-driven exploration and exploitation to increase its reserves, cash flow and net asset value. The Company's core area of activity is the Texas and Louisiana Gulf Coast, both onshore and offshore.

Consolidated Natural Gas increases exploration budget

By Steve Klein
c.1999 Bloomberg News

Pittsburgh (Bloomberg) — Consolidated Natural Gas Co., owner of four gas utilities, said it boosted this year's budget for exploration and drilling by 43 percent after agreeing to buy fields in Texas from Pioneer Natural Resources Co.

The company increased its 1999 capital budget to $465 million from the $326 million allocated in November. Last year, Consolidated spent $353 million on exploration and drilling. The company said the Pioneer purchase will help it boost gas and oil production this year by 25 percent.

Pittsburgh-based Consolidated agreed yesterday to buy the half of the Lopeno gas field that it doesn't own, as well as two adjacent fields in southern Texas, from Pioneer for $62 million. The companies expect to complete the transaction by Aug. 31.

The properties produce 56 million cubic feet of gas a day and complement Consolidated's fields in the Gulf of Mexico. The company also explores in Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Texas, Louisiana, Utah and Canada.

Consolidated sells gas to 1.9 million customers in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia. It owns 7,600 miles of gas pipelines in six East Coast states.

Consolidated's shares rose 1/2 to 60 3/4.

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Crockett County

Cleo Thompson
University 31-31N
University 31 (Strawn-Detrital)-Completion; 31-31-University Lands Survey; 1900 FNL 900 FWL of survey; 11 miles SW of Ozona; calculated absolute open flow 2,500,000 of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs 9066-8975; TD 9314; 23/8-inch casing set at 9071; PBTD 9137; GE 2375

Menard County

Sedona Oil & Gas Corp.
White Head #2A
Branch S. (Palo Pinto gas)-completion; E.L. & RR Co. Survey; A-151; 520 FSL 500 FWL of survey; 11 miles N of Menard; calculated absolute open flow 4,732,000 of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs 2124-2156; TD 2496; 4 1/2 inch casing set at 2214; PBTD 2466; GE 2121
Nordan Oil & Gas Corp.
A.W. Hillert #5-A
Russ T (Morris gas)-completion; 3-H&GN RR Co. Survey; A-423; 2810 FNL 1280 FWL of survey; 6 miles SW of Menard; calculated absolute open flow 6,450,000 of dry gas per day; production is through perfs 2344-354; bottom is at 2806 w/ 4 1/2 inch casing set to 2644; GE 2232

Runnels County

Echo Prod. Inc.
McNay #4
Half Century (Flippen Sand oil)-completion; 293-James Jeffries Survey; A-1184; 2743 FSL 1231 FEL of survey; 2 miles NW of Wingate; pumping 22 barrels of 34.5 gravity oil, not water, w/ gas-oil ratio too small to measure; production is from openhole interval between 2992, where 4 1/2 inch casing was set & 2997 TD; kelly bushing elevation 2036

Sutton County

Leeper Oil Expl. & Prod. Inc.
McDermott #4
Branch N. (Ellen gas)-completion; B.S.&F. RR Co.; A-A-10; 1046 FNL 469 FEL of survey; 14 miles SE of Sonora; calculated absolute open flow 1,233,000 of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs 5734-5865; TD 6200; 23/8-inch casing set at 5882; PBTD 5901
Louis Dreyfus Nat. Gas Corp.
Mayer "38" #4
Sawyer (Sawyer Strawn)-completion; 38-D, GC&SF RR Co. Survey; 500 FNL 2100 FEL of survey; 10 miles SW of Sonora; calculated absolute open flow 364,000 of dry gas daily; production is through treated perfs 7647-7781; TD 8150; 23/8-inch casing set at 7642; PBTD 7642

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Texoil to take action to create 1-for-6 reverse stock split

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Texoil, Inc. has announced that it will immediately undertake a series of actions to effect a 1-for-6 reverse stock split of its common stock. The reverse split will become effective June 25, 1999, for shareholders of record as of June 15, 1999. The reverse split will result in outstanding stock being reduced to approximately 6.7 million shares, net of resulting odd lots, which will be redeemed or canceled.

As a result of these actions, and because the company received an exception letter from Nasdaq dated June 16, 1999, Texoil expects to continue to be listed on the Nasdaq Small Cap Market. Management believes the exception was granted based on Texoil's growth and performance and its commitment to implement a reverse stock split to ensure long-term compliance with listing requirements.

Management Comments

Frank A. Lodzinski, Texoil's chief executive officer, stated, "We have been in close communication with Nasdaq and have elected to implement the 1-for-6 reverse split, retain our listing and position the company for long- term compliance. The favorable Nasdaq response has removed uncertainties. Texoil has contemplated this action for sometime, but was reluctant to effect a reverse split while the energy market was depressed by low prices. We believe the current timing is appropriate, particularly considering the company's growth and favorable performance during 1998 and the first quarter of 1999.

> **'Texoil reported increased cash flow and earnings in the first quarter and expects even better second quarter financial results.'**
>
> Frank A. Lodzinski, Chief Executive Officer

"Texoil reported increased cash flow and earnings in the first quarter (with average oil prices of only $11.09 per barrel) and expects even better second quarter financial results. Based on preliminary second quarter activity, annualized cash flow could increase to more than $9.0 million," Lodzinski continued. "Furthermore, the company is implementing certain drilling and development programs intended to further increase production, cash flow and earnings. Actual results may vary from projections if industry conditions or pricing structures change. Texoil's growth, realized price improvements, and development activities have favorably positioned the Company in comparison to its peers. We believe modification to our capital structure, resulting from the reverse split, will enable us to maintain long-term compliance with all of Nasdaq's listing requirements and will more readily facilitate comparison of our performance with that of our peers."

Texoil, Inc. (www.texoil.com) an independent energy company, acquires and develops oil and gas reserves through an active and diversified program that includes purchases of reserves, re-engineering, development and exploration activities, currently focused in Texas, South Louisiana and the Texas Gulf Coast. On December 31, 1997, the company acquired Cliffwood Oil & Gas Corp.; the merger resulted in a change of management and business strategy and substantially increased Texoil's financial resources.

TMBR/Sharp Drilling announces results for fiscal 1999

MIDLAND (PRNewswire) — TMBR/Sharp Drilling, Inc. has announced revenues of $14.4 million and a net loss of $3.2 million, or 68 cents per share, for its fiscal year ended March 31, 1999. In fiscal 1998, the Company had revenues of $37.0 million and net income of $4.5 million, or 91 cents per diluted share.

For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1999, TMBR/Sharp reported revenues of $1.6 million and a net loss of $2.6 million, or 56 cents per diluted share, after write-downs totaling $1.3 million. For the fourth quarter of fiscal 1998, the Company had revenues of $8.1 million and a net loss of $2.3 million, or 44 cents per diluted share after write-downs totaling $3.1 million.

Thomas C. Brown, Chairman, commented, "Although we had a $1.3 million write-down on oil and gas properties, our discounted future net cash flows from those properties increased to $6.4 million in fiscal 1999 from $4.6 million in fiscal 1998. Low oil prices affected the contract drilling industry throughout our fiscal year, as exploration and development companies canceled or deferred drilling programs, but the impact was especially severe during the quarter ended March 31, 1999. For the fiscal year, our rig utilization rates were down from 78% in fiscal 1998 to 27% in fiscal 1999, with the low point being reached during the fourth quarter."

Mr. Brown added that TMBR/Sharp has no long-term debt and that current assets at March 31, 1999 were $5.4 million, of which $1.2 million were cash and equivalents, and current liabilities were $2.2 million, for a current ratio of approximately 2.5 to 1.

Argentine govt sets terms for Repsol takover of YPF

By Susan Schneider
c.1999 Bloomberg News

BUENOS AIRES (Bloomberg) — Argentina's government laid out the legal conditions of Repsol SA's $16 billion takeover of oil company YPF SA, compelling the Spanish oil company to surrender control of the natural gas market and to sell gas stations and refineries.

Repsol also won't be permitted to renew natural gas contracts with third-party producers and its investments in electricity will be limited, said the Economy Ministry. Repsol, which would forge the world's eighth-largest oil company with the YPF purchase, must meet the government requirements within 18 months, beginning July 1.

Madrid-based Repsol said the terms don't present an obstacles to its completion of the YPF takeover. The Spanish oil company, which offered 44.78 pesos ($44.78) a share for the 85 percent of YPF it doesn't own, had agreed to comply with anti-monopoly regulations as part of the buy. "We don't see any objections. The requests seem reasonable to us and they are consistent with the statements Respol has made," said Repsol spokesman Jose Maria Garcia-Perrote. "It is in line with Repsol's objectives to not take dominant positions." Analysts also didn't expect the Argentine government's conditions to stall or reverse the takeover bid, which closes June 23.

"As long as they don't have to sell the reserves, it's not a problem," said Alejandro Vigil, analyst at Caja Madrid Bolsa in Madrid. "They've said all along they would sell some gas stations and a refinery, so this isn't really that new."

Respol is expected to issue an official statement to the Argentine government's conditions tomorrow.

The government is attempting to use the Repsol purchase to help break apart energy markets controlled or dominated by YPF since it was sold by the state in 1993. Repsol, for example, must reduce YPF's 61 percent lock on the natural gas market to about 44 percent.

The requirements stem from a June 3 meeting of the Economy Ministry cabinet, which examined the impact of the YPF takeover on Argentina's energy industries, said Alejandro Quiroga Lopez, undersecretary of banking and insurance, the office that handles state asset sales.

"The requirements that are in the press statement are the ones considered priorities," said Quiroga Lopez, at a news conference. "We are requiring them in accordance with the (Repsol) sale contract."

The terms won't significantly dilute YPF's market share in the energy sector "in general terms," except for the drop in the natural gas market, Quiroga Lopez said.

He said Repsol has not given the government an official response to the conditions. He added that it was premature to speculate on a government answer if Repsol refuses to accept the conditions.

"The government will sort out the actions it has to take at that moment," he said.

Under the terms, Repsol must sell enough gas stations --either YPF stations or the EG3 outlets it owns through unit Astra Capsa -- that its fuel sales volume is equal to the amount owned by YPF at the end of 1998. Repsol can't sell the stations to a company that controls more than 10 percent of the fuels market.

YPF has 2,534 gas stations and EG3 owns 635, so Repsol would need to sell off 635 stations carrying one flag or the other, said Quiroga Lopez. Neither Royal Dutch/Shell Group nor Exxon Corp's Esso unit, the No. 2 and No. 3 biggest owners of service stations, would be allowed to buy the Repsol outlets, he added.

The Spanish giant also must reduce its oil refining capacity by 4 percent, based on levels at the end of 1998. As with the gas stations, the refineries can't be sold to companies that don't have a stake of more than 10 percent in either market, the statement said.

Repsol has long maintained its would be willing to sell some assets to avoid breaking unfair competition laws. In early May, the company said it would be willing to sell as many as 800 gas stations and an oil refinery if needed.

Repsol has filed documents with the Spanish stock exchange saying if it does have to sell assets, it might make up for their loss by buying other companies in the region.

"In the case that Repsol had to sell some of the assets previously mentioned, it could acquire similar assets in other countries of Latin America," the filing said. "However, Repsol can't guarantee that the substitution of assets could be done at a reasonable cost."

Repsol's takeover of YPF would give the company much-needed oil reserves and make it less dependent on other suppliers. It will also give the Spanish company a beachhead for expansion in Latin America, where the oil and natural gas industries are growing faster than in Europe.

YPF shares were unchanged at 43.70 pesos, while Repsol shares fell 10 euros to 18.91.



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Columbia Natural Resources finds gas in West Virginia

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CHARLESTON, West Virginia (Bloomberg) — Columbia Natural Resources Inc., an oil and gas producer in the Appalachian Basin of the U.S., said a test well has found natural gas in Roane County, West Virginia.

Another well will be drilled later this year to confirm the discovery, the company said. Columbia Natural Resources is the exploration and production unit of Columbia Energy Group.

The well is its third successful test this year at deeper than 10,000 feet. The company plans to drill four more deep wells in the Appalachian Basin this year.

The 10,300-foot-deep well is in a geologic zone called the Trenton-Black River formation.

Kinder Morgan Energy, Chevron announce closing of acquisition for $124 million

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L. P. and Chevron Corp. has announced the closing of the acquisition by Kinder Morgan of Chevron's shares of Plantation Pipe Line Company for approximately $124 million in cash. Kinder Morgan now owns 51.17% of Plantation, and Exxon Pipeline Company, an affiliate of Exxon Corp. , owns 48.83% of Plantation.

Kinder Morgan Chairman and CEO Richard D. Kinder said, "We are delighted to have increased our investment in Plantation and are excited about Plantation's prospects in the rapidly growing market in the southeastern United States. We expect the transaction to be immediately accretive to cash available for unitholder distributions."

Plantation is one of the largest product pipelines in the United States. It delivers over 600,000 barrels per day of gasoline, jet fuel and diesel through its 3,144 mile pipeline network which serves Atlanta, Charlotte, Washington, D. C. and other destinations in the southeast United States. Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L. P., which has an enterprise value of approximately $2.5 billion, is the nation's largest pipeline master limited partnership. It owns and operates one of the largest product pipeline systems in the United States, serving customers in sixteen states with more than 5,000 miles of pipeline and over twenty associated terminals. Kinder Morgan also operates 24 bulk terminal facilities which transload over 40 million tons of coal, petroleum coke and other products annually. In addition, Kinder Morgan owns 51.17% of Plantation Pipe Line Company, 20% of Shell CO2 Company, Ltd. and a 25% interest in an NGL fractionator.

New well boosts Kacee field production for Cabot Oiil & Gas

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation has announced the fourth consecutive successful completion in the Kacee field (originally the Easter prospect) in Colorado County, Texas.

The Kaiser well was drilled to a total depth of 12,010 feet and was placed on production in late May. This new well tested 9 Mmcf of natural gas and 67 barrels of oil per day with a flowing tubing pressure of 4,195 psi and a shut-in pressure of 6,576 psi. Current production from this well is 8.5 Mmcf of natural gas and 69 barrels of oil per day with a flowing tubing pressure of 2,700 psi on a 26/64" choke. This well is completed in 42 feet of pay in the Cruel Sandstone of the Wilcox Formation. Cabot Oil & Gas has a 70% percent working interest and a 54% net revenue interest in the well.

"With the completion of this well, daily gross production from this field is now approximately 42 Mmcfe gross equivalent," said Ray R. Seegmiller, Chairman and CEO. "The successes we have realized in the Kacee field have been instrumental in the continued growth of the Gulf Coast region. We will continue to focus our drilling dollars on prospects like the Kacee field which provide Cabot Oil & Gas with the greatest growth potential and rates of return given today's volatile energy market."

Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation, headquartered in Houston, Texas, is a leading domestic independent natural gas producer and marketer with substantial interests in the Appalachia, Anadarko, Rocky Mountain and Gulf Coast regions. For additional information, visit the Company's internet home page at www.cabotog.com.

Conoco Announces U.K. North Sea Gas Discovery

ABERDEEN, Scotland (PRNewswire) — Conoco has announced a natural gas discovery on the E-Plus prospect located in block 49/17 in the U.K. sector of the North Sea, approximately 80 miles east of the coast of Lincolnshire, England.

Discovery well 49/17-13 was drilled in 110 feet of water by the Glomar Adriatic VI jack-up drilling rig. Drilling began on April 3.

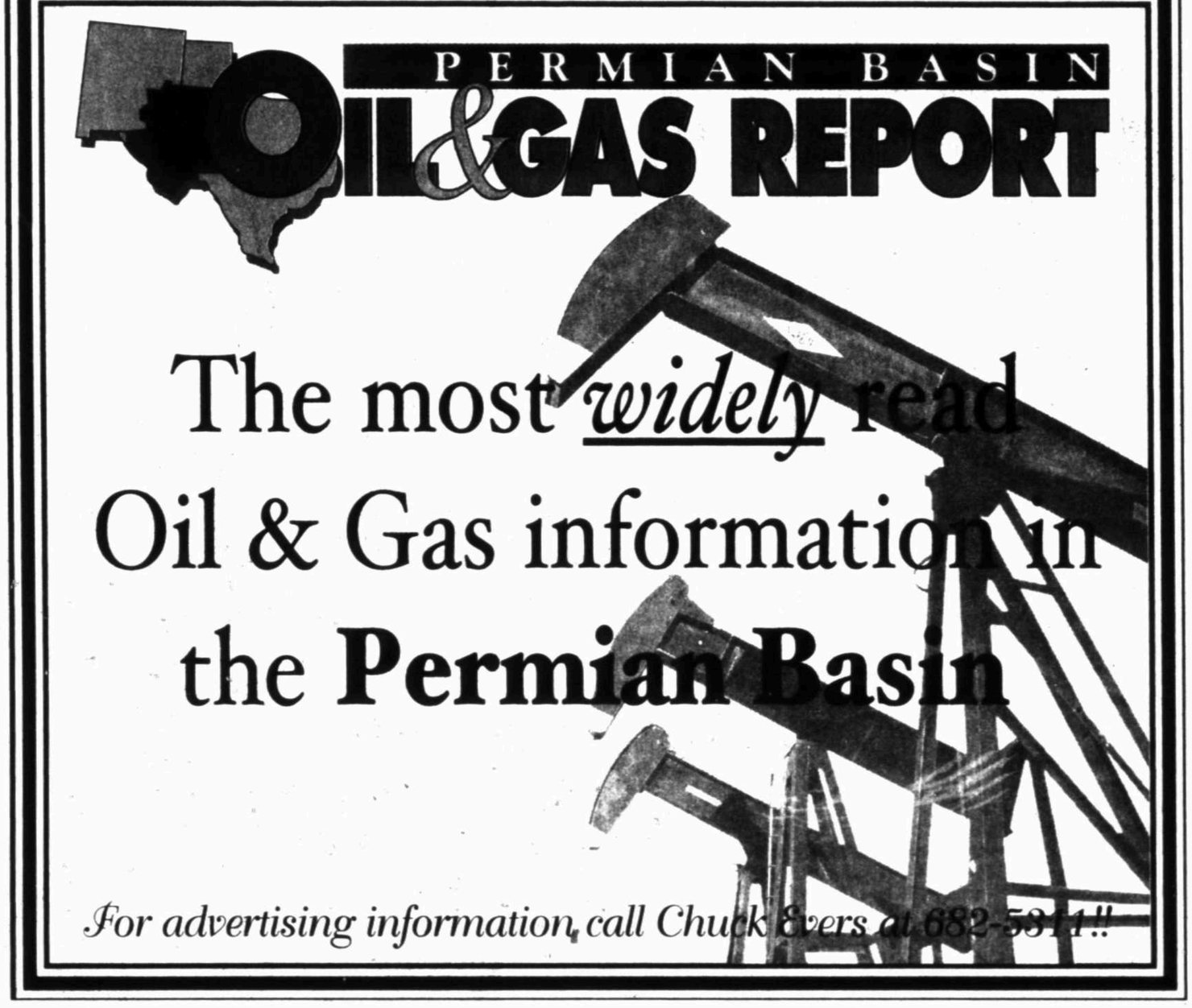
The well was drilled to a depth of 10,160 feet into the Rotliegendes sandstone. It encountered hydrocarbon-bearing sections of 350 to 370 net feet. Further studies are planned to determine the extent of the discovery.

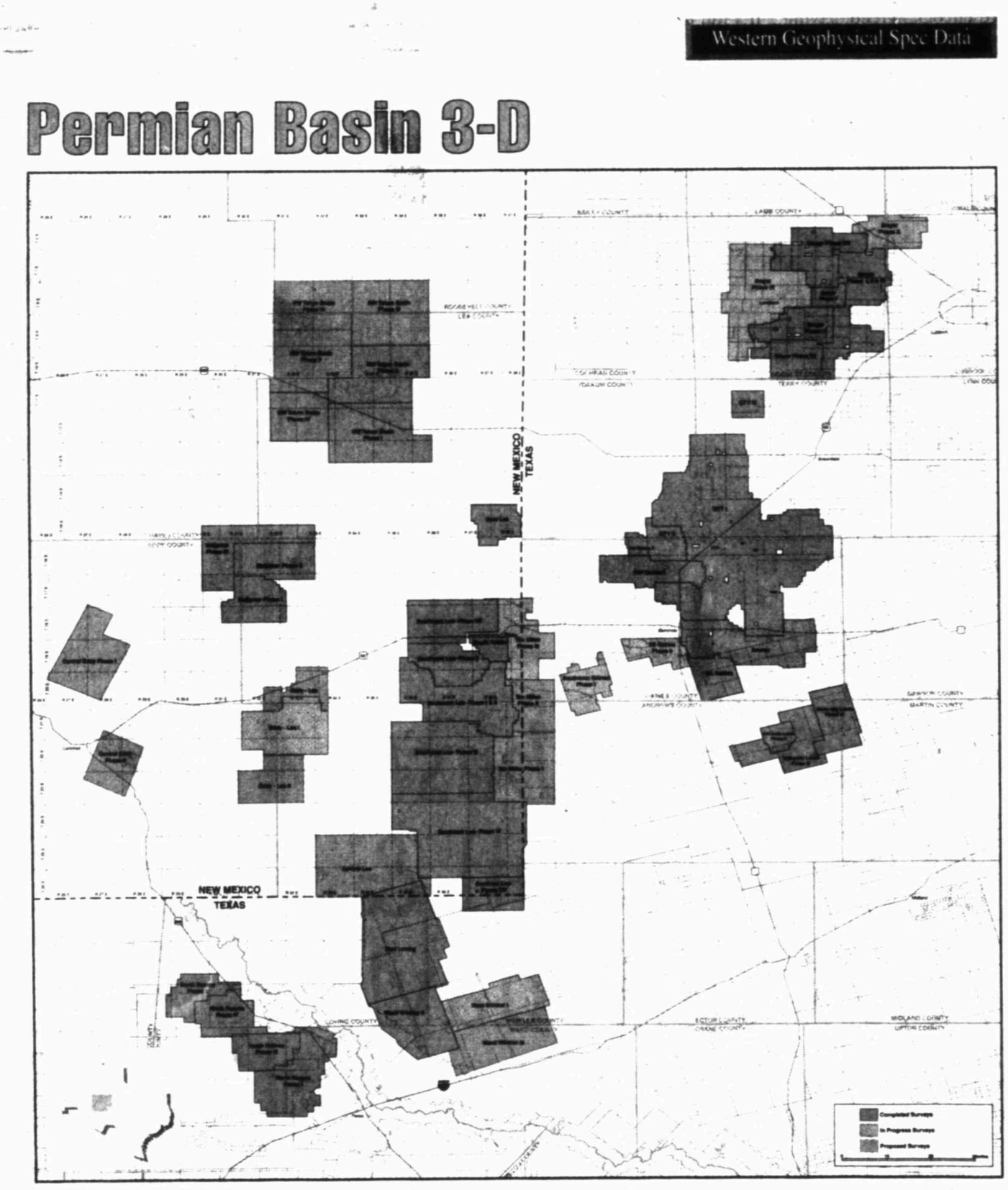
"This could be an important addition to our existing interests in the southern North Sea where Conoco already operates significant gas gathering and transportation systems," said Dr. George Watkins, chairman and managing director of Conoco (U.K.) Limited. "It adds to our gas business opportunities in the U.K. and Europe, which are major gas markets for us."

Options being considered for the development of the discovery include the provision of a normally-unmanned, minimum facilities platform tied back to either the Lincolnshire Offshore Gas Gathering System (LOGGS) or Viking Transportation System (VTS), both of which carry gas to the Conoco-operated terminal at Theddlethorpe in Lincolnshire.

Conoco (U.K.) Limited, the U.K. exploration and production subsidiary of Conoco Inc., is operator and holds a 50-percent interest; BP holds the other 50 percent.

Conoco is a major, integrated energy company based in Houston and active in 40 countries.





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