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UT students downplay alcohol charges against Bush's daughters

By Kristine Aleman
MRT Correspondent

Last year, more than 50,000 students filled the University of Texas at Austin campus, making the grades, meeting the people, crowding the clubs and buying the booze. Jenna Bush is just one of the 50,000 students, and peers say members of the news media are taking advantage of the opportunity to exploit the 19-year-old daughter of President George W. Bush.

After both Barbara and Jenna Bush, now a sophomore at UT, were charged with minor in possession Thursday, students didn't seem to be fazed by the news.

"I've heard more about it in the national news," said UT sophomore Margaret Rendall from Midland, who is attending summer school in Austin. "I think Jenna's behaving like most other college students and she gets caught more than others because she's so recognizable."

The Daily Texan, a UT student publication, chose not to report on the incident.

"We feel that when she does something (significant) that another student would do, we'd cover it, like play on a volleyball team, be in the Big 12 Championship, or speak at a protest," said David Sessions, Daily Texan managing editor. "But we're not in a position to cover minor in possession charges, or any other charges for any student."

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Barbara, left, and Jenna Bush are shown at a campaign rally for their father, George W. Bush, in this 2000 file photo.

More underage drinking reported during summer

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The lure that draws many teen-agers to the illicit drinking of alcoholic beverages may simply be the quest for a good time — a bit of excitement in treading on the forbidden.

Whatever its attraction, alcohol-drinking by youths on the threshold of redefined adulthood — often defined as 21 — has become a focus of Midlanders and other Texans after the 19-year-old twin daughters of President George W. Bush and first lady Laura Bush were cited in Austin last week for violating Texas alcoholic-beverage laws.

Jenna Bush, a student at The University of Texas, was charged with using false identification in an attempt to buy alcohol, and Barbara Bush, a Yale University student, was cited for minor in possession (MIP) of alcohol.

"It's a common problem," Midland County Justice of the Peace David Please see TEENS/2A

MAYOR BOBBY BURNS' TALL CITY LEGACY



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Mayor Bobby Burns displays "The Sky's the Limit" flag at an event last month in Midland.

Burns to teach, focus on family after he passes torch

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

On Monday, Bobby Burns' life returns to normal. He can go to work at his insurance and financial services company — Robt. Burns & Associates — not having to worry about City Council agendas or city-related happenings.

Burns will stay in politics, somehow. After seven years directing just about every move of the city, it would be hard to picture him riding into the sunset. As is the case with other former mayors — from J.D. Faircloth to Ernest Angelo to Edwin Magruder — he will be there to support and advise (if necessary) Midland's next mayor, Mike Canon.

Burns will also have the opportunity to teach a class at Midland College — local government will be the background. For those who anticipate taking his class, here is a word for the wise: Ask Burns about his vision for the city in 1994. It changed Midland for the better.

"I think his legacy is he was a wonderful visionary for the city," said Lee Wood, who served on the City Council for

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Canon takes office Monday

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

Although life as Midland's new mayor doesn't start for real until Monday, it doesn't mean Mayor-elect Mike Canon has it easy.

The Midland attorney and at-large City Councilman has gotten a taste of what it will be like to replace Bobby Burns, and "busy" has been the only way to describe it.

"I have been so busy, I haven't had a chance to slow down and think about the swearing-in ceremony," said Canon, who earned a decisive victory over Dale Brown, Bill Dingus and Thomas Flourmoy in the May 5 election. "It should be a real nice ceremony."

Even this week has been no picnic. Canon drove to Memphis to see a daughter-in-law grad-

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New Council carries fewer battle scars

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

City government will have a new look beginning Monday.

Gone are outgoing Mayor Bobby Burns, District 3 Councilman Lee Wood and their combined 12 years of City Council experience.

Left behind are a new mayor and a City Council, which is one member shy of the usual seven members and years behind previous Councils in terms of years served.

They also have the unenviable task to follow a Council, which despite being open to criticism after a tumultuous 1999-2000 period, was very successful and highly productive over a long period. The airport, sports complex, loop development — Burns and the rest of previous Councils can take credit for Midland changing its face.

"We were always working at a break-neck pace," said Jose Cuevas, a former City Councilman. "It was incredible. It was almost to the point for the last year or year and a half that I was telling Bobby if we don't do another thing, we can walk away saying we had a hell of a run."

This mayor and City Council face several key issues:

- Public transportation
- Economic development and a possible economic development sales tax
- Downtown revitalization
- Southside development
- Completion of the Scharbauer Sports Complex

"There will be continuing needs that have to be addressed throughout the community. You can pick any category, and we can talk about things we would like to be working on," Mayor-elect Mike Canon said. "I don't care whether you are talking about development in south and east areas, development along the interstate, downtown, there are so many areas, we have continuing needs in."

For all intents and purposes when Canon, District 3 Councilman-elect Scott Dufford and District 4 representative Berry Simpson take the oath of office, it will prove to be an important stage in the transition from the Councils of the mid-to-late 1990s and today.

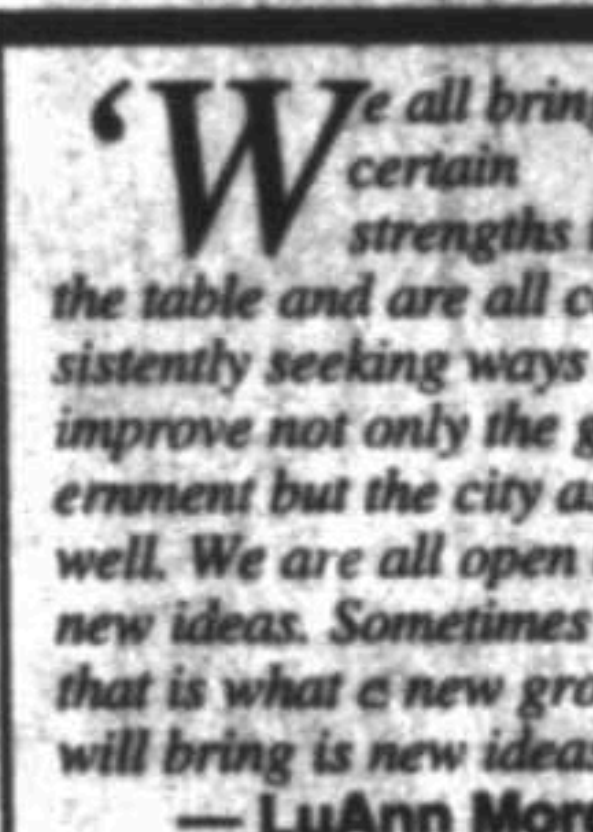
It was a transition that started in May 2000. Cuevas, Please see NEW/3A



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— Mike Canon Mayor

Years Served: 1 (as at-large councilman). Notables: Takes oath of office as mayor on Monday after serving one year as an at-large Councilman... Was the most vocal critic of the costs of the Scharbauer Sports Complex... Proponent of downtown revitalization... Question Marks: How much does he put on the city's plate? How much time can he dedicate to the job?



"We all bring certain strengths to the table and are all consistently seeking ways to improve not only the government but the city as well. We are all open to new ideas. Sometimes that is what a new group will bring in new ideas."

— LuAnn Morgan District 1

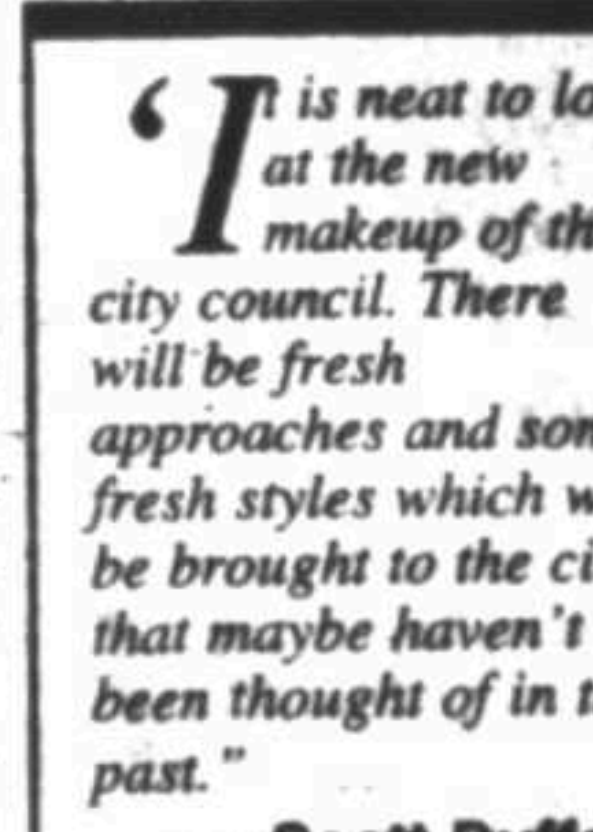
Years Served: 1. Notables: Only woman on Council... Seemed to see eye to eye more than any other council members with Canon on many issues. Question Mark: How much will her role increase in Year 2?



"You will find a working Council which will work together and examine issues carefully. It will be a cooperative group doing the business of the city... A group of open minds."

— James Bradford District 2

Years Served: 1. Notables: Midland's only minority councilman... Bradford's style is a quiet one, although he is not afraid to say something or ask questions when an issue needs to be addressed... Question Mark: His DWI arrest and pending trial and how it may affect his ability to speak out on certain issues facing Midland's minority community?



"It is neat to look at the new makeup of the city council. There will be fresh approaches and some fresh styles which will be brought to the city that maybe haven't been thought of in the past."

— Scott Dufford District 3

Years Served: None. Notables: Takes oath of office on Monday... Replaces two-term councilman Lee Wood, who opted not to run for reelection... Ran on platform of lowering property taxes, strengthening Midland's economy and revitalizing downtown... Question Marks: How will Dufford mesh with the new Council and vice versa?... How much can he do as far as lowering property taxes with Canon as mayor? Canon defeated Dale Brown, who proposed a 10-percent tax cut, and gave no indication he was cutting the city's budget.

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Gramm critical of party-switchers

By D. Lance Lunsford
Staff Writer

U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, in Midland on Saturday to talk about crimefighting, could not escape Washington D.C.'s hottest issue — the change of power in the Senate.

During an afternoon appearance at the Midland Police Department, Gramm was peppered with questions about the political chess game in the Senate, where the GOP has suddenly been knocked off balance by Democrats' persistent, and sometimes successful, flirting with



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Phil Gramm listens to Midland Chief of Police John Urby during their press conference Saturday.

miffed Republicans. In the wake of Vermont's James Jeffords' switch from Republican to Independent status, Gramm empathized with his Senate colleague.

"I know where Jeffords is com-

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TEENS: Most Midland youths who drink apparently are binge drinkers

(From 1A)

Cobos said of teen-age drinking. "And in the summer months, it increases."

Teen-age drinking is "a terrible problem" in Midland, said Mary Beck, director of Midland Teen Court. "I've got an awful lot of alcohol-related tickets right now. But, they are the tip of the iceberg."

The Texas Legislature in 1986 had upped the legal drinking age to 21 from 19. In 1981, the age was raised to 19 from 18 and had been set at 18 from 21 in 1973.

Texans had "tried moving the drinking age down to 18," Mrs. Beck said. And the reasoning, she said, was "that way, we were going to cut out the problem of the kids drinking underage. All it did was move the earlier ages down when they start drinking."

'BINGE DRINKERS'

Most of the Midland youths who drink apparently are binge drinkers.

In high schools a generation or more ago, "maybe the senior boys drank," Mrs. Beck said. "The girls didn't drink at all."

However, the teen-agers she interviews today initially may suggest they "just had a sip" but that often ends up to just "less than six (drinks) or six bottles or cans of beer."

In Midland, there are "a large number of teens" who are getting tickets for minor in possession, minor consuming and driving under the influence, Mrs. Beck said.

In Midland County Justice Court, those MIP numbers in 2000 total about 400.

"The majority of MIPs came in the summer months," JP Michael Wallace said. "So, it appears that the kids start drinking in the summer time. They have parties."

And it is at parties, particularly loud parties, where many Midland youths are arrested for MIP or consuming alcohol. Their "probable" preference is beer, noted Wallace, who said one offender got in trouble for possessing Mad Dog 20/20, a wine.

Many teen-agers are arrested for alcohol offenses when police "call on loud teen-age parties," said Sgt. John Ingram of the Midland Police Department's Juvenile Division.

nile Division.

"They will usually be in a home of parents that are out of town," Ingram said. "And they've left a teen-ager in town" in a house without parents to supervise them.

So, the teen-ager at home invites "other kids over for a big party."

"Of course, when you hit one of those, you get a large number of teen-agers that are in possession of alcohol and have been consuming alcohol," Ingram said. "You catch them at those loud juvenile parties, when they get too noisy and somebody calls (the police) in on them."

"What they usually do is barricade themselves in the house, and they won't open the doors," Ingram said. "But, usually, we're pretty persistent. We hang around until they finally come to the door."

Then, they are "in trouble with the cops, and it's going to cost them some money," Ingram said. "Plus, they're thinking they might have to go to jail," which usually is not the case unless the offense is aggravated by an

attempt to elude the police or unless the teen-ager has a "pocketful of marijuana." Minors age 17 to 20 would be subject to being jailed as adults under the law. "If they are under 17, jail time doesn't apply, anyway," Ingram said. Juveniles from age 10 to 17 would be subject to being sent to the Barbara Culver Juvenile Justice Center.

The maximum fine for a first offense of MIP is \$500. However, JP Cobos said recently he has set MIP fines at \$303.25. Other penalties include public-service hours and attending the alcohol-awareness Victim Impact Panel sponsored by the Permian Basin Chapter of Stop DWI — driving while intoxicated. A second offense is more severe. And a third offense, which would place the youth in Midland County Court-at-Law, could result in incarceration for up to six months and a maximum \$2,000 fine. Probation is an option.

Cobos said "probably the best element of the punishment" among MIP offenders is for "them to see how it (alcoholic drinking) affects real people"

such as in the VIP program. "And there are some that have even been court-ordered to go to Alcoholics Anonymous."

The MPD's Ingram said "Usually, if they (MIP offenders) are cooperative with the police, they (police) are not going to take them to jail." But if the youths "run from the police or they have a pocketful of marijuana or nar-

cotics paraphernalia, they may be held in custody."

"That happen quite often because they will have the alcohol and the narcotics together."

But most of the cases "can be handled with just a ticket," Ingram said. "That's what the Bush girls got — the ticket."

GRAMM: Senator addresses Jeffords issue

(From 1A)

ing from," Gramm said. "I could have changed parties, but for me the right way was to go home and run as a Republican in '83."

President Bush and the GOP are struggling with the sudden power shift that has put the ball in the Democrats' court, but Gramm expressed confidence the GOP will weather the storm.

"On paper before, we had a majority, but in reality we didn't," Gramm said pointing to Jeffords' voting record in which he frequently sided with Democrats.

The latest rumor is that maverick Republican John McCain of Arizona will switch his party allegiance and shake up the Senate again.

Gramm took aim at McCain, a one-time campaign rival of Bush, during the visit to Midland.

'McCain is unhappy because Jeffords got all that press all last week.'

— Sen. Phil Gramm

"McCain is unhappy because Jeffords got all that press all last week," Gramm quipped.

McCain is hosting Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle at his Arizona cabin this weekend for a cook-out.

Gramm was in Midland to call attention to the needs of law enforcement with regard to DNA testing. Forensic laboratories have been backlogged due to greater demands for DNA

tests.

Gramm appeared with Midland Police Chief John Urby and District Attorney Al Schorre.

Schorre explained the importance of eliminating the backlog of DNA samples, which is slowing down the law enforcement and investigative process. Investigators are often left waiting for current DNA samples for

six to eight months, he said.

"(DNA) is a great tool, but we need to catch up," Schorre said.

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NEW: Simpson has more experience than rest of Council combined

(From 1A)

an at-large councilman at the time, District 1 Councilman Don Washburn and District 2 Councilman Julius Brooks opted not to run for re-election. The other at-large councilman Dale Brown was defeated in his bid for re-election.

Incoming were LuAnn Morgan (District 1), James Bradford (District 2) and Canon and Bill Dingus (at-large). They ran on the premise that city government had gotten off course after the ouster of former City Manager Mike McGregor and the cost controversy of the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

"It is hard. When people get elected to 'restore the honor,' you think I don't remember being so dishonorable," Simpson said. "The campaign process is hard, but we are all working together. I doubt if it will be the same. It might be better."

Coming into the 2001 elections, Burns stated he would not run again, honoring "the spirit" of term limits, and Wood also said he wouldn't seek re-election.

Thus, the only similarity to the previous Council is Simpson, whose five years of City Council experience is more than the rest of the Council, including the mayor — combined.

"I think I have a responsibility (to establish a leadership role)," Simpson said. "I am not necessarily smarter, but you hope you learn. It is an opportunity and an obligation too. I didn't get into politics to hear myself talk, so I don't feel like I have to make speeches all the time on issues, but I intend to be there in a leadership role."

Still Simpson's task might be a tall one. For the most part, four of his compatriots — Canon, Dingus, Morgan and Bradford — have gone through the growing pains of the first year, somewhat battle tested although many could argue they faced few real battles.

"I don't anticipate anything but positive vibrations," Dingus said. "I think governing is a whole lot of common sense for the most part. We have a council with a lot of common sense."

The other — Dufford — is eager to jump in the political fray, but is new to politics.

"We did work hard and brought people together," Burns said. "It seemed like it was effortless, because every Councilman spent time on the phone and trying to know each other."

Experience, contends former Councilman Cuevas, is crucial.

"For elected officials, it is all about experience. Experience is so valuable," Cuevas said. "They cannot have huge broad issues, because they do not have the experience to address those issues right now. They should look at two things and finish the projects they got. If they do that, they could say it was a successful two years."

As a group, this Council is as inexperienced as any Council that has come along in a long time. Even in the mid-1990s when there was some turnover, there were the constants — Brooks and Cuevas. There was also a full-time mayor — Burns, who took the office to levels few had seen before in terms of time dedicated to the job. It is expected Canon will not be as hands on as his predecessor.

"Bobby and (former mayor) J.D. (Faircloth) raised the bar considerably," Cuevas said. "They did mayoring 40 hours a week and took it to a new level. It will take a inner strength from the Council not to be forced into issues and just sit back."

There will be other problems, only time will tell their impact. Being one member short, it will take a greater percentage of the

"I can tell the Council works together now better than we did last June, because after a year, you can trust people if you disagree with them.... It is hard. When people get elected to 'restore the honor,' you think I don't remember being so dishonorable. The campaign process is hard but we are all working together. I don't if it will be the same. It might be better."

— Berry Simpson
District 4

Years Served: 5 (since November of 1995).
Notables: Has more experience than rest of Council combined... Only member left from very productive Councils of middle to late 1990s... **Question marks:** Will the experienced Councilman enjoy more of a leadership role on this new council? Always thought of as a backer of Mayor Burns, how will he adjust to Midland's new mayor?



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— Bill Dingus
At-large

Years Served: 1. **Notables:** Finished third in May's mayoral election... Voted against giving incentives to Cingular, citing Midland's voters had voted against it twice... Wants city government to become more open in its business... **Question Mark:** How will he be able to work with Canon, who was critical of Dingus' Cingular stance (among other things) during the campaign?

Council to pass a resolution or ordinance. For the next year, three

votes (out of six) against an issue means a motion fails.

"It will probably be a big deal once on some issue we can't pre-

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dict right now," Dingus said. Another problem could occur if a Council member misses a meeting. A small Council gets smaller, and only two votes (out of five) would be needed to kill a motion. "I think all of us will miss one meeting. That is probably six meetings right there," Dingus said. "We can work around it if somebody, for whatever reason is not

there, and if something important needed to be voted on, we will vote on it, and if it can wait, we will hold off."

There are some on this new Council who say all of the talk about experience and a short-handed Council won't mean a thing.

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On Monday, expect mostly sunny skies and a high around 100. For Monday night, expect mostly clear skies and a low between 65 and 70.

Tuesday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and a low in the 60s and highs in the 90s.

Saturday's high reached 100, while the low dipped to 68. The record high for June 2 is 108 set in 1998 and the record low is 48 set in 1970.

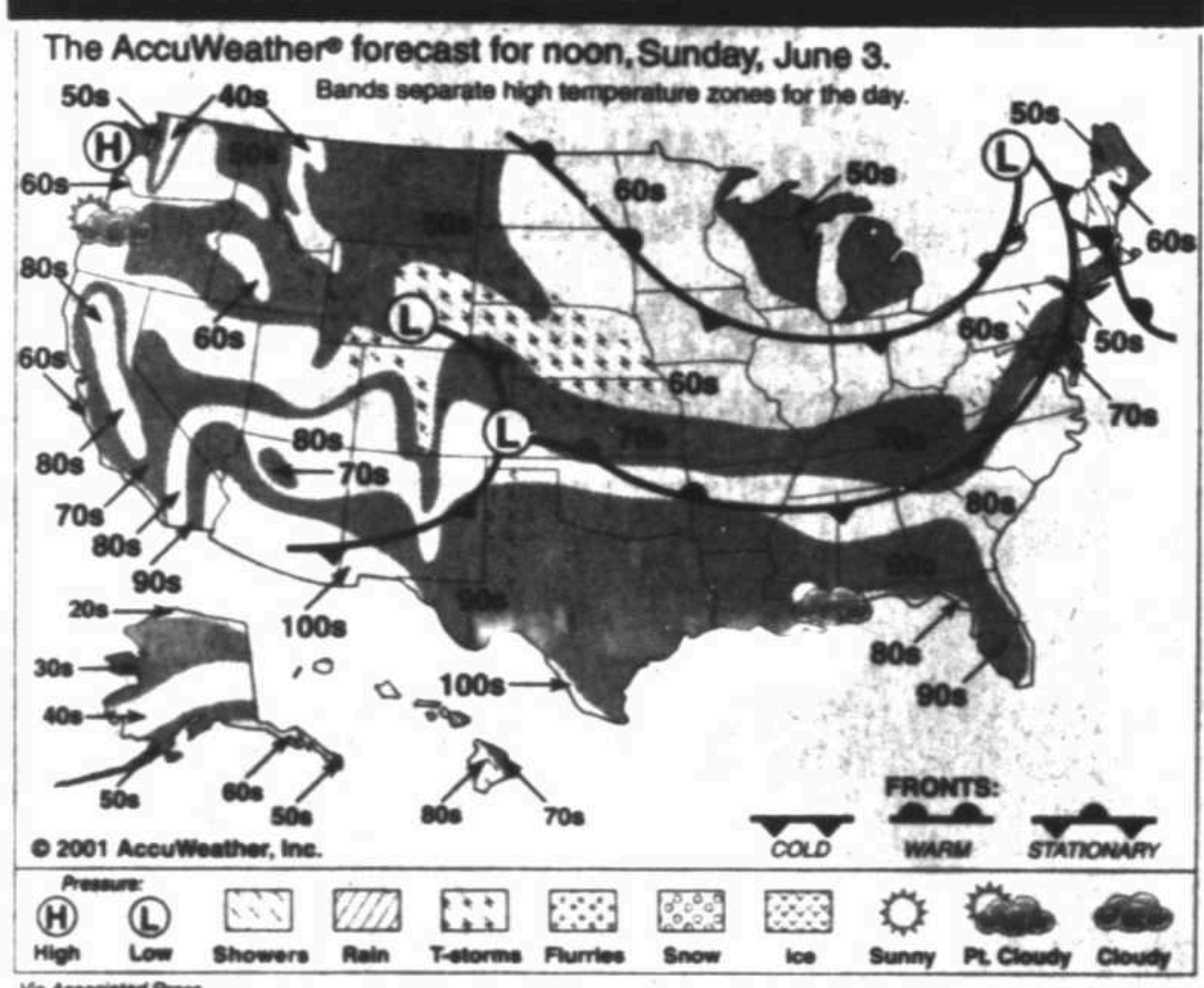
Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Friday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	3.85 in.
Normal total	2.99 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	100
Low	68
Normal high	91
Normal low	63
Sunrise	6:43 a.m.
Sunset	8:51 p.m.

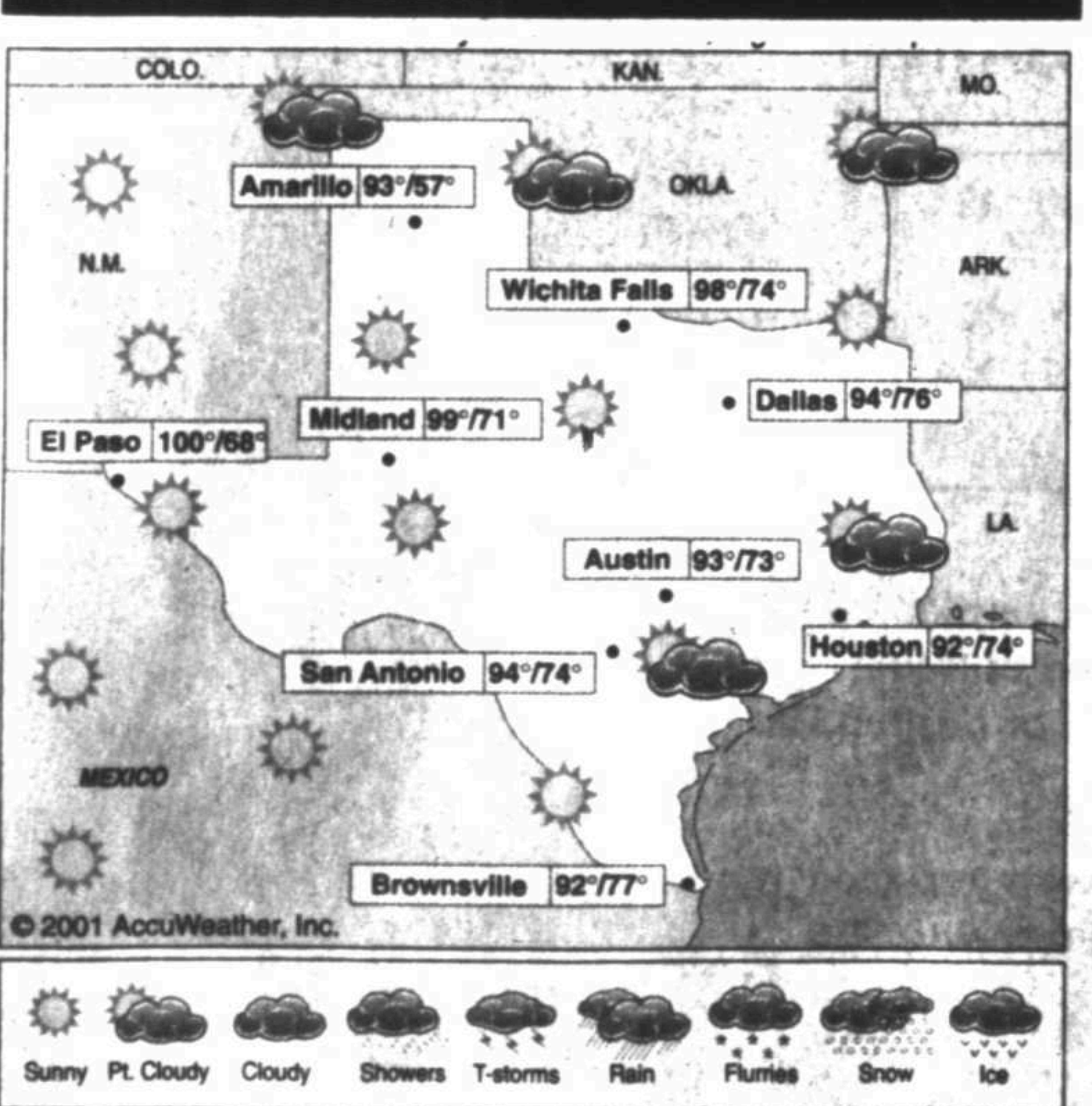
National forecast



United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate Saturday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.	Lo	Prc	Outk
Atlanta	75	62	14 cdy
Baltimore	77	59	02 cdy
Baton Rouge	93	80	00 cdy
Boston	68	55	78 cdy
Casper	87	43	01 cdy
Chicago	56	50	33 cdy
Cincinnati	71	47	28 cdy
Cleveland	68	49	47 cdy
Daytona Beach	93	88	01 cdy
Denver	89	50	00 cdy
Des Moines	68	51	00 cdy
Detroit	65	50	48 cdy
Fargo	72	52	00 cdy
Flint	60	48	70 cdy
Green Bay	53	49	12 cdy
Honolulu	85	70	00 cdy
Huntsville	82	54	00 cdy
Indianapolis	66	53	11 cdy
Jackson, Miss.	89	57	00 cdy
Jacksonville	92	86	00 cdy
Juneau	51	49	11 m
Kansas City	72	49	06 m
Knoxville	75	53	00 cdy
Lake Charles	85	70	00 cdy
Lansing	63	49	52 cdy
Las Vegas	97	85	00 cdy
Lexington	71	49	01 cdy
Lincoln	73	50	00 m
Little Rock	86	67	00 cdy
Los Angeles	67	63	00 cdy
Louisville	75	53	06 cdy
Macon	85	66	00 cdy
Madison	53	48	00 cdy
Medford	68	48	00 cdy
Memphis	83	64	04 cdy
Miami Beach	88	75	06 m
Milwaukee	55	51	00 cdy
Mobile	65	47	27 cdy
Montgomery	91	65	00 cdy
New Orleans	91	69	00 cdy
New York City	73	57	16 m
Newark	73	56	12 m
Norfolk, Va.	83	67	53 cdy
North Platte	70	34	00 cdy
Oklahoma City	83	63	00 cdy
Omaha	72	51	00 cdy
Orlando	91	68	01 cdy
Paducah	76	61	34 m
Pendleton	85	45	00 cdy
Peoria	81	52	05 cdy
Philadelphia	74	56	81 cdy
Phoenix	106	81	00 cdy
Pittsburgh	82	53	35 m
Pocahontas	74	60	00 cdy
Portland, Ore.	82	49	06 cdy
Providence	66	56	154 m
Pueblo	90	47	00 cdy
Raleigh, N.C.	83	62	00 cdy
Rapid City	73	36	00 cdy
Reino	78	54	00 cdy
Richmond	82	66	02 cdy
Rio Grande	75	58	14 cdy
Rochester	67	53	41 m
Sacramento	79	55	00 cdy
St. Louis	70	58	04 cdy
St. Thomas	67	78	00 cdy
Salem, Ore.	61	43	20 cdy
Salt Lake City	82	70	00 cdy
San Diego	84	62	00 cdy
San Francisco	82	52	00 cdy
San Jose	72	54	00 cdy
San Juan, P.R.	91	75	00 cdy
Santa Fe	80	44	00 cdy
St. Ste Marie	55	44	24 cdy
Savannah	91	70	00 cdy
Seattle	57	47	14 cdy
Shreveport	91	66	00 cdy
Sioux City	73	51	00 cdy
South Falls	70	49	00 cdy
South Bend	62	53	47 cdy
Spokane	59	41	18 cdy
Springfield, Mo.	63	56	00 cdy
Springfield, Ill.	72	56	34 m
Syracuse	67	54	19 m
Tallahassee	92	70	00 cdy
Tampa-St. Petersburg	88	72	00 cdy
Toledo	66	51	37 cdy
Topeka	74	52	35 cdy
Tucson	100	75	00 cdy
Tulsa	78	67	00 cdy
Tupelo	80	58	05 cdy
Washington, D.C.	78	63	00 cdy
W. Palm Beach	87	73	74 m
Wichita	74	56	54 cdy
Wilkes-Barre	69	53	44 m
Wilmington, Del.	73	56	02 cdy
Yakima	63	41	09 cdy
Yonkers	61	52	13 m

State forecast



Texas temperatures

Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours at 6 p.m.	High	Low	Pcp
Austin Bergstrom	93	68	0.02
Dallas Love Field	95	71	
El Paso	100	75	1.68
Houston Hobby	92	76	
San Antonio	95	73	
Wink	106	65	

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery in order: 0-6-9

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 5-6-17-36-47-51. No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$16 million.

LEGACY: Tall City expands Loop 250, adds more parks

(From 1A)

five years with Burns. "When he took office he knew what he wanted to do, and he saw what direction he wanted the city to go, and by God, he did it."

Airports, sports complexes, Loop 250 development and Cingular — he maybe didn't start them all, but they all came to fruition during his three terms.

"He was a great leader with tremendous vision," said Jose Cuevas, a former city councilman. "He rekindled the can-do spirit at a time when Midlanders were floundering."

Burns also built a different looking city. New restaurants and other retail stores lined up along an expanded Loop 250; there are more parks; the airport has an innovative feel to it and stands as a key to the city's economic development.

"People who have moved away told me how different the town looks," said City Councilman Berry Simpson. "There is a different face to Midland than there was before he became mayor."

The changes will not stop with his departure from City Hall. The two stadiums of the Scharbauer Sports Complex will be finished in 2002. The completion of the Cingular deal and the 750-1,000 jobs, which the wireless communications company from Atlanta will bring to Midland, is probably the greatest victory to date in the battle to make an economic development sales tax a reality.

There also will be the "little things."

- a reduced tax rate six years in a row
- increased city reserve
- improvement of Midland's public safety capability
- increased sales tax revenues of 30-plus percent over seven years
- rejuvenation of city parks

"Midland is a better place because Bobby Burns is mayor," said Jim Henry, president of Henry Petroleum. "I told Bobby there is no way we would ever repay him for seven years of his life. His salary (\$75 a month) certainly wasn't a payment or reward for his accomplishments."

"He has put the standard for mayor at a very high level. We will expect a lot out of Mike now that Bobby was mayor."

RAISING THE BAR

Maybe, what will be truly remembered about Burns' three terms is Burns himself. For seven years, his name became synonymous with City Hall and the mayoral office. He was everywhere.

If there was a ribbon to cut at city project dedications or business openings, he had the scissors. If there was a first pitch to throw at baseball and softball tournaments, he was ready in the bullpen. If there was a banquet to address, he had words to say. If there was a function, he made himself available more often than not.

"Bobby has made the position so visible," Wood said. "He made himself so accessible to everybody. Yeah, I think he has raised the bar significantly."

Maybe the most important time was spent in his office — making calls and opening the lines of communication. It has been said one of Burns' greatest skills was bringing the Council to consensus. Another was creating a plan few could argue with. Combine that and it is easy to see why he had so much success with so many high-profile issues.

"I don't know of any harder working mayor that has spent as much time as Mayor Burns has over these three terms," said former Mayor Thane Akins.

Former Councilman Bill Williams said, "He has put more energy into it than any mayor since I have been here. He has made it into almost a full time job. That is quite a commitment."

Time spent working, in fact, is more than an attribute of Burns. It became an issue of the 2001

MAYOR: Canon enters office with voter mandate

(From 1A)

uate from medical school of the University of Tennessee.

"It is one of those command performances. I have to be there," Canon said.

He also had to mix a little business — he is an attorney with Canon, Short & Gaston — along the way. After enduring mediation until 10:45 Tuesday night, Canon woke up at 4 a.m. Wednesday, drove to Dallas, where he took part in four meetings (two city-related and two work-related). In addition to matters of legal importance, Canon used the road trip as an opportunity to initiate discussions about Midland's economic development effort. That was the focal point of the two Dallas meetings.

"I will be spending more time as mayor (compared to that as a councilman)," Canon said. "City

Councilmen respond probably to more issues than the mayor does, and the mayor is involved with initiation of more efforts. From that standpoint, there is higher sense of responsibility."

There has been little doubting Canon's ability to move Midland into an unpredictable future. His campaign message, which stressed economic development to make Midland better prepared for the future, hit Midland voters. They awarded Canon more than 50 percent of the vote to run away with what was expected to be a close election. This came one year after he received the most votes in an at-large election.

"He has every tool to be a great mayor," Burns said.

campaign. People asked how much time Burns' potential successors could dedicate to the job. It is worth noting the man who can probably dedicate the least amount of time to the job was elected (Canon). There will be plenty of attention given to his time management ability.

Bobby and (former mayor) J.D. (Faircloth) raised the bar considerably," Cuevas said. "They did mayoring 40 hours a week and took it to a new level."

RUNNING OUT OF SILVER BULLETS

For all the victories, and they were numerous, there was a time during Burns' seven years that tested his intestinal fortitude and damage control ability.

For a period during 1999 and 2000, the Council that could do no wrong, couldn't do anything right or at least that is how it was perceived by some in the news media and during coffee shop talk around town.

There were three predominant issues during this time.

■ The Martin Luther King street issue when no one would second Julius Brooks' motion to rename Fairgrounds Road after the slain civil rights leader.

■ The "early retirement" of former City Councilman Mike McGregor.

■ The cost issues that soured the hoopla surrounding the yet-to-be built Scharbauer Sports Complex.

All the issues are well-chronicled, and according to one councilman, Cuevas, they were all examples of a Council going away from what made it successful in the first place.

"They were self-inflicted wounds," Cuevas said.

About the MLK issue, "For whatever reason, Julius knew he didn't have the support of the Council, but was going to force a vote. That was self-inflicted."

About the McGregor issue, "Mike was 18 months away from retiring. We let a lot of employees play out their time. Why they accelerated that is beyond me. It was self-inflicted."

About the sports complex, "The number was there, \$46 million, in the original document. By not saying it was \$46 million, we self-inflicted our wounds. Everything we did, we did to ourselves. What we learned from that was let's be patient, let's be honest and make sure we covered our bases and everyone has the same information."

According to Cuevas, that formula was what made Burns and the Council so successful in the first place.

However, an additional problem came up from the three issues, especially the sports complex, during that short time.

"You are more in damage control than dreaming up the next step," Burns said. "In politics, you build up silver bullets, which is really credibility. You build up people believing in what you are doing. One the biggest reasons we won the double stadium issue was we did a good job on the airport. We built up a lot of silver bullets. All of the sudden we used up silver bullets on a lot of issues, and

we were out of ammunition."

The sports complex is where most of the reloading took place. Stories concerning costs usually centered on the \$35 million estimate attached to the complex at the beginning. Those numbers never changed, mainly because city leaders believed the public understood off-site costs (which totaled \$5-plus million) would be paid for out of the city's water and sewer funds.

"I think that the newspaper was unfair about leaving the impression that maybe we were not straightforward for something," Burns said. "I think that was going too far."

Simpson added, "Making a mistake is not the same thing as cheating or depending on small print and there was none of that... It is hard to erase perceptions when they are firmly set. That is a shame because Bobby gets tagged with a lot of that, and that is not fair."

It has been thought there was a backlash from the series of bad public relations. The city felt it. The school district felt it as a proposed \$72 million school bond was shot down by Midland's voters. Their anger lingered.

However, there aren't many who expect it will stay around forever. In fact, when the sports complex finally opens to the public, many might wonder what the big deal was.

"In politics, everything goes away, mainly if it is done right and it is successful," said Cuevas. "That is the big issue — if it is successful. I think people, in general, like a winner, and they love their community. They are willing to forgive, but if the complex doesn't generate the attendance nor revenues that is expected, it could be a dinosaur for the rest of our lives. Instead of something proud, it could be something that is looked at as 'how could a community spend so much money on a facility that is used 90 days out of the year.'"

ENDING WHERE HE BEGAN

The Cingular deal completed this spring was Burns' getting back to business, and along with the people at the Chamber of Commerce and City Hall, it allowed Midland to flex some economic development muscle.

"I think Cingular goes a long way in showing how resilient this community is," Cuevas said. "Sometimes big plans or big ideas cause a lot of pain, but we have to continue to move forward."

Burns and the city did move forward, just like in 1994 when it all started and Loop 250 development finally overcame initial problems with a series of crucial one-vote victories.

Then the effort to build a new terminal at Midland International Airport followed. Burns "was ready to go to bat on that," and fought for an improvement to the airport that has been called the "umbilical cord" to the world.

"We campaigned right away for the terminal, and Bobby was out front on that," Simpson said.

The terminal proved to be not only a grand structure, but something Midland really needed when

oil prices couldn't get much lower.

"We had this big party that night of the ribbon cutting, and people wouldn't go home," Simpson said. "It was an airport, but you had to turn lights off for people to go home."

"Oil was selling at \$8 and \$9 a barrel, and the whole town was so depressed and they were hungry for something good to happen. They wouldn't go home," Simpson added. "The next day people are driving out with their kids in their Suburbans and paying for parking to take a tour of the airport terminal. It was kind of amazing, but people were hungry for something good to happen. I think that is a big part of Bobby's legacy was that optimism was real contagious."

It has been said another part of the Burns' legacy goes back to the notion that not everyone agrees with him on every issue, but when it comes down to the question of the kind of job he did, his marks were usually favorable.

"Bobby has worked very hard for our city and our community," Canon said. "He has made a lot of things happen a lot of good things, and I think there may not be any single item that will be known as Bobby's legacy."

"The development of the loop, he was instrumental in that; the vision of the sports complex, he was involved in that process; he helped turn the focus and did something about our downtown. There is a lot he has done over the years. Having been the mayor for seven years it is hard to single out any one particular item."

"He has worked tirelessly and touched a lot of people over the years and left some shoes to fill."

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CHARGES: Daily Texan doesn't cover incident

(From 1A)

Most students don't seem to mind the Texan's lack of coverage of the Bush incident, Sessions said.

Those Midlanders attending other colleges tended to agree.

"Students have their own problems and worries," said Erica Reyes, a junior at Texas A&M University. "What the Bush daughters are doing isn't really a top concern in my life right now."

Editors at the Daily Texan said they understood that most students are apathetic to the situation, and had no problem deciding not to report on the Bush daughters' brush with the law.

"Everyone here knows someone with an M.L.P. or fake I.D. No one's horrified by it," Sessions added.

The statistics back him up. Last year alone the

Children leave home in Idaho where they remained holed up for five days

By John K. Wiley
Associated Press

GARFIELD BAY, Idaho — Five children left their isolated home Saturday evening after a five-day stalemate with sheriff's deputies.

The children were seen riding past sheriff's barricades in a large sport-utility vehicle at about 6 p.m. Saturday. They were taken to a hospital in nearby Sandpoint, but authorities released no information on their condition.

The children had been speaking to two negotiators most of the day on Saturday, Sheriff's Sgt. Rob Rahn said. He identified them only as family members and close friends of the children.

The children and a 15-year-old brother who surrendered to authorities Thursday withdrew to the house on Tuesday, when their mother, JoAnn McGuckin, was arrested for child neglect. Their father died May 12.

After the mother's arrest, Bonner County sheriff's deputies returned to the home about 10 miles south of here to take the children into state custody. But they withdrew after 15-year-old Benjamin McGuckin yelled "Get the guns!" and the children unleashed more than two dozen dogs.

The family became increasingly reclusive as financial hardships increased after father Michael McGuckin was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. His death was attributed to dehydration and malnutrition, complicated by his illness.

Residents said the family was suspicious of the government and had refused help from neighbors concerned about their living conditions.

Walled off from the outside world by fear, trees and the dogs, the children at the house were incommunicado until Friday, when they spoke with their mother's court-appointed attorney and authorities.

Rahn and the lawyer, Bryce Powell, refused to say whether Benjamin McGuckin or his mother participated in talks. The children were given food and water during Friday's "long period" of contact, he said.

Still in the home were Kathryn, 16; Mary, 13; James, 11; Frederick, 9; and Jane, 8.

An older sister Erina, 19, who left the house after an earlier falling-out with her parents, had been working with authorities. Her concerns formed the basis of the neglect charge against JoAnn McGuckin, who was held in lieu of \$100,000 bail.

Benjamin apparently had been

outside for some time — perhaps since Tuesday — and his five siblings were probably unaware he had turned himself in, Robinson said. He was in temporary "shelter care" provided by the state Department of Health and Welfare.

By all accounts, the family had been relatively prosperous until their sawmill business went bankrupt in the 1980s. The family has rejected offers of help.

The home was sold at auction

last year to cover unpaid back taxes, but the McGuckins stayed on under arrangements that remain unclear, officials said.

JoAnn McGuckin refused to seek state aid as she grew increasingly paranoid about the government, local relief workers say. Her husband's body could not be buried for two weeks because she would not complete the county's indigent forms. The Spokesman-Review newspaper in Spokane, Wash., reported Saturday.

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Parents of student killed in dormitory fire settle claim

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The parents of a Seton Hall student killed in a dormitory fire last year have settled a wrongful death claim against the university for \$200,000.

John Giunta, 18, was one of three freshmen killed in the fire on Jan. 19, 2000, that also injured 62 people.

Citing a confidentiality agreement, neither Giunta's parents, Phillip Giunta and Debra Goudy, nor Seton Hall would discuss the settlement, which will be paid by the university's insurance carrier.

According to court papers signed on Friday, the parents, who are divorced, will each receive \$70,328 from the \$207,718 settlement. The rest of the money will cover lawyer and court fees.

The fire is believed to have started when someone ignited a couch in the third-floor lounge. No one has been charged, and prosecutors are continuing to investigate.

Twenty students had given notice that they were considering suing, but nearly all of them reached settlements, Seton Hall spokeswoman Susan Diamond

told The Star-Ledger of Newark. The settlement amounts in the other cases were not made public.

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Crowds of distraught Nepalese mourn slaying of king, queen

By Binaj Gurubacharya
Associated Press

KATMANDU, Nepal — Hundreds of thousands of people tossed flowers, wailed and prayed Saturday night in bidding farewell to slain King Birendra and seven other members of the royal family.

The outpouring of sadness came during a time of political instability and appeared likely to become another thorn for the beleaguered elected government.

Crown Prince Dipendra, who official sources said shot his parents and six other relatives to death late Friday before turning the gun on himself, was reported clinically dead but being kept breathing by a respirator.

The rampage, which also wounded three people, apparently erupted after Dipendra's mother, Queen Aiswarya, objected to the prince's intended bride, a senior military officer said.

The government State Council, which oversees royal matters in Nepal, named Dipendra, as crown prince, to succeed his father. But his uncle, Prince Gyanendra, whose wife was among the wounded, was named acting king. Gyanendra would become king if Dipendra dies.

Wrapped in red cloth, the bodies of the king and queen, their daughter and a son were placed on bamboo and bronze palanquins and carried on the shoulders of Brahmin priests clad in white vests and loin cloths.

The procession marched 8 miles from the military hospital to the Pashupatinath temple on the banks of the Bagmati River, followed by throngs of grieving citizens.

At the temple, the bodies were laid on pyres of sweet-smelling sandalwood. A little-known cousin, Deepak Bikram Shah, lighted the pyres of the king and queen, while Brahmin priests set fire to the other pyres.

The ashes were to be scattered along the holy river. Hindus in Nepal must be cremated within 24 hours of their deaths.

Although a popular uprising in 1990 stripped Birendra of his absolute powers and installed parliamentary democracy, the royal family remained widely popular.

The soft-spoken king won hearts with frequent visits to rural areas, where he patiently listened to the problems of villagers. Queen Aiswarya was more aloof but

was known for her beauty. The king's brother, Prince Gyanendra, also kept out of the limelight but is respected for his conservation work in this starkly beautiful, but poor kingdom.

There were signs the palace massacre would aggravate public unhappiness with Prime Minister Girija Prasad Koirala's government, which already was under attack over allegations of a bribery scandal and its failure to quell a Maoist insurgency.

Many mourners insisted Dipendra could not have killed his parents and voiced suspicions the government was involved. Groups of angry youths yelled accusations that the government conspired against the royal family.

Near the prime minister's office, police used clubs to disperse a mob of about 1,000 people who hurled stones and shouted slogans against Koirala.

"I think it could be the work of someone else," said Niranjan Poudel, a businessman. "A true Nepali will never kill his parents or his brother or sister. This is the government's mischief."

The prime minister sought to calm the situation by announcing that the government would thoroughly investigate the killings. "I want to assure the people that the truth and facts of this incident will be made public," Koirala said.

Government and military officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the 29-year-old Dipendra shot all immediate members of the royal family starting around 10:40 p.m.

The dead included Birendra, 55; the queen, 51; their son Prince Nirajan, 22; and daughter, Princess Shruti, 24, who had two daughters.

The State Council said the others killed were Princess Sharada Shah and Princess Shanti Singh, both sisters of the slain king; Kumar Khadga Bikram Shah, Sharada's husband; and Princess Jayanti Shah, a cousin to the late king.

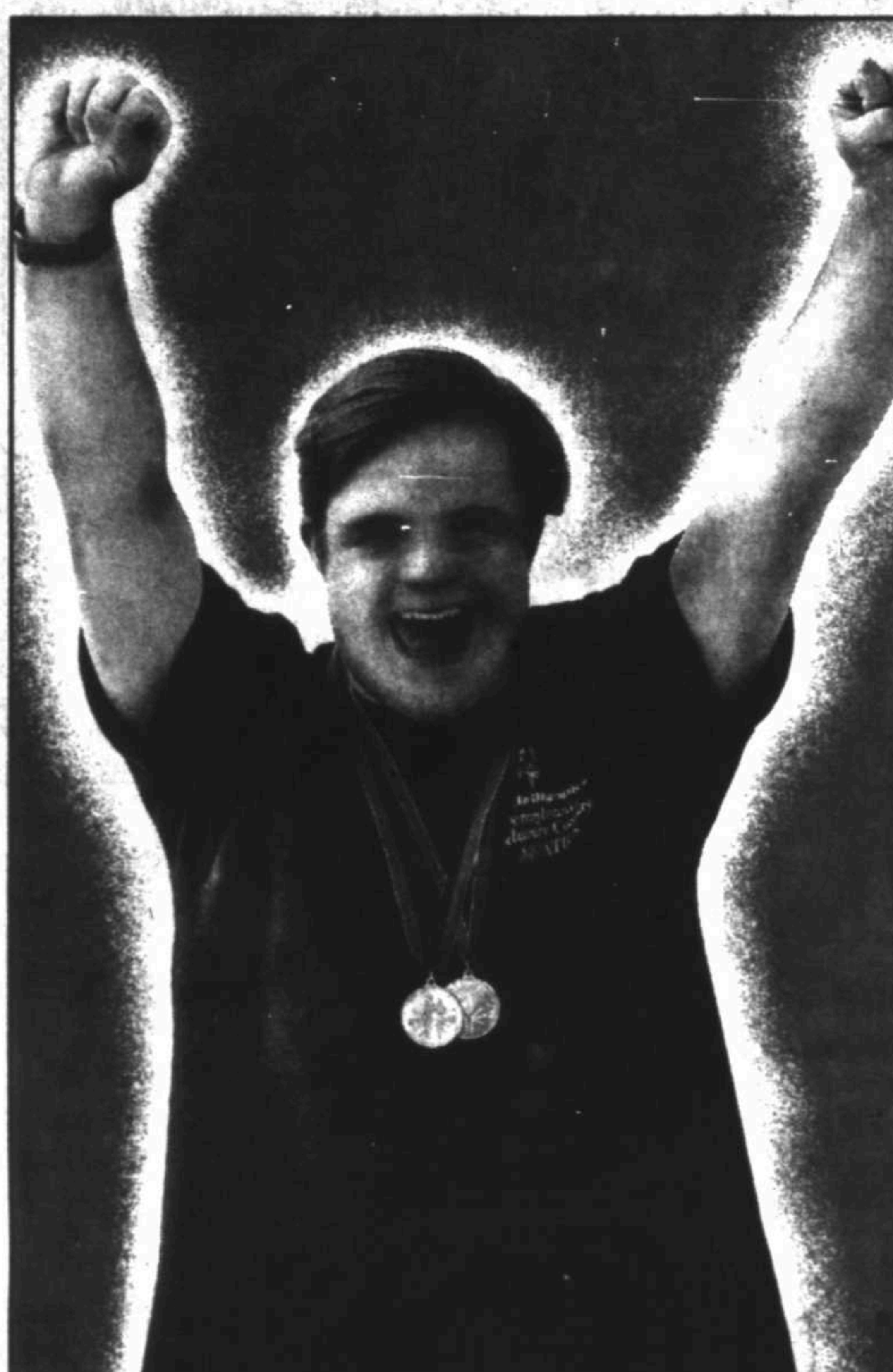
The wounded were Gorakh Bikram, Shruti's husband; Komal Shah, Gyanendra's wife; and Prince Dharendra, the king's youngest brother. They were reported in stable condition at the military hospital.

It was believed to have been the worst mass murder of royals since the Romanovs were slain in 1918 during the Russian civil war.



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Buddhist monks and hundreds of thousands of others through the streets of Katmandu, Nepal, Saturday for the funeral procession of King Birendra, Queen Aiswarya, Princess Shruti and Prince Nirajan. The four were killed on Friday by Crown Prince Dipendra, who was upset the Queen did not accept his choice of bride. Prince Dipendra later turned the gun on himself.

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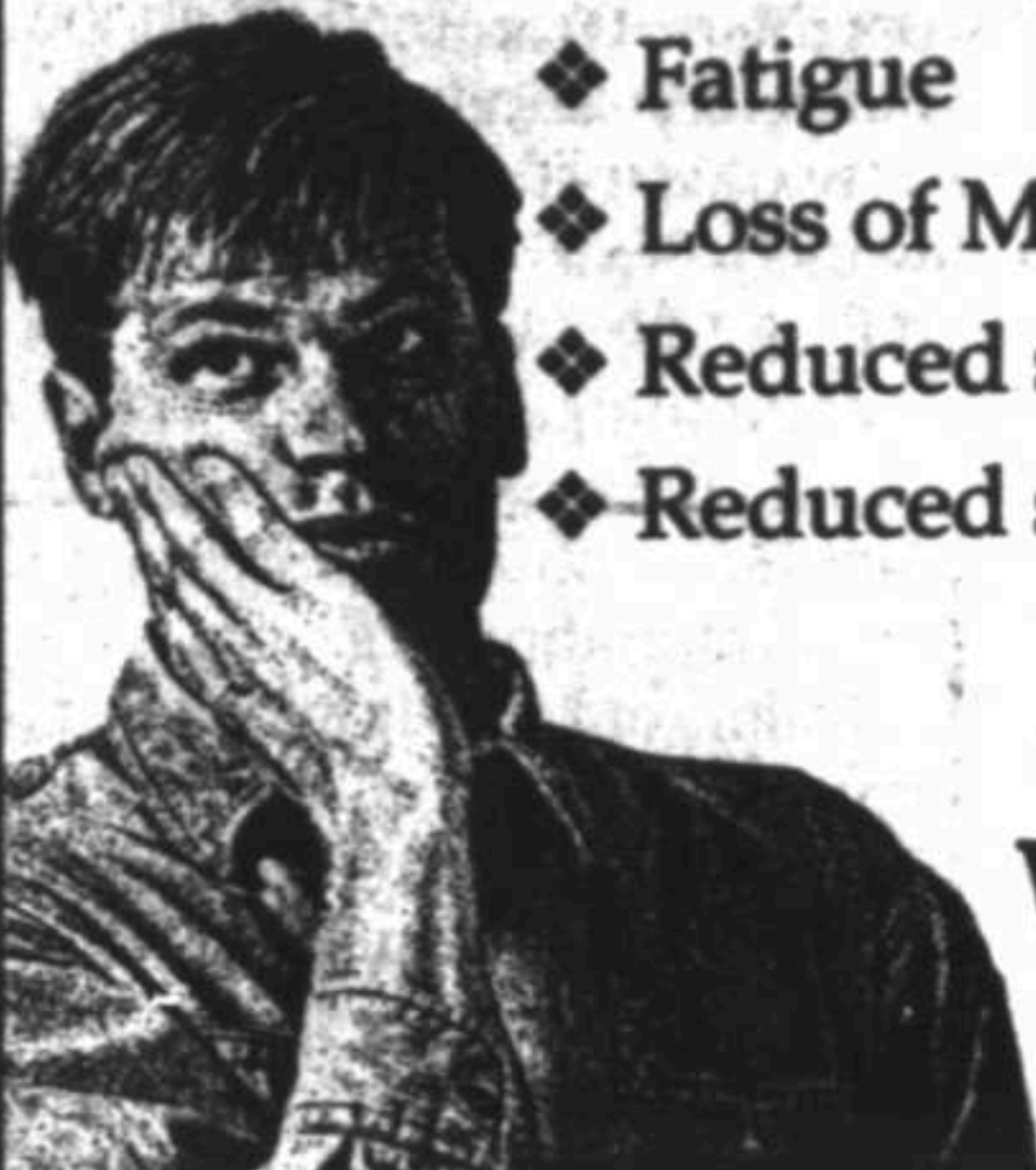
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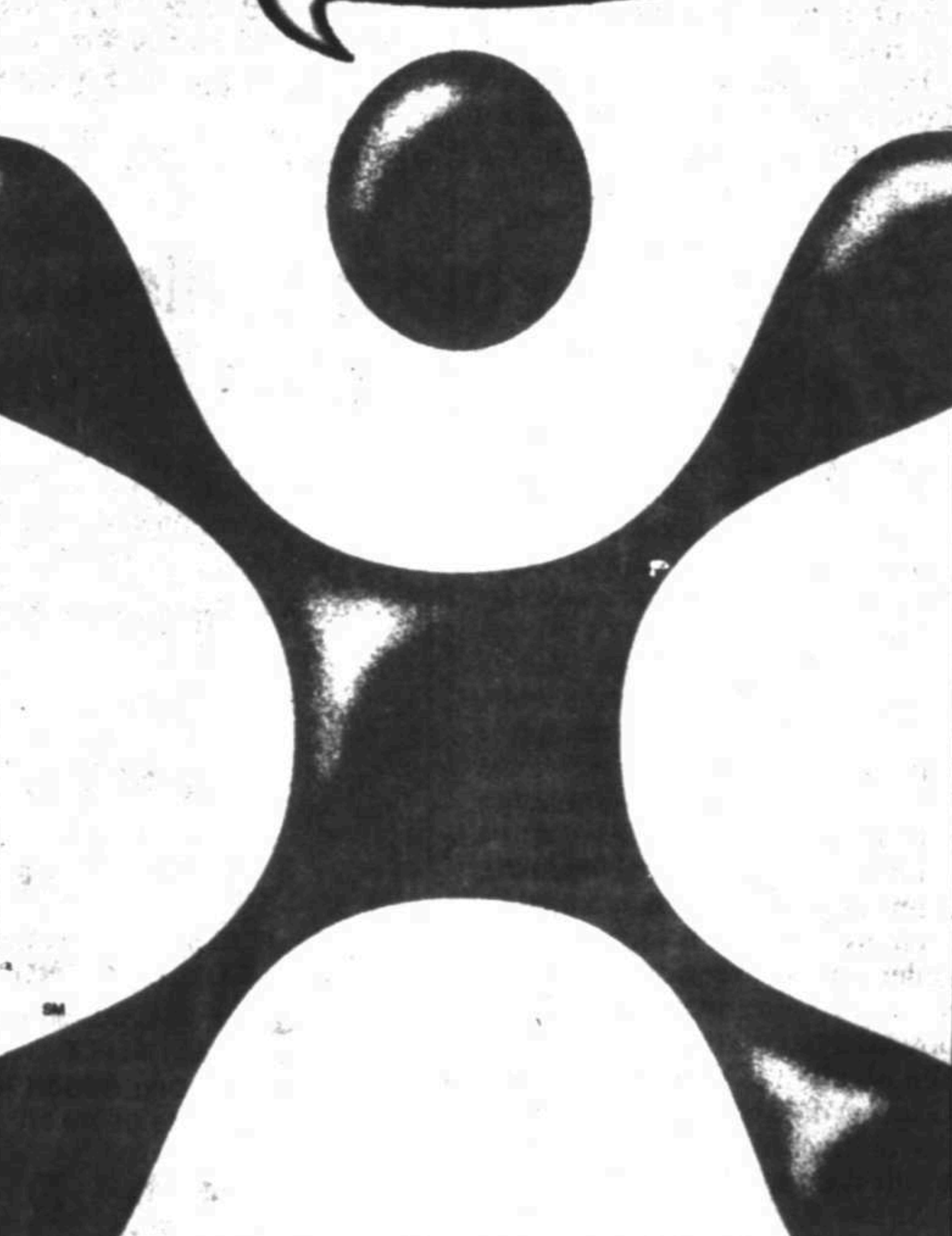
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Israel calls off cease-fire, Palestinians hunker down after deadly bombing

By Nicole Winfield
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israel called off its self-declared cease-fire Saturday after a suicide bomber killed 18 young people at a Tel Aviv disco — but also gave Yasser Arafat time to rein in militants before launching any response.

Palestinians, though, were bracing for Israeli retaliation and Arafat's West Bank headquarters stood virtually empty Saturday after thousands of public servants and police officers were ordered evacuated.

As Israelis reeled from the worst terrorist bombing in five years, Israeli television broadcast photos of the fresh-faced teenagers who were killed Friday, most of them recent immigrants from the former Soviet Union. Hospital officials confirmed an 18th death on Saturday.

Late Saturday, Palestinian security officials said Arafat had ordered all police, security and field commanders to immediately implement a cease-fire. The orders were also sent to all "Palestinian national and Islamic factions, and we asked them to respect the president's decision and to implement it," said the statement.

The militant group Hamas, however, said "as long as there is an occupation, the intifadeh will continue," spokesman Ismail Abushanab said. "No one can stop this intifadeh and no one will accept to give up and to declare surrender."

In the hours after Arafat's order, there were reports from the Israeli army of Palestinian gunmen firing at Israeli settlement in the West Bank and Gaza. There were no injuries.

Israeli officials, speaking after a seven-hour-long Cabinet meeting, said the government had made a decision on possible steps to respond to the attack — but those steps had been delayed.

A senior military official said the army supported restraint after concluding that "the old approach that an attack required a response within a few hours was not effective."

"Diplomatic pressure days will be more effective than military activities in coming days," the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Israel hopes Arafat will end the eight-month conflict that erupted even as peace talks continued under Israel's previous government. That government had offered the Palestinians a state in almost all the West Bank and Gaza but did not meet his demand that millions of refugees be granted the right to return to Israel.

Since assuming authority in Palestinian parts of Gaza and the West Bank in 1994, Arafat has hesitated to crack down on militant Palestinian groups, fearing a civil war. From time to time, at Israel's insistence, Arafat's police have rounded up militants, but after the outbreak of violence last September, those still in custody were released.

Israeli officials say he now supports militant groups and allows them to recruit bombers and prepare explosives without interference.

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon postponed a four-day trip to Europe, due to begin Monday, "in light of the security situation," his

office said in a statement Saturday. The Palestinian leader himself was stranded in the West Bank after Israel barred him from using Gaza International Airport, thus blocking his return to his headquarters in the Gaza Strip, Palestinian security officials said.

He did, however, receive calls from Secretary of State Colin Powell and regional leaders, the officials said.

The suicide bomber blew himself up just before midnight outside the Pacha nightclub, on a trendy promenade in Israel's seaside city of Tel Aviv. The blast killed 18 Israelis, including two sisters ages 16 and 18. Of the 90 wounded, 14 remained in critical or serious condition Saturday, hospital officials said.

There were conflicting reports

about who was responsible. The Qatar-based Al Jazeera satellite television station said a group calling itself the Palestinian Hezbollah claimed responsibility. Abu Dhabi TV said the assailant apparently was a member of the militant Islamic Jihad group from the West Bank town of El Bireh.

Since fighting erupted last September, 484 people have been killed on the Palestinian side — including Friday's attacker — and 105 on the Israeli side.

Israel sealed off Palestinian towns and villages in the West Bank, barring residents from entering and leaving. In Gaza, Israel sealed off the main bypass road for Palestinians, effectively cutting the strip into two.

Palestinian fishermen were ordered to return to shore, as

Israeli patrol boats enforced a sea blockade. Israel also closed crossings from the Palestinian areas to Egypt and Gaza.

Crowds of angry Israelis, meanwhile, gathered at a mosque across the street from the disco, setting cars on fire and throwing stones at Muslim worshippers, some of whom threw stones back. Israeli demonstrators chanted "Death to the Arabs" and demanded Sharon order harsh retaliation.

Police, who scuffled with a few Israelis, reported several arrests and injuries, including a number of police officers.

The Israeli Cabinet said after its emergency session that it held Arafat directly responsible for Friday night's blast and other recent attacks.

Arafat has formed a "coalition of terrorism" in the areas under his control, the Cabinet said. The Cab-

inet statement it would take all actions necessary to protect Israeli citizens, but did not elaborate.



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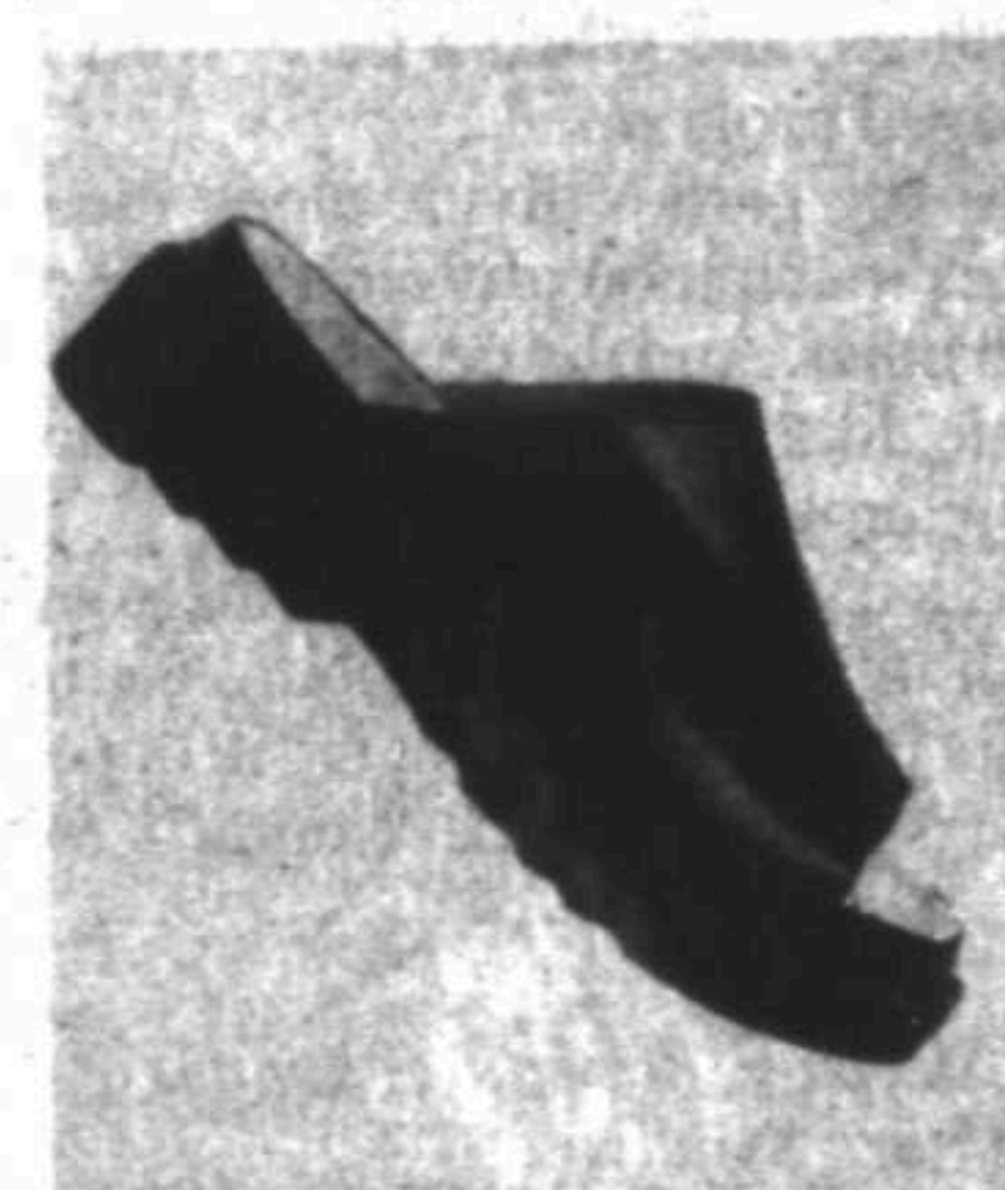
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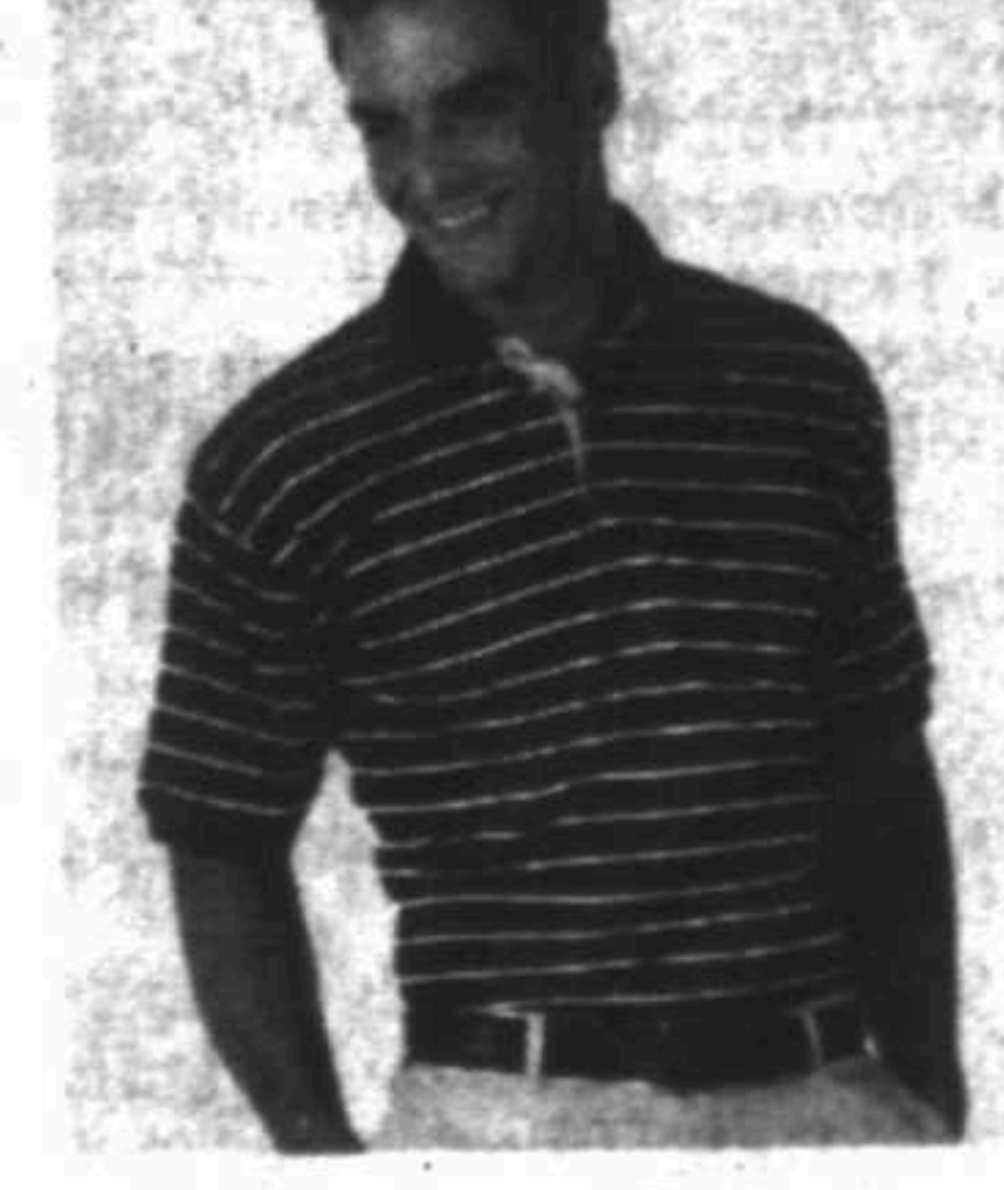
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Economic health should be our long-term goal

Thanks due largely to healthy energy prices, we continue to see our local economy on a strong, slow, steady rebound.

As we all know, strong oil and natural gas prices ripple through the Permian Basin economy, bolstering retail markets, housing and automobile sales.

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But we've still got a few trouble spots that we cannot ignore.

For example, emplanements at Midland International Airport continue to fall and that's a threat to the comfort and convenience we all enjoy at our beautiful, first-class facility.

It's a trend being seen in cities throughout West Texas and it's not a problem that is easily solved. But we are certain that we don't wish to see losses in flight availability on which so many of us have come to depend.

We also want to remain focused on the long-term, elusive goal of economic diversification. Healthy oil and gas prices can be both friend and foe. While they bring good times, strong oil and gas prices also distract us from the necessary objective of mapping out a long-term, diversified economic blueprint for our community.

For some, the area's economic blood-letting of 1998 and 1999 may be a fading memory. Some independent oil producers have even taken advantage of bold opportunities and have flourished over the past many months.

But it is important to remember the pain we felt when the major oil companies packed up their offices and their people and left town.

The proposed merger of Chevron and Texaco could deliver one more blow to Midland. We've already heard that we'll be losing some of their great talent due to company transfers.

Over the next several months, while our economy enjoys some relatively better and brighter days, we hope that discussion will continue with regard to plans for our community's long-term economic health.

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Still there are many challenges ahead.

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TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Sunday, June 3, the 154th day of 2001. There are 211 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On June 3, 1888, the poem "Casey at the Bat," by Ernest Lawrence Thayer, was first published, in the San Francisco Daily Examiner.

On this date:

In 1621, the Dutch West India Company received a charter for New Netherlands — now known as New York.

In 1808, Jefferson Davis — the first and only president of the Confederacy — was born in Christian County, Ky.

In 1937, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the British throne, married Wallis Warfield Simpson in Monts, France.

In 1948, the 200-inch reflecting telescope at the Palomar Mountain Observatory in California was dedicated.

In 1963, Pope John XXIII died at the age of 81. He was succeeded by Pope Paul VI.

In 1965, astronaut Edward White became the first American to "walk" in space, during the flight of Gemini 4.

In 1968, pop artist Andy Warhol was shot and critically wounded in his New York film studio, known as The Factory, by Valerie Solanas, an actress and self-styled militant feminist.

In 1981, Pope John Paul II left a Rome hospital and returned to the Vatican three weeks after the attempt on his life.

In 1989, Chinese army troops began their sweep of Beijing to crush student-led pro-democracy demonstrations.

In 1989, Iran's spiritual leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, died.

Ten years ago: Pope John Paul II, visiting the Polish city of Kielce, indirectly criticized abortion, appealing to his listeners to "prevent further destruction of the Polish family." The Mount Unzen volcano in southern Japan erupted, killing about 40 people.

Five years ago: The FBI pulled the plug on electricity at the Freeman ranch in Montana in an attempt to persuade the occupants to negotiate an end to the 71-day-old standoff. During joint war games in the Pacific, a Japanese destroyer mistakenly shot down an American attack plane; two U.S. Navy aviators ejected safely.

JACK ANDERSON & DOUGLAS COHN

California woes could haunt energy companies

WASHINGTON — California committed two sins. It passed a law partially deregulating energy, and it voted against George W. Bush in the last election.

Democratic lawmakers representing California have tried for months to get an audience with President Bush. Sen. Dianne Feinstein wrote Bush four times asking him to sit down with her to discuss California's energy shortage. She was rebuffed with form letters. Now that Senate control has shifted to the Democrats, the White House can no longer dismiss the Californians. Michigan Democrat Carl Levin has announced that, as the new chairman of the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, he plans to hold hearings into charges of possible price-gouging by oil companies. Energy companies earning big bucks from California's woes could be next.

For Californians, the issue is price controls. Feinstein wants Bush to impose temporary federal caps on the wholesale prices that energy companies can charge the state. Because of a flawed deregulation plan put into place in 1996 by former Gov. Pete Wilson, a Republican, California anticipates paying \$70 billion to cover its energy needs this year, compared with \$7 billion in 1999.

Democratic California Rep. Nancy Pelosi points out that if the price of milk increased at the same rate as California's wholesale electricity prices, a gallon of milk would go up from \$3 to \$190.

Bush reflexively opposes price controls, and so do most Californians, including Feinstein, whose voting record champions the free market. What makes California an exception is that the market is broken — gerrymandered out of control for electricity and natural gas. The '96 deregulation went halfway, taking the caps off wholesale prices, but keeping them at the retail level. Democratic Gov. Gray Davis took too long to correct the imbalance, and some homeowners were belatedly hit with an 85-percent increase in their electricity bills, while the wholesalers reaped large profits.

Compounding the folly, in February 2000, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) lifted the cap on how much it would cost to ship natural gas to California. As a result, it now costs three times as much to move the gas to California as it does to New York.

What Davis wants is to be treated like other states, and not bear the brunt of a failed experiment in deregulation. Perhaps it is satisfying for Bush politically to refuse Davis, a potential presidential rival in 2004. But if California's energy situation obliterates Davis as a political contender, Bush is likely to be swept up in the mess as well. If California were a country, it

would be the sixth largest economy in the world. If its economy suffers, we all pay a price.

Bush has tried to lay the blame on environmentalists, but that argument fails the test of facts. New generating capacity wasn't built because there was no immediate demand, and therefore no profit. California's public utilities commission saw the crunch coming and, in the mid-'90s, took the utility companies to court to force them to build. The utilities appealed to the FERC, which rejected the state's claim — an example, critics say, of regulators getting too close to the industry they oversee.

Feinstein has gotten help from some Republicans, notably Oregon Sen. Gordon Smith, in seeking temporary price controls for 11 Western states through March 2003. Opponents of price caps say they take away the incentive to create new capacity. But that argument rings hollow in California, where 15 new plants have been licensed, nine of which are under construction and will be ready within the next two years to power 20 million homes.

By choosing not to act, Bush gives the Democrats a big, fat target. Profits of the five major energy companies are up an average of 500 percent. Most are located in or have their corporate headquarters in Texas, and have been major Bush backers.

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COKE & STEVE ROBERTS

Jeffords' move reflects polarization

Sen. Jim Jeffords' decision to leave the Republican Party and become an independent reflects a long-standing trend in American politics. The Democrats are becoming more liberal and the Republicans more conservative, and this polarization poses a serious threat to the machinery of democracy.

As the Jeffords case demonstrates, when parties are based too heavily on ideology, dissent from official orthodoxy becomes far more difficult. And cooperating with allies across party lines is denounced as treason.

Look what happened when Jeffords decided that President Bush's tax-cutting plan was too large and left too little room for issues like education. White House and Congressional operatives cut him out of budget talks and trashed him in the media.

Something similar happened to Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, ranking Democrat on the Finance Committee. When he decided to join Jeffords and other GOPers in working out a tax compromise, his own party leaders derided him for conspiring with the enemy.

Both lawmakers are oddballs within their own ranks. The only way Jeffords can win in Vermont is to depart from conservative gospel on issues like the environment and abortion. The only way Baucus can win in Montana is to deviate from the liberal line on issues like government spending and land use policy. But both stand accused of the same heresy — moderation and flexibility.

This polarization started in the '60s, as conservative Democrats in the South and West defected to the GOP. In both regions the federal government was seen as the enemy — in the South for enforcing civil rights laws, in the West for blocking miners, loggers and cattlemen from exploiting public lands. In the culture wars of the era, the Republicans came off as the party of hard-hat patriots, the Democrats as the haven of long-haired hippies.

Four current Republican senators were first elected to public office as Democrats, and their leader, Trent Lott of Mississippi, first came to Washington as an aide to a Democratic congressman.

Meanwhile, the national Democratic Party was headed leftward. From 1968 to 1988 it nominated four traditional liberals for president — Humphrey, McGovern, Mondale and Dukakis. They all lost, and caused a generation of right-leaning Democrats to say, "I did

n't leave my party, my party left me."

Today, Republican moderates are voicing similar sentiments. Jeffords says that his disenchantment with the GOP has "been mounting over 20 years," but the problem really goes back to 1964, when the Republican convention nominated Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona and rejected Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York.

Since then, the Republican center of gravity has shifted to the South, the West and the right. The party leadership in Congress reflects a similar pattern. Of the top eight Republicans in both houses, three are from Texas, two from Oklahoma and one each from Mississippi and Idaho. Only Speaker Dennis Hastert of Illinois breaks the mold, but he was hand-picked by the real power in the House, party whip Tom DeLay of Texas.

To understand why Northeastern moderates like Jeffords think the Republican Party has left them, just look at the Bush family. When the president's grandfather, Prescott, represented Connecticut in the Senate, he was a classic New Englander — conservative on fiscal issues, but an internationalist on foreign policy and progressive on civil rights. Prescott's son George moved to Texas, but no matter how many pork rinds he ate, his heart — and his vacation home — were always in New England, and the party's hardcore conservatives never fully accepted him as one of their own.

George W. completed the family migration from New England to Texas, and from the center to the right. And Jeffords found himself far less comfortable with the second Bush presidency than with the first.

Some people see this polarization as a good thing. Voters get clearer choices, and when a party wins it can offer a sharper-edged program.

But we disagree. As the parties divide along ideological lines it becomes much more difficult for them to cooperate with each other. And the centrists who try to work across the aisle, like Jeffords and Baucus, are caught in a devastating crossfire.

The United States is a cautious, middle-of-the-road country with fully half of all voters describing themselves as moderates. But the parties are moving in opposite directions, and that is a dangerous development for the political system.

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CAL THOMAS

Mass murderer Timothy McVeigh deserves to die

Oklahoma City mass murderer Timothy McVeigh deserves a new trial about as much as the New York Giants deserve another quarter to try to overturn the results of their Super Bowl loss last January to the Baltimore Ravens.

The very legal system that is designed to protect the innocent and bring the guilty to justice is being manipulated by a guilty man who seeks to punish the loved ones of his innocent victims. McVeigh's admitted guilt, his complete lack of remorse and his hatred of the law are reasons enough to rid the world of this barely human blight.

While there is no question that the FBI screwed up in its failure to honor a pledge to turn over to McVeigh's attorneys every document relating to the bombing, none of the material unearthed will change the facts of the case. McVeigh has publicly admitted to the bombing. He has said his only regret is that more were not killed. For him, 168 deaths (including the children he called "collateral damage") were not enough.

Attorney General John Ashcroft said, "No document in this case creates any doubt about McVeigh's guilt or establishes his innocence. To overturn the jury's verdict or to force a new trial, McVeigh must prove that the documents establish his innocence." Ashcroft has pledged to fight any efforts for additional delays in the scheduled June 11 execution. McVeigh's attorneys claim in a 340-page application to the U.S. District Court in Denver that the FBI is still withholding information, a month after the Justice Department handed over thousands of documents it had failed to produce.

The delaying tactic, orchestrated by McVeigh, himself, is designed to embarrass the government. McVeigh is beyond embarrassment. In his twisted mind and soul, he believes he performed a noble act. He thinks he had to do it in order to expose what he regards as the corruption of law enforcement at places like Waco and Ruby Ridge.

The law was originally designed to protect people from those who would do harm to the innocent. In recent years, it has been turned into something else. Once, the law was supposed to conform people to a standard for the ultimate benefit of society as a whole.

Once, the guilty were thought to be worthy of punishment. Punishment was even seen as potentially redemptive for the criminal. Now, the guilty are too often regarded as victims of someone else's punishment and they are to be excused, explained, coddled and even forgiven, often leading those who are released to repeat their acts. Because we have become so tolerant of so much evil, we now get more of it. The worst "sin" (and whatever became of that notion?) used to be the sin itself. Now, it is anyone suggesting that anyone has sinned, or performed an evil act. That requires a value judgment and an entire generation now believes that all values are equal and none is to be "imposed" or preferred over any other, lest one might be made to feel bad.

In the extreme, such notions produce a Timothy McVeigh.

McVeigh deserves to die because of what he did. To delay, and especially to deny his just desserts insults the law and erodes the value of his innocent victims, each of whom had a right to live.

The court should quickly reject this shameless manipulation of the legal system and get on with the government's perfect right, even obligation, to rid the human race of Timothy McVeigh. Otherwise, his example will infect others who are waiting for their moment in the spotlight and their place in the history book of hell.

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This is in response to last Sunday's letter to the editor written by one uninformed person named Gail Friday.

The letter left me no choice but to respond to the mean-spirited, falsely-stated and ill-informed accusations of Ms. Friday.

First of all, she insinuates all young men of the Vietnam era who took student deferments to complete their education are draft-dodgers and are non-patriots.

Secondly, she sits in judgment of the patriotism of one Joe Baressi Jr. Baressi has indeed conducted an error of leadership where every meeting starts with not only the Pledge of Allegiance, but also an allegiance to the State of Texas. He works more diligently than any other person in our community to recognize the leadership and accomplishments of the youth of this city. As a private citizen, he attends church, supports the arts in this community, has an exemplary work ethic and is the epitome of an honorable man.

Mrs. Baressi works with MISD students as a volunteer on a daily basis. If they leave this community it will indeed be our loss.

Ms. Friday's unfounded accusations represent the reasons many educators, teachers and others involved in public education are bailing out of the profession. These kinds of actions lay the foundation for the critical shortage of teachers, principals and superintendents such as we are now facing in public education. This nation will not survive as the world leader without educators like Joe Baressi.

Jane Rambo

Owner of coffee shop is an angel

On Saturday, May 26 my daughter's boyfriend, Adam, graduated from Midland High School. They were very excited about going to Project Graduation. They left the house at about 9:30 p.m. Project Graduation was held at the Midland Center. When they arrived it was very crowded and Jennifer and Adam went in accompanied by some friends.

Everything was going great until Jennifer felt sick to her stomach. Jennifer went to the ladies room and got sick. She was so upset because both of her brothers had been sick with a virus, and she was afraid she had come down with it. When she came out of the ladies room she told Adam she was sick and wanted to go home. Not wanting to ruin Adam's graduation party she told him she was OK and could drive herself home. Jennifer knew if Adam left Project Graduation he could not return.

Jennifer walked out and realized she was feeling worse. She looked up and saw a unique coffee shop that she loved to go to across the street. The owner is John of the "The Ground Floor," at 111 W. Wall. She walked in and he immediately knew some-

thing was wrong. By this time it was about 11:50 p.m., 10 minutes before John would close for the night.

To my amazement, John took my daughter in, helped her get to the restroom and gave her a glass of water. John let her use the phone to call home. Jennifer was not crying, as she usually would have been if something like this had happened. Jennifer said, "Mom, I'm sick and throwing up, please come get me." "I'm at The Ground Floor." "I'm fine!" Of course I jumped up and ran out the door.

When I got there, I went in and realized that John had been closed since 12 a.m. and it was now 12:15 a.m.

Saturday night God had an angel looking over our daughter and that Angel is John, the owner of "The Ground Floor." I can never thank him enough for what he did.

Danny Hendrix

Congratulations, thanks to grads

I want to congratulate all the graduating seniors, and thank them for their excellent behavior during the graduation ceremony at Chaparral Center on May 26.

Thanks also to the principals, staff and parents who made the event one to be very proud of.

We thank the Midland Police Department and Sgt. Dale Seago for their assistance in having the M.P.D. mobile substation helping coordinate activities for this event.

The Midland Fire Department also stationed an ambulance with emergency personnel at the scene. Midland Fire Department Fire Marshall Jeff Meiner and County Fire Marshall Dale Little assisted in keeping things safe.

The Citizens on Patrol (C.O.P.S.) led by Don Lemon were extremely helpful to this event. They directed traffic in and out of this congested area for hours.

In conclusion, thanks to everyone involved in making this a safe and memorable graduation for all.

Dan Walkenshaw
chief of MISD

Golf tournament a huge success

In April 1999 Midland College was given the privilege of hosting the 2001 N.J.C.A.A. National Men's Golf Tournament at Green Tree Country Club. May 19 thru 25, we had approximately 250 people in Midland for this event.

The tournament was a huge success, and all of the players and coaches were extremely complimentary of the hospitality extended by the staffs at Green Tree Country Club and the Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites, our volunteers and our wonderful workers from Midland College.

Midland's own Judy Rankin was gracious enough to speak at the banquet held at the Holiday Inn for the players and coaches and her speech was outstanding. Carolyn Coleman, director of Visitor Services for the Chamber

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■ Only one letter per month per writer can be published.

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of Commerce, did an impressive job of decorating for the banquet; the decorations were beautiful.

Robert Beeson and his staff at Omega Treating Chemicals provided a team luncheon, May 21, which was enjoyed by all. Geoff Hasley, Chris Carpenter, Brian McKinley, Brian Word and their staff at Green Tree Country Club did an exceptional job for all the players and coaches during the week long competition. Robert Campbell, course superintendent, had the North and East nines in great condition for tournament play. We are indebted to Green Tree Country Club for the wonderful spirit of cooperativeness and hospitality they extended to all competing teams during the week.

Personally, I would like to thank Mike Stevens, co-tournament director, Judy Rankin, Jan Reed, Forrest Allen, Julia Vickery, Jan Johnston, Reta Mason, Kathy Thornton, Chip McCarver and his staff, Connie Baird and his staff of volunteers, and my wonderful wife, Martha, for all their effort in preparing for and hosting the National N.J.C.A.A. Golf Tournament. Too numerous to mention separately, thanks to all the many individuals and businesses that helped sponsor this event. The Midland community will always have a positive impact on the visitors that were with us last week.

Delor Poss
Tournament Director
Men's Golf Coach
Midland College

Thanks to Burns for service to city

Thank you Mayor Burns for your excellent leadership of the city of Midland.

Your many outstanding accomplishments speak for themselves.

On a personal note, thank you for your help in getting three Midland annual flag ceremonies started on Boy Scout Sunday each year. I look forward to having many more such events.

May all your dreams come true.
John E. Crosby Jr.

Jeffords action leveled the field

When I was a young boy growing up on my father's farm/ranch, I was told quite often, do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

Just a few days ago a well-known Senator Jim Jeffords from that little state of Vermont knocked down what those black robe high priests did a while back, putting this high roller in the White House. Now the tide has been turned and the power will come from the Senate not from the White House.

You can not strong arm people without a little backlash coming back to haunt you. The mighty blow was struck for all of the people, not just the few. One man did this for fairness to all people.

Ron W. Bryson

Thanks to city for generosity

We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thanks to everyone who aided us in the recent loss of our home and pets in Greenwood. Thanks to Dale Little, the firefighters from Greenwood and Midland and those that assisted them for protecting the safety of our neighbors and doing all you could for our house. We would really like to thank everyone who stopped by to check on us. We also would like to say thanks for the offer of your prayers, donations and assistance with anything we might need.

It is wonderful knowing we live in a great community and city where people are so giving and thoughtful to their neighbors. God has blessed us through this trying time and we know He has great plans for us.

Again, thank you Greenwood and Midland for being the great place to live that we've known all along.

Cindy Reed

WILLIAM SAFIRE

Is 'Borking' needed to stop 'court packing'?

'Borking' is out. 'Court packing' is in. So wrote E.J. Dionne Jr. in The Washington Post, using two of the great politico-judicial attack phrases in rapid succession. Comes now the etymology to help readers rap their gavel when slanted words joust with each other.

The notion of **court packing** can be traced to Lincoln, who wanted a 10th justice on the Supreme Court, and before that to John Adams, whose nominations of "midnight judges" just before he left office caused a ruckus with his successor, Thomas Jefferson, who refused to swear them in.

The phrase **packing the court** — always pejorative, imputing one-sidedness — burst on the scene in 1936 in criticism of President Franklin Roosevelt's plan to appoint a new Supreme Court justice every time one of the "nine old men" (a phrase coined by the columnists Drew Pearson and Robert S. Allen) reached the age of 70 and refused to step down.

But the president was seen to have overreached, and his plan backfired; even on the verge of a landslide re-election, FDR was put on the defensive. "If by that phrase 'packing the court' it is charged," he said, "that I wish to place on the bench spineless puppets who would disregard the law and would decide specific cases as I wished them to be decided, I make this answer: that no president fit for his office would appoint, and no Senate of honorable men fit for their office would confirm, that kind of appointee to the Supreme Court."

FDR's proposal, universally denounced as **court packing**, died in committee; however, the balance of power on the court soon shifted to the liberals, causing one wag to note, "A switch in time saved nine."

Turnabout is fair play. The phrase is now the rallying cry of Democrats, worried that Bush nominees to the federal bench at all levels will make the court system more conservative. Said Sen. Pat Leahy of Vermont, ranking Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, "It sure looks like they are intent on building an ideologically driven **court-packing machine**."

Bruce Ackerman, a professor of law at Yale, writing in The Los Angeles Times, added a note of breathlessness: "We are on the brink of a **court-packing crisis**."

Republicans are countering with the eponymous verb possibly first used in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution on Aug. 20, 1987: "Let's just hope something enduring results for the justice-to-be, like a new verb: **Borked**. Dictionaries will say it's synonymous with 'maligned.'" This referred to the way Democrats savaged Ronald Reagan's nominee, the Appeals Court judge Robert H. Bork, the year before.

"A concerted effort to 'Bork' John Ashcroft would not be well received," said Sen. Trent Lott, the majority leader, about George W. Bush's nomination for attorney general. The newly nonconfrontational Ashcroft was not **borked**. (I use the lowercase b now that the verb is established, but then I lowercase **draconian** and **stentorian**, over the objections of the strict solon Draco and the Greek herald with the booming voice, Stentor.) The columnist Fred Barnes

went to the eponym himself for a definition. "What it means is to be attacked with a series of — not to put it too strongly — a series of lies and mischaracterizations," Bork said. "And it is an effort at the politics of personal destruction."

Debate rages over whether the confirmation criteria should be character and merit, or whether an otherwise estimable nominee should be rejected for holding views that some activists believe are outside the ideological mainstream. It may be that senators will vote on the basis of ideology without getting personal. But in coming months, Democrats will charge Bush with **court packing**, returning the fire. Bush will deplore **borking**.

THE END OF MINORITY
The San Diego City Council last month voted to strike the word **minority** from official use.

Ordinarily, I resist **diktats** about language from politicians (in which I am in a you-know-what, but in California, no racial or ethnic or linguistic group is in the majority). Does that make everybody a **minority**? Only to statisticians and demographers. First, a **minority** is a group, not an individual; you can say, "I am a member of a **minority**," but you strain the bounds of good usage when you say, "I am a **minority**." This bound is strained frequently.

Second, **minority** in the past half-century has taken on a meaning of "nonwhite." Though white Jews, Muslims and Buddhists are also self-identified as **minorities**, the primary sense is clear: Say, "I'm a **minority** American," and everyone knows you mean you are black, Hispanic, Asian, American Indian or whatever combination you told the census taker.

The word gained that sense, says Fred R. Shapiro, who is editing The Yale Dictionary of Quotations, when the Supreme Court in the 1938 United States v. Carolene Products Co. referred in a footnote to religious, ethnic, national and racial groups as "discrete and insular **minorities**." In 1949, The Journal of Negro Education first used the noun as an adjective in writing of "**minority** workers."

A turning point came when The Washington Post in 1977 reported, "Washington, the nation's premier black city, with a minority population of more than 70 percent" The newspaper then asked itself, "A **minority** population of more than 70 percent?" That it characterized as "racial math" and editorialized that it preferred the old, realistic math.

In one of his final-week farewells, President Bill Clinton posed the profound question "What will the terms **majority** and **minority** mean when there is no majority race in America?"

He did not stay for an answer, but mine would be: Drop the racial sense of **minority**. They're not crazy in San Diego.

In the United States, non-Hispanic whites still make up the national majority. But more than half of the 100 most populous cities have a non-white majority, which makes many whites a minority in their hometowns. That new **minority** is learning not to get waspish.

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MARIANNE MEANS

There's a reason it has become known as 'snail mail'

WASHINGTON — The motto of the United States Postal Service is "Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds."

Hal! That ideal does not apply to Sundays and may not always apply to Saturdays either. And as for "swift," the word went out of fashion an eternity ago along with the penny postcard. "Snail mail" is not a joke.

Thirty years ago the Nixon administration concluded that a quasi-government agency run by business executives could deliver the mail more efficiently than the old system run by faceless federal bureaucrats. A brand new corporate mind-set, however, improved neither fiscal stability nor service to the public. The post office has, in fact, been a mess ever since.

Now the agency's management concedes that it expects to lose between \$2 and \$3 billion next year, continuing a perpetual pattern of shaky finances and red ink. So officials are about to ask Congress for another first-class stamp rate increase on the grounds that the one-cent jump in January to 34 cents wasn't enough. This time the

hike may be 3 or 4 cents.

These corporate geniuses are also threatening to stop delivering letters on Saturday, a bad idea but not a new one. Within six years of their takeover, they raised the specter of weekend-long empty mail boxes if they didn't get higher rates to cover their deficits. And they bring up the proposal every time they demand another increase, which has become almost an annual event. It's a familiar political scare tactic.

But there will always be a need for personal and business letters. Not everyone sits in front of a computer all day. Who sends an e-mail to invite guests to a wedding, relay birthday greetings or express sympathy upon death or illness? Most Americans still prefer the privacy of sealed envelopes for business contracts, income tax returns, family confidences and love notes.

The problem is not just that communication has changed since the Pony Express linked the western frontier with the rest of the country. The post office sees itself as a business run for the comfort of employers and employees, not as an essential public service run for the convenience of the public.

Despite its financial losses, the agency recently handed out \$280 million in management bonuses. Its own inspector general's office claimed recently to have found more than \$1.4 billion in waste, fraud and abuse. High-level postal officials are given lavish moving stipends to relocate closer to work. More than 520 improper uses by

executives and their spouses of official vehicles for private activities have been documented.

Furthermore, the agency does not suffer as much from its quasi-governmental restrictions as it pretends. It is exempt from paying state and local taxes and is permitted to borrow money at discounted interest rates. It also benefits from subsidies valued at more than \$1 billion annually. Most importantly, it has a legal monopoly over the handling of letters.

But the Postal Service has lost its sense of mission. During a financial slump more than 20 years ago, the agency spent \$4 million on a Madison Avenue advertising campaign urging Americans to write more letters to one another. The idea was to generate more revenue-producing first-class mail, but mostly what it generated was criticism for wasting public funds on trying to drum up business for itself. Since then, the agency has tried a variety of other unsuccessful gimmicks, from fancy decorator stamps to unpopular commercial ventures not related to the mail.

The agency now employs more than 900,000 people, which represents a 36 percent increase in staff since 1980. Postmaster General William Henderson told a House committee this week that to make the postal system profitable, Congress would have to rescind laws that prevent the closing of money-losing rural post offices and forbid rapid, uncontrolled increases in mail delivery rates. (It typically takes a year for

proposed rate hikes to be processed.) He did not volunteer any internal management reforms.

Clearly, an overhaul of the system is needed. Conservatives are pushing their old reliable theory that privatization — removing the government role altogether — is the answer. But that is going the wrong way.

Marianne Means' column is distributed by Hearst News Service.



MAYOR BOBBY BURNS' TALL CITY LEGACY

Loop development changed look of Midland

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

While the airport and sports complex will go down as two of the largest projects ever taken on by the city, neither has changed Midland like the development of Loop 250.

The loop and its influence on the city's landscape — economically and geographically — may be the single greatest difference maker in the Midland during Bobby Burns' seven years as mayor.

"It (Midland's Loop 250) looks so different than it did when he came on," District 4 Councilman Berry Simpson said. "I don't think it was inevitable that it would have looked like that without him. I doubt it would have."

Burns was an instigator of loop development. In fact, loop development was a reason he ran for mayor in 1994 when he defeated J.D. Faircloth convincingly and became Midland's 26th mayor.

"As the chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission, I was calling Olive Garden and the Black Eyed Pea and Best Buy, and trying to get them to come to Midland, and the City Council was turning them down," Burns said. "They had multiple rejections on the

loop, and it sent the message to developers that Midland is a waste of time. I thought it was important to change that. Now, Midland has a different personality around the state — we will open a market for you, and you will live and die on your own."

The restaurants, stores, theaters, car dealerships and amusement centers did more than force Midland to redraw its maps, they forced the city to get a bigger wallet. Loop development made Midland a regional center for the Permian Basin.

"You have to give people in Lamesa, Odessa, Stanton and McCamey a reason to come to Midland and we did," Burns said. "We increased the sales tax revenue 36 percent over the last seven years."

It also forced Odessa to start its own retail boom. Burns estimates that at one time anywhere from a quarter to half of the business on the loop came from Midland's neighbor to the west.

"Odessa saw they were being left behind in that area," Burns said. "They had to work real hard to go through zoning issues and land issues and begin developing."

Again, loop development in Midland wasn't inevitable. If it was, it would have happened long before Burns took office in 1994.

The retail development which has taken place on the loop in the

past seven years can be directly attributed to Bobby Burns," Midland Chamber of Commerce President Marvin Wynn said.

Former Midland City Councilman Jose Cuevas added, "Through Bobby's leadership, we empowered our people to come back with ideas of how to handle this more efficiently, so the developer doesn't feel like his hands are tied and the residents think they are protected. That is a lot of leadership."

"It became more about a buy-in and ownership. The neighborhoods had word in how it would have development, and that was the biggest thing Bobby could have done during that time."

Still, Burns reflects that many votes concerning the loop were never a given, even after he took office. Even the cotton fields west of Midland Drive — which now host Home Depot, Target, Logan's Roadhouse, the Hollywood Theater and Saturn Dealership among other places — became retail acreage after a one-vote victory on the Council.

"If there was a change in one vote, none of that development would have occurred. That whole area out there won by one vote," Burns said.

And Midland changed significantly because of it.

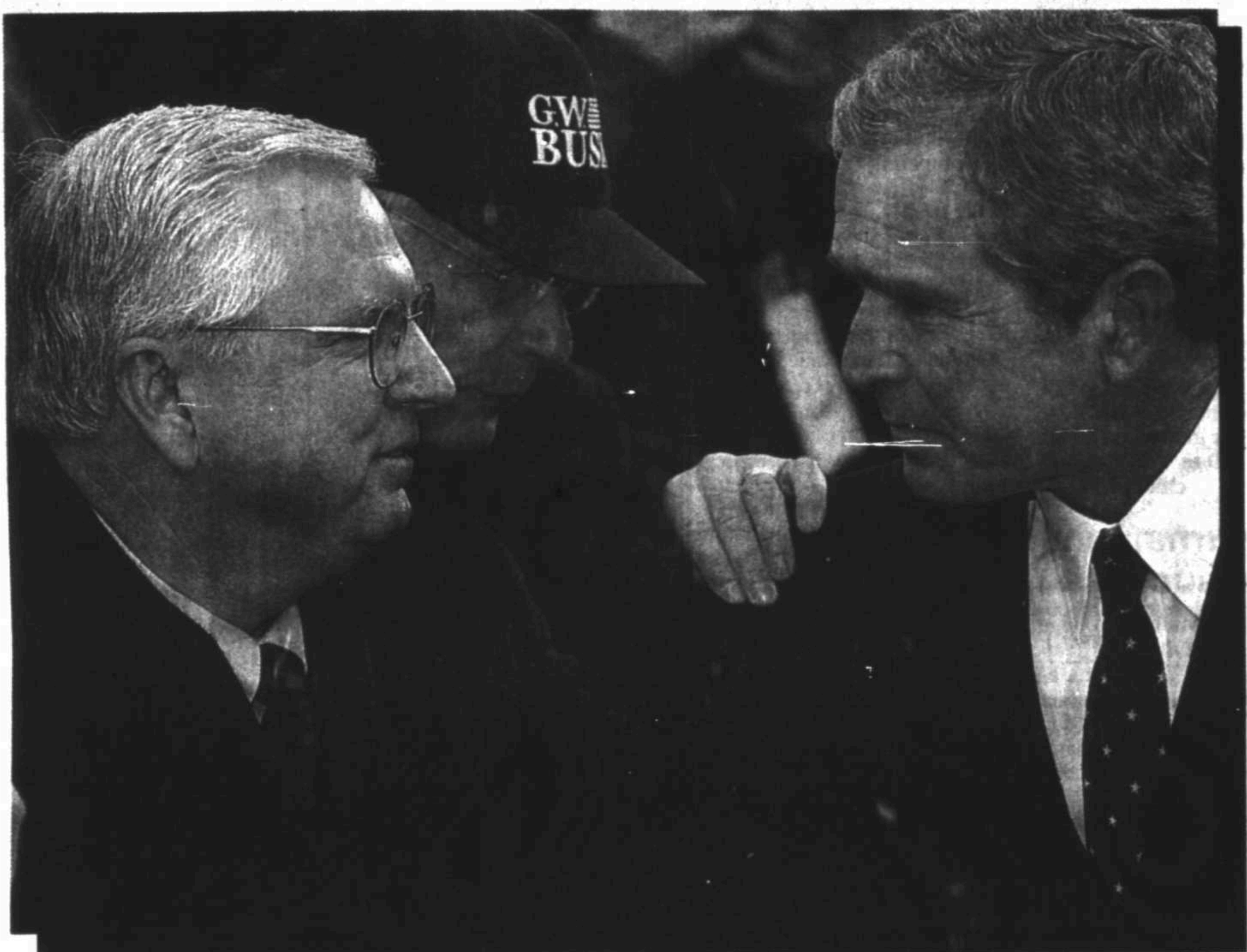
Cingular deal seen as Burns' final slam dunk

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

Standing among the Texas "blue suits" in an Atlanta office building, Midland Mayor Bobby Burns wasn't thinking about a legacy saver, there were hundreds of needed jobs on the line.

Cingular Wireless was looking to expand its operations around the nation, and the contingency from West Texas was eager to please a group of casually-clothed Georgia executives.

"When they paged the V.P. that we were coming up to meet him, the secretary said 'All the blue suits are here,'" said Berry Simpson — who along with Burns, City Attorney Keith Stretcher, Dennis Clayton, the economic development manager for the Midland Chamber of Commerce and the Chamber's chair-elect Bobby Norman — went to Atlanta to work out the Cingular deal. "We were all dressed up for downtown Atlanta, and they are all in Dockers and Polo shirts. (It was 'Casual Day') They were laughing at us. Here we had come from Texas. All of us had suits on, and none of us had Please see CINGULAR/12A



Mayor Bobby Burns (left) visits with President-elect George W. Bush during his visit to Midland.

Sports complex produces plenty of cheers, jeers

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

From the 100 speeches came the 100 acres. The Scharbauer Sports Complex has been billed as the grandest athletic site this side of the Metroplex, a dual-stadium facility fit for a community that showed overwhelming support for it at the ballot box in 1999.

Its worth? Monetarily, it approaches \$46 million. In terms of community pride and self-worth, the hope is the complex will surpass the highest dollar figure.

"The stadiums will be a tremendous asset to the city," Midland Mayor Bobby Burns said. "I will be proud of it forever."

Mayor-elect Mike Canon said, "I have always said it was going to be awesome."

By now, there is probably not a Midlander who hasn't heard of the sports complex, a project on the west side of town that will house Midland's new football/soccer stadium and a Double-A minor league baseball park.

In November of 1999, 16,000 voted in the election when the sports complex became reality.

The football stadium will hold 14,500, the baseball stadium 6,000. They are state-of-the-art economic development tools of the future. Tournaments, playoff games, band competitions and exhibition soccer games — they are going to be held giving the ticket holder an experience unlike any other in West Texas. The estimated number of visitors in the first year is 400,000.

"Sports is an economic development vehicle," said Lee Wood, City Council representative for District 3. "We will have two of the better facilities in the state to help attract those dollars and people to Midland."

But how it came to light started long before any election. Midland was rebounding from the latest oil slump, and there was a general feeling that it was time for Midland to step forward with the development of its infrastructure.

"I gave 100 speeches to find out what Midland wanted to do," Burns said.

What was being kicked around from a council retreat in 1998 were a new football stadium, a new baseball stadium for Midland's Double-A baseball team (the Midland Rock Hounds), a performing arts center, a new Midland Center and an exposition center. They were \$70-80 million of projects brought up at a City Council retreat not long after Midland voters shot down an economic development sales tax in 1997.

It didn't take long to figure out which project would fly and which would not.

"My original idea was to build a new baseball stadium downtown," Burns said. "El Paso built one for \$7 million, and I thought we could have ours paid for before it was ever built (using a half-cent sales tax to fund the project). As I

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Mayor's wife admits it wasn't always easy

By Kasey Kelly
MRT Correspondent

"It's a time I'll always cherish and look back on with fondness," said Denise Burns about the seven years her husband served as Midland's mayor.

It all started in 1994. Her husband, Bobby, wanted to make a difference.

"Bobby has a degree in political science," Mrs. Burns said. "He has always loved politics."

And Mrs. Burns, who married Bobby Burns 22 years ago, is proud of all his public accomplishments.

But, not everything was easy.

Over the past few years she has learned a great deal about life and about herself.

"I discovered that I was more shy than I realized," Mrs. Burns said. "I had to learn to be in the public eye."

Along with the fame of being a public figure, came many busy days, and less and less time her husband could spend with the family.

Mrs. Burns said before her husband was elected mayor he coached their son Austin's Little League team, but during his years as mayor, Burns was lucky just to make the games.

"It will be nice to just sit in the swing in the backyard together and be a family again," she said.

Growing up as an only child, Mrs. Burns was accustomed to peace and quiet at home.

She misses the days when she could sit quietly and read a book.

An avid scrapbooker, she is looking forward to putting together a scrapbook of her husband's days in the limelight.

As the mayor's wife she was afforded many opportunities to serve her community. One of her favorite committees was the "Merry Merry Midland" committee that raised money to buy Christmas decorations for the city.

"At the time when I did this I thought I'm not stamping out hunger or saving whales," she said. "But it did bring happiness."

It's traumatic for any woman to see the man she loves criticized. But, when your husband is the mayor, it happens on a daily basis. And for Denise Burns, the pain was no less traumatic.

"It's very hard reading letters to the editor or hearing people on the radio slam your husband," Mrs. Burns said. "I wanted to defend him and say to these people, he's a man not just a public figure."

To Mrs. Burns being a wife and a mother has always been a great accomplishment, one she considers to be the most rewarding experience in life. But, being the mayor's wife has brought her new experiences all together.

"It's been an experience of a lifetime," she said.



Denise Burns gives her husband, Bobby, a hug following the ceremonies Thursday afternoon honoring him at Centennial Plaza.

Mayor Burns: Thank you, Midland — for an incredible future!

By Mayor Bobby Burns

I can hardly believe it has been seven years since I began my quest to be mayor for Midland by saying I felt we were at an important crossroads in our city's future. Now, as I prepare to leave Midland's future in the very capable hands of Mike Canon and his City Council, I am proud to report — by working together for the good of all Midlanders — we have taken the high road at that crossroads.



Burns

I believe even though we are not on the downhill slope as of yet, we are beginning to pick up speed in our quest to create a Midland for the future. And I believe Mayor Canon deserves our support and enthusiasm for his vision of that future.

In the past seven years, we have experienced extraordinary growth along our loop and across our city. We have seen tremendous improvements to our city parks and city services. We have a terrific new airport terminal that is a source of pride for the entire Permian Basin. We have an exciting new sports and entertainment complex which will be another source of pride in a few short months. And, we have taken an important step in the right direction toward diversifying our

economy with the addition of 750 to 1000 new jobs at Cingular Wireless. Plus we are working closer than ever today with our friends in Odessa. Look out, Texas. When Midland-Odessa combine their energies, nothing can stop us!

As Mayor Canon takes over the reins of leadership, he will find a city that is moving forward with a clear purpose. We have set our sites on the future — a vibrant one featuring a cleaner, safer, more efficient city. But we still have a long way to go together to make good things happen for Midland. Mike will need the same support and encouragement you all have given me. I urge each of you to let Mike know that we are all here for him and will support him when he has to make the

inevitable tough decisions.

Yes, we have experienced some ups and downs in our economy, and those will certainly continue. We still need to diversify. We still need to support our local businesses. We still need to let the world know of our great weather, our financial strengths and our most valuable asset — the incredibly resilient, resourceful and proud Midlanders.

We haven't always agreed along the way. But, we have always cooperated in the spirit of what is best for Midland.

It has been an incredible seven years, and I am grateful to each of you for allowing me and my family the opportunity to be participants in the process. We have been truly blessed to be surrounded by gracious and energetic

Midlanders who represent the true strength of our region. It is no surprise why our city is such an oasis in the desert. Midland is truly a special and unique place to call home.

We are strong. Our city is strong. The Midland spirit of making good things happen is alive and well, and the world has now heard of Midland — where the sky's the limit. As long as we continue to work together for the good of all Midland, we will not only succeed, we will exceed.

I have said that we have arrived where we are today, "standing on the shoulders of some extraordinary Midlanders of a generation ago, who made the right decisions to build a future of which we can be justifiably proud." I only pray that when our grandchildren's

generation looks back on what we have accomplished, they too will smile and say of our generation, "job well done."

Thank you for the support and confidence you showed me and my Council during the past seven years. Please continue that support for Mayor Canon and his Council. Please keep Midland of the future as your primary goal. Our strength is our ability to focus on working together. Please continue to look for ways to agree, rather than just disagree. And please continue to be a vigorous part of the good decisions we make for Midland of the future.

Thank you for allowing us to serve. May God continue to richly bless our city and each of its inhabitants.

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The support was for a variety of reasons. Football was king in the fall of 1998, but in the fall of 1998, Lee High School was heading toward its fifth consecutive state title. Making one football/soccer field and a baseball field to create a complex were just extras.

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HARTFORD, Conn. — Imogene Coca, the elfin satiric comedienne who with Sid Caesar on the classic "Your Show or Mine" in the 1950s, died Saturday.

Coca died of natural causes at her Westport residence. Her Westport residence was the home of her time friend Mark Basch. "She was a human being," said Basch. "Her humanity was so giving. She made it to be with her."

Coca's saucer eyes, long lashes, big smile and energy lit up the screen. She won the Emmy for her classic "Your Show or Mine" in 1951. Although she was a broad burlesque, her wit was a delicate touch.

A talented singer and spoofs of opera divas, ballerinas tiptoed between dignity and until she pushed the edge at the end. "The trouble with comedians who try to do serious is once wrote, 'is essentially brash, not



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"You find what fits your city, find what will win and make it happen."

The support was for a football stadium for a variety of reasons. Football was king in West Texas, but in the fall of 1998 it was even bigger. Lee High School was heading toward its first of three consecutive state titles.

Making one field a football/soccer field and adding a baseball field to create this complex were just extras.

This vote was about football. When the election of November 1999 came about, Lee was undefeated and heading toward a national title. Midland High was

having one of its best seasons in the past 30 years.

The election was also about timing. The times were better than 1997. Oil prices were higher. The economy was rebounding. And unlike a economic development sales, a sports complex, especially a brand new football stadium, was very tangible. Thousands of Midlanders knew exactly what Midland Memorial Stadium offered and had long been envious of Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

"Our timing was great," Burns said. "The opportunity was right for Midland to pass something."

The complex did pass comfortably. MHS and Lee got a new place to play, and competitions will be held and Midlanders look like they will keep the RockHounds for many years to

come.

What also followed was months of cost confusion and government mistrust, which will leave a bad taste in the mouths of many Midlanders.

"In politics, everything goes away, mainly if it is done right and it is successful," said Jose Cuevas, a former city councilman. "That is the big issue ... if it is successful. I think people, in general, like a winner, and they love their community. They are willing to forgive, but if the complex doesn't generate the attendance or revenues that is expected it could be a dinosaur for the rest of our lives. Instead of something proud, it could be something that is looked at as 'how could a community spend so much money on a facility that is used 90 days out of the year?'"

Imogene Coca, Caesar's perfect foil, dies at age 92

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Imogene Coca, the elfin actress and satiric comedienne who co-starred with Sid Caesar on television's classic "Your Show of Shows" in the 1950s, died Saturday. She was 92.

Coca died of natural causes at her Westport residence, said longtime friend Mark Basile.

"She was a humanist," Basile said. "Her humanity was so strong, so giving. She made people want to be with her."

Coca's saucer eyes, fluttering lashes, big smile and boundless energy lit up the screen in television's "Golden Age" and brought her an Emmy as best actress in 1951. Although she did some broad burlesque, her forte was subtle exaggeration.

A talented singer and dancer, her spoofs of opera divas and prima ballerinas tiptoed a fine line between dignity and absurdity until she pushed them over the edge at the end.

"The trouble with most comedians who try to do satire," a critic once wrote, "is that they are essentially brash, noisy and inde-



Coca

cate people who have to use a sledge hammer to smash a butterfly. Miss Coca, on the other hand, is the timid woman who, when aroused, can beat a tiger to death with a feather."

With Caesar she performed skits that satirized the everyday — marital spats, takeoffs on films and TV programs, strangers meeting and speaking in clichés. "The Hickenloopers" husband-and-wife skit became a staple.

"All the wonderful times we

shared together meant the world to me. It was a pleasure to work with her. I will miss her dearly," Caesar said in a statement released Saturday in Beverly Hills.

Once Coca and Caesar pantomimed a wife posing for her amateur photographer husband. He kept rearranging her mobile features for the perfect look and wherever he put her lip or eyebrow, that's where it stayed.

Coca and Caesar complemented each other marvelously.

"The chemistry was perfect, that's all," Coca once said. "We never went out together; we never see each other socially. But for years we worked together from 10 in the morning to 6 or 7 at night every day of the week. What made it work is that we found the same things funny."



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CINGULAR: Midland group heads to Atlanta to secure deal

(From 10A)

boots." Dress code aside, jobs were on the line. Midland had lost up to 5,000 jobs during the oil bust of the late 1990s. Many of those lost were high paying jobs in the oil and gas business sector.

Past economic development deals, like with Nationwide Insurance, fell through as other communities stepped up and took advantage of Midland's shortcomings, such as the lack of an economic development fund.

"I still had very strong memories of deals in the past. We tried to put them together and we didn't have the package to make them work," Burns said. "When you put a deal together that stays together, you get a sense of understanding that you have done what you are supposed to do."

So in Atlanta, Midland had upped its ante like never before. City leaders were willing to take

advantage of a state law that allows Texas communities to use one percent of its budget for economic development. Midland was going to use its one percent (\$1 million scattered over four years) on a Cingular call center.

"We knew we were doing something unusual using water and sewer funds in a different way than we ever thought of using it before," Burns said. "You know you are doing something right for Midland, but taking a risk at the same time. So you are energized and feel good about what you are doing."

Success would become theirs. "It (the 750 job number) didn't spook them at all," Simpson said. "There were thinking 1,000, so we were great bargainers."

"It was clear they wanted to come to Midland."

The deal marked Midland stepping up to the economic development table. Cingular eventually entered into a deal which promised

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— Lee Wood

up to 1,000 good paying jobs with benefits. It wasn't Exxon, but unlike a couple of the national oil companies that left West Texas in the late 1990s, Cingular was coming to Midland.

"It has to be one of the largest, if not the largest (in terms of the number of jobs created), since Texas Instruments," Clayton said. "It is a major accomplishment for the city and Chamber. To get one quality company with this number

of jobs in one recruitment is unusual."

The Cingular deal also gave Midland a stronger understanding of what economic development can do.

Twice in the 1990s, Midland voters turned down economic development sales taxes. The second time, in 1997, not even a Burns-led quarter-cent property tax dedication could help pass a quarter-cent economic development

sales tax.

It is believed by some the Cingular call center, and the jobs which come along with it, will provide an educational tool for the next time a sales tax appears on the ballot.

"Now that we have a tangible asset for the E.D. sales tax — the Cingular deal — I think people now understand what can be done," outgoing District 3 Councilman Lee Wood said. "It has a lot to do with Bobby. He worked hard on that."

The Cingular deal also gives Burns, Midland's mayor of seven years, a proper send off. The way several issues — like the early retirement of former City Manager Mike McGregor and cost issues with the Scharbauer Sports Complex — played out in the news media and community, some felt Burns' legacy had been unfairly tainted.

"From a satisfaction point, I think the Cingular deal would have

to be the biggest issue in the five years (I was on Council)," Wood said. "That day we were out there (at the former Builders Square building) with the Cingular people and we announced they were definitely coming. I told Bobby, of all the wonderful things we have been able to accomplish as a Council, this was the most gratifying because we truly are making a difference in someone's life. When the Council raised their hand to accept a deal for Cingular, we were providing needed jobs for a community which needs them. We are going to make a difference in someone's life by doing the Cingular deal. It was a nice feeling. That is the reason we got on the Council was to make the community look better. No one can argue we did look make the community look better when Cingular announced it was coming."

Ruidoso fire forces evacuation of at least 200 homes

RUIDOSO, N.M. (AP) — Firefighters ordered the evacuation of hundreds of homes in four subdivisions Saturday as a 700-acre wildfire grew quickly in whipping winds.

By late Saturday, as winds died back and flames laid down, emergency officials said evacuees were allowed to return home for the

night.

"They're letting all the people back in tonight, but obviously there's a good possibility they'll have to take them back out tomorrow," said Tom Gorman, spokesman for the state Emergency Operations Center in Santa Fe. He said fire officials "indicated the fire was laying down for the night."

About 100 National Guard troops from Roswell were placed on emergency active duty Saturday

to provide security, water and electric generators in the fire-besieged town.

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**FAMILY
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By Luis Garcia
Staff Writer

The 14th annual sizzling Saturday music fans from The cook-off listened to music tried to keep cool. While most of noon, the menu tuesday morning ted the blocked-menudo master deep red. "You have to foot get cooked rez. "You have so it's soft." The secret to tripe, he said. "The trick is There are son because they sa are spices, and go away." There is a de too little spice, "If you salt t dish." The 40-year-cooking menuo still a teen-ager. Their recipe Gutierrez wo off nearly a de "Back then, menuo in the Ever since ther offs and my me

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FAMILY RECIPES, FUN DOMINATE COOK-OFF

By Luis Garcia
Staff Writer

The 14th annual Mex-Tex Menudo Cook-Off was sizzling Saturday, drawing menudo aficionados and music fans from the Permian Basin and beyond.

The cook-off crowd gathered in Centennial Plaza, listened to music, enjoyed the various exhibits and tried to keep cool in despite the 100-degree weather.

While most of the crowd showed up in the late afternoon, the menudo cooks started working early Saturday morning for the afternoon contest. They dotted the blocked-off area of Texas Avenue, stirring their menudo masterpieces, colored from bright orange to deep red.

"You have to start early so the tripe and the pig's foot get cooked right," said contestant Rick Gutierrez. "You have to boil it for at least four or five hours so it's soft."

The secret to good menudo is the cooking of the tripe, he said.

"The trick is in how you clean the meat," he said. "There are some people who don't like menudo because they say that there's a smell to it. But there are spices, and things you can add to it to make that go away."

There is a delicate balance between too much and too little spice, he warned.

"If you salt the tripe too much, it ruins the whole dish."

The 40-year-old Gutierrez learned the secret of cooking menudo from his grandparents when he was still a teen-ager.

Their recipe has served him well.

Gutierrez won first place at the first menudo cook-off nearly a decade and a half ago.

"Back then, that's all it was, just people cooking menudo in the (Midland County) Exhibit building. Ever since then, I've been here for all of the cook-offs and my menudo always places," he said.

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TOP LEFT: Thirteen-year-old Janz Flores sings during a performance at the Menudo Cook-Off. The girl, who normally performs with the group "Marlachi Fortuna" sang by herself Saturday. BOTTOM LEFT: Ten-year-old Jordan McKenzie, daughter of Guy McKenzie, takes a bite out of a cracker between spoonfuls of the chili made at her father's cookout stand. ABOVE: From left, Guy McKenzie, Ron Osborne and Stanley Galindo check the progress of their menudo.

The family's secret recipe worked well for others, too.

"I came from San Carlos, and I learned to cook from my family," said Nancy Cordova, whose menudo won first place in 1999. San Carlos, she said, is a small city in the northeastern corner of the Mexican state of Chihuahua.

Her victory inspired her and her husband to open Las Casuelas Authentic Mexican Restaurant in Midland.

Please see FUN/4B

MISD to offer free meals for summer

By Hillary S. Condon
Staff Writer

For the 10th year, the Midland Independent School District will offer free breakfast and lunch to area youngsters. Everyone under the age of 18 is eligible to eat for free at six area elementary schools from June 4th through 29th.

Across the district, 51 percent of students are eligible for free or reduced lunches, and these demographics make MISD eligible for summer funding for meals from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. However, the USDA funding does not cover the overtime pay required by law for managers working on a school's 10 month contract. For this reason, MISD uses schools already open for summer classes to offer free food to children in the community.

"We try to correspond with schools open for

Free meals

Free meals will be offered to everyone under the age of 18 June 4-29 at six area elementary schools (Bonham, Burnet, Crockett, DeZavala, Houston and South). Breakfast is served from 7:30-8:30 a.m., and lunch is served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

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Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Chris Oldham, a TCU student, will be embarking Monday on a 4,000-mile bike ride called "The Journey of Hope." He and other Pi Kappa Phi fraternity members will provide service for people with disabilities at each stop.

TCU student will bicycle across U.S. this summer

By Kristine Aleman
MRT Correspondent

Starting next week, a graduate of Midland High School will be spending his summer a little differently than most college students. He and 70 other students from across the nation will participate in a 3,600-mile bike ride across the country raising funds and public awareness to benefit Americans with disabilities.

Chris Oldham just completed his freshman year at Texas Christian University, and like all other participants, is a member of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. The 63-day trip, called The Journey of Hope, is a project of Pi Kappa Phi's Push America, which was founded in 1977. Push America is a non-profit organization that has received more than \$3 million raised by collegiate members of the fraternity.

"I've been so fortunate and so blessed that when I get an opportunity to give some back,

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Waiting until the last minute ... expensive, but fun

It is something I like to do every couple of years. It can be expensive, mind you, but the memories are almost always worth it.

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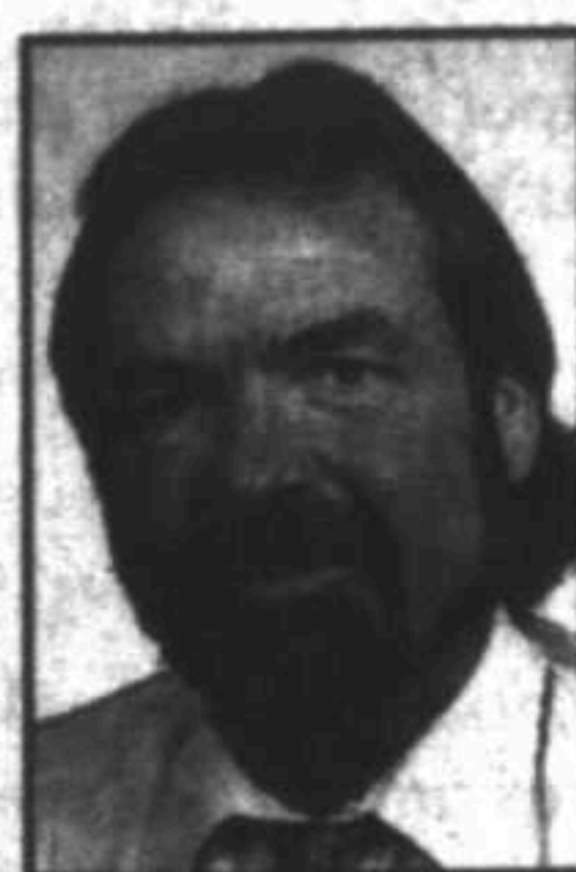
Wait until the last possible moment (which is where the expensive part enters the picture) and then decide to take a few days off from work, see a travel agent and make plans for a quick vacation.

And the best part, believe it or not, is sitting in a chair in front of the travel agent as she pecks away on her computer keyboard, tracking down various airline fares and hotel accommodations.

That's because at that point you still aren't sure where you are going to go. It's just that in three or four days, you will be on an airplane flying off to some city — or remote beach area — you've never been to before.

So you sit there and say things like, "See what four days in Boston will run me. And I want to go to a couple of Red Sox games while I'm there."

Or, maybe you say, "I'd like to be in San



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Francisco Saturday night. There's a quaint little restaurant near Fisherman's Wharf I'd like to try. Everyone is raving about it. See what reservations will run me. Money is no object."

Or, you might even say, "Get me to Manhattan for the weekend. I want a room overlooking Central Park and two tickets to 'Guys and Dolls' for Sunday night. I'll come back on Monday, sometime in the afternoon, if possible. I want to sleep late."

Yeah, you can say all of those things if you want, but, of course, none of them will come to pass.

Like I say, this exercise can be a mite expensive, but there's no need to go broke to do it. A little common sense never hurt anyone. You can lower your expectations just a tad and still experience the thrill of doing something unique and totally off the cuff.

That's why this past Wednesday I was with my favorite travel agent trying to decide where to spend the four days I had allotted myself. "How about Las Vegas?" she asked.

It sounded exciting for, oh, two-and-a-half seconds and then I had mental flashes of little old ladies with blue hair sticking their quarters in slot machines and the attractiveness quickly dissolved.

So I said, "Nah, I'm not really a Wayne Newton kind of guy. What else have you got?"

She asked if the beach sounded good, remind-

ing me that I had enjoyed several stays at South Padre Island in the past.

And it did indeed sound good. I could almost see — hear — the waves lapping against the shoreline as sea gulls circled up above. Then, there's the marvelous seafood that always seems to taste better when eaten out on the deck of a noisy restaurant late in the evening, long after the sun has disappeared, and the sky is dotted with thousands of stars.

Then I remembered the blistering sunburn I came home with the last time I went there.

So I crossed my legs, created a steeple with my fingers, placed my chin on it and knowingly said, "You know, April is probably the best time to go down there. This time of the year, there will be so darn many kids. Besides, I like it best when the beaches are deserted, especially early in the morning when the sun is just coming up. So I think I'll pass on that one, too."

This is about the time the travel agent, delightful though she is, usually has to bite her tongue to keep from snapping, "Well, Gary, why don't YOU come up with some ideas instead of just shooting down MINE!"

But she doesn't.

Instead, she tries to come up with another place.

And that's what she did last Wednesday. She said, "Well, let's see, how do New Orleans sound?"

There was silence. But it was a good silence, the kind that occurs when a wonderful suggestion has just filled the room.

Ahh, New Orleans. The French Quarter. Jazz music. Incredible food. Weird people. And all of those marvelous old mansions that look like they belong in a Tennessee Williams play. Yeah, we were definitely on to something here.

So I said, "Let's see how much it's going to cost."

The pecking on the keyboard immediately commenced.

She checked the airlines. There were several options, all rather expensive due to my waiting until the last minute to buy tickets. Nonetheless, a decision was made.

Likewise, with the hotel. Based on a photograph in a travel brochure, I shrewdly made my selection. Besides, I thought the name sounded classy ... the Maison Dupuy.

I handed the travel agent my credit card.

"You know, Gary," she said, "I could save you a lot of money if you would just do this a couple of weeks in advance."

"I know," I said, "but it's a lot more exciting this way."

Besides, I am reasonably certain Tennessee Williams would be proud.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

OBITUARIES



Frances Black

Mrs. W.H. "Frances" Black, 97, a long time Midland resident, died May 30, at the Mabee Center in Midland.

Mrs. Black was born August 12, 1903 in Markley, Texas to James Wesley Williams and Arbana Isabelle Smithwick Williams. She attended high school in Lampasas, College at TCU for two years and graduated from CIA Woman's College. She then taught school in West Columbia, where she met William Henry Black, a Permian Basin Oil Pioneer. They were married in 1930 in Lake Charles, La. After spending 12 years in Andrews, they moved to Midland.

Two sons, W. H. Black Jr. of West Columbia and Dan P. Black of Midland; eight grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren survive Mrs. Black.

A memorial service will be held June 9 at 3:00 p.m. at the Columbia Cemetery, in West Columbia, followed by interment.

Memorial contributions may be made to Columbia United Methodist Church, 206 E. Jackson, West Columbia, TX. 77486.

LaVerne Blumentritt

LaVerne Blumentritt, age 87, went to be with her Lord on May 31, 2001, quietly and peacefully, at Parks Methodist Retirement Village.

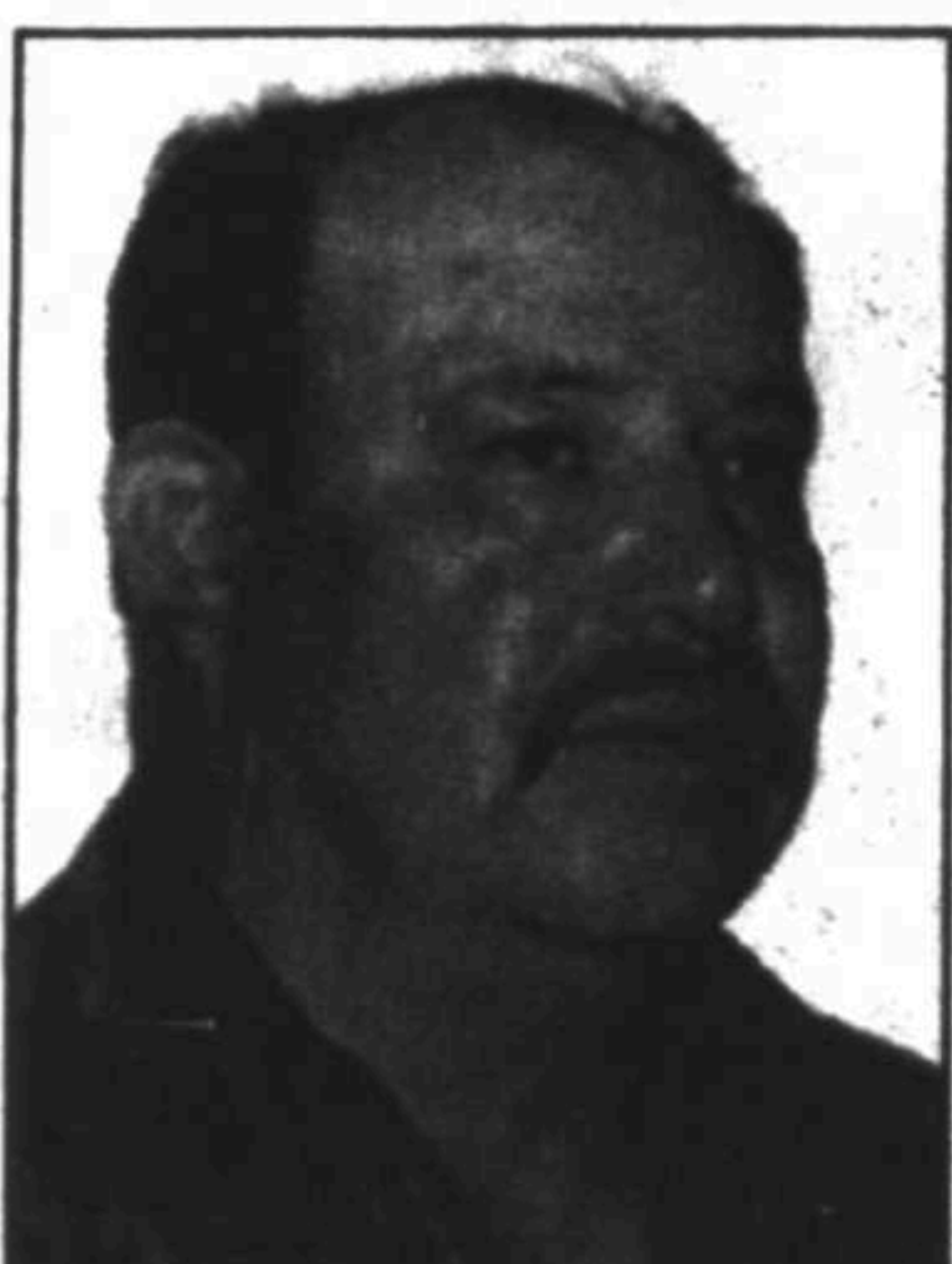
A visitation has been set for Sunday, June 3, 2001 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Graveside services have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 4, 2001 in Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens in San Angelo, Texas with Chester McGowan officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

LaVerne was born in Erath County, May 4, 1914. Her parents were Luther M. and Blanche Sawyer Bryant. LaVerne attended schools in the Erath community and Thurbur, then in 1929, moved to Iraan where she graduated in 1931. She then attended Abilene Christian and Draugham Business College. She married George L. Blumentritt and lived as a homemaker in Hobbs, Seagraves, Monahans and San Angelo. During World War II, while her husband was a military pilot, LaVerne held secretarial jobs in Texas, California, Oregon, North and South Carolina and Oklahoma. Postwar, their home was in San Angelo, then Odessa, Midland, Dallas and Irving. After retirement, George and LaVerne traveled far and wide throughout the U.S., including Alaska. Mrs. Blumentritt was a lifelong member of the Church of Christ.

LaVerne was an accomplished pianist and singer. She was active politically and in her church and community, and she had many friends. But she will be most remembered for being a wonderful wife and mother and for her love for God and others.

LaVerne was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, and sister, Polly Baker.

She is survived by her husband, George, L. Blumentritt; her daughter, Jan Blumentritt and her husband, Charles W. Sponsel; and numerous nieces and nephews.



Reyes-Garcia Chapel. The Funeral Mass will be held on Monday, June 4 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of San Juan Catholic Church with Father Thomas C. Kelley officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements are under the directions of Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home.

Survivors include: Spouse: Petra Martinez of Midland; Sons: Jaime Martinez of Midland and Ezequiel Martinez III of Midland; Daughters, Victoria Perez of Altus, Oklahoma and Ana Martinez of Midland; Mother: Felisa Villegas of San Felipe, Gto Mexico; Grandchildren: Victor Perez of Altus, Oklahoma and Eddie Perez of Altus, Oklahoma; Brothers: Miguel Martinez of Dallas, Aureliano Martinez of Altus, Oklahoma, Alejandro Martinez of San Angelo and Angel Martinez of Denver City, Texas; Numerous Nieces and nephews, cousins and a host of friends.

County Public Library. As a Baylor graduate, he was an avid Baylor supporter. John loved people and respected everyone, both young and old.

John was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, J.P. Clark, Jr. and Billy B. Clark; and his sisters, Nina Lee, LaGinia Langford, and Geraldine Arnold.

He is survived by his wife, Paula Clark of Midland; his sons, Kevin Clark of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Randy Clark and his wife, Lori, of Amarillo, Texas; his daughter, LeAnne Clark of Temple, Texas; and his grandchildren, Matthew Clark, Kathryn Clark, Ethan Clark and Andrew Lange.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be John Paul Bates, Rudy Rendall, Ben Shattuck, Jack Darden, Jack Swan, and the members of the Midland Downtown Lions Club and friends at the Midland Public Library.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Texas Lion Camp for Crippled Children, Midland Downtown Lions Club, or the Midland County Public Library.



John H. Clark

John H. Clark died in a local hospital on Friday, June 1, 2001.

A visitation will be held on Monday, June 4, 2001 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services have been scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 5, 2001 at Trinity Presbyterian Church with Dr. Jerry M. Hilton officiating. Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

John H. Clark was born November 1, 1925 in Dallas, Texas to J.P. and Jewel Clark. On December 4, 1955, he married Paula Lassiter in Midland, Texas. He was a Landman with Texaco for 38 years. John has served as an Elder and Deacon in the Presbyterian Church. He was an active member of the Downtown Lions Club. Through his efforts, many local children were able to attend the Texas Lion Camp for Crippled Children in Kerrville, Texas. He was a Mason in the Masonic Lodge and also volunteered his time to the Midland



Virginia Stovall

Virginia Stovall died in a local hospital on Friday, June 1, 2001.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 1 p.m., Monday, June 4, 2001 at Ellis Funeral Home with Reverend Terry Hancock officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Virginia was born September 27, 1919 in Grandview, Texas to George and Docia Braden. She has lived in Midland for 33 years. Virginia was a loving mother and wonderful grandmother. Nana's life was devoted to her children and grandchildren. She was an inspiration and delight to all that knew her.

Virginia was preceded in death by her husband, William D. Stovall.

She is survived by her son, Bill Stovall and his wife, Monte, of Midland; her daughters, Barbara Coats of Fort Worth and Signa Myers and her husband, Bill, of Nacogdoches; her sister, Novel-

la Johnson of Midland; her niece, Sharon Sage of Midland; her six grandchildren, Brad and David Stovall of Midland, Andrea Matheny and her husband, Trevor, of Fort Worth, Wynde Coats of Richmond, VA, Cynthia Oakerson of Flower Mound, and Virginia Ploch and her husband, Doug, of Nacogdoches. She is also survived by her six great-grandchildren, Lane and Paige Matheny, Megan and Garrett Ploch, and Grant and Hannah Oakerson.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Texas Tech Medical School or The American Heart Association.

Wilbur Ray

A celebration of life service was held for Wilbur D. Ray on Monday, May 28, at 2 p.m. in the Second Baptist Church sanctuary.

Wilbur was born on May 17, 1930 in Lamesa to Klyde and Essie Lee Ramsey Ray and went home to be with his Lord on May 23, 2001 following a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer. Wilbur married Nova Dee Fancher on Oct. 5, 1951, in Lamesa. They were just a few months shy of celebrating their 50th anniversary. He was blessed with two children that loved him dearly, Nona Devon Ray of Midland and Mark Donald Ray of Lamesa and two beloved grandsons, Christopher Mark Ray and Ryan Michael Ray of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. His closest and best friends were Wilbur's two brothers Milton C. Ray of Memphis, Tennessee and Ronnie L. Ray of Lamesa.

After serving in the United States Army from 1955-1957 and achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant in the Military Police, Wilbur worked in the petroleum industry for the next 14 years living in 14 cities and 10 states. In 1972, Wilbur and his family moved back home to Lamesa and he was hired as the juvenile officer for Dawson County. There he found his true calling in probation. Moving to adult probation in 1978 and being appointed as the Chief of Adult Probation for the

106th judicial District in ring the Adult Probation years, Wilbur received the Outstanding Administrator Award from the Texas Corrections Association, the Frederick Augustus Hesse Memorial Award for his promotion of community safety and human understanding, served two terms on the Texas Probation Association's Legislative Committee and was recognized and awarded for many other achievements in the field of probation. Other activities that Wib was involved in through the years included teaching several courses in criminal justice at Howard College, serving on the Board of Directors with the Red Cross and Salvation Army and teaching concealed hand gun classes with his brother Ronnie. Also near and dear to Wilbur's heart was the Lamesa Noon Lions Club where he served as past president, treasurer, lion tamer and member in the past 25-plus years.

A long-time member of Second Baptist Church, Mr. Ray from Texas will always be remembered for his unfailing positive attitude, tremendous courage and his desire to serve his Lord Jesus even in the last days of his life on this earth. Until we join him in eternity, Wilbur will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Joseph Grant Brausell

July 14, 1909 — June 1, 1981 Dearest Daddy,

It has been twenty years since you passed away.

I think about you tenderly almost every day.

You taught me the difference between wrong and right.

I wish I could talk with you just one more day and night.

You have no more pain where you are. You can walk with God and go very far.

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All my love, Your first daughter, La Vera Caruthers and her husband, Robert and our three children and eleven grandchildren.

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There will be a food drive on Saturday, June 14 in the parking lot of Westlake Hardware Store to benefit Helping Hands of Midland. Foods collected will be donated to the poor and needy of Midland County through our food pantry located at our facility at 1301 Brinson.

Because we are no longer affiliated with the West Texas Food Bank, your support is most urgently needed. There are so many families in Midland who are faced with the problem of not knowing where their next meal is coming from. Many families have never had to ask for help before, but high utility or medical bills have exhausted every dollar they have and nothing is left for groceries. Many people who are out of work expect to be reemployed before they are eligible for food stamps. Many of these people are not your stereotype of the person waiting in a breadline. They could be the family living next door to you who, through circumstances they could not control, find themselves in need. Please be generous in donating to our food pantry on Saturday, June 14. And may God bless you!

Last week we assisted 22 families with rent and utilities at \$4,273. We helped an additional 43 families (36 men, 39 women, 40 children) with 2,097 pounds of food, \$55 in clothing, \$80 in furniture and \$14 in miscellaneous expenses.

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 affiliations, 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.

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Health News
Polish for Fungal Nails
by John L. Davis, RPh, IACP
Management of onychomycosis, a fungal infection of the fingernails and toenails, usually consists of topical therapy (e.g., urea ointment, desiccating solutions, keratolytics, vital dyes), surgical intervention (e.g., nail plate avulsion, laser therapy), or systemic antifungal medications. A prescription antifungal "nail polish" is now available. Topical antifungal "nail polish" may cost less than oral antifungal therapy and not cause systemic side effects. This novel dosage form may also offer an alternative for those who prefer not to take oral medications or who have not responded to oral antifungals. Penetrant enhancers can be included in the preparation to improve the effectiveness of antifungal "nail polishes". Please call our compounding pharmacist to discuss these specialized formulations, or other medications to meet your specific needs.

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Area briefs

Import event

Jacobs Electronics will host editors of Sport Compact Car magazine from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday. All import car enthusiasts are welcome to bring their sports cars.

Jacobs will feature free Texas barbecue, free dyno-testing and product giveaways. To be eligible for product giveaways you must preregister at jacobselectronics.com and be present to win.

For more information call 800-627-8800.

Book signing

Dallas author Ginnie Siena Bivona, author of the novel, "Ida Mae Tutweiler and the Traveling Tea Party," will be signing copies of her novel 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at Barnes & Noble.

Ms. Bivona, acquisitions editor of Republic of Texas Press, also will be appearing on CBS-7's 5 p.m. newscast on Friday to talk about her novel — the story of the love between best friends.

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DEATH NOTICES

Jerry Sessions

Jerry Glenn Sessions died in a local hospital Saturday, June 2. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Ellis Funeral Home.

Services will be 3 p.m. Monday at Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born Jan. 22, 1936 in Henderson County to Huddle and Hazel Sessions. He worked in the oilfield for more than 50 years.

He is survived by his ex-wife, Nadine Murray, of Midland; his sons, Ricky Sessions of Fort Worth and Rodney Sessions of Midland; his daughter, Leisa Fincher of Midland; his sisters, Jackie Brooks of San Diego and Lynda Seawright and Judy Hollinshead both of Midland; four grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

George Welsh

A memorial service for George B. Welsh Jr. has been scheduled for 3 p.m. today at First Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Dick Braun officiating and Dr. Jerry Hilton assisting. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born Oct. 25, 1920 to Sarah and George B. Welsh in New Orleans. He graduated from Louisiana State University with a degree in geology.

He married Doris Riddle of Nicholasville, Ky., at Camp Breckinridge, Ky., Jan. 16, 1943. He was called to active duty in World War II on April 7, 1943, with the United States Army. He served as battery commander and communication officer for the 369th Field Artillery in the Pacific Theater and later as battery commander and communication officer of the Headquarters Battery of the 98th Division Artillery. He also served in the occupational forces of Japan from September 1945 to March 1946.

Upon his return to the United States, he worked for Baroid Division of the National Lead Co., Houston Oil Co. of Texas and retired from E.I. du Pont de Nemours after 30 years of service.

He is survived by his wife, Doris R. Welsh of Midland; a daughter, Kaye Welsh Sexton of Midland; a son, James B. Welsh, M.D. of Midland; and three grandsons.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church or the Permian Museum of the Permian Basin.

Ben Green

Bennie Joe "Ben" Green died Friday at a local hospital.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at Buelah Primitive Baptist Church with Brother Troy Barrington officiating. Burial will follow at 5 p.m. in Breckenridge at Necessity Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

He was born Dec. 28, 1937 in Brownfield. He graduated in 1956 from Plains, and attended Texas Tech University for two years. He lived in Lubbock 14 years before moving to Midland in 1971. He was a lifelong salesman. He was with Morgan Buildings for eight years, American Music for three years, Performance Honda for five years and most recently a broker associate at McDonald's Realtors for four years.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Bennie Gibson and Josie Mae Green, and his first wife Juanelle Green.

He is survived by his wife, Paty Green of Midland; his daughters, Sherrie Ireland of Lubbock, Glenna Moraw of Wichita Falls, Kathie Millen of Leander, Cindy Loos of Colorado Springs, Colo.; three sons, Tommy Green of California, Ken Green of Midland, and Charles Baker of Fort Worth; his step-mother, Marie Hawkins of Odessa; three brothers, Wayne Hawkins of Ryan, Okla., Don Hawkins of Katy, and Larry Hawkins of Amarillo; 16 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Correne Clement

LAMESA — Graveside services for Correne Clement are scheduled for 2 p.m. Monday at Lamesa Memorial Park with Clawson Pipkin officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

She was born July 25, 1910 in Jack County to George B. Norman and Loula K. Sartain. She moved to Midland in 1990 to be closer to her family.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, her parents, three brothers, four sisters, two daughters, Nancy Janelle Ivy and Lois Kay Kocks Darnell and two sons, Jackie Joe Ivy and George Don Clement.

She is survived by six daughters, Novella Delcambre of Delcambre, La., Jencie Lee Landry of New Iberia, La., Janis Marie Oney of Kerville, Inez Jones of Brownwood, and Faye Kocks Fleming of Houma, La.; 29 grandchildren, 56 great-grandchildren and 29 great-great-grandchildren.

Fannye Rogers

TYLER — Services for Fannye Joe Bartlett "Jo Jo" Rogers, 90, of Flint, will be 1:30 p.m. Monday at Lloyd James Funeral Home Parlor in Tyler with Rev. Sandra Benson officiating. Entombment will be in Cathedral in the Pines Mausoleum. She died June 2.

She was born Dec. 28, 1910 in Winters and had lived in Flint since 1980, moving from Midland.

She was Baptist. She was a former owner of a dress shop in Athen's Hotel.

Survivors include her husband, L.E. Rogers of Flint; a sister, Rhea Sue Bartlett Foster of Big Spring and several nieces and nephews.

Arthur Guess

Services for Arthur B. Guess Jr. will be at noon Monday at Goodwill Baptist Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

He was born Dec. 1, 1952 to Ida Mae Smith and Arthur B. Guess Sr. in Big Spring. He attended Lakeview High School and upon graduation served in the United States Armed Forces.

He moved to Midland in 1976 and was employed by several major oil field companies, the city of Midland and held several independent contracting jobs.

He is survived by two daughters, Felisha of Big Spring and Tamera of Dallas; two sons, Terrance D. Guess of Kinoh Bay, Hawaii and Quincy Guess of Midland; his mother, Ida Mae Ross of Midland; three sisters Sarah B. Minor of Carson, Calif., Jacqueline Ross of Maryland and Barbara Ross of Midland; five brothers, Charlie West, James Cain, Eddie J. Ross, Willie Albert Ross, and Demetrius L. Elkins and many nieces and nephews.

Ronald Clarkson

BIG SPRING — Ronald Stephen Clarkson Jr., 31, died Saturday in a Snyder hospital.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born Oct. 20, 1969 in Beacon, N.Y. He graduated from Howard College with an associate's degree in architecture and had served four years in the National Guard. He was most recently employed by Price Construction as a truck driver.

Survivors include his father, Ronald S. Clarkson Sr. of Big Spring; his mother, Dorothea P. Ziegler of Minnesota; one sister, Erika Lynn Clarkson of New York; and one brother, Jason Clarkson of Big Spring.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Louis Jackson

Louis "Jack" Dwight Jackson died Friday at a local nursing home.

Graveside services will be at noon Tuesday at Fairview Cemetery with Rev. Elijah W. Austin of Lubbock officiating. Services are under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Louis Dwight Jackson Jr.; one sister and one brother.

Survivors include his wife Sharon Rogers of Midland; five sons, Joshua Dee Rogers Jackson and Patrick Jackson both of Midland, Charlie Jackson of Bryant, Stacey Gilbert and Mark Gilbert; six daughters, Kimberly Jackson of Dallas, Rochelle Lencare of Fort Worth, Tamika Douglas of Big Spring, Brandy Strader of North Carolina, Lynn Jackson of Houston and Brenda Jackson of Lubbock; two siblings, Melvin Johnson and Omma Jean of Bryant; 15 grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Annie Welty

PLAINVIEW — Annie Mae Bowlin Welty died Saturday in Midland.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday at Lammon Funeral Home Chapel in Plainview.

She was born Nov. 11, 1909 in McGregor, to Henry and Nancy Bowlin. The family moved to Lubbock in 1919 where she finished Lubbock High School in 1926 and earned a degree from Texas Tech University. She taught school in Sudan, Tahoka and Plainview before retiring in 1974.

She married Roy Cowan in 1930. He was killed in a truck accident in 1939. She married Euel Smelser in 1941. He died in 1957. She married Othel Welty in 1964 and they moved to Midland in 1995. He died in 1996.

Survivors are one daughter, Bobbie Huckabay of Midland; one son, Lewis Cowan of Lubbock; six grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Lucille Masten of Abilene and Henrietta McElroy of Lubbock.

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Walter Hutton

LUBBOCK — Services for Walter Hutton, 69, of Shallowater will be at 10 a.m. in Resthaven's Abbey Chapel with Darrel Boswell officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home.

He was the father of Randy Hutton of Midland.

Walter Hutton died Friday in a Lubbock hospital.

He was born on Nov. 2, 1931 in Runtells County. On Jan. 19, 1952 he married Glenda Reed in Carlsbad, N.M. He was a lifelong resident of Shallowater. After farming a number of years, he and his wife operated a restaurant in Shallowater for 28 years.

In addition to his son Randy, survivors include his wife Glenda of Shallowater; daughter, Jody Davis of Lubbock; two brothers, three sisters, six grandchildren.

Memorials may be directed to Lubbock Children's Home.

Greg Phillips

BIG SPRING — Greg Phillips, 47, died Friday in a Lubbock hospital.

A vigil service will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Services will be Tuesday in Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Richard Reagan officiating.

He was born Dec. 9, 1953 in Big Spring and married Ellen Anderson Feb. 7, 1976 in Lubbock. He was an education and recreation administrator at Cornell Corrections.

He is survived by his wife, Ellen Phillips of Big Spring; one daughter,

Amy Phillips of Big Spring; two sons, Conner and Brady Phillips both of Big Spring; his mother, Linda Phillips of Abilene; father and step-mother, Waymon and Carleen Phillips of Brownwood; one brother, Randy Phillips of Bedford; one sister, Debi McNabb of Houston.

Memorials may be directed to the American Cancer Society, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring, 79721.

Jim Lusk

Services for Jim Ivory Lusk, 61, will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Jackie Warren Funeral Home with the Rev. Kinzie Johnson officiating. Interment will be in Fairview Cemetery.

He died Thursday in a local hospital.

He was born Feb. 10, 1940 in

Centerville to Ruben Lusk and Pauline Johnson Lusk and was preceded in death by his parents.

He was employed by the Duncan Companies and attended Carver High School in Midland.

Survivors include his children, Jackie and Bobby Winter of Big Spring, Sharon and Warren Taylor of San Antonio, Melissa McCalister of Monahans, Helen and Michael Ford of Austin, Debra Greenwood and Lee Arthur Maston of Midland; brothers, John Henery Lusk, Hardy Lee Lusk, Willie Jean Lusk, Jeffrey Lee Lusk and a sister Almarie Lusk all of Fort Worth; grandchildren and a host of relatives.

Mary Alexander

Mary Alexander, 47, died at a local hospital Saturday.

Services are pending at Thomas Funeral Home.



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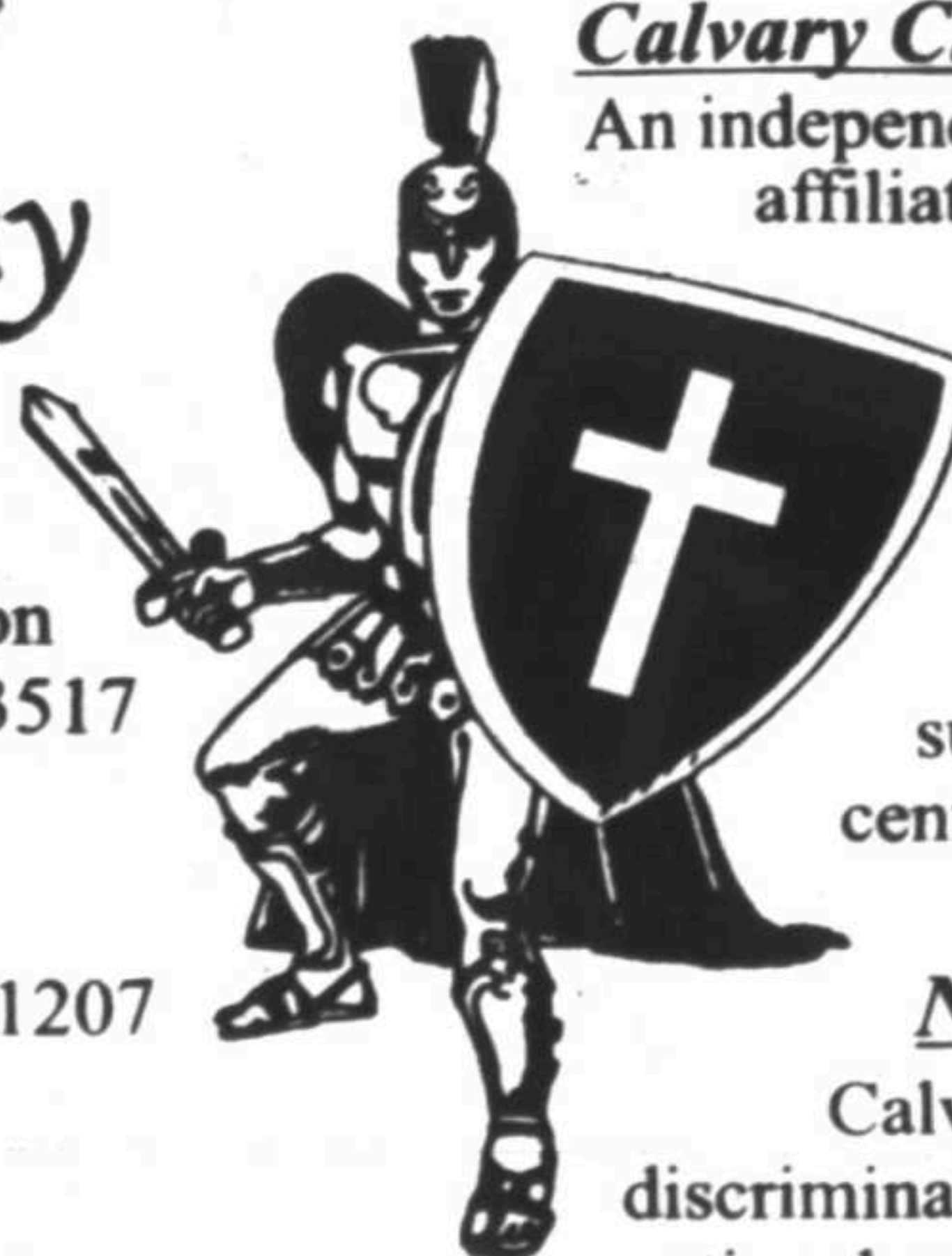
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BIKER: Parents 'nervous, excited'

(From 1B)

I might as well take advantage of it," Oldham said. "This is going to give me the chance to re-evaluate my life, especially in the spiritual aspect. It's going to put everything into perspective."

The two teams, one traveling a northern route and one a southern route, will depart San Francisco, California on June 10 and arrive in Washington D.C. on Aug. 11, averaging 75 miles per day. Each evening the team members will participate in special events at their overnight locations. Communities across the nation will house the teams in churches or gymnasiums.

Oldham's parents first learned about Push America at TCU's Parent's weekend last year, but did not think he would participate as a freshman. In November, Oldham told them he wanted to apply.

"We were really impressed with the program and thought it would be something that Chris would do some day," Sandy Oldham said. "We're excited and nervous, everything parents feel for their child, but we're proud."

Oldham will have the opportunity to send mail every seven to 10 days, but it is likely he will communicate with his parents more often with his cell phone, Ms. Oldham said. The Oldham's will travel to San Francisco to see their son off, and plan to be waiting for him when he arrives in Washington D.C.

Their main problem is figuring out how to get Oldham's bicycle to California.

"I bought my bike in March and have been training ever since, even though it was difficult while I was in school," Oldham said. "I've completed about 550 miles on my bike so far, but I know that's nothing compared to what I'll ride on the trip."

Each student must raise a minimum of \$4,000 to qualify for the team. Oldham raised \$10,000 through generous family and friends, and is one of the leading fund-raisers in the nation. He is one of three freshmen selected to participate in the journey.

"This is the hardest thing I've ever had to do, and it's going to be both physically and mentally draining," Oldham said. "But I'll meet so many people, see the smiles on children's faces and make lifetime friends. People think I'm crazy, but I know everything will be okay."

Oldham's team will enter Muleshoe on July 11 and work its way across the state, making stops in Lubbock, Post, Aspermont, Graham, Denton, Arlington, Dallas, Terrell and Longview. Anyone interested in making a tax-deductible donation to Push America on behalf of Oldham should contact him at (915) 682-8524.

POLICE REPORTS

Compiled from staff reports

Theft

Silas Babcock, 20, of Midland was arrested by Midland County S.W.A.T. at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the 3500 block of Apache on a charge of theft between \$1,500 and \$20,000. No bond.

Burglary

Jermaine Davis, 18, of Midland was arrested by Midland County sheriff's deputies in the 200 block of North Pecan at 2 p.m. Thursday on a charge of burglary of a habitation. No bond.

Prohibited substance

Kenny Graves, 23, of Midland was arrested by Midland County sheriff's deputies in the 200 block of Wall Street at 11 a.m. Thursday on a charge of prohibited substance at a correctional facility. No bond.

Unauthorized use of motor vehicle

Alan Lee, 49, of Midland was arrested by Midland County S.W.A.T. at the Estelle Unit in Huntsville at 9:20 a.m. Thursday on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. No bond.

Burglary

Angel Villarreal, 19, of Midland was arrested by Midland County sheriff's deputies in the

200 block of West Wall at 2:50 p.m. Thursday on a charge of burglary of a building. No bond.

Sexual assault

Melvin Blaylock, 38, of Midland was arrested by Midland County sheriff's deputies in the 200 block of West Wall at noon Friday on a charge of sexual assault. No bond.

Theft

Edward Cope, 64, of Midland was arrested by Midland County Sheriff's deputies in the 1600 block of Neely at 2:30 p.m. Friday on a charge of theft between \$20,000 and \$100,000. No bond.

Assault

Juan Losoya, 23, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers in the 200 block of North Midland drive at 1:30 a.m. Friday on a charge of assault on a family member. No bond.

Possession of controlled substance

David Ramirez, 18, of Midland was arrested by Midland Police officers in the 300 block of East Front Street at 11:30 p.m. Friday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance. No bond.

FREE: Six schools to serve meals

(From 1B)

the summer," said John Burdsal, finance supervisor for the MISD Food Services Department. "It's more cost-effective to use schools that are already open."

In contrast to the normal menus during the school year, which offer vegetarian alternatives and other choices, the summer meal program has a menu that is more basic. Hot dogs, steak fingers, corn chip

pies, chicken nuggets and hamburgers are offered Monday through Friday respectively.

Burdsal said the priorities are not on the children's favorite foods, but on their nutritional value.

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FUN: Recipes mix of authentic, Mex-Tex

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"You have to cook the menudo with the oregano, and not add it later like most people do," she said. Also, a touch of authenticity helps the recipe as well. She uses ground red chili pods to make her menudo hot.

"If I used chili powder, that would be Tex-Mex. But this is real Mexican menudo, not Tex-Mex menudo," she said.

Harvey Montolla of Pecos walked away with top honors this year, winning first place in both the menudo and fajita contests. Lon Dominguez of Midland took first place in the chili cook-off.

Some weren't taking their recipes quite so seriously.

Guy McKinley one of the gringos in the "Dos Gringos and un Mexicano" cooking troupe, cooked menudo and chili in large straw hats wearing fake moustaches.

"We've never won with

menudo. Our chili placed this year, but we always have the best showmanship," he said. "We were looking for some clean fun, something to do with the family."

The trio won first place in showmanship.

The Midland Hispanic Chamber

of Commerce, which organizes the event, is already making plans for next year's event.

"Next year, it will be our 15th anniversary, our quinceaños," said Diana Cano, chair of the MHCC's Board of Directors. "And we want to keep making them better."

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By Susan Parr

Associated Press

DALLAS — art in the hands of Wolfgang Laib. Arranged in heaps, mounds, forms, this built nature becomes a organic beauty. Europe's most temporary sculptors, rice and beeswax expressions of the

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German sculptor makes art of pollen piles, milky marble, wax walls

By Susan Parrott
Associated Press

DALLAS — Pollen becomes art in the hands of German artist Wolfgang Laib.

Arranged in brilliantly hued heaps, mounds, and geometric forms, this building block of nature becomes a fleeting study in organic beauty. Laib, one of the Europe's most unusual contemporary sculptors, also uses milk, rice and beeswax in luminous expressions of the natural world.

A major retrospective of Laib's work opened recently at the Dallas Museum of Art and continues through Sept. 2.

Exhibition curator Klaus Ottman said Laib's work is unlike any other.

Laib (rhymes with "vibe") said natural materials offer a purity often overlooked in art.

"It's material I didn't have to make," he said recently, while installing his work in Dallas. "I consider art not something I create but something I participate in."

The flower pollen, which Laib collects near his home in southern Germany, is meticulously sifted into fuzzy-edged squares on the

gallery floor, where it appears to float in a haze of pure color.

The rectangle "is the quietest and most anonymous of shapes," Laib said. "I wanted to show pollen in the most beautiful way without any distraction."

The pollen also is displayed in jars on shelves and in cones and piles on the gallery floors.

But allergy sufferers need not beware. Most of the pollen is protected by plastic glass dividers, and air flow is restricted into the exhibit rooms.

Ottman said he's never seen a visitor so much as sneeze from the pollen.

Laib spends weeks collecting egg yolk-colored specks from dandelions, which produce little pollen. Hazelnut pollen, a buttery hue, is more plentiful but also must be collected individually.

The color theme is reflected in Laib's appearance. A soft-spoken man of slight build, he often wears yellow cotton clothing and peers through lemon-colored eyeglass frames.

In other works, Laib uses beeswax panels to build honey-scented chambers and 12-foot-tall stepped pyramids.

Each piece requires thousands of pounds of pure wax, ranging in color from canary yellow to blackish-orange.

Other wax pieces are shaped like boats and displayed on scaffolding, or molded into small entryless houses filled with rice.

Some of Laib's most mysterious pieces are "milkstones," which draw upon his interest in Eastern spirituality and rituals. He pours milk into a thin lip on the top of a white rectangular block. The milk is just barely held in check on the surface.

Viewers are left wondering if they are looking at light or liquid, or whether the marble is somehow glowing.

The milkstones "look alive and organic, solid and inert, all at the same time," said Charles Wylie, DMA's contemporary art curator.

Museum staff each day replace the milk and gather up stray pollen. For Laib, these rituals demonstrate life-giving through replenishment and renewal.

But while timeless in meaning, the pieces are short-lived.

At the end of the show, the milk will be wiped up, the pollen swept into jars and the wax walls

packed away like so much leftover cheddar cheese.

The impermanence is intentional, Laib said.

"Something which is temporary is much more eternal than things that last forever," he said.

The show debuted last fall at the Hirshhorn Museum & Sculpture Garden in Washington, D.C. Future venues include the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary

Art in Arizona, the Museum of Contemporary Art in San Diego and the Haus der Kunst in Munich.

The free exhibition includes 26 drawings that trace Laib's 25-year career.

Laib trained as a doctor but never practiced medicine, instead exploring art as therapeutic and healing.

His creations are hard to label, said Thomas McEvilly, an art his-

tory author and professor at Rice University.

The pollen fields, while sculpted, resemble Mark Rothko's vibrant geometric paintings. Yet performance art is found in Laib's ritualistic gathering, sifting and pouring.

"Each piece is very suggestive of something else," he said, "and yet the title is just what it is. It's dandelion."

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Bags, briefcases get bigger to handle stuff of busy lives

By Andrew Guy Jr.
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — We see them hustling into downtown office towers, pulling mammoth briefcases on wheels or lugging fat duffel bags over their shoulders. They're the people hurrying past the crowds, grunting into cell phones while toting an entire day's belongings.

The rest of us wonder: What's in those bags?

Do they rush from work to workout and need their exercise clothes? Are their laptops the high-tech equivalent of security blankets?

That's what they would have you believe.

"I need all this stuff," said Amy Hill as she hustled into the Bank of America building in downtown Houston recently. "I have my magazines in here, and my planner and my books. Also, I just got married, and I have to write the thank-you notes, so I brought those along. And I'm planning a friend's baby shower, so I have a lot to work on with that. And I have a pair of pantyhose in here in case I need it."

So much for the workday of a personal banker.

Back in the Old West, pioneers loaded wagons with food, water, ammunition and supplies for their migration to the then-undiscovered left coast. Sometimes they'd bring a cow for milk and meat. Quite often they'd bring thread, scissors, needles and other necessities for making clothes or repairing worn shoes.

These days, the great migration is a trip to the office. We carry briefcases the size of suitcases, and gym bags big enough to accommodate an entire family's workout. We carry handbags that are hardly dainty and grocery sacks with food for our breakfast, lunch and a couple of snacks. We carry stuff we have to do today, and stuff we should have done yesterday.

The real pioneers prepared for the unknown. They needed a lot of stuff to survive.

What hardships could modern man — or woman — face on a 45-minute bus ride in from the west side?

"It's a security measure," said Olivia Lara as she sat in Hermann Square one afternoon. "I admit I have a lot of stuff in here. I have crackers in here because I think, 'What if I get hungry?' I have vitamins in here because I think, 'What if I need energy?' I have coupons in here because I think, 'What if I have to go to the store during the day?' I guess you could say I carry my house around in this thing."

Lara, an operations specialist with Goldman Sachs & Co., then reached into one of her large bags and pulled out a telephone-pole-sized tube of toothpaste. She then leaned in and whispered: "This is in case I have a meeting or something and need to brush. Everyone in the office knows I have it, and quite often the executives will ask me to borrow it."

Lara also carries extra pantyhose.

Emergencies, she said. Surprisingly, personal organizers say our impulse to carry so much is normal — if we're organized.

"I think it's a good thing," said

Marian Bell, a Houston-based clutter control expert and personal organizer. "We're a mobile society, and we're never home anymore. When you can't find the stuff you're carrying in the bag, then it becomes clutter or junk. It becomes obsessive when you commute to work and have 400 containers of lipstick in your purse or a dozen boxes of Kleenex or half a dozen books. Then it gets out of hand."

Even Bell plays the "What if?" game.

"I always have two pairs of sunglasses because if I'm wearing my contemporary outfit I want to have my more stylish glasses, and if I'm wearing something more conservative, I want to wear my conservative glasses," Bell said. "I have my energy tablets just in case I need energy and don't want to drink coffee, and I have floss in case I need to floss my teeth. I always have an extra tie for my hair. I always have my water, and I always have an apple or a power bar or some type of protein."

As she hustled to work one recent morning carrying three large bags, Houston resident Toni Anderson didn't apologize for all of her stuff.

Computer technician David King said carrying a lot of stuff is unavoidable. In addition to the computer repair equipment he totes daily, he also carries bottled water, snacks and magazines.

"I more or less work in the field, so I don't have time to walk back to my car to get my stuff," King said one recent morning. "I have a car full of personal stuff, but it's easier to just carry it with me. I sometimes carry magazines and bottled water with me. Plus, the luggage companies are making it

so much easier to carry so much around these days."

Indeed. There are dozens of brands of carrying cases and organizers, all aimed at making our lives easier. And they seem to be getting bigger. Swiss Army, for example, has the Communications Mobilizer, a carrying case 13 inches wide, 18 inches high and 8.5 inches deep. It costs \$480.

This fall, the company will launch the Webmobilizer, larger in size and more sophisticated. It'll have, among other things, retractable wheels and lots of pockets. It will retail from \$495 to \$615.

"It's very mainstream," Nancy Evans, vice president of merchandising and communications for Swiss Army, said of the explosion of expensive carrying cases. "It's like a luxury car that's suddenly become affordable by the masses or becomes purchased by the masses. It's a trendy thing, and it could be construed as a status symbol."

Noreen McCarthy, manager of Luggage and Leather, said some of her customers come in for more practical reasons: They're looking for a briefcase designed to relieve shoulder pain.

"A lot of people aren't confined to a cubicle all day. A lot of people are on the go and are out meeting clients," McCarthy said. "You put a laptop in there, and your work stuff and maybe a pair of shoes and next thing you know, that thing is heavy. These cases are healthier. You don't strain your shoulders."

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Photographer shows changing face of Mexico through lens

AUSTIN (AP) — "I make photos for myself, not to change the world," writes Mexican photographer Graciela Iturbide in an e-mail from Mexico City. "(Photography) is, for me, a pretext to understanding the world and life itself."

For the past 30 years, Iturbide has made images of a country that is in a mode of perpetual transition. Like the earthquakes that shift the very earth on which it sits, Mexico is a place of seemingly constant flux: ancient vs. modern, rural vs. urban, life vs. death, myth vs. organized religion, history vs. pop culture. Sometimes the dissonance is tripartite: indigenous vs. colonial vs. mestiza.

Now, "Images of the Spirit: Photographs by Graciela Iturbide," the first major retrospective of the artist's work, is making its only Texas stop at the Austin

Museum of Art. The exhibit lasts until July 8.

Organized a few years ago by the Alfred Steiglitz Center of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, it features more than 100 works that span the entirety of Iturbide's career.

Iturbide was a divorced mother of three in her late twenties when she took up photography. She had set out to study filmmaking, but a course with legendary Mexican modernist photographer Manuel Alvarez Bravo in the early 1970s led her to become his assistant for two years. And that led her to devote herself to still photography.

Alvarez Bravo's influence is indelible. There's the repeated use of contrasting sharp whites with dark blacks, the careful lighting and formal composition. "He has been a very strong influence not only in my photos, but also in my

daily life," Iturbide writes. "He is a person with a very strong poetic sense in his work and his way of life."

And yes, the poetry is indelible, too. "I try to capture the poetic parts of Mexico," she has said.

Yet unlike her mentor, Iturbide toys with photography's seemingly subjective nature. "She's very open about how she sets up some of those images," says poet and critic Roberto Tejada, who authored an essay in the exhibit catalogue and will join Iturbide on Saturday for a gallery talk. "I wouldn't really call it staging. Instead, she engages her subjects in such a way that it becomes a dance between herself and her subject. It's a conversation of mutuality."

In 1979, the painter Francisco Toledo asked Iturbide to photograph the people and landscapes of his hometown of Juchitan,

Oaxaca. The assignment proved pivotal for Iturbide. Her series of images of Zapotec Indian women led her to think of her work as documenting a "mythic space" — a place where ritual and symbol form the language of people who are immersed in history.

Yet Iturbide's photographs are anything but romantic images of

indigenous people. After all, she's imposing a deliberate sense of theater on her work, extraordinarily subtle though it may be. And she does so to capture moments of flux, of contrast and of mystery.

Like "Mujer Angel (Angel Woman)." From behind, we see a woman in a long, full skirt and

veil scrambling up a rocky ledge, the seemingly never-ending desert landscape below her. Her left hand reaches out to clutch a boulder as if to secure her balance. In her right hand, she carries a portable radio-cassette player.

Welcome to Iturbide's turbulent, ambiguous Mexico.

BAGS: Reasons vary from person to person

(From 6B)

the Texas Chiropractic College in Pasadena.

"If you carry, say, 15 pounds on a daily basis for about 15 minutes or so, you're putting considerable pressure and strain on your shoulder," Lee said. "When you lift your arm, your shoulder blade has to rotate. And if you have the joints compressed, it makes it hard to rotate and lift your arm."

So the burden goes to the back, Lee continued.

"Now, let's go a little further south," Lee said. "To counter the weight (on our shoulders), we lean forward, and the bottom disk of your spine wedges backward. That bottom disk takes all the pressure, it weakens, and then you have a back problem."

Such talk didn't resonate with Barbara St. Lawrence, who lives in Cypress but commutes to downtown Houston via bus. St. Lawrence recently carried a small black purse and a big black bag and didn't appear to have back problems.

"I do it to occupy the time while I'm riding home from work," St. Lawrence said. "I need all this stuff. I just don't have time to do everything I need to do. Especially pay the bills."

Hill, the personal banker, rides the bus in from west Houston and uses the hourlong ride to get work done.

"Personally," Hill said, "I'd rather stay busy and occupied while riding the bus rather than just sit there. I'm not one of those people who can just not do anything. I like to stay busy all the time."

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Child bounces back after cancer scare

By Ashley Tompkins
Tyler Morning Telegraph

TYLER — Grinning from ear to ear, 4-year-old Judson Frazier chased his 15-month-old brother, Cadan, around their Elkhart backyard.

Looking at the cheerful boy, no one would ever be able to tell Judson had just spent almost a year fighting a rare form of cancer.

Watching her sons chasing one another, Jennifer Frazier replayed the past year that has left her and her husband, Wayne, thanking God each morning.

Judson was 3 and wasn't feeling well.

"It began with symptoms that resembled the flu, and I thought that's what it was," Mrs. Frazier said.

However, one night while she was bathing Judson, he turned around and Mrs. Frazier was startled at the sight.

"His right side was protruding out. I couldn't believe what I was seeing," she said.

With her husband out of town for work and herself eight-and-a-half months pregnant, Mrs. Frazier and her father, Gary, headed for the doctor's office with Judson in tow.

"I knew something was wrong when the doctor looked at Judson. He didn't even have to touch him," Mrs. Frazier said. "He told me it was one of two things and that I had to get to the hospital immediately, but he wouldn't tell me what it was."

Driving to the hospital in Palestine, thoughts began swarming through her mind.

"I was scared. I didn't know what was wrong with Judson, and he didn't know what was going on," she said. "I was afraid of the unknown."

Once at the hospital, 26-pound Judson went through six hours of scans.

Mrs. Frazier called her husband, who was two hours away.

"No one at the hospital would tell me what was wrong with him. They told me I had to wait until my husband arrived," Mrs. Frazier said.

All Frazier remembers is his drive home.

"I drove as fast as I could, yet it seemed like it took me forever to get there," he said, fighting back tears. "I knew they wouldn't tell her what was wrong until I got there, and that's all I could think about. Something was wrong with my son."

His fears hit reality when he saw a friend who worked at the hospital where Judson was.

"She went through the X-rays with Jennifer," he said. "She always wears makeup to work and when I saw her, it was gone from her crying. That's when I realized how bad this really was."

With his parents and grandfather, Judson headed back to the doctor's office after the scanning was complete.

"The doctor sat us down and told us that Judson had a Wilms cancer tumor," Mrs. Frazier said, her voice breaking mid-sentence. "Cancer was not a word we ever dreamed of coming in contact with, much less dealing with in our family."

They were instructed to go home, pack and get to Children's Hospital in Dallas. The tumor had to be removed immediately and the staff would be waiting for them.

Frazier and his father-in-law left to drop Frazier's truck off at work while Judson and his mother headed home to begin packing.

"In the meantime I called a friend, who worked at KBJR, a Jacksonville Christian radio station, to pray for Judson and us. He got on the air and told all of the listeners, who began praying for us," Frazier said.

"I also called the church and told them. By the time I got home, our house was flooded with people who had heard and wanted to come and help and comfort us," he said.

Grabbing bags and loading up their car, the Frazier family set off for Dallas. Frazier and his wife admit the term cancer didn't sink in until they stepped off the elevator onto the sixth floor and read the sign: Blood Disorder and Cancer Level.

"It hit me like a ton of bricks. My son had cancer," she said, dabbing her eye with a tissue. "I knew it was real then."

At Children's, the surgeon for Judson's case took Mrs. Frazier and her husband outside to tell them about the surgery.

"She grabbed a napkin and set us down. She took out a pen and began drawing a picture of what was going to happen, a game plan," Frazier said. "We didn't know what was going on before then. She got on our level and made us understand what was going to happen to our son."

With his yellow Big Bird doll in hand, Judson was wheeled into the operating room, where he underwent a seven-hour surgery to remove the tumor and his left kidney, which had been consumed by the cancer.

"We were really worried about

him being separated from us because we thought he would throw a fit, but they gave him some drugs and he drifted off with no problem," Mrs. Frazier said.

They removed the tumor, which was the size of a bowling ball and weighed 2 pounds — nearly 10 percent of Judson's body weight. The surgical scar stretches across his stomach.

Wilms cancer, which affects children between the ages of 3 and 5, is seen in the United States only about 400 times a year. It tends to attack the kidneys or the lungs.

Once the tumor was removed, tissue samples were sent to Johns Hopkins University in Maryland for testing.

Nothing prepared Frazier for what he saw when he opened the door to the recovery room. There lay his son, only 3 years old, black

and blue and covered with IVs. "I can't describe it. It was the most unbelievable sight I have ever seen. There wasn't an inch on him that didn't have an IV going in or coming out," Frazier

said, tears rolling down his cheeks.

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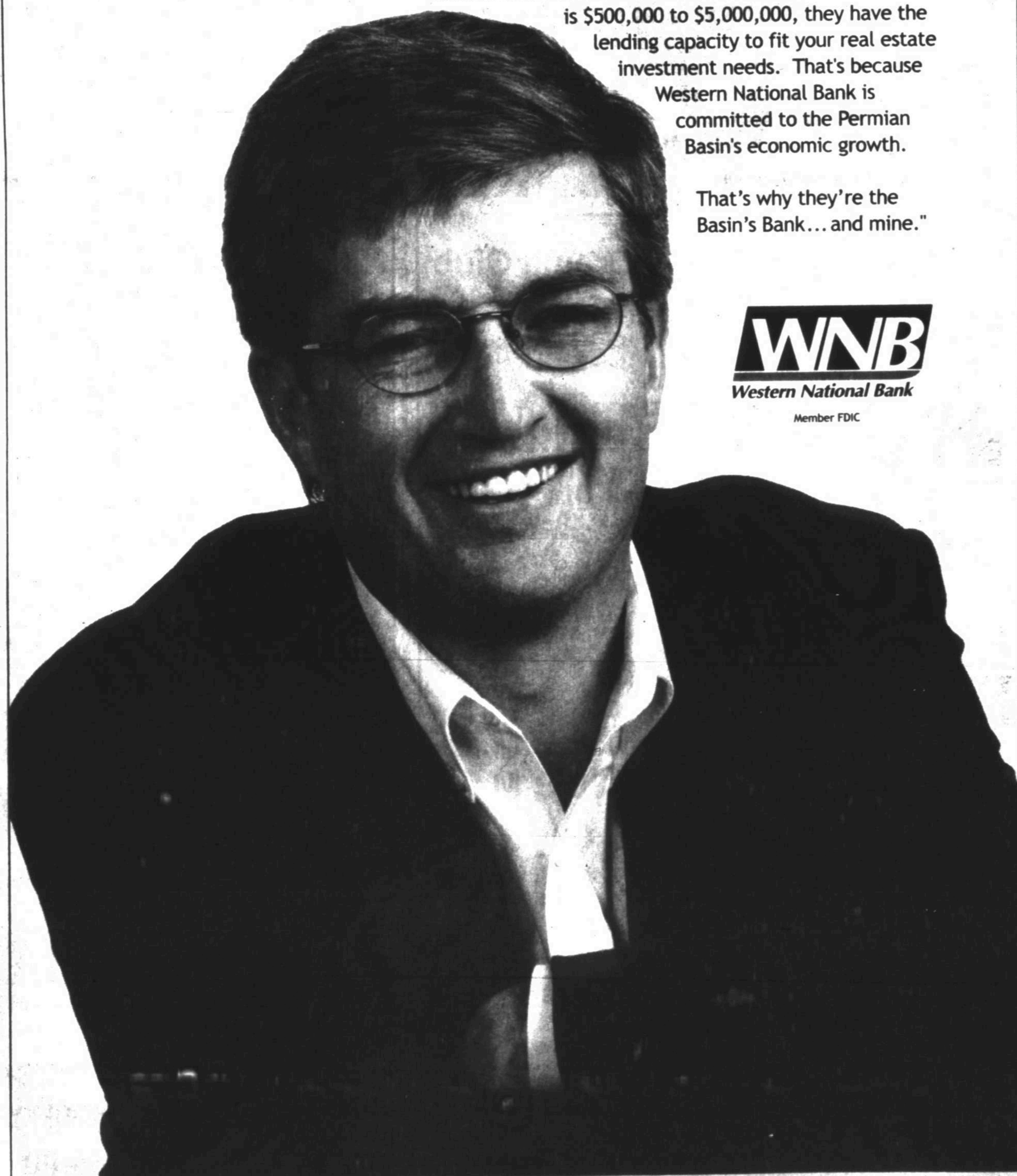
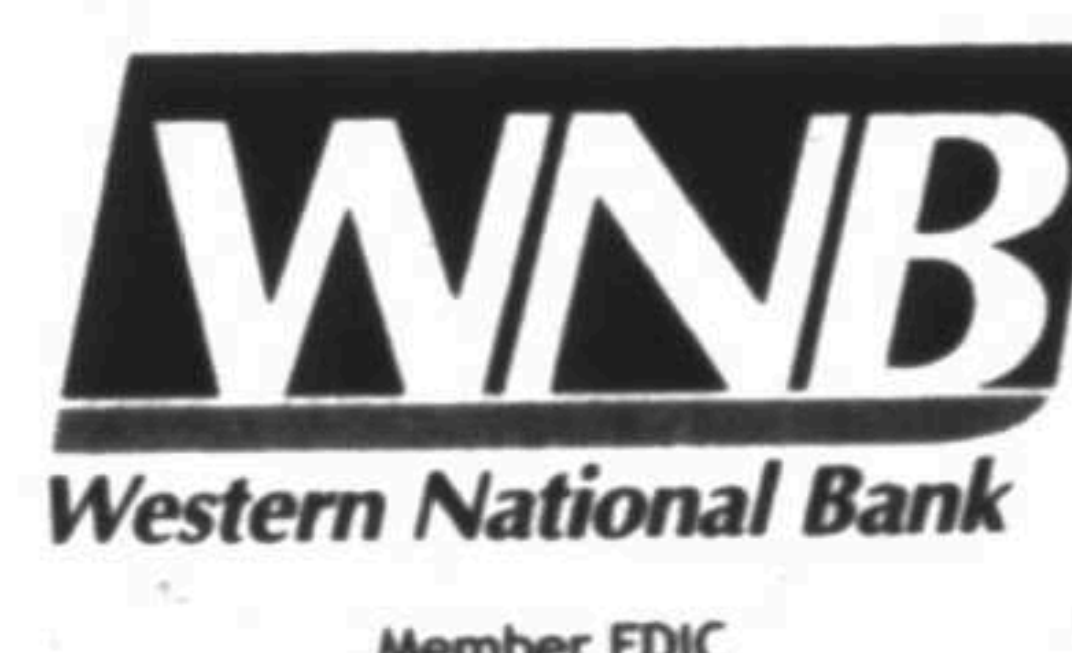
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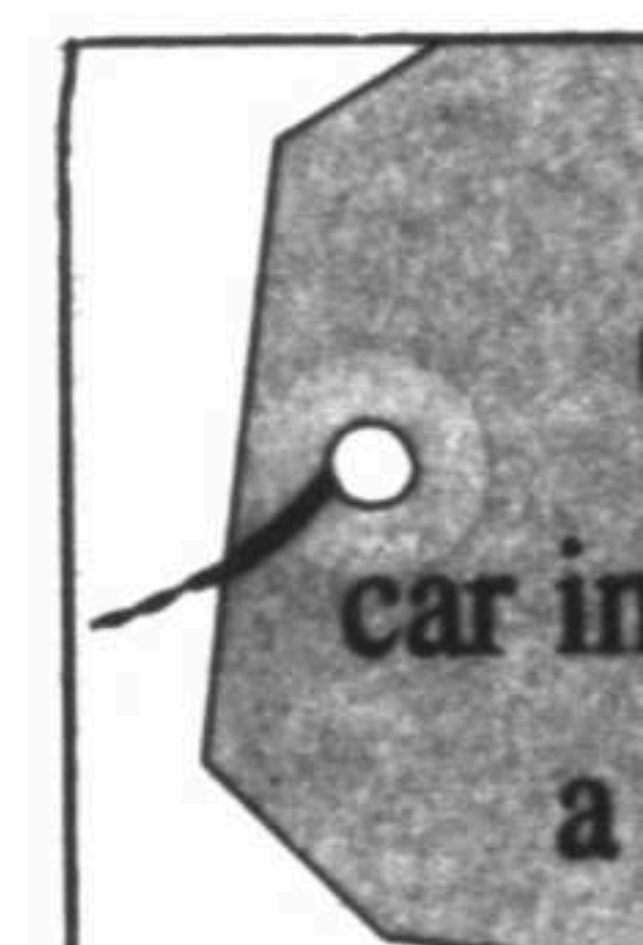
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By R. Eric Setzler

For me, the month of June is its 'ups' and 'downs' end of the school year to reflect on many of the people I will not see again in good times we had, a lot of things learned. I also think of all the time spent working at school that should have been spent with family and friends. One of the most important parts of being a teacher is sacrifice to the public. Some includes giving up children's special events, scout meetings, etc. However, a June is the opportunity for some families to have some fun, and memories that will last.

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CANCER: Symptoms originally resembled influenza

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out of his tiny body and put it back in because the tumor had pushed everything up and around."

Frazier, who was instructed not to touch his son in any way, walked up to him and told him, "Daddy's here, Judson."

With a raspy voice, Judson looked up at his father and said, "Daddy, hold me."

"It broke my heart because I knew I couldn't. I would have picked up that bed if I could've. It broke my heart," he said, wiping tears from his eyes.

Judson's mother then went in, and together, they rolled Judson back into his room, where they stayed for seven days.

Before leaving the hospital, Judson received his first chemotherapy treatment. Because he was a stage two in cancer, which has four stages, he received only two drugs.

"After the chemo session, we came home and went back

the next week for the second round of chemo," said Mrs. Frazier, who was getting closer and closer to giving birth to Caden.

"We came back after that second chemo session Tuesday. I had Caden Thursday and we were back at Children's the next Tuesday," she continued. "Caden was a blessing from God because he slept all night long and was a wonderful baby."

While the Fraziers were at home, Children's, which Judson refers to as the hospital with the big red balloon, received the results from Johns Hopkins University, where the tumor had been sent to be studied.

"We found out Judson was in stage three," she said with a sigh in her voice. Judson had to have three drugs now instead of two, and he had to go through six days of radiation.

One of the drugs Judson now had to take was so strong adults can be administered the drug only seven times in their life-

time, Mrs. Frazier said. The Fraziers were told Judson's blood count would plummet with the drugs.

They turned to what had gotten them through up to that point: God and prayer.

"They guaranteed us his blood count would drop, but it rose to 3,000, which is above normal," Mrs. Frazier said. "I have no doubt it is because of all of the prayer that went out for Judson during this time."

During one of Judson's sonograms, his parents got the second scare of their lives. Something looked odd with Judson's pancreas.

"We went through another CAT scan and the whole time you're thinking, 'Is this cancer?'," Mrs. Frazier said.

It turned out Judson's pancreas had flipped. There was no cancer.

While at the hospital, people started giving the Fraziers money for Judson. At one point, Frazier had \$900 in cash on him.

"I kept telling people to stop giving me money because I had too much on me," Frazier said. "We opened up an account for Judson and left with about two inches worth of deposit slips."

Besides the direct donations, Wanda Davis of Elkhart organized a softball tournament and raised \$4,000. There was also a quilt for a drawing that featured blocks from all over the world. During chemotherapy, Judson and his parents were informed about the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Judson had hopes of meeting Woody and Buzz Lightyear from Disney's Toy Story, so he signed up to go to Disney World in Florida.

Mark and Susan Strawn of Tyler, who were Judson's wish makers, made him the happiest boy.

"I got to see Woody, Buzz, Cinderella, Mickey Mouse and Minnie," Judson said. "It was a lot of fun. I even sat on the fox's knee."

Judson, who received his last chemo treatment on his 4th birthday, was declared in remission in October.

"We are so blessed to have made it," Mrs. Frazier said. "I have a newfound appreciation for places like Children's, the Ronald McDonald House and the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Those places are unbelievable and are a blessing to families like ours."

Mrs. Frazier, who is pregnant with their third child, said Judson, who wants to be a policeman but not see any blood, still has to go for checkups and understands what happened to him.

"I was real sick and had to have surgery and now I have a scar," Judson said. "They poked

me in the head and the arm with needles. Sometimes they stick my finger and it felt like someone is pinching me, but it's 10 times worse," Judson said, his voice rising as he got more excited. But Judson said it didn't hurt that much.

"They put magic cream on my arms when they were going to put a needle in me so it wouldn't hurt," Judson said. "I don't have to have the magic cream anymore because I'm strong and Jesus healed me."

Spoken like a true pint-sized hero.

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Texas architects have pun in the sun at Sandcastle Competition

By Mark Babineck
Associated Press

GALVESTON — For one day each year, the Texas architects who regularly deal in steel, wood, glass and cloth turn their attention to piles of sand along Galveston's East Beach.

Most of the creations that emerged from Saturday's 15th Annual American Institute of Architects Sandcastle Competition won't ever be drafted or constructed in real life and, come to think of it, maybe that's a good thing.

"If the gas prices don't kill you, the tires will," a bikini-clad woman yells as she tries to draw sun-drenched passers-by to booth No. 4, an upside-down Ford Explorer with a blown tire courtesy of B2HK Architecture.

The 3,000 architects, designers, engineers, contractors, students and others manning the 80 teams dreamed up myriad sand-borne takes on pop culture, entertainment, politics and their own profession. A few even built castles.

"This is awesome. They are so creative," said Trish Carroll, who surveyed the looniness with Donna Wixon and a group of friends visiting from Baxter Springs, in the southeast corner of Kansas.

Teams have five hours to transform about 10 cubic feet of sand into pretty much anything they want. Anything can be used to build, but the end result must consist of only sand and water pumped from the nearby Gulf of Mexico.

Creations were judged originality of concept, artistic execution, technical difficulty, carving techniques and overall use of the sculpting site.

The nearly one dozen sculptures

playing off the hit Chinese film "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" won't win any originality awards, but they drew some of the biggest chuckles from the crowd, estimated at about 30,000 beachgoers who observed the results free of charge.

Four separate teams worked Tiger Woods into the movie title, with three creating different viewpoints of the golfing great being eaten by a sandy dragon. Two of those — CLR and PBK Architects Inc. — were next-door neighbors on the beach.

"Put your hands together and show your love for Tiger Woods," said Sean Randall of PBK, wearing a red-and-black Nike cap.

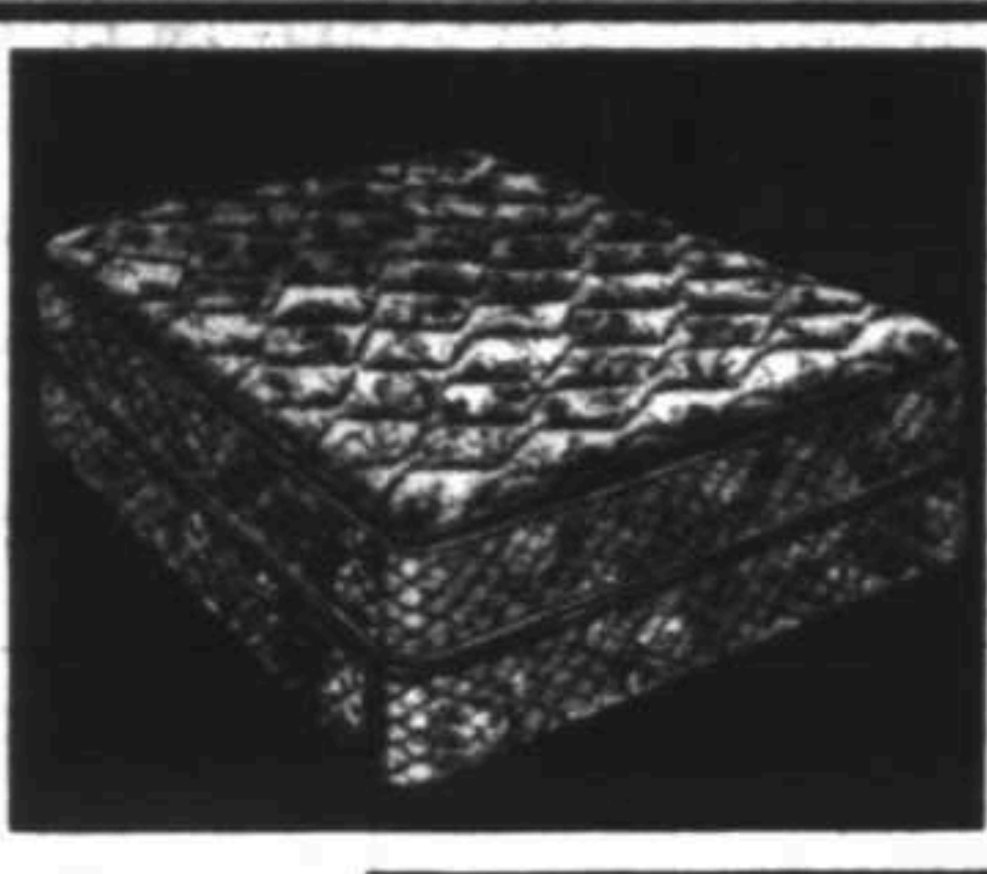
While most of the teams hailed from the Houston area, entries came in from across the state, including student teams from several universities.

Among the humor highlights: ■ Worst pun of the day went to Murphy Mears Architects and "I Foot Above Sea Level," a giant foot planted on a letter "C" carved in the sand.

■ Wilson Architectural Group's "Temptation Island" featured a portly man bathing on a beach teasing him with pizza, beer, doughnuts and a huge cupcake.

■ Anna Nicole Smith didn't escape designers' notice. Ziegler Cooper Architects built a giant bust of the model, with her bosom pinning late nonagenarian multimillionaire husband J. Howard Marshall II face-first into the sand.

■ "Curious George Goes to Washington, D.C." places the cuddly primate in his little wagon, surrounded by the White House, the Capitol and the Jefferson Memorial.



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By Almee Court
Corpus Christi Call

CORPUS CHRISTI — First time Rickey Jones, a senior at Jane Wall's classmate at High School, she thought for a year with a blazer.

Jones moved his foot, 6-inch frame, stroll, leaning slightly, bending one knee, other, his head cocked. "I thought, 'Oh, I have I got here?'" he said.

Jones' walking more like a dance to get from here to popular culture circles, "pimping," and pler boys are walking the

The walking caught the attention of Neal, an educator at University in Georgia. Jones, who is 18, conducted new researches boys who are style of walking unfairly pegged as more and are more likely to special education.

Making strides Jones, who is 18, ed the walk at the school. The gait was that he practiced, developed and now wasn't intended to ers.

"It was like a cro said. 'My walk was and I thought I better. Your walk says a

It's a way to tell confident about you coming across as a threat, said his classmate Ruiz. Peers notice stride, he said.

"You can tell just people walk through said Ruiz, 17. "They aren't really sure walk closer to the er people walk through with their head

Wall admits to impression of Jones' foot in her class two influenced by the himself. But after interacting with him abandoned her in Jones, who is now along just fine with

"It didn't take long that he wasn't really said. 'But I defin was going to have a him."

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Study shows boys stereotyped based on walking style

By Aimee Courtice
Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI — The first time Ricky Jones walked into Jane Wall's classroom at Miller High School, she thought she was in for a year with a serious troublemaker.

Jones moved his towering 6-foot, 6-inch frame with a slow stroll, leaning slightly forward and bending one knee more than the other, his head cocked back.

"I thought, 'Oh, my gosh, what have I got here?'" Wall remembers.

Jones' walking style may seem more like a dance step than a way to get from here to there, but in popular culture circles it's called "pimping," and plenty of teen-age boys are walking that way.

The walking style recently caught the attention of La Vonne Neal, an educator at Southwestern University in Georgetown. She conducted new research that suggests boys who adopt a certain style of walking are perhaps unfairly pegged as more aggressive and are more likely to be referred to special education classes.

Making strides
Jones, who is 18, said he adopted the walk at the end of middle school. The gait wasn't something that he practiced, he says. It just developed and now it's a habit. It wasn't intended to scare off teachers.

"It was like a crowd thing," he said. "My walk was kind of geeky and I thought I better change it up. Your walk says a lot about you."

It's a way to tell others you're confident about yourself without coming across as a showoff or a threat, said his classmate, Eddy Ruiz. Peers notice an assured stride, he said.

"You can tell just by watching people walk through the halls," said Ruiz, 17. "The people who aren't really sure of themselves walk closer to the walls and other people walk through the middle with their heads up more."

Wall admits that her first impression of Jones, who first set foot in her class two years ago, was influenced by the way he carried himself. But after a few days of interacting with him in class, she abandoned her initial judgment. Jones, who is now a senior, gets along just fine with Wall.

"It didn't take long for me to see that he wasn't really that way," she said. "But I definitely thought I was going to have a hard time with him."

Jones doesn't think people should assume he is a certain way just because of how he walks.

"People look at me and think I am a gangster or something," he said. "It's not like that at all." Ruiz knows his strut may be taken the wrong way but he doesn't care if his walk is a turnoff, or an insult. It's part of who he is.

"It just comes naturally," he said. "People who don't like it can just back off and give me 50 feet."

Studying the stroll

Neal's interest in the ways teachers interpret such nonverbal cues dates from her years as a middle school teacher in Round Rock. She said she observed the negative reaction from white teachers to this stylized "stroll" of some black students.

Neal also noted that other studies showed black kids tended to evoke more negative attitudes from teachers. A Civil Rights Project study at Harvard University, for example, found that black public school students are three times as likely as white children to be labeled mentally retarded and referred to special education classes.

Neal wondered: Is it the way they walk?

To conduct the study, Neal recruited two 13-year-old males, one black and one white, and videotaped them walking from a locker to a classroom in a middle school. Each boy wore similar clothes, and was taped walking in two different styles, first in the "standard" stride, defined as "erect posture, leg and arm swing synchronized with posture and pace, a steady stride and a straight head," and in what Neal calls a "stroll," defined as a "deliberate swaggered or bent posture, head held slightly tilted to the side, one foot dragging, and an exaggerated knee bend."

Neal and three colleagues then showed the tapes to 122 middle school teachers and 14 education students and asked them to rate the aggressiveness of the students, rate them as achievers and determine whether they'd be likely to need special education classes.

The results: Teachers rated both black and white students using the "stroll" as lower in achievement, higher in aggression and more likely to need special education classes than the black or white student using the standard walk. They rated the white student doing the "stroll" as even lower in achievement than the black student doing the stroll.

Initial impressions

Olga Casey, an English teacher at Miller High School said it's hard not to jump to conclusions when a male student walks into class a certain way. His body language

can give off a message of someone who is aggressive or indignant. But in her 15 years of teaching, Casey said she has learned some lessons.

"Yes, I have been wrong," she said. "I see them come in my class and I think, 'Oooh, trouble.'"

"A lot of times they surprise me because they have the walk and they dress the part, but they behave just the opposite in class. They do their work and are well-behaved. I think most of them are just acting the part. The few ones that are really rough, usually don't go to class anyway. The ones in the classroom are just trying to give off an image."

Casey also said misreading a student could require the teacher to make adjustments so that the

student knows he is accepted, she said.

"I find I am trying to win the student over," she said. "I try to send out a lot of 'I-like-you' messages."

Creating an image
Michael Blakey, a Howard University professor of anthropology, adds that the "stroll" has been adopted by adolescent males, both white and black.

The results of Neal's study imply, Blakey said, "that walking styles have been stigmatized, like many other aspects of African-American identity."

One Atlanta high-school student cautions that things may not be so simple. The subjects in Neal's study were typical teen clothing - blue jeans, T-shirts and athletic jerseys - but in real life the stroll is

only part of a style package, says Malik Barry-Buchanan, 17, a senior at North Atlanta High School.

"The majority of people who are walking this way are also going to be dressed in a certain manner, speaking in a certain manner, and just give off a total image."

Eddy Ruiz, who attends Miller High School, said the walk is only one part of the appearance picture that his peers judge.

"We are more worried about the way we dress," he said. "You gotta match, and you gotta have your hair cut."

The stance and posture that Neal studied have been referred to by psychologist William Majors as the "cool pose," notably in his popular psychology book of the same

name. William Pollack, Harvard professor and director of The Center for Men and Young Men at McLean Hospital, says this pose speaks volumes about the dilemma of boys in public education. He points out that 70 percent of all special education students in the country are boys, and that negative reactions to students are driven by gender as well as culture.

Boys, both black and white, adopt the "cool pose" as a mask of strength, to conform to a social stereotype of acceptable masculinity, he says.

Simon Guerrero, the technology adviser at Miller High School, said projecting that image is a way for teens to impress each other and feel like adults.

"They're doing it to look older

for the kids who are their age," he said.

But the girls are not impressed. An exaggerated walk is simply a turnoff sometimes, they said.

"If I see a guy walking like that I'd say he thinks he's all that and he needs to get a life," said 17-year-old MaShaunda Bryant, who also attends Miller.

While a guy may think his strut may exude confidence, some girls said it displays just the opposite.

"It seems like it could be some kind of personality flaw," said Kim Mann, who attends Carroll High School. "If he puts on a show while he's walking, what else will he falsify?"

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MHS dispatches Franklin, earns state trip

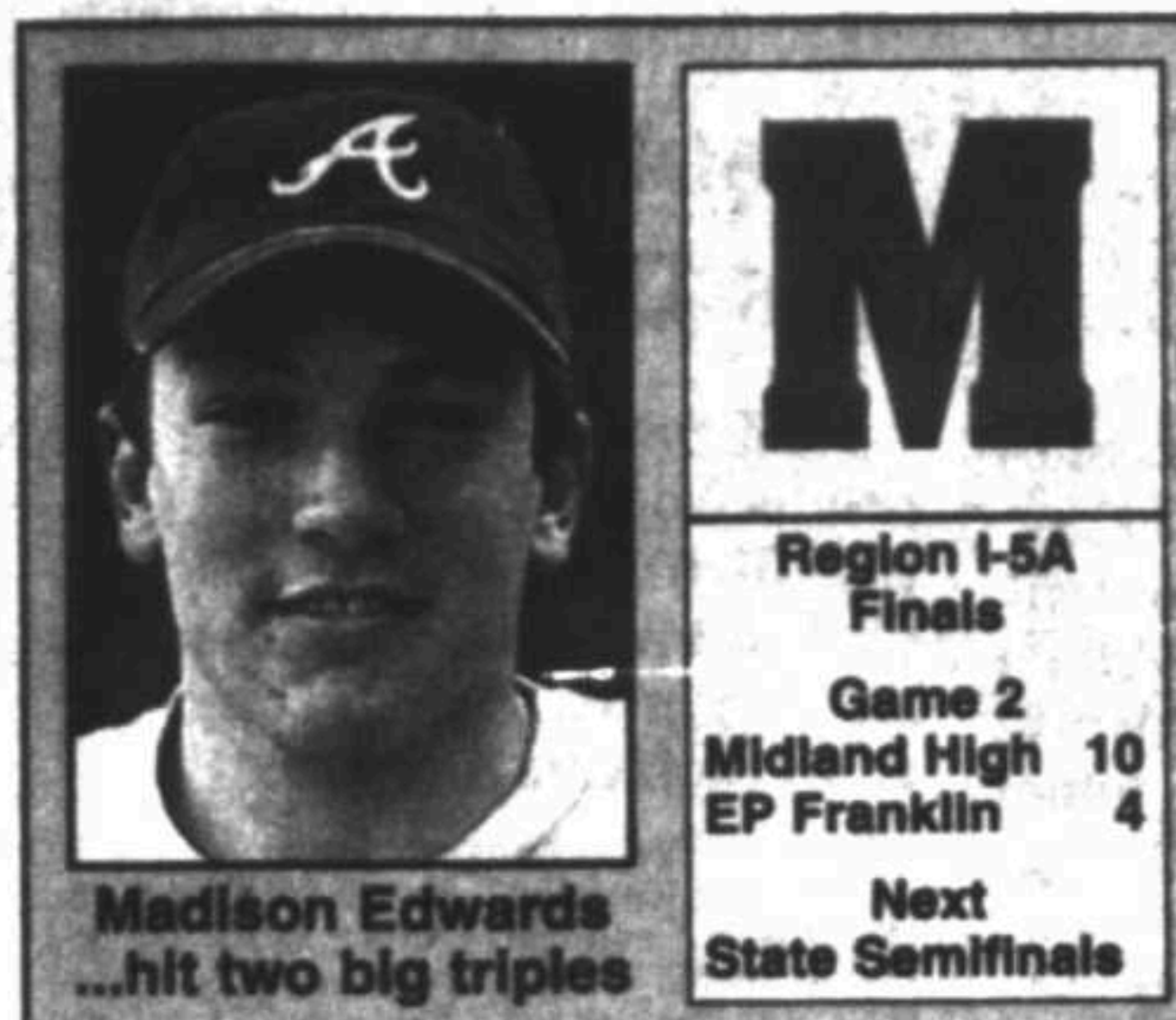
By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

ROSWELL, N.M. — This is where they expected to be all along, and Saturday afternoon the Midland High Bulldogs showed why. Displaying the sort of tenacity and a nose for victory which has been their trademark throughout the baseball playoffs, the Bulldogs completed their run through Region I at New Mexico Military Institute by sweeping El Paso Franklin with a 10-4 victory in the I-5A finals. That win puts Midland High in the Class 5A state tournament at Round Rock's Dell Diamond starting next Friday at noon, as the Bulldogs will face Klein (30-7) in the first semifinal game.

Midland High last made the state tournament in 1973. The Bulldogs won the state championship that year.

The Bulldogs (32-7) are surging into the state tournament with perhaps more momentum than anyone in 5A. They've won four straight by combined total of 40-9, serving notice that they'll be a major factor at Dell, perhaps for two days.

"It hasn't sunk in yet," said MHS senior catcher Madison Edwards,



who had a pair of two-run triples in the second game and drove in 10 runs in the two-game series. "It's cool that we're going. I think people won't take us lightly if they did before. If you make it to the final four you have to be pretty good."

People in West Texas have known that the Bulldogs are pretty good for most of the season, and at least Franklin had to realize that after being swept. The Cougars (28-11) put up a better fight than they did in Friday's opener, when the Bulldogs thumped them 11-0 in five innings.

But Midland High hasn't gotten this far by taking anything for granted. Rarely did their intensity wane against Franklin and it kicked in when it really counted.

"I didn't sleep at all last night as it was," said fifth-year MHS coach Barry Russell, who is enjoying the most successful season of his career. "You try all your life to get here and people don't realize how hard it is to do as a coach or a player. It's hard to do this."

Lately, the Bulldogs have made it look easy, although Saturday's game wasn't without some uneasy moments. MHS starter Robert Friday, who six weeks ago was pitching on the junior varsity, gave up a single by Jason Armendariz to start the game, and that equaled the hit total of the Cougars of the previous day against Matt Bose. Armendariz eventually scored on a base hit by Todd Venable for a 1-0 lead, the only lead Franklin held in the series.

It stayed that way through the bottom of the third until the Bulldogs finally broke through against Franklin's Clay Boone. Bose singled home a run to tie it 1-1, then two pitches later, Edwards drilled his first two-run triple to left-center to make it 3-1. Midland High

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UIL STATE SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

It Had to End Some Time

Greenwood's long run ends with loss in historic game

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

AUSTIN — The longest game ever played in the University Interscholastic League State Softball Championships turned into the longest running nightmare for the Greenwood Rangerettes.

Sanger won the Class 3A state softball title Saturday at Red McCombs Field with a 2-0 win over the Rangerettes in a game that went a state record 17 innings and four hours and 40 minutes.

The Lady Indians won the game with a two-out, two-run double to left center field by Jessica Hudson in the top of the 17th. Until that point in time, these two teams had played 16 innings of scoreless softball that had no appearance of being a scoreless game. Sanger left 16 runners stranded on the base paths while Greenwood stranded 19.

It was a game of high emotions with more ups and downs than a Six Flags amusement park ride. Sanger had 16 hits. Greenwood had 15 hits.

And home plate was still harder to find than a wayward receipt at tax time.

"Both teams had a lot of scoring opportunities in this game," said Greenwood coach Ken Ferguson. "We had a lot of runners on third base with less than two outs and we had the people at the plate that we wanted there, but we didn't get the job done."

"The only thing I'm disappointed in is the fact that we had the people at the plate in several scoring opportunities that we thought could hit the ball, but we just never got the big hit. It's one of those games you'll look back on and count all the what ifs."

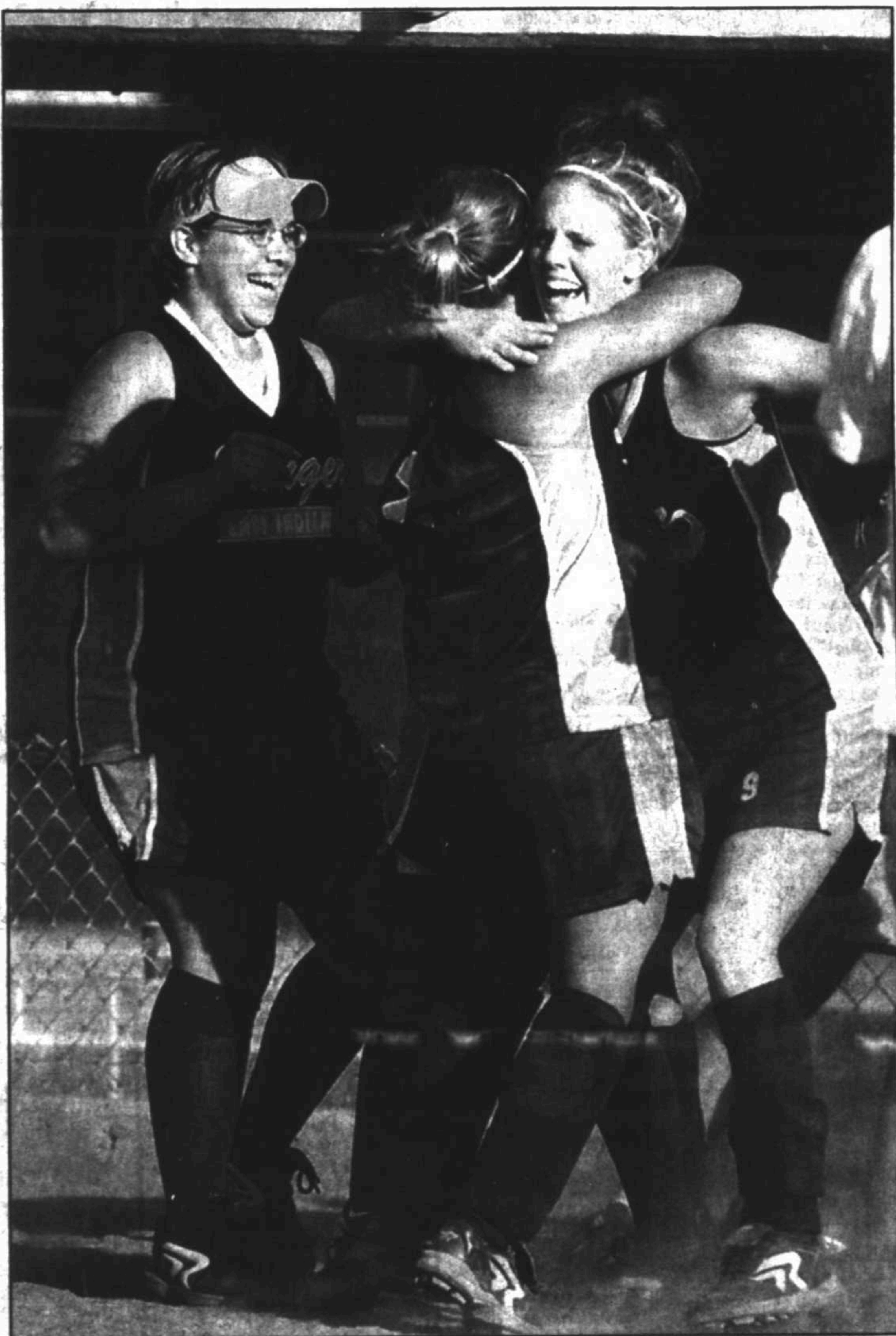
With one out in the 17th inning, Sanger finally started making things happen. Holly Miller and Audrey Kelly singled and then moved to second and third with two outs when Amy Hughes hit an infield fly rule out, but Greenwood second baseman Ashley Awalt dropped the ball and the runners moved up a base.

That set the stage for Hudson's game winning double.

"That (double) was the best hit of my life," Hudson said.

It was the fourth hit of the day for Hudson, which tied a state championship record for most hits in a single game. Humble Kingwood's Stacy Chambers and Pasadena Dobie's Heather Martinez also did that in 1993.

The two Sanger runs also ended a huge streak for Greenwood pitcher Erin Smith. She had gone



Sanger softball players celebrate their 17-inning 2-0 victory over Greenwood in the Class 3A State Championship Game Saturday in Austin. At right is Amber Wood, who pitched all 17 innings for Sanger and came away with the unlikely-sounding 15-hit shutout.

35 consecutive scoreless innings without giving up a run. Smith gave up only three runs in seven state playoff games and that still wasn't enough to win the crown.

"This was such a tough game for us," Smith

said. "I think we were still pumped up in the 17th inning, and sometimes stuff happens and you just have to deal with it."

"I thought I had a tough umpire out there today."

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Roy's mistake lets Devils tie Stanley finals

By Alan Robinson
AP Sports Writer

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — So Patrick Roy isn't perfect after all — and the New Jersey Devils still have a grip on the Stanley Cup, just when they seemed ready to hand it over to the Colorado Avalanche.

Petr Sykora, skating without injured linemate Jason Arnott, scored the winning goal with 2:37 to play after a slumping Scott Gomez had tied it on a mistake by hockey's best goalie, and the Devils rallied twice to beat the Avalanche 3-2 Saturday night in Game 4.

"That was the game we needed, and we got it," defenseman Scott Stevens said after the Devils, within 10 minutes of trailing by two games, tied the series. "It's never over — not with this team."

Now the finals shift to Denver for Game 5 on Monday. Game 6 will be Thursday at New Jersey, with Game 7, if necessary, on Saturday in Denver, where the teams split two games last week.

"We've got to put this behind us right now," Colorado coach Bob Hartley said. "Now, it's a best-of-three and we still have home ice. We came here and got a split, and we have to look at the positive side."

The Devils, who said before the game they couldn't retain the cup without winning Game 4, dominated play for most of the night, outshooting the Avalanche 35-12, but didn't solve Roy until midway through the third period.

Or, actually, until Roy essentially handed them

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Rebekah Cooke, 10, of the COM swim team comes up for air in the girls' 10-and-under breaststroke event Saturday in the West Texas Invitational.

COM leads West Texas Invitational with 1,002 points

By Clay Zachery
MRT Correspondent

The City of Midland Swim Team is leading in the hunt for the title at the 54th annual West Texas Invitational swim meet held at Doug Russell pool in Midland.

After two days of competition the COM swim team leads in points with 1,002, well ahead of Kerr McGee of Oklahoma heading into Sunday's finale. "We need to win our own meet," COM executive director Brad Swendig said. "Duke City Aquatics (New Mexico) and Kerr McGee Swim Club (Oklahoma) are having a great showing."

"We are missing some of our high school kids because of the SATs, but they will be back tomorrow," said Swendig.

Travis Floyd, a 15-year-old competing in the open division, helped to shoulder the load by placing 2nd in the 100 meter backstroke.

"We have to stay positive, we are close and most

Capriati aims for another major title

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

PARIS — A raw wind rattled stadium flag poles and sent clouds of red clay swirling across center court Saturday at the French Open, where fans wore overcoats and frowns. In dreary tennis weather, Jennifer Capriati was glad to be done by noon.

With the methodical ease of a Grand Slam champion — which she became in January — Capriati moved into the fourth round by eliminating Mirjana Lucic 6-3, 6-1.

"She's a great player and is full of confidence now," Lucic said. "I would say she's pretty much the favorite here. It's really all up to her."

At the Australian Open four months ago, Capriati capped a comeback from tennis burnout and personal problems with an improbable run to the championship. Winning the French title would be less surprising but equally captivating, because Paris is where her roller-coaster Grand Slam career began.

Capriati could be headed for a quarterfinal showdown with Serena Williams, who moved on with a 6-1, 6-2 win over Zsolt Gubacs.



Jennifer Capriati hits a backhand to Mirjana Lucic during their French Open match Saturday at Roland Garros stadium in Paris. Capriati won 6-3, 6-1.

Only seven seeded women reached the final 16. No. 8 Conchita Martinez, last year's runner-up, made her earliest exit from the French Open in 14 years, losing 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 to Cara Black. No. 10 Amanda Coetzer lost to Francesca Schiavone 7-5, 6-4.

Nine seeded men remain, but not Russian hometown Marat Safin, who

stomped out of the tournament after losing 6-4, 6-4, 4-6, 0-6, 6-1 to Frenchman Fabrice Santoro. Safin, seeded second but still seeking his first tournament title this year, won 11 consecutive games to take a 1-0 lead in the final set, then folded. He failed to show for his postmatch news conference and will be fined \$10,000.

Rain forced two brief delays, and No. 3 Andre Agassi finished in misty twilight, beating Fernando Meligeni 6-3, 2-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Capriati, meanwhile, recalled her past trips to Roland Garros.

"I've had some great memories here," she said, "and a few bad ones."

Playing in her first major tournament at age 14, Capriati reached the French semifinals in 1990. She hasn't been back to the semis since at Roland Garros, where she won only three matches from 1994 to 2000.

But thanks to the breakthrough in Melbourne, the French Open seems less daunting now.

"It's not going to hold me back to think: Can I win a Grand Slam or not?" she said. "I did it."

Upsets and injuries have depleted the other half of the women's draw, but the No. 4-seeded Capriati still faces a tough path to the final, including possible showdowns against Williams, seeded sixth, and No. 1 Martina Hingis in the semifinals.

Williams' win was so routine that she spent most of a postmatch news conference discussing her addiction to online shopping.

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LOCAL SPORTS

National City Tournament

The National League divisions of the Midland Little League got their city tournament under way this week.

In action from Friday, the Eastern Diamondbacks edged the North Central Marlins, 3-2. Roman Galan was the winning pitcher, and Eric Ochoa had a double in support. Ryan Hill had a double for the Marlins.

The Mid-City Diamondbacks ripped the North Central Dodgers, 12-3, as Grant Davis pitched for the win and helped himself with a double. Matt Wright also had a double for the D-Backs, and Will Rutherford had a triple. Conrad Flynn had a double for the Dodgers.

The Northern Braves whipped the Mid-City Rangers, 13-3. Reid Redman was the winning pitcher, and Nick Lavine had a double for the Braves. Strother Simpson had a double for the Rangers.

In a matchup of Astros, the

Northern Astros edged the Mid-City Astros, 6-5. Brandon Williamson was the winning pitcher. Kristopher Pearce had a double in the losing effort.

On Thursday, the Northern Mets piled on the Eastern Rangers, 8-0, with a barrage of extra-base hits: triples from Scott Brody, Amanda Parsons and Carson Smith, who also had a double. Garrett Worrell was the winning pitcher. Jovan Brown had a triple for the Rangers.

The Northern Astros beat the Eastern Indians without the benefit of an extra-base hit, although Moose Fuentes and Sammy Moreno had doubles for the Indians. Robert Brosig was the winning pitcher.

The Northern Rockies downed the Tower Cubs, 7-0, behind the pitching of Zach Pitts and a double by Daniel Zachery.

In other scores from Thursday, the North Central Marlins beat the Tower Indians, 8-0, and the Mid-City Angels beat the North Central Cardinals, 7-4.

On Wednesday, the Mid-City

Rangers got by the North Central Astros, 11-0, on a spectacular effort from Matt Lubinski. He threw a no-hitter, striking out 13, and at the plate he hit two home runs, a triple and a double.

Folger throws personal best

IRAAN — Greenwood's Kevin Folger set a meet record at a recent U.S. Track and Field Meet, throwing the discus 175 feet, 10 inches.

Folger broke the meet record by nearly 16 feet, and he also surpassed his own personal best, which was 171-2. Folger's younger brother Stephen, 12 years old, entered in the junior division and also won.

Lindgren wins NTPGA honor

Midland's Jason Lindgren was one of nine winners of foundation awards given out by the North

Central Texas PGA Junior Golf Foundation.

Lindgren, who graduated from Midland High, was a scholarship recipient, winning the Hart Warren Award. Athletes are selected according to academics, financial need and extra-curricular activities. Applicants are members or past members of the NTPGA and are enrolled as full-time students.

Results from Los Dobles

ODESSA — Here are the results from the Los Dobles Couples Invitational Saturday at The Club at Mission Dorado, with the top three net and gross scores listed in each category.

Championship Flight
Gross: 1 (tie), Dennis and Lettie Collins and Mike Harrison and Trina Albright, 69; 3, Tim and Debbie Peden, 72. Net: 1, Mark and Judy Atkins, 58; 2, Mike Harrison and Trina Albright, 61; 3, David and Pat Barton, 63.

First Flight
Gross: 1, Ken and Sandra Hill, 75; 2, Jim and Alice Watkins, 76; 3, Rob and Mary Emma Bennett, 78. Net: 1, Curtis and Lori Baze, 61; 2 (tie), Ken and Sandra Hill, Rob and Mary Emma Bennett, Jim and Alice Watkins and Greg and Kevin Burnett, 63.

Second Flight
Gross: 1, Sam and Pat Ares, 80; 2 (tie), Fitch and Lavet Hargreaves and Weldon and Kaycee Butler, 82. Net: 1, Weldon and Kaycee Butler, 59; 2, Sam and Pat Ares, 62; 3, Elbert and Linda Cram, 63.

Bad inning hurts 'Hounds in loss to Tulsa Drillers

Staff Report

TULSA, Okla. — One night after ripping the Tulsa Drillers, the Midland RockHounds fell victim to one bad inning which evened the score.

The 'Hounds gave up five runs in the bottom of the sixth inning which made all the difference Saturday, as Tulsa thumped Midland 6-1 to even the series at a game apiece. On Friday, the 'Hounds crushed the Drillers 12-0.

Midland scored its only run of the game in the third when Mike Lockwood and Esteban German doubled to bring home a run. RockHounds' starter Aaron Harang made that hold up through five innings, but in the sixth the roof caved in.

Corey Wright led off the inning with a single off Harang (3-3) fol-

lowed by a double by Brian Oliver. Dave Meliah then hit a routine pop fly which neither centerfielder Lockwood nor rightfielder Rusty Keith called for, allowing Wright to score and tie the game.

Osmani Garcia and Juan Piniella then followed with run-scoring singles and another run came home on a throwing error by 'Hounds' catcher Brian Luderer. After Jeremy Jones drove home another run with a single, Tulsa had a 5-1 lead and control of the game.

Mike Zywicka added another run in the eighth as Tulsa with a solo home run off Bill Snyder.

There were a lot of strikeouts in the game, as the two teams combined to strike out 25 batters. Tulsa's Corey Lee (3-6) struck out 11 in seven innings for the victory, while Harang struck out a season-high nine batters.

SOFTBALL: Sanger claims title

(From 1C)

He wouldn't call the outside pitch and that's my strongest suit. It's really tough to lose this one, but we're still coming back (next year) and win this thing. We have a summer tournament next week."

Sanger's winning pitcher Amber Wood, like Smith, was nearly always facing runners on base, but somehow, somehow, managed to work out of all the problems.

"There was never a tougher game than this one," Wood said. "I was glad when it was over." Smith and Wood each hurled more than 200 pitches in this game. Smith pitched a 1-0 victory in nine innings against Splendor on Friday while Wood had more rest, hurling a 5-0 win over Sinton on Thursday.

"I don't think Erin wore down at all," Ferguson said. "She's pitched 41 of our 42 games this year. In fact, as this game went longer and longer, I thought that would work to our advantage because Erin is used to pitching every inning."

Smith also had three hits on the day while Stephanie Adams, Megan Chase, Courtney Awalt and Alexis Vigil each had two hits.

However, Greenwood had runners at third base with less than two outs three different times and couldn't get a run home. Greenwood also stranded 11 runners in scoring position.

But when history records this event, it will surely be remembered for its length more than its outcome. This was a test of wills on a hot, humid Austin Saturday.

Greenwood catcher Alexis Vigil, who had three tournament hits while coming in with a .194 batting average, caught 26 innings in two days.

"Actually, I ate a Snickers bar about the middle of the game and got pumped up again," Vigil said. "It was really hot out there."

Greenwood assistant coach Sheila Smith said, "We played almost five hours. We started at 2 p.m. and we're leaving the stadium at about seven. And for most of that time, no one had scored a run. This was an unbelievable game."

Greenwood left fielder Megan Chase said, "We played our hearts out in this one, no matter what anyone says. We played great."

Greenwood first baseman Betsy Langdon had come to Austin in the past just to watch the state tournament. But even with a loss in the state finals and tears streaming down the face, Langdon wouldn't trade the moment.

"This was even more than I expected," she said. "I knew it was going to be tough down here, but I never imagined that it would have gone this long."

For coach Ferguson it had a bit-sweet ring.

"This was good for our softball program because I think there is now a lot of interest in Greenwood softball," Ferguson said. "We got a lot of exposure, but at the same time, you just hate to miss an opportunity like this one. We don't have any seniors on this team, but you can never guarantee that you will ever have this opportunity again."

Sanger has seven seniors on this team and had been ousted

from its first trip to state last season by Kennedale, last year's 3A champion, in the region finals. The Lady Indians took their second chance and made it work.

"Oh, my gosh. We just won a state championship," said fiery senior shortstop Amy Hughes. "I think it's going to take me some time for this to sink in. I didn't know if it would ever happen."

It was almost the never ending story. And maybe, just maybe, the sun hasn't set on Greenwood softball yet. Sanger is proof positive that good things happen to those who can endure.

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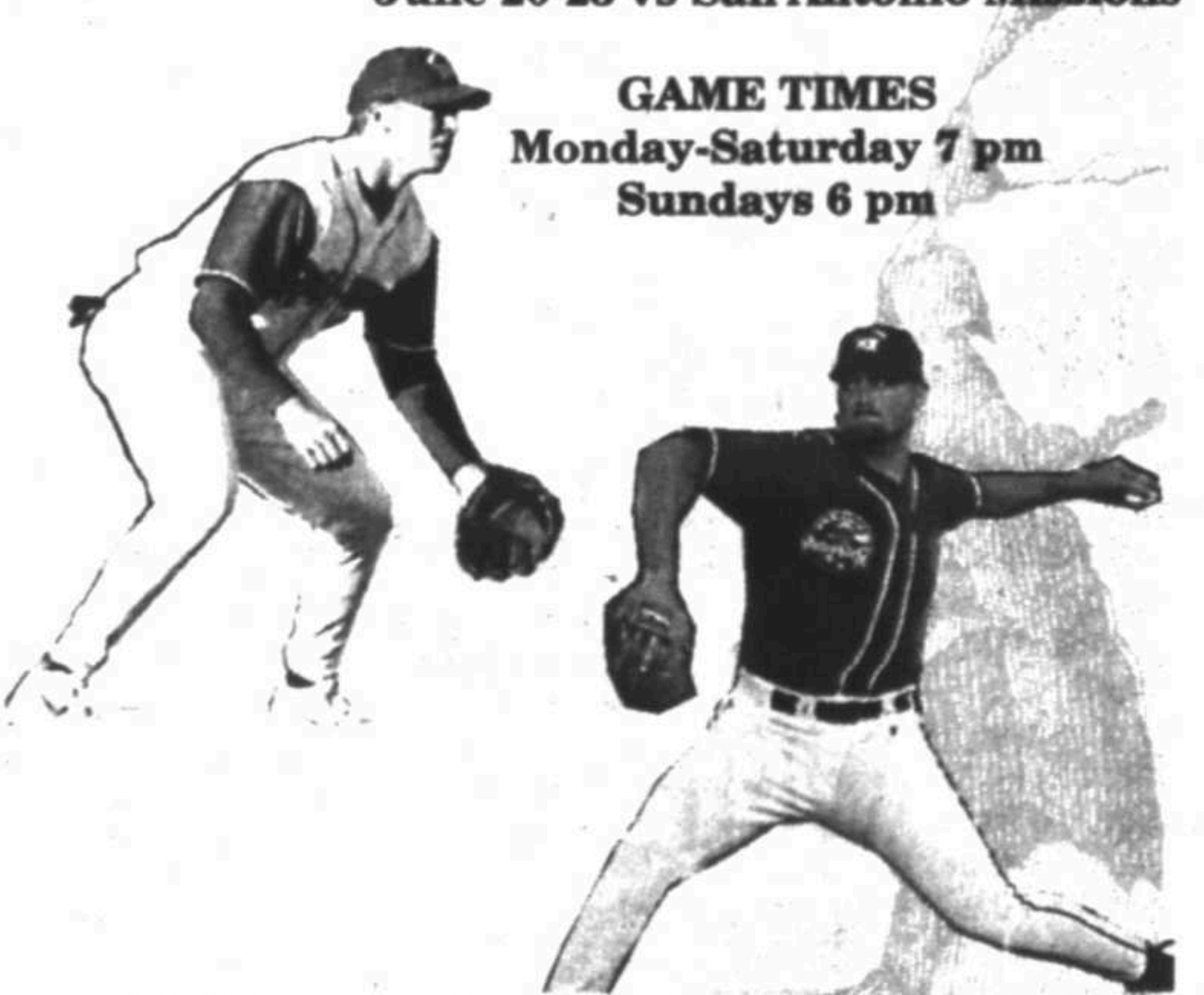
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GOLF SCORES

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Saturday's Third Round

At Muirfield Village Golf Club

Dublin, Ohio

Purse: \$4.1 million

Yardage: 7,221; Par: 72 (36-36)

(Play was suspended due to darkness. Twenty-five golfers will complete the third round Sunday morning.)

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Greg Chalmers 68-74-70 = 212

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Bob Tway 72-69-71 = 212

Mike Weir 72-69-71 = 212

Kenny Perry 72-69-71 = 212

Kevin Sutherland 69-72-71 = 212

John Cook 72-67-72 = 213

Lem Ellerbe 67-73-73 = 213

Jeff Sluman 72-68-72 = 213

Gary Nicksa 72-72-70 = 214

Garrett Willz 72-70-73 = 215

Skip Kendall 73-70-72 = 215

Peter Lonard 75-69-71 = 216

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Jonathan Kaye 71-71-74 = 216

Mark Brooks 72-72-72 = 216

Brad Faxon 70-71-75 = 216

Mark Calcavecchia 70-73-73 = 216

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John Daly 73-68-75 = 216

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David Frost 71-72-75 = 218

Billy Mayfair 68-74-76 = 218

Justin Leonard 71-73-74 = 218

Chris O'Meara 74-70-74 = 218

Andrew Magee 74-70-74 = 218

Rory Sabbatini 73-69-77 = 219

Ernie Els 69-75-75 = 219

Steve Lowery 72-70-78 = 220

Carlos Franco 69-74-77 = 220

Carl Paulson 71-73-76 = 220

Frank Nobilo 73-72-77 = 222

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Paul Azinger 68-67 = 135

Vijay Singh 70-66 = 137

Tiger Woods 68-69 = 137

Sergio Garcia 68-69 = 137

Chris DiMarco 66-71 = 137

Stuart Appleby 67-71 = 138

Robert Almerly 69-69 = 138

Scott Verplank 70-69 = 138

Joe Ozaki 69-69 = 138

Jim Furyk 70-69 = 138

Scott Hoch 70-69 = 138

Grant Waite 69-71 = 139

Lee Janzen 74-71 = 145

Brian Gay 71-74 = 145

David Peoples 71-75 = 146

Giff Kinnear 71-75 = 146

Mike Sposi 68-76 = 146

Bob May 75-71 = 146

Curtis Strange 71-76 = 147

Esteban Toledo 76-70 = 146

Fred Couples 72-75 = 147

Franklin Langham 74-73 = 147

J.P. Hayes 71-76 = 147

Harrison Frazier 76-71 = 147

Shingo Katayama 71-76 = 147

USGA Women

U.S. Women's Open

Saturday's Third Round

Pine Needles Lodge & Golf Club

Southern Pines, N.C.

Purse: \$2.9 million

Yardage: 6,256; Par: 70

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WEST TEXAS INVITATION

Results Saturday from the West Texas Invitational at the Doug Russell Pool, with swimmers from each age group listed by team.

Team Standings: 1. City of Midland (COM) 1,002; 2. Kerr McGee Swim Club (KMSC) 614; 3. Duke City Aquatics (DUKE) 509; 4. Lubbock Swim Club (LSC) 81; 5. Abilene Tidal Waves (WAVE) 76; 6. Cavern City Swim Club (CCSC) 73.50; 7. Caprock Swimming (CAP) 54; 8. Amarillo Swim Team (AST) 40; 9. Odessa Aquatic Club (OAC) 24; 10. Phoenix Swim Club (PSC) 10.

Individual Points

Boys

8 and under: 1. Matthew Veneklasen (KMSC) 34; 2. Grant Scopanski (KMSC) 21; 3. (tie), Robert Courtney (CCSC) and Nareh Naik (KMSC) 12; 10 and under: 1. Nareh Naik (KMSC) 59; 2. Alex Palma (CCSC) 46.50; 3. David Matlock (AST) 38; 11-12: 1. Michael Leaf (COM) 42; 2. Roarkie Abt (DUKE) 40; 3. Ken Rogge (KMSC) 34; 13-14: 1. Philip Babicz (DUKE) 48; 2. Mike Brain (COM) 27; 3. Alex Swisher (KMSC) 24; Open: 1. Andy Bockus (KMSC) 43; 2. Kyle Edens (COM) 35.50; 3. Travis Floyd (COM) 32.

Girls

8 and under: 1. Elizabeth Whitbeck (KMSC) 36; 2. Lindsey Miller (COM) 19; 3. (tie), Susan Brewer (KMSC) and Carolina Mattson (DUKE) 16; 10 and under: 1. Kristin Plourde (WAVE) 42; 2. Kathryn Zebrowski (KMSC) 38; 3. Hilary Eades (CAP) 38; 11-12: 1. Stephanie Strauss (COM) 58; 2. Aurora Owen (COM) 41; 3. Candice Slouvenveng (DUKE) 30; 13-14: 1. Molly Houton (DUKE) 63; 2. Jill Granger (COM) 41; 3. Sarah Maurer (COM) 30; Open: 1. Kaleigh Wentworth (COM) 37; 2. Justin Schantz (DUKE) 34.50; 3. (tie), Erin Ions (COM) and Bobbi Snider (unattached) 24.

Individual Events Winners

Boys

8 and under: 50 Free: Matthew Veneklasen, KMSC, 41.01; 50 Back: Matthew Veneklasen, KMSC, 49.68; 100 Breast: Grant Scopanski, KMSC, 2:02.64; 100 Fly: Matthew Scopanski, KMSC, 2:09.09.

10 and under: 50 Free: Alex Palma, CCSC, 36.02; 400 Free: Nareh Naik, KMSC, 6:09.59; 50 Back: Nareh Naik, KMSC, 43.07; 100 Breast: Nareh Naik, KMSC, 1:46.77; 100 Fly: 1. Nareh Naik, KMSC, 1:38.10; 200 Free Relay: COM, 2:46.05; 200 Free: Nareh Naik, KMSC, 2:52.79; 200 IM: Nareh Naik, KMSC, 3:12.59.

11-12: 50 Free: Ken Rogge, KMSC, 32.48; 400 Free: Roarkie Abt, DUKE, 5:38.67; 50 Back: Ken Rogge, KMSC, 37.88; 100 Breast: Roarkie Abt, DUKE, 1:27.86; 100 Fly: Roarkie Abt, DUKE, 1:35.99; 100 Free Relay: COM, 2:26.45; 200 Free: Ken Rogge, KMSC, 2:39.47; 200 IM: Michael Leaf, COM, 3:17.29.

13-14: 50 Free: Alex Swisher, KMSC, 29.11; 400 Free: Philip Babicz, DUKE, 5:00.12; 100 Back: Alex Swisher, KMSC, 1:12.45; 200 Breast: Philip Babicz, DUKE, 2:55.18; 200 Fly: Adam Venable, OAC, 3:12.35; 200 Free Relay: KMSC, 2:03.89; 200 Free: Philip Babicz, DUKE, 2:20.01; 400 IM: Philip Babicz, DUKE, 5:33.43.

Open: 50 Free: Nicholas Hurt, KMSC, 25.05; 400 Free: Damien Demerco, DUKE, 4:22.75; 100 Back: Sam Perry, PSC, 1:03.77; 200 Breast: Eric Jennings, KMSC, 2:40.09; 200 Fly: Kyle Edens, COM, 2:22.25; 200 Free Relay: COM, 1:48.82; 200 Free: Damien Demerco, DUKE, 2:03.04; 400 IM: Andy Bockus, KMSC, 4:59.24.

Girls

8 and under: 50 Free: Elizabeth Whitbeck, KMSC, 38.22; 50 Back: Elizabeth Whitbeck, KMSC, 45.90; 100 Breast: Elizabeth Whitbeck, KMSC, 1:42.81; 100 Fly: Elizabeth Whitbeck, KMSC, 1:46.19.

10 and under: 50 Free: Samantha Woodward, KMSC, 32.95; 400 Free: Kathryn Zebrowski, KMSC, 5:59.92; 50 Back: Samantha Woodward, KMSC, 39.87; 100 Breast: Kathryn Zebrowski, KMSC, 1:32.29; 100 Fly: Samantha Woodward, KMSC, 1:18.66; 200 Free Relay: KMSC, 2:48.30; 200 Free: Samantha Woodward, KMSC, 2:39.19; 200 IM: Kathryn Zebrowski, KMSC, 3:04.62.

11-12: 50 Free: Stephanie Strauss, COM, 30.78; 400 Free: Stephanie Strauss, COM, 5:10.94; 50 Back: Stephanie Strauss, COM, 36.86; 100 Breast: Natalie Kiepper, LSC, 1:28.99; 100 Fly: Stephanie Strauss, COM, 1:12.48; 200 Free Relay: COM, 2:09.18; 200 Free: Stephanie Strauss, COM, 2:25.30; 200 IM: Stephanie Strauss, COM, 2:44.30.

13-14: 50 Free: Molly Houton, DUKE, 30.10; 400 Free: Molly Houton, DUKE, 4:41.51; 100 Back: Molly Houton, DUKE, 1:13.29; 200 Breast: Molly Houton, DUKE, 2:52.76; 200 Fly: Molly Houton, DUKE, 2:28.91; 200 Free Relay: COM, 2:09.57; 200 Free: Molly Houton, DUKE, 2:15.23; 400 IM: Molly Houton, DUKE, 5:17.63.

Open: 50 Free: Erin Ions, COM, 28.49; 400 Free: Kristin Loker, DUKE, 4:41.93; 100 Back: Kaleigh Wentworth, COM, 1:15.73; 200 Breast: McCall Keathley, COM, 2:54.31; 200 Fly: Kaleigh Wentworth, COM, 2:33.78; 200 Free Relay: COM, 2:02.55; 200 Free: Kaleigh Wentworth, COM, 2:14.12; 400 IM: Kaleigh Wentworth, COM, 5:21.14.

Veteran, rookie spark wins

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Ruben Sierra hit an RBI single with two outs in the 10th inning as the Texas Rangers snapped a three-game losing streak with a 3-2 victory over the Minnesota Twins on Saturday night.

Alex Rodriguez, who reached on a one-out single off LaTroy Hawkins (1-1) before walks to Rafael Palmeiro and Ken Caminiti, scored the game-winning run.

Jeff Zimmerman (2-3) pitched the final 1 2-3 innings, including a perfect 10th, to get the victory. He allowed one hit and struck out two.

Texas MLB

Minnesota missed a chance to improve to 36-17 for the first time ever, and to go 19 games over .500 for the first time since Aug. 11, 1992.

Minnesota starter Brad Radke was denied his eighth victory for the third time. He pitched seven innings and left with the game tied at 2, having allowed five hits with one strikeout and an uncharacteristic three walks.

Astros 2, Dodgers 1
Houston — Roy Oswalt allowed two hits over six impres-

sive innings to win his first major league start and the Houston Astros defeated Los Angeles for their fourth straight victory.

Oswalt (3-1) retired 18 of the 20 batters he faced, striking out four and walking none. He also doubled in the fifth inning for his first big league hit.

Oswalt, a gold medal winner at the 2000 Olympics, moved into the starting rotation in place of Jose Lima after making eight relief appearances.

As a reliever, Oswalt compiled a 1.93 ERA and allowed three earned runs in 14 innings. Oswalt hadn't pitched about the Double-A level until this season.

SWIMMING: COM is doing well

(From 1C)

of our older guys will be back tomorrow," said Floyd.

Two 11-year-olds in the women's division are cleaning up for the Midland swimmers. Stephanie Strauss and Aurora Owen finished first and second respectively in the individual points standings.

Placing 1-2 in both the 200 freestyle and the 200 individual medley helped to secure first and second place points for the team.

"Duke City and Oklahoma are putting up some competition," said Owen. "I think it will be tough but we will win," said Strauss.

Kaleigh Wentworth placed first in the 400 IM, 200 freestyle, 200 butterfly, and the 100 backstroke.

"It might be tough without having everyone but we can pull it out," said Wentworth.

Kyle Edens also contributed by winning the 200 meter fly, and placing second in the 200 freestyle. The return of some of the older swimmers will be an advantage heading into the last day of competition.

"This is as close as any meet since I have been here, any edge will help. We have to win our own meet," said Swendig.

The COM swimmers have left themselves in position to keep the title at home and with the help of the incoming high schoolers the team believes that they will succeed.

"When everyone is here we have double the swimmers so we should win," said Edens.

The meet concludes today, starting at 9 a.m. at Doug Russell Pool in Midland.

CUP: Goalie's gaffe costs Colorado

(From 1C)

a goal.

With Colorado leading 2-1 in the third period but New Jersey getting nearly all the scoring chances, Roy — almost flawless until then — made his second misplay in two games.

Roy went behind the net to play a bouncing puck but fumbled it off his stick directly to Jay Pandolfo, who slipped it to Gomez in front of the abandoned net. Gomez put it in at 8:09 of the third for his first goal in his last 13 playoff games.

"It was a soft dump and I went outside and was going to throw it on my forehead, but nobody was there," Roy said. "I tried to bring it back and throw to Rob Blake, but it stayed at my feet. I wish I had a second chance, but you don't get a second chance out there."

Now the Devils do.

"It's great to finally see a break go our way, for probably the first time in the series," Devils goaltender Martin Brodeur said. "We've had a tough time against these guys. But we've got momentum now. It changes the cards, no doubt about it."

It certainly changes the series,

though none of the Avalanche would blame Roy for it.

"We all saw what happened," Hartley said. "The puck popped out, and there wasn't much he (Roy) could do about it. But he was outstanding, just as he's been throughout the whole playoffs."

Defenseman Ray Bourque said, "It would have been high-way robbery if we had snuck that one out. We left him hanging out to dry all night, and he almost won it for us. We were a step behind all night."

The game before, Roy strayed far from the net to play a puck along the boards, couldn't get back fast enough and saw Patrik Elias ring a shot off a post. Roy was so upset with that mistake, he turned over the net in anger at the end of the second period.

The Devils played the final two periods without A-Line center Jason Arnott, who was taken to a hospital for tests after being struck on the left side of his head by a puck a few seconds into the game.

Even without Arnott, the A-Line came alive for the first time in the series, with Sykora and Elias each scoring goals.

Sykora won the game after

Blake, who had scored the game's first goal, couldn't control the puck along the boards in his own end. Elias managed to feed Sykora skating down the slot and he beat Roy for the Devils' biggest goal of the season and his ninth of the playoffs.

"This was the best game we've played in the playoffs," Brian Rafalski said. "Now we've got to carry it over to Monday."

Gomez was benched for most of the third period of the Avalanche's 3-1 victory in Game 3, but, apparently getting coach Larry Robinson's pointed message, came out skating hard and got his fifth goal of the playoffs.

"Tonight, he was skating and getting involved," said Robinson, who couldn't have asked for a better 50th birthday.

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Midland High School senior wins car in attendance contest

James Shene, graduating Senior at Midland High School was the winner of the 1995 Pontiac Grand Am donated by the Midland New Car Dealers Association. The dealer association teamed up with the MISD to promote school attendance. The program "Perfect Attendance" was launched to encourage students to go to school so they would have a chance to win a car. For every six week period, winners were drawn at area high schools for students who had perfect attendance for those six weeks.

Shene, an honor student who is planning to attend Texas A&M in the fall gladly let go of his old car - a 1978 Ford Ranchero - for the 95 model Grand Am.

Second and third place prizes of \$400 and \$200 were given away to Lee High School students Renay Sullivan and Omar Arroya. Mayor-elect Mike Canon drew the names of the contest winners. Midland New Car Dealers Association president Steve James agreed to join in continuing the program next year.

(Left to Right) Steve James, Toyota of Midland, President Midland New Car Dealers Association; James Shene, student, car winner; Susan Hannon, MISD Partners in Education supervisor; Jack Sherman, Jack Sherman Chevrolet-Mazda; Jed Heard, Berg Motor Co., Darryl Dixon, Jack Sherman Chevrolet-Mazda, Secretary/Treasurer Midland New Car Dealers Association.

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Please check your ad the first day it appears, and if you find a mistake, please call our office at 682-6222 so we can correct the error immediately. This will ensure that your ad is exactly what you want readers to see. If an error does occur, you can choose to return your ad once for free, or we'll gladly refund the cost of the portion of the ad affected by the error. If an ad is inadvertently omitted, we will assume liability up to the cost of the ad itself - consequently, we will publish your ad in our next available edition or refund the price you have paid.

Rate charges are determined at the time of placement. All ads accepted are subject to credit approval. Some classifications require payment in advance. Credit applications are required for business accounts.

We welcome your suggestions or comments. Please call: Brandi Alexander, Telephone Sales Supervisor, 682-6813.

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Do you have furniture, appliances, or other unwanted household items? If so, don't let these items take up precious storage space. We've got 3 economical ways for you to turn clutter into cash!

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We'll advertise your household item (priced under \$350) for...

7 DAYS \$10⁵⁰
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Write an ad with 15 words to describe your household furniture or appliance and call today!

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...That's right, we'll advertise your household item (priced under \$50) for 4 days absolutely FREE!

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All of our specials are for private, non-commercial individuals only and some specials require pre-payment, some do not. One item per ad please. One FREE BEE per family per week. Call 682-6222 for complete details.

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TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION AND INTENT TO OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY PERMIT

PERMIT NO. 10223-001

APPLICATION. City of Midland, P.O. Box 1152, Midland, Texas 79702, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to amend wastewater disposal Permit No. 10223001 to authorize the increase of the acreage of the site for beneficial land application of sewage sludge, and increase the effluent limits for biochemical oxygen demand. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located south of and adjacent to Interstate 20 and west of State Highway 307 at their intersection, in Midland County, Texas. This application was submitted to the TNRCC on January 10, 2001. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at City Hall, Room 520, 300 North Loraine Street, Midland, Texas.

The TNRCC executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TNRCC will issue a Notice of Application and Preliminary Decision.

MAILING LISTS. You may ask to be placed on a mailing list to obtain additional information on this application by sending a request to the Office of the Chief Clerk, at the address below. You may also ask to be on a county-wide mailing list to receive public notices for TNRCC permits in the county.

PUBLIC COMMENT / PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TNRCC will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local regulator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.

Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13067, Austin, TX 78711-3067.

ADDITIONAL NOTICE. After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published to those who are on the countywide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.

OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will conduct the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing. A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.

A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn.

INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TNRCC Office of the Assistance, Toll Free, at 1-800-687-4040. General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrc.state.tx.us.

Further information may also be obtained from City of Midland at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Kay Snyder, P.E., Assistant Director of Utilities at 915-685-7261.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS MIDLAND - COLLEGE FACULTY & STAFF PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS

Sealed proposals addressed to Midland College will be received at the office of E.G. Hickman, Vice President of Administrative Services, Midland College, 3600 North Garfield, Midland, Texas, until 2:00 p.m. for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence and labor for constructing certain paving improvements.

Immediately following the time for receipt of bids, proposals will be opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

The principal items of work for Midland College are set forth in specific detail in the Proposal section of the specifications; however, the principal work items may be generally described as follows: install 1,020 linear feet of concrete curb and gutter, install 2,850 square yards of asphaltic paving, pavement marking, appurtenances and miscellaneous items of construction.

Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond from a reliable Surety Company payable without recourse to the order of Midland College, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible bid submitted as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds and guaranty in the forms provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required Check or Bid Bond will not be considered.

The successful Bidder must furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond on the forms provided in the amount of 100% of the total contract price from a Surety Company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as Surety, or other Surety or Sureties acceptable to the Owner.

All lump sum and unit prices must be stated in both script and figures. The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive formalities, and to accept the bid which seems most advantageous to the Owner's interest. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid.

Information for Bidders, proposal forms, and specifications are on file in the offices of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomson Drive, Midland, Texas, 79703, phone (915) 697-1447.

Copies of the plans and specifications may be secured at the office of Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 5214 Thomson Drive, Midland, Texas 79703, (915) 697-1447, upon receipt of specifications. The full amount of a \$50.00 deposit as a guarantee of the safe return of the plans and specifications, are returned the deposit will be returned if a bona fide bid is submitted and the Plans and Specifications are returned within ten (10) days after receipt of bids, or in case no bid is submitted, if Plans and Specifications are returned on or before date of receipt of bids; otherwise, the deposit will be forfeited.

MIDLAND COLLEGE
E. G. Hickman, Vice President, Administrative Services

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board (Board) in Midland, Texas is soliciting bids for development of a promotional campaign. The Board serves the Permian Basin Workforce Development Area consisting of the following counties: Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward and Winkler. The Board plans and oversees workforce programs under Federal and State funding sources.

The Board will be conducting a mandatory Bidder's Conference on June 7th at 2:00 P.M. at the Texas Workforce Center of Odessa located at 2626 John Ben Sheppard Parkway, Building D.

A copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained by contacting Gail Dickenson at (915) 563-5239. Questions regarding the RFP may be sent via fax to Willie Taylor/Gail Dickenson at (915) 561-8785 or by e-mail: gail.dickenson@wc.state.tx.us. One original and three copies of the bid must be submitted to the Board by 5:00 P.M. on June 15, 2001.

The Board reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids/proposals received as a result of this request, or to negotiate with all qualified vendors, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this Request for Proposal. If it is in the best interest of the Board.

The Board encourages Historically Underutilized Businesses to request and respond to all Request for Proposals.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

BID #2001-25

Midland Community College is seeking competitive sealed bids for the purchase of automotive shop equipment and supplies.

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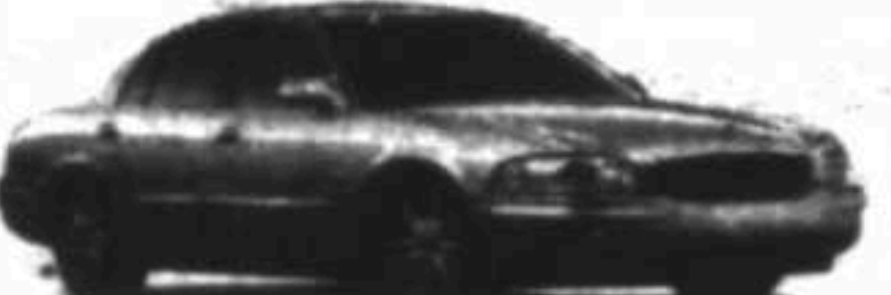
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J. Rick Brown
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Located on a huge lot (almost 3/10 acre) in the Lilly Heights area of southwest Midland, this home is family-friendly and easy to live in, both inside and out.

The entry opens into a large living area that leads into an equally large and wide-open kitchen and den overlooking a large expanse of lush green grass accentuated by a rock-lined stream-watered lily pond. In the back yard there is also a child's playhouse, a greenhouse and a large steel water tank that presently holds incubating lily pads. The water is supplied by a water well.

The nice thing about this house is that it is roomy and open enough to accommodate all kinds of possibilities. The front living area could easily be zoned for formal dining in one end and entertaining in the other.

The den has a wonderful brick-fronted fireplace with a raised brick hearth, and the huge patio extends the living area in the summer.

There is room for possibilities in the kitchen as well. Although it has a lot of storage and work space, and a convenient pantry behind accordion doors, an island work station and/or a bar would be easy and feasible if you like boundaries, or better yet, leave it open and free.

The bedrooms are large for a home of this era, and there are two full baths.

The one-car garage is attached to the front of the house; however, there is plenty of room in the back of the lot to add a carport or other parking and storage.

The owner said what she has loved most about this house is the openness and the large lot, where the kids had plenty of room to play without getting underfoot while adults were visiting!

Statistics:

Bedrooms: 3

Baths: 2

Garage: 1 Car

Fireplace: 1

This home lists for \$66,000, and will be open today from 1:30 to 3, or for a private showing, call Kathy Crowley, listing agent with Langston Realtors, at 685-0400.

Photos By: U. Frank Williams, Jr.
Graphics By: Art Flores

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN CHOOSING A REALTOR

You're buying your first house and aren't sure where to begin, or maybe you'd like to move into a larger home to accommodate a growing family and need to sell your current home. Whatever the reason for the move, you'll need to take the necessary steps to buy or sell your home for the best possible price, within a reasonable amount of time. Where do you begin?

If you're like most people, you'll start by seeking assistance from a professional. A real estate agent can be invaluable in helping you determine a fair market price, marketing your home, negotiating with buyers and sellers, and generally walking you through a process that can get complicated.

After all, the sale or purchase of a home or any real property is a major investment decision. The person you select to help you with that transaction can make a big difference in how well you fare - from both a financial and a liability standpoint. And most people trust real estate agents for these transactions, rather than going it alone.

In fact, a recent Gallup poll indicated that the public places real estate agents in high regard in terms of trustworthiness. In the Gallup 2000 survey on ethics and honesty, real estate agents ranked second among sales professionals, behind stockbrokers. Overall, real estate agents ranked 27th, ahead of such professions as car salesmen and state governors, and were seen as having a "very high" or "high" level of honesty by 17 percent of respondents - up from 14 percent from the year before.

The personality factor

Most people start their search for a Realtor by asking family, friends and neighbors for referrals. Attending open houses and interviewing several potential candidates to get an idea of their experience level is also helpful, especially if you're new to an area and don't know anyone just yet.

Once you've identified someone you think can help you find your dream home or help you sell your current home, the rest is chemistry. Is the person someone you're comfortable with, someone who will meet your needs? Do you feel confident that the person you're considering will give you sound advice and act as your representative? Is the person more focused on getting you the home you want and can afford, and not just making a sale? These are all questions in your search for a real estate professional.

What about the Internet?

In this information age, many people start with the Internet when searching for a home or thinking about selling one - even before speaking to family, friends or co-workers. Some may even use the Internet to replace a Realtor's counsel. But most continue to rely on the face-to-face advice of real estate professionals when buying or selling a home.

The Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University recently surveyed 3,000 homebuyers in Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio and Austin to find out about the Internet's role in the home search. Sixty percent of the nearly 400 respondents said an Internet home search was "important." Twenty-eight percent said it was "very important."

"The Internet was the fourth most popular way to find a home," said Jack C. Harris, the Center research economist who conducted the survey. "The highest percentage of respondents used the Internet to collect information about

homes and neighborhoods before making a commitment to an agent or lender."

The survey also mentions that the Web was seldom used to find brokers and lenders or to communicate with agents, and Harris concludes that while consumers might be uncomfortable conducting such serious business as a real estate transaction over the Internet, they are willing to take advantage of the information it offers.

Interestingly, 49 percent of the homebuyers surveyed reported finding their new home through a real estate agent. Twenty-one percent used yard signs to find a home, 11 percent relied on friends and relatives, and just 7 percent used the Internet.

"More than 82 percent of homebuyers responding to our survey used a real estate agent," Harris said. "About 75 percent agreed that the agent was a good source of information on houses and the community."

The Real Estate Center's survey also found that the value of the agents' advice was more significant. Nearly half those responding to the survey said their agents assisted with mortgage financing, either by providing a referral, through an in-house mortgage officer or through a system in which the loan application was submitted through the brokerage office. Two-thirds said they bought title insurance through an agent referral.

Questions you should ask

Just as you would prepare to interview for a job, it's equally important to prepare for and interview candidates to find the right real estate professional for you. Here are a few questions to consider:

- What experience does the agent have in real estate profession?
- Can the agent supply you with a list of clients to call for references?

- In what areas/price ranges does the agent specialize? Is the candidate merely an agent (someone who is licensed by the state to do business in real estate) or a Realtor (a licensed broker or agent who also belongs to the National Association of Realtors, as well as the state and local organization, and therefore is pledged to a strict code of ethics in representing you)?

- What is the average number of days on the market for the agent's listings?
- How will the agent advertise and market your property?

- How will the agent communicate with you and how frequently?

It might seem tempting to try to sell or buy your home without using a professional. But by using a Realtor, you can take advantage of that person's wealth of information and ability to guide you through what often is a complicated and confusing process. A Realtor is a real estate professional trained to help you find (or sell) your home quickly and easily.

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Jana Tucker,
President Permian Basin
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How To Help Your House Sell Fast

Before you put your home on the market, and while it is for sale, there are certain things you can do to help your real estate agent sell it quickly. Here is a list:

1. Pay attention to what real estate agents call "curb appeal." Mow the lawn, sweep the sidewalk, and prune the bushes. First impressions matter (that is what "curb appeal" means), and potential buyers will be turned off if they see an unkempt exterior, even if the inside is immaculate.

2. Remove extra cosmetics, brushes, or other items from the bathroom, and take down messages and children's drawings from the front of your refrigerator. That way, buyers will be able to imagine their own things in the bathroom and kitchen.

3. Remove unneeded furniture and extra kitchen appliances. Keeping the place crammed full of furniture and appliances makes a room seem smaller than it really is, and more cramped. Buyers like rooms

that feel spacious.

4. Repair water stains and wallpaper, and have the carpets cleaned. Wax the floors and wipe finger smudges from light switches.

5. Inside and out, check the condition of the paint. Inside, pay closest attention to door frames and other areas where hands are likely to touch the walls. Sometimes a fresh coat of paint is a better solution than scrubbing. Outside, check the paint on the front door and trim.

6. Let the real estate agent do the talking during a showing. Better yet, go shopping. Leaving the agent alone with the buyers gives buyers a chance to be honest about what they think, and gives the agent a chance to provide answer that might lead to a sale.

There are plenty of other ways to help your home sell quickly. Talk to your real estate agent for some solid tips.

This article submitted by Victoria Prinz,
of RE/MAX of Midland.

SHORTEN YOUR SEARCH!

Want to buy a home? What if you had to make 50, 100 or even 200 phone calls to find the perfect home? Are you prepared to visit and sort through 75, 100 or 125 homes before finding just the right one? That could happen if you try to buy a home without the services of a real estate agent.

Just imagine beginning your search. Some homes will be too large, some too small. Others will be too old, or too new with prices too high, or questionably low. Some locations will be right, but the home won't.

Consider the alternative, a real estate agent. During a short initial interview, the agent will ask for information about the home you want, i.e. size, location,

financing, etc. That information will then be used to do a computer maker search for homes which meet your requirements. Those which don't will be eliminated, as will those which have already sold.

Next, the agent will preview the homes to determine their suitability based on your earlier interview. Finally, appointments will be set for you to see homes which clearly meet your requirements. You may only see six or eight homes, however each will offer most, or even all, the desired features and amenities you requested.

Which would you rather do? Spend endless days or weeks searching, or invest a few rewarding days making the right decision?

This article submitted by Anita Noles,
Broker/Owner of RE/MAX of Midland.

Failing To Recognize A Good Offer

Brokers like to say that a seller's "first offer is best." Many times that's true. Some sellers have trouble recognizing a good offer when they see it. A good offer consists of a financially solid buyer (a buyer who is pre-approved for a loan is best), who is willing to pay a price above your minimum

acceptable price, and who will close within a reasonable amount of time. A good offer from a reasonable buyer is a workable offer. You should take this type of offer and buyer seriously. Try to make this deal work.

This story was submitted by Norma Pine,
Broker-Associate, ABR, CRS, RE/MAX of Midland.

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CVB JOB POSTINGS

The Midland Convention & Visitors Bureau is seeking qualified individuals for the following positions:

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Midland, Texas 79705

Please reference the job numbers



DRILLING SUPERVISOR

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Attention: Gary Sullenger

Please reference the following job number - 1164417



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Please reference the following job number - 1164416

PERMIAN BASIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Job Title: Care Coordinator Specialist (Area Agency on Aging)

General Statement of Duties:

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Required Experience & Knowledge:

Ability to develop required outcomes and products. Bachelor's or master's degree in administration, social services, gerontology, or a related area. Minimum 2 years or more experience in a related field, with progressively more responsibilities. Prefer candidate with business or program start-up experience OR high school diploma or equivalent, plus at least six years of progressively responsible experience in programs, service, or life experience related to this assignment.

Closing Date:

June 7, 2001

Salary Range:

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Please mail/ fax/ e-mail resume to:
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MIDLAND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT

POSITION VACANCY- SEX OFFENDER COUNSELOR

Sex Offender Counselor-Responsible for treatment case management of all sex offenders supervised by the Midland CSCD and ordered to participate in the Midland Sex Offender Treatment Program. Responsible for assessment, treatment planning, conducting individual and group sessions, case documentation, and aftercare recommendation. **Requirements-** Must have at minimum a Masters Degree in Counseling, Social Work, or Psychology. Must be LPC, LMSW, or equivalent licensing. Must have documented courses or continuing education relating to the treatment of sex offenders. Must have at least one year experience with individual/group counseling. Prefer five years documented experience working with sex offender caseloads. Bilingual preferred. **Salary Range-** \$2,916.67-\$3,250.00 per month DOE. Excellent benefits offered. To apply, and for a complete job description/announcement, contact the Midland CSCD between 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday, 200 N. Main, Midland, Texas 79701, or call (915)888-1172 x52. All applicants must complete a Midland CSCD job application form, and a copy of college transcripts, and applicable certification/licenses MUST accompany application. All applications MUST be received by 5pm, June 8, 2001. All applicants must submit to a thorough background investigation.

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Job Title: Care Coordinator Specialist (Area Agency on Aging)

General Statement of Duties:

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Closing Date:

June 8, 2001

Salary Range:

\$28,000 plus benefits

Please mail/ fax/ e-mail resume to:
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Our store managers are involved in all aspects of our business. That's why we provide a comprehensive on-the-job manager development program to prepare you to take charge of a Pier 1 store, including sales, P&L, visual merchandising and people management. We seek managers with strong retail experience (college degree a plus), proven leadership abilities, a commitment to customer satisfaction and the drive to handle a diverse workload in a challenging, fast-paced environment.

We're waiting to hear from you! Please fax resume to Attn: Regional Manager, (505) 889-0383. On-site interviews Thursday, June 7th and Friday, June 8th. EOE.

Pier 1 imports

NEW TODAY

UTILITY MANAGER

The City of Goldsmith will be taking applications for Utility Manager. Must be able to pass D.O.T. Drug Test, and certification for gas, water, and sewer license. TNRC compliance. Experience in electric repairs, water station, sewer plant, and repairs of lawn machinery preferred. Business knowledge preferred. Must be available to be on call for 24-hour periods. Must be willing to relocate to City of Goldsmith. The City of Goldsmith is an equal opportunity employer. For application and information contact City Hall from 9:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M. Monday - Friday (915) 827-3404.

Barn Door

Join the Barn Door Steakhouse and SO-40 Catering Company Management Team

If you are sharp, a team player, and have at least 2 years experience in food service management- banquet and catering preferred. Fax your resume to:

915-570-8965

Big Tex

Retail Service Manager: Nation's largest utility trailer manufacturer is seeking help in our Retail Sales and Service facility. Must be able to communicate well with customers, coordinate scheduling and have a broad mechanical knowledge. Trailer experience a plus.

12400 W. I-20 East, Odessa, TX 79765

Phone: 915-563-0300, ext. 236

Come grow with Us!

NEW TODAY
EXPERIENCED Outgoing salesperson needed for diesel engine and compressor sales. Salary is DOE. Bring resume and apply at 4000 N. Big Spring, Suite 113.

NEW TODAY
INSIDE SALES Representative needed for major distributing company serving the energy industry. Incumbent responsible for order entry, procurement, tracking shipments & scheduling drivers for product delivery minimum 2 years experience. Requires knowledge of pipes, valves, fittings & related products. Good communication skills. Strong computer skills (Word, Excel). Qualified applicants may fax resume to (915)385-3716 or email wilsononline.com EOE.

NEW TODAY
2 Lease Analyst
Must have lease analyst experience. Great salary + benefits. Please call Suzanne at 682-0033. Never a fee!

NEW TODAY
ACTIVE INDEPENDENT
seeking oil and gas sales. No experience. We train. We have the best products in town.

NEW TODAY
SERVICE COMPANY in need of ambitious sales person. Great pay potential. AMI Services, 570-8105, ask for Mr. Walker.

NEW TODAY
SALES
No Experience- Necessary
Health Insurance
2 Days Training Only
Vision • Dental • 401K
Paid Vacation
Casual Dress (No Tie)
LEADS FURNISHED \$1,000 Weekly Very Realistic 915-687-2800

NEW TODAY
MOTEL CHAIN seeks resident management teams at United Service Franchises at Texas and the Midwest. Fax resume and salary requirements to (541)256-3835 or email cmfranchises.com proaxis.com

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CAMPBELL TESTING COMPANY

will be taking applications for the position of
Tubing Tester
at
2724 W. 40th St., Odessa
for the next week. Oil field experience plus, but not mandatory. Must be able to pass pre-employment DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTS, and have, or be able to obtain a CDL license. We will train. Good Benefits, 401K Plan. If unable to apply 8-5, Monday-Friday, call 367-7283 for appointment.

NEW TODAY

TIW

Manufacturer of Oil Field Completion Equipment

Has Immediate Openings for:
ONE...Highly-Motivated

Sales Representative
With Liner Downhole Tool Experience

Great Benefits, 401(k) and Training
Call and set up an interview
Phone: (915)563-3813 for interview
TIW Corp., 4903 SCR 1305, Odessa, TX
Fax your resume (915)563-5025
Or e-mail to: branch25@tiwtools.com

NEW TODAY

PETROPLEX ACIDIZING INC.

EXPERIENCED PUMP TRUCK OPERATORS \$2,000

Sign On Bonus! (Experienced with Class A CDL/Hazmat) Benefits include: Uniforms, Health Insurance, Hourly Guaranteed Monthly Salary/Performance Bonus, Vacation Benefits 401(k) Plan 915-563-1299 Monday-Friday 8 AM TO 5 PM

NEW TODAY
PRODUCTION SERVICE TECH needed. We are looking for highly motivated individuals experienced in field service and maintenance on production equipment. Experience working with regulators is a must. Insurance and benefits available. Send resume to 4000 N. Big Spring, Ste. 1113, Midland, Texas 79705 or fax to 915-682-3041.

NEW TODAY
VACUUM TRUCK DRIVER- Must have Class A CDL. Benefits available. Salary DOE. Please apply in person at Midkiff Transportation, 6601 FM 715, 682-2405.

NEW TODAY
WANTED: Line men, electricians and helpers for oilfield work. Permian Basin area. Salary DOE. Must pass drug test. Call 915/563-5000 or come by 6501 S. FM 1788.

NEW TODAY
ASE CERTIFIED auto Technician needed. Must have own tools. Competitive pay! Call 682-9699 for appointment.

NEW TODAY
CNC TRAINEE full time position, wages depending on experience, math skills required. Obtain application at B&M Tool Co. #40 Industrial Loop East.

NEW TODAY
DRAFTSPERSON. Background in art or drafting, helpful. Small freehand lettering a must. Call 683-2777 x18 for an appointment.

NEW TODAY
EXPERIENCED LATHE OPERATORS, great pay
Energetic/Personnel
4400 N. Big Spring
#202 683-7277

NEW TODAY
EXPERIENCED WELDERS, great pay
Energetic/Personnel
4400 N. Big Spring
#202 683-7277

NEW TODAY
EXPERIENCED Lead Maintenance Tech for apartment complex. HVAC & Pool certified. Must have knowledge of plumbing & electrical. Must have own tools & vehicle. Apply at 4405 N. Garland, 10 Phone Calls Please.

NEW TODAY
HEAVY EQUIPMENT Mechanic. Pay DOE. Reply to: Box P-6134, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

NEW TODAY
HELP WANTED. Experienced car body technician with good background check. Please call 683-7306 between the hours of 8:00-12:00. Please no walk-ins.

NEW TODAY
IMMEDIATE OPENING
Looking for experienced Code Welders. Must be able to pass a 1 & 6 G Welding Test. If interested please call (915) 570-8666.

NEW TODAY
LOOKING for licensed plumbers or experienced drain cleaners. Call 570-7473.

NEW TODAY
OIL & LUBE Technician needed. Competitive wages and commission. Call 682-9699 for appointment.

NEW TODAY
SEARS HomeCentral
The Service Side of Sears
Opening for HVAC Technician/Generalist. Certification required. Call 561-4401, ask for Darin or Eric, or fax resume to 563-4215. Apply direct at 11700 West Hwy 80 East, Odessa, TX

NEW TODAY
310 OXFORD (in alley). Refrigerator, full size bedding, lots of baby clothes and accessories, adult clothes, knick knacks, Herbalife. Saturday - Sunday 8-5.

NEW TODAY
3312 BEDFORD, Saturday and Sunday 8:00-7. Womens lawman jeans, furniture, clothes, miscellaneous computer accessories, household appliances, refrigerator and water heater for RV, car parts, car and truck, stereo equipment for home and car. Lots of miscellaneous. Great bargains!

NEW TODAY
713 RUBY DRIVE, Saturday and Sunday 9:00-6:00. Baby clothes, car parts, furniture, miscellaneous stuff.

NEW TODAY
1901 English Drive- Garage sale. Clothes, shoes, computer, miscellaneous. Saturday & Sunday.

NEW TODAY
The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

TOMCAT

STAINLESS STEEL AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS

TOMCAT is growing. If you are a team player and enjoy a challenge, then give your career a jump-start by joining our team. We have several openings in our production department waiting for you.

TIG AND MIG WELDERS
Experienced aluminum welders with 3-5 years of experience, fabricating to close tolerance and blueprint interpretation. Salary DOE.

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CNC machinists with 3-5 years of experience in the science of machining with programming experience who are proficient with all CNC set-up and operations of both turning and milling centers. Salary DOE.

PART-TIME WELDERS AND CNC MACHINISTS
Do you want to supplement your income? Then we have openings for welders and CNC machinists to work 4 hours a day 4 days a week.

We provide a friendly work environment, as well as a compensation and benefits package. Mail or fax your resumes to: TOMCAT USA, Inc., Human Resources Department, P.O. Box 550, Midland, TX 79702. (915)689-3605. Or you are welcome to stop by our office at 2160 Commerce Street and fill out an application.

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•CNC Machinist •Machinist
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Internet users wanted! \$2,175-\$5,175/monthly
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LISTED FAMILY HOME
Has opening for ages 1-3. Excellent references and experience. Call Joanne 689-7214

START YOUR OWN
electronics business. Distributing energy saving surge protectors for homes, businesses and wells. No investment required. Contact Mr. Jerry Hardison 886-586-6500.

FREDECKSBURG, TX
Antique CoOp. approximately 600 sq. ft. lease space. \$225/mo. (830)896-1889 or (807)736-7900. promised@kic.com

MAIL BOXES ETC.
Franchise for sale. 877-MBE-SALE www.mbe.com

Golden Chick
Franchise for sale. Sweetwater, TX. (915)235-0050. Leave message.

NEW TODAY
All American Greeting Card/ Fuji Camera Distributorship
Do you earn \$200K per year? YOU could! Free samples and info. 1-888-645-8047

NEW TODAY
PART-TIME care giver for three children. Please call 682-6389 for more information.

Real Wheel Deals
ONLY \$25 w/Phone
Call for info 682-6222

NEW TODAY
DELIVERY ROUTE for sale. Customers in place. Good money maker. Still room for growth. Possible \$65,000 to \$85,000 first year. Priced to sell. 563-1970 or 425-4906.

NEW TODAY
AAA GREETING CARD ROUTE
100 Hi-Profit Locations! Local
Earn \$1,200 Weekly 1-800-377-9434 24 hrs.

NEW TODAY
4309 CRESTWOOD, (behind On The Border) Saturday and Sunday 9:00-7. Mens and womens nice clothes size 4 and up, exercise bike, microwave, computer parts and printers, angle grinder, crescent wrenches, dinette chairs, household items, too much to list!

NEW TODAY
H.C. Whitmire ESTATE SALE
1601 W. 23rd.
(191 to W.Co. Rd, turn left, turn right on 24th, 2 blocks, turn left, watch for signs)
1/2 PRICE Sale!!!!
Judy Jackson's Estate Sales

NEW TODAY
3001 DOUGLAS DRIVE, Three Family Sale! Friday, Saturday and Sunday 8:00-3:00. Stove, exercise equipment, lawn equipment, dishes, books, infant and adult clothes, toys, miscellaneous.

NEW TODAY
1407 HARVARD, Saturday 8:00-5:00, Sunday 8:00-7. Furniture, lawn mower, baby seats, 9 speed bike, books, clothes, office supplies, high chair, computer table, lots of miscellaneous.

NEW TODAY
3201 W. Golf Course Road- Electric stove, evaporative cooler, toys, bikes, clothes, lots of everything. Saturday- Sunday 8:00am.

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MARTY'S MARKETPLACE

Leading you to the best bargains in Midland and the area!

Do you need to get rid of some of your extra goodies around the house?

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3 Line Ad

1 Item Priced \$300 or Less

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\$4.00

Call or Fax Classifieds today to schedule your special Marketplace ad!

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Fax 682-6999

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

SHOW LOW RIDER Bike for sale. Custom paint, all custom parts. Call for price. 689-4722

WHITE WEDDING gown for sale. Beautiful lace and pearl fill the Princess bodice that has a shimmering effect. Long sleeves of sheer fabric carry out the lace and pearls to the finger tips. Skirt is full with a very long train trimmed with matching lace and pearls. The gown is called "My Fair Bride" with Impressions size 12. This is a truly gorgeous and elegant dress. \$425. (915) 852-9048

SACRIFICE 6 MAN hot tub, 1 year old with umbrella and accessories. \$2,000. Call 689-9414.

NEW 6 PERSON spa/Hot tub 663 a month. Delivery/financing. 563-3108.

ANTIQUE MAHOGANY round mahogany dining table and 4 chairs. \$75. 520-3512

BIBLE TALK "The Parable of the Vineyard What Does it Teach?" \$15. 520-0361. Free recorded message.

21' ROUND Above Ground Pool with brand new liner still in box. \$450. 570-7524 or 889-8100.

SLIGHT DAMAGE 12'x24' bath. Will deliver. 563-3108.

DIABETIC SUPPLIES at no cost to you. 877-632-1422.

NEW TODAY 24' ROUND Pool with deck and security fence that surrounds it. \$1,250. See at 812 Sinclair, after 5. Call 686-3950.

1999 RIDING LAWN MOWER, good condition! \$300 firm. Igloo dog house. \$50. 697-4833.

SUMMER FUN! 24' round above ground pools \$32 a month. Installation/financing available. 563-3108.

12'x20' WORKSHOP storage buildings \$69 a month. Delivery/financing. 563-3108.

SPA 4-6 person, new cover, \$600. Metal patio table and 4 cushioned chairs. \$125. 994-1279.

BINGO, American Legion, 501 Airpark Road, Friday nights, games start at 8. Food, refreshments. 682-5511.

WOOD DESK, Red with two blue drawers. Very sturdy. Good for student. \$30. Call 694-7524.

NEW TODAY 48" round table/5 swivel chairs, umbrella. Mint condition. (\$1,500 new). \$550. 688-2519.

LEATHER COUCH, off white, excellent condition. \$600. Oak coffee table and end table \$135. 697-0122.

SOLD RESTONIC 2 piece queen set and frame. \$175. xxx-xxxx.

LIKE NEW couch and love seat \$300; coffee table \$300; queen bedroom set \$200; table/4 chairs \$200. Call 522-5217.

HUGE EXECUTIVE desk, burf wood and chrome. Suitable for conferencing. Excellent condition! \$200. 682-0428.

413 Jewelry & Furs

NEW TODAY LADIES PLATINUM ring, utilizing two marquis brilliant diamonds, eight straight baguette diamonds, ten round brilliant cut diamonds. Can be seen at Hauck's Jeweler, 216 North Main.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANTED: Southwest \$270 + 800-711-0612 www.mrmileage.com

416 Miscellaneous SOUTHWEST Rapid Reward Tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

432 Household Furniture BEAUTIFUL OAK table with 2 leaves and 6 chairs. Very ornate with large claw foot base. Paid \$1,600. Sell for \$700 obo 522-1286.

435 Household Appliances

FOR SALE, Single wall oven with microwave unit. To be built in. GE electric self-clean. \$300. Call 697-5232.

RECONDITIONED APPLIANCES Washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves. Payments and delivery available. Removal of old appliances. 683-7040.

WHIRLPOOL WASHER & gas dryer, almond. Excellent condition! \$200 obo. 686-7845.

FREE REMOVAL OF appliances 550-6540. Sale washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezer. \$75 up. Free delivery one year warranty.

ELECTRIC STOVE \$100. Good working condition. Please call 520-3173.

440 Firewood DICK'S FIREWOOD Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453-2151, Fax 1-(915) 453-4322.

450 Sporting Goods GOLF! TITANIUM Head Drivers with Probes graphite shafts graffalloy & parlay shafts Pro quality. HR32/ \$150, compare to Callaway EPC2 at \$499. 240 at \$150, compare to Ping ISI at \$399. Long Drive winners! Great Father's Day gift. 694-9200.

(2) COMPLETE WEIDER home gyms/accessories. Like new! Great for hanging clothes! \$400 each. 694-6312.

460 Antiques & Arts INDIVIDUAL WILL pay fair prices for your antiques, collectibles and entire estates. 571-3222/ 694-1900.

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH'S. Let our experienced team liquidate your estate. 687-3040, 687-2888, 694-5034.

WANTED Harold Bryant Southwest paintings. (817) 783-8424.

THE CATS MEOW 4000 sq. ft. of fine merchandise we buy & sell antiques. 408 Andrews Highway. (915) 687-2004.

JUDY JACKSON'S Estate Sales. An experienced professional working for you! 689-3536, 682-6147.

LARGE WARDROBE \$200; tables, china cabinets, dressers, occasional chairs, buffets, costume jewelry. All dolls 50% off. AM & PM Antiques and Gifts. 1025 N Dixie 332-7490.

470 Musical Instruments WALTRIP MUSIC is closing after serving Midland 36 years. New and used string instruments, cases and accessories. Discounts up to 60%. C.J.'s paperbacks \$25 each. 807 North Mckinstry.

PIANO OAK Wurliizer Spinnet with bench and some music. Excellent condition! \$225 obo. 684-3828.

485 Electronics BIG SCREEN TV for sale. Take on small payments. Good credit required. 1-800-398-3670.

490 Computers/Accessories FOR SALE or Trade. 2001 Compaq Presario Windows ME, DSL and dial up modem. Call for more information. Willing to trade for above ground 4' deep complete pool. 686-8267.

495 FOR FREE FREE KITTENS, all white. 694-5274.

495 FOR FREE 4- FREE KITTENS 2 males, 2 females and their mother cat. 570-1193.

KITTENS, 6 weeks old, litter box trained. 697-7513.

MOTHER CAT with 4-7 week old kittens. Litter trained, with accessories. To good homes. Desperate. 520-5228.

FREE lots of kittens. Cute and cuddly. Call 686-8786.

4 KITTENS, 2 males/2 females, 8 weeks. 570-7710 after 12 pm.

FREE KITTENS to good homes. Litter box trained. Please call 563-2741 or 552-7663.

A BRIGHT blue eyed kitten to a good home. Please call 684-6666 please leave message.

FREE ADORABLE black kitten to a loving home. 6 to 8 weeks. Litter box trained. Call 694-7140.

FREE KITTENS to good home. 12 to choose from. 6 to 8 weeks. Call 697-0525.

4- FREE KITTENS, litter box trained. 6-7 weeks old. 570-8407.

FREE to good home, 9 week old kittens. Call 570-1209.

FREE PUPPIES: mixed breeds, 6 males; 7-8 weeks old. 915-458-3638.

TWO CALICO female kittens, six weeks old, short haired. Very cute & frisky. 683-2982.

2- LOVABLE KITTENS to a good home. Different colors. 682-6123.

TO A GOOD home, very cute medium size one year old female dog. Call 570-8797.

FREE KITTENS, 6 adorable kittens need new homes. Please call 697-7192.

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC MALE Shar-Pei, 5 years old. Family moving. Raised with young children. Will sell for \$100 to loving family only. 620-0060.

NEW TODAY FULL BLOOD Doberman female, puppy 10 weeks. Shots Tail cropped, dew claws removed. \$125. 523-3242.

SEEKING AN Adoptive family for a one year old spade AKC Westie female. \$350. 683-9144.

AKC REGISTERED German Shorthaired Pointers, 6 weeks old. Excellent blood line. Asking \$200. (806) 872-5882.

AKC MINIATURE Schnauzer puppies - 2 males, \$300 each. 520-6464.

2 IGUANA'S for sale with large 5' aquarium. All for \$150. Call Sandy at 697-0434.

7X13 DOG RUN \$100. Please call daytime 7:00-3:00. 682-0208 or evening 570-0618.

RAT TERRIER puppies. Sunday 04-11-01. \$100. Home 570-0719, work 688-4542.

REGISTERED Siberian Husky. Cute and cuddly male. 10 weeks. Needs good home. \$200 obo. 697-1781.

505 Livestock & Poultry

NEW TODAY PALOMINO GELDING - 1/2 years old. Experienced rider. \$1,000. 570-5532.

KIDS PONY for sale. Good manners. Seven years old mare bay pony. Has been used as jumper. Outgoing, needs good home. Work 683-5233. Home 694-9089. Ask for Farris.

FOR SALE Line back Dun gelding. \$800. Please call 694-1361.

EXTRA TALL WW 2 Horse trailer, reasonable. Please call 694-9699.

TWO HORSES three horse slant horse trailer with tack room (used 4 times), some tack, Ford 9N tractor with four implements. 697-0248.

520 Store & Cafe Equipment

COCA COLA concession trailer. \$2750. O.B.O. Electric steam table and deep fryer. Please call 689-7212.

Good used equipment. Dipping cabinets, chest freezers, display case, walk-in refrigerator, 20' x 30' gas grill, stainless tables, dish table/sink, booths, more! 334-6110.

550 Portable Buildings

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings. MORGAN (915) 563-1860.

560 Machinery/Tools

1997 CASE 580L CAB Air Backhoe. 1500 hours. Excellent condition! \$32,000. Call 352-0050.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

USED ECHOMETER equipment. Model "D" analyzer with compact gas gun. Call 699-7401 ask for Mark Foster. 8am-5pm. Monday-Friday.

1994 CHEVROLET Kodiak, 3116 Cat engine, 6 speed, chemical treating truck, high & low pressure pumps, 30 BBL. flush tank. Chemical compartments new in 8/97. 915-694-8009.

580 Farm Equipment

FORD 1999 Tractor, 2120, 44 HP, 5' front loader, 37 hours, \$23,500. 561-9828.

350 Business Opportunities

1997 WELLS CARGO. Fully equipped concession stand (funnel cakes, fryer, potato machine) used 10 times. Excellent condition! \$20,000. (505) 383-0308, (505) 392-5656.

Get your Real Estate license quickly, short, day, weekend, evening classes. Southwest College. 697-7277.

Attention Readers Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract or giving out your credit card or bank information.

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800 Rooms for Rent

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835 Condo/Townhome

840 Condo/Townhome

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850 Mobile Home

855 Mobile Home

860 Mobile Home

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600 Rooms for Rent

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603 Roommates Wanted

LARGE ONE bedroom \$175 a month. With 34 year old male. MUST BE 21. 882-1321.

605 Apartments Furnished

ALL BILLS Paid, Furnished, 1 & 2 Bedroom, downtown, quiet complex. To see apartments call 682-3589.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

SUTTON PLACE Garden Apartments. 1 & 2 & 3 Bedrooms. Our smallest unit is 1,050 square feet. Covered parking. 682-2423.

NEW TODAY REDUCED RATES: One or Two Bedrooms. All utilities paid. Imperial Apartments. 405 Sunset. 694-9978.

THORNWOOD Apartments Great prices, 1, 2, & 3 Bedrooms. Free deposit. Senior discounts. 682-5381.

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LARGE ONE bedroom, one bath, washer/dryer connections. \$250 monthly. 4407 Crockett. Call 699-4182.

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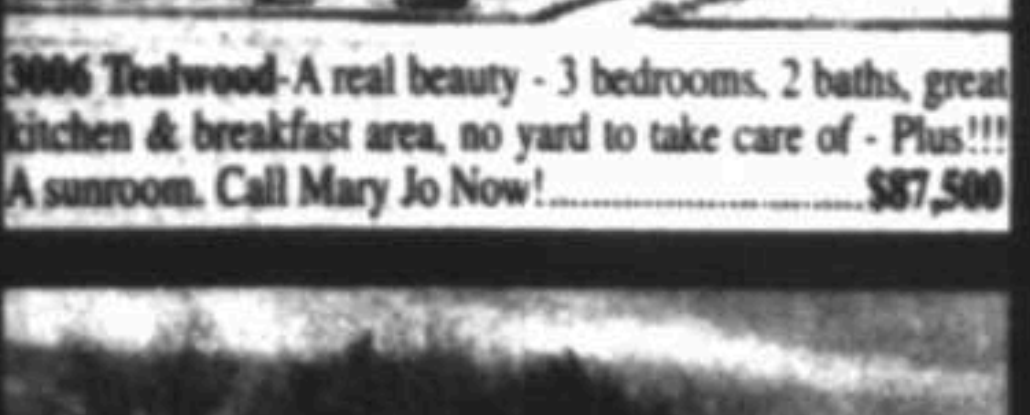
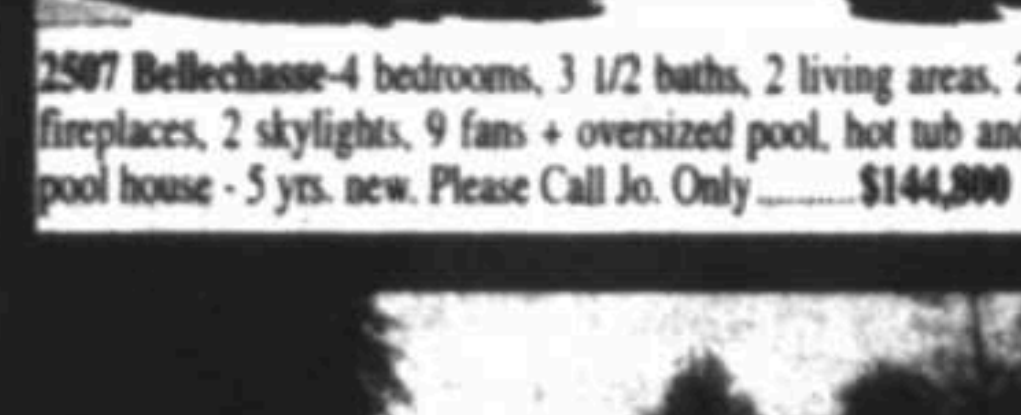
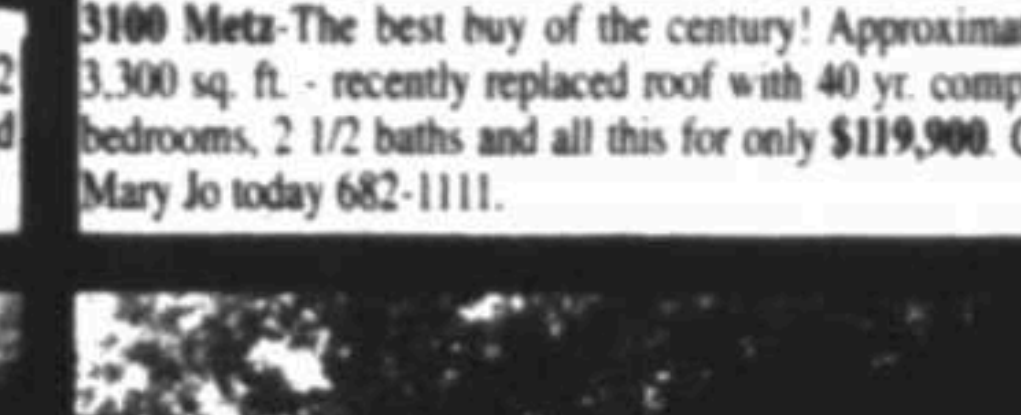
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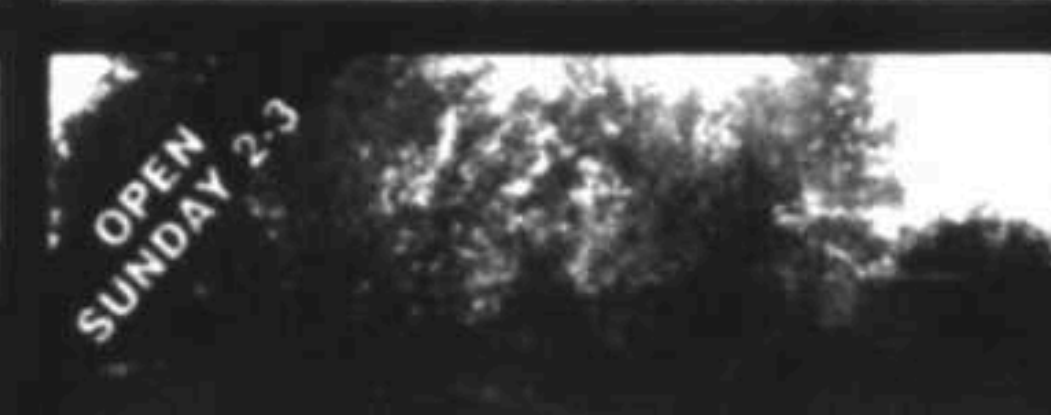
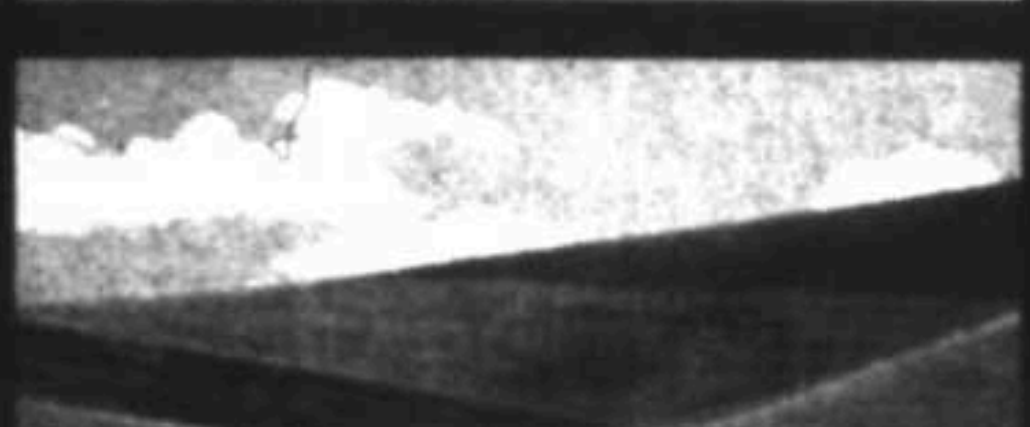
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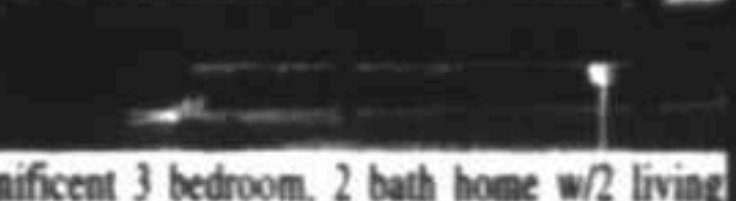
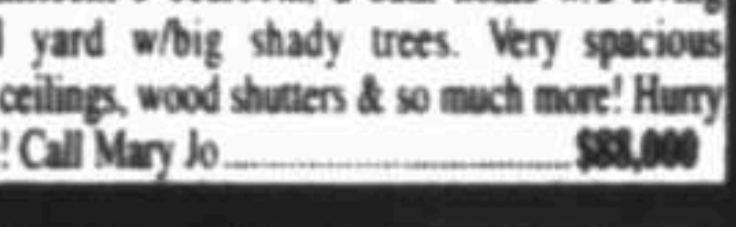
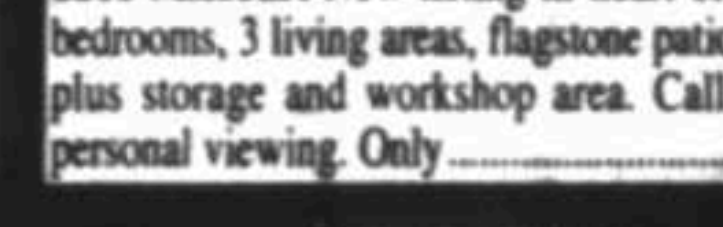
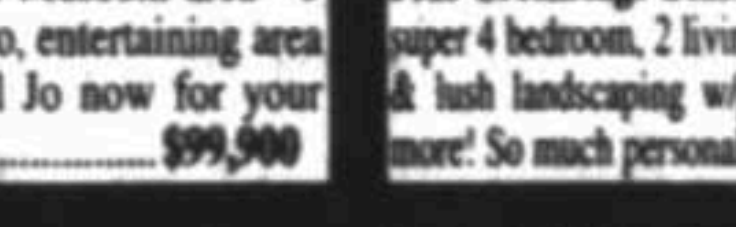
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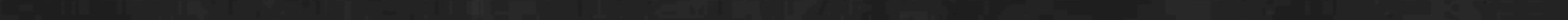
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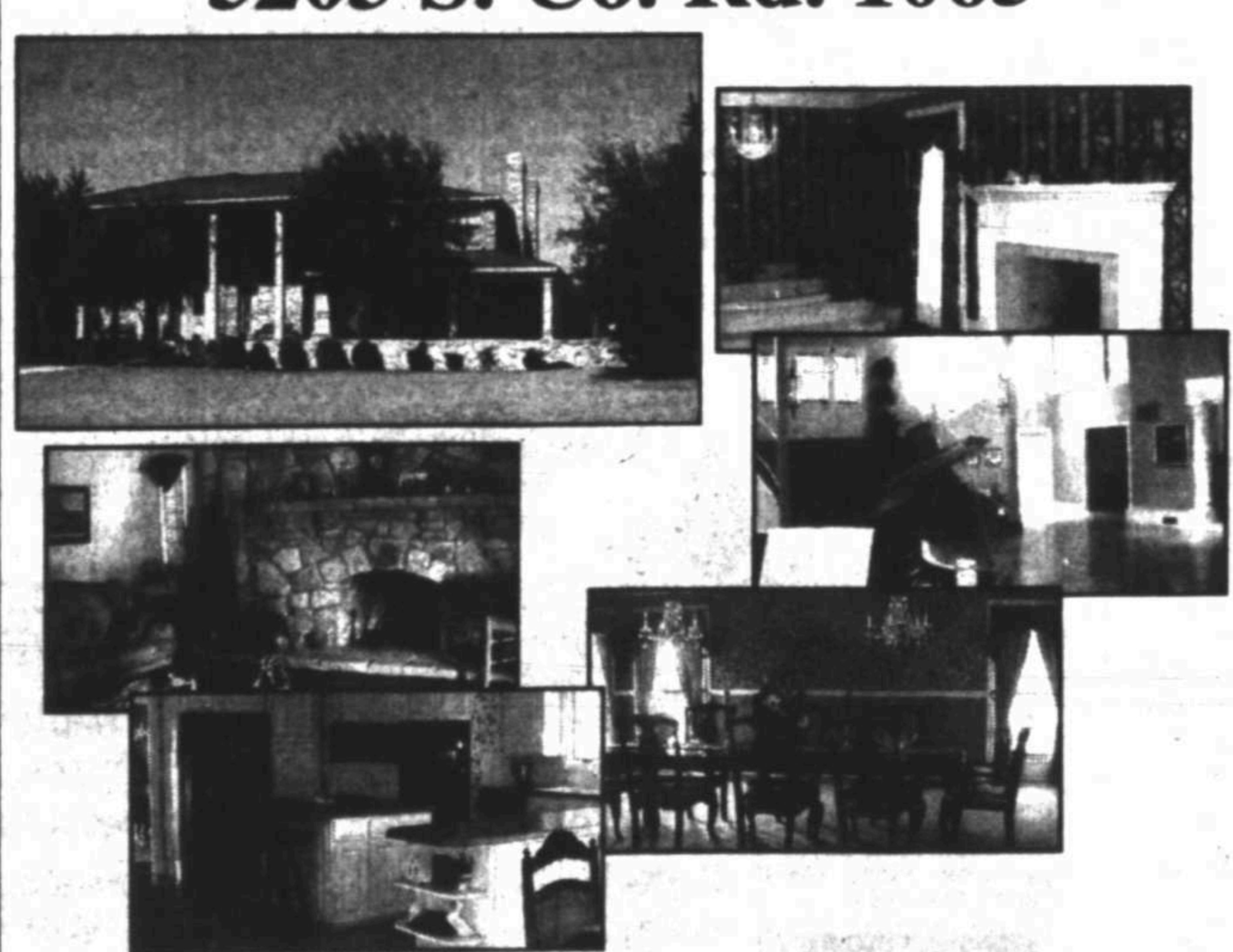
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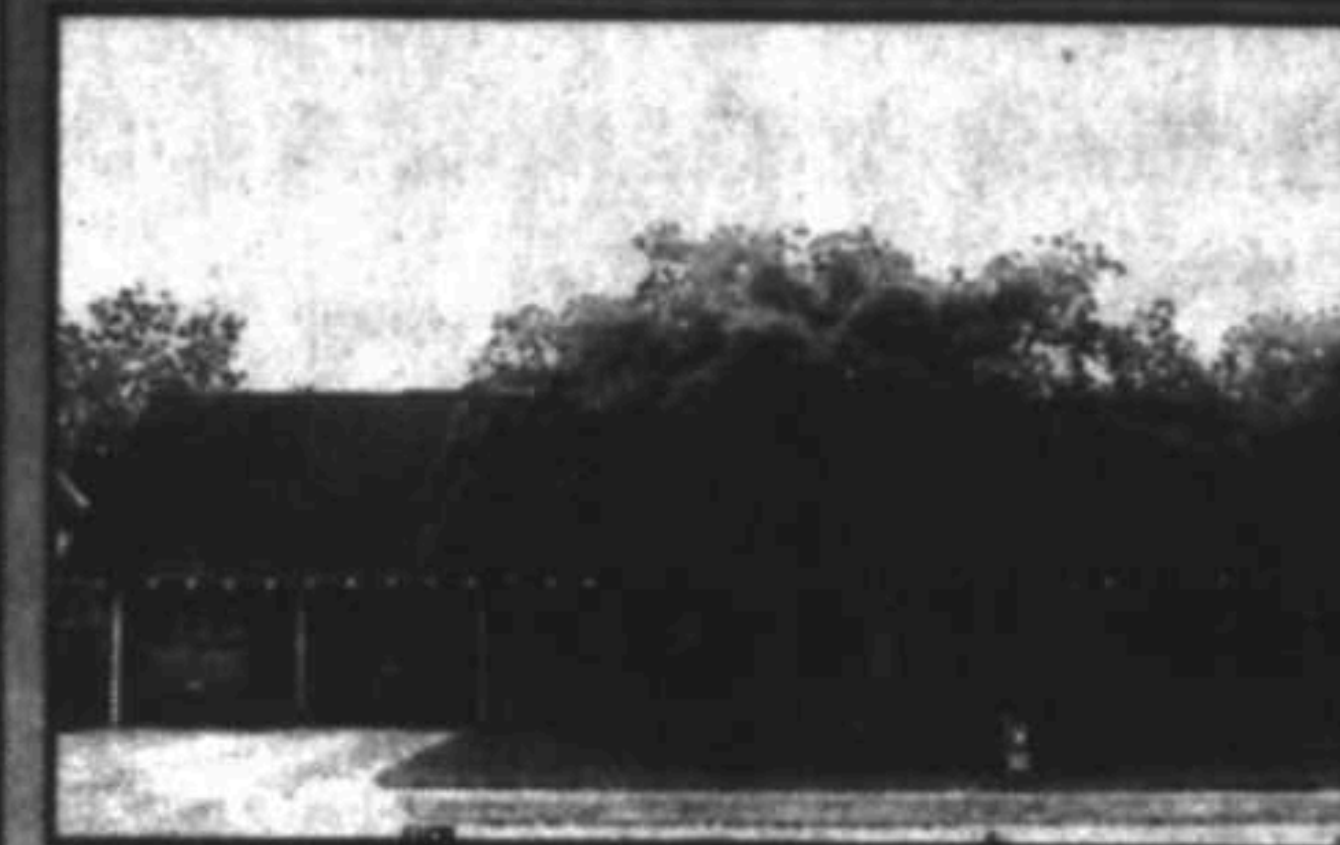
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BY OWNER/ Agent - GreenTree area. 5431 Basswood Circle, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2,677 sq. ft., new roof, January of 2001, sequestered master bedroom with large bathroom, jetted tub and separate shower, large walk-in closet off master bath, lots of tile, storage galore. This house is ready to move in. Excellent condition. \$163,500. Call 697-6275 or 682-8321.

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NON QUALIFYING ASSUMPTION - 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 car garage, central heat and air, RO unit, 2 living areas, new Spanish tile throughout, good location, great schools, \$49,500, 563-0141, leave message.

3405 BAUMANN - The owner has moved and the charming three bedroom home needs a Buyer! There are walk-in closets in all the bedrooms. The living area is extra large with a wall of built-ins in the spacious family room. The backyard is divided and works well for family play. Priced to sell at a low \$54,000!

2606 W. DENGAR - Super FIVE bedroom home with all new paint, carpet, vinyl and counter tops! There are two large living areas plus a formal dining and sunroom. The 4th bedroom is a perfect home office set-up. There is a circle drive and lovely mature trees. This House is Super!

1800 DUKES DRIVE - This terrific 4BR is dazzling. The tile flooring is fantastic and open in all directions to a sequestered master bedroom, a wonderful kitchen and a large laundry. High ceilings, tons of built-ins and a 3 car garage.

3305 ROSEMONT - Custom built 4BR on a beautiful cul-de-sac in Fannin Park. The kitchen has fantastic cabinet work, tile counter tops and tile floors. Sequestered 4th BR makes a perfect hobby/den. No calling, walk-in closets, oversized garage plus 1st, water softener, sprinkler system, gas logs.

720 Suburban Property

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OPEN HOUSES - COME BY!

3239 WHITTLE WAY Lovely 3BR/2BA TH w/updates, private patio, 2% buyer incentive and more! Join us today! Shella McKown 72,500	1002 TARLETON Featured home in today's paper! Take a look at this wonderful open floor plan - 2 w/LAs & more! Kathy Crowley 66,000
306 GUDFREY Just perfect! 3/2/2 w/2-car garage, tile, sprinkler system, recent paint and carpet. Much more! Donna Omar 69,900	4307 SPENCE Nice spacious 3 or 4 bedroom home. Garage can be converted back and owners willing to do. Diane Green 69,500
2800 FRONTIER Mediterranean Mystery invites you into this charming 3/2 w/workshop or 3rd garage. Jana Tucker 84,500	4808 TIMBER LANE Reduced! 3/2 w/extras galore! High ceilings, skylights. Great! North on Midkiff to Caldera (KFC) left to Timber Lane. Louise Culver 110,500
3409 W. STOREY (Off Midkiff) It Just Feels Like Home! 3BRs/2BAs, den w/FP, large yard. Needa Faught 62,000	1006 STANOLIND High ceilings, light and bright 3/2 w/neutral decor, workshop. Quiet cul-de-sac. Jana Tucker 79,900

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FAIRWOOD -Another gorgeous Heritage Home! Spacious 3BR/2BA/2LA, pool, sports court, Dynamite! 150,000	CULPEPER -Well maintained, much loved 4BR/3BA dream home in beautiful Fair Oak Estates. 144,500	METZ -Cul-de-sac and huge! Great yard, 3LAs/4BR/2.5BA, lots of tile. 123,100
LANHAM -Incredibly spacious four car, appointed over 5500 sq ft. Formal, den, study, gameroom, spa, cabana. 195,000	KINGSBORO -Really nice 42.52 in Meadows on quiet cul-de-sac. Newer carpet, tile of tile. 141,200	SPRING MEADOW -50-Beautiful executive TH w/many updates including new interior & exterior paint. 120,000
GREENHEDGE -Wonderful home in Grassland w/ large bedrooms, wonderful den & lush landscaping. 182,500	HARVARD -Traditional Old Midland w/many new amenities, charming bay window in formal dining 30. 139,900	SHARLEY CT -Great Wallace TH, approximately 2400 sq ft. New carpet and roof in 1999. 120,000
PRINCETON -Fresh paint & carpet in progress 5BR/4BA/3LA. 37538 186,000	NEXT to Midland College-Incredibly lovely w/ more than \$50,000 in new prof. decorating and landscaping. 150,000	CANOLETREE CT -Fabulous plan/fabulous location/fabulous price! Space & grace on pretty cul-de-sac. 119,900
ROBERTSON -Incredible builder's home 4BR/2.5BA w/25992BA in-lavest quarter or one big home. 180,000	ROSEWOOD -Great price in Grassland. 42. Large backyard, updated system and more. 137,500	RUSTIC TRAIL -Great 4BR on the course in coveted Green Tree North. 119,900
COUTBERT -Stunning & charming w/many ceilings, incredible & spacious w/wooded landscape yard. 185,000	KENNINGTON -A "real beauty" in 84.32 w/LA, double FP which new New Landscaping. 129,000	TRIMBER LANE -Tasteful 4BR w/ large kitchen and spacious family room. 119,900
BOYD -Sweet living in West Texas w/many, pool and g. - great kitchen. 182,000	BOYD-4BR/4BA , large living areas - multi-use home on a hill. 135,000	KANSAS -Great 4BR/3BA on large corner lot, 3FP, bath of updates in kitchen. 119,900
GORTHERLY -A lovely landscaped yard for this exceptional 4 1/2 house w/2-car garage. 190,500	SORRELL LANE EAST -Saddle Club North TH 2222, updated, return & office. 138,000	MOUNT VERNON -Charming 3BR, spacious kitchen, well landscaped. Santa Rita area. 119,000
BOYD -Spacious front porch by far holder including costly coat! 4BR/3BA/2LA w/interior-e-lav plan. 175,000	RICHMOND-4BR/3BA in Polo Park, great kitchen and formal dining. Spacious clean & priced right. 134,900	LEAMONT -Plantation Hills, circle drive, low maintenance, flexible floor plan - 1 or 2LA, 3 or 4BR. 118,500
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TEAKWOOD -Super 2-story Green Tree home w/ many for all 4BR/3BA, formal, master, den, target. 199,500	KANSAS -Great 4BR/3BA w/ updates, charm & appeal. Close to the park, quiet serene neighborhood. 129,000	MAXWELL -Spacious 4BR/3BA, great floor plan for everyone to enjoy. 114,900
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HUMBLE -Magnificent Old Midland home w/ many new master suite. 3023 plus 2nd car garage. 159,999	SHANDON -Wonderful drive-up to this 4BR/3LA updated home. Pool, storage building, lots of extras. 127,000	SHENWOOD -Better than new! 1.5 yr old Frasier resale w/ master carpet, tile, neutral colors & much more. 113,000
SENTINEL -Gorgeous pool, spacious and gracious, unbelievable master bath & closet, divided. 159,900	STUTZ -Midland's favorite plan, 4BR/3BA, spacious rooms, lots of light. 125,000	LAWSON -Wonderful Old Midland. Updated kitchen & bath, computer area, FP, Satellite tile & more. 112,000
TERESA CT -Traditional, high ceiling, up front for LA & F&A w/ view. 4BR/3BA - picture-like backyard. 158,000	HUMBLE -Prestige home in Midland surrounds this charming versatile home w/ many special features to list. 125,000	TRIMBER LANE -High ceilings, 32 w/FP of the natural Look new. 112,000
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CULPEPER -Popular plan. 4 1/2 w/LA, formal dining, separate rooms, lots of light, new carpet. 152,000	GOLF COURSE -Professionally updated patio home, 3/2/2.5 plus study, many amenities. 124,000	GREEN TREE BLVD -Every square inch looks brand new & nearly all of it! 104,500
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		METZ -What a deal! Spacious 4BR w/ pool to be sold "as is". 100,000

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DANN CIRCLE -Spacious and well maintained. Nice size living areas and bedrooms. 90,000	GLENEAGLES -Wonderful 3/2 in great neighborhood! Lots of new carpet, tile & paint. Super kitchen. 79,000	SHANDON -Spacious 3BR/2BA w/ 2-car garage. Scenery on porch. 83,000
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GLENEAGLES -4BR/2BA w/ updates, bright, bright floor plan in great subdivision. 90,000	ANDREWS HWY -Lots of space for the price, 2LAs, 2 small offices and great potential. 79,000	STORY -Close to Bonham & Alamo. Den w/FP, 3BR, move-in ready, landscaped, sprinklered yard. 82,000
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WILLIAMHAM -Great 4BR w/ great storage, extra large kitchen, pool, on quiet street. 90,000	NEELY-4BR/2BA/2LA , large kitchen, close to elementary and shopping. 79,000	BAUMANN -Great neighborhood, charming home w/ large family room and walk-in closets. 84,000
ELMA -Great 3BR w/ formal dining, bonus room, large living area w/ vaulted ceiling & gorgeous paneling. 90,000	PHILLIP PL -Wonderfully maintained 3BR on a cul-de-sac. Built-in, seq, master, high ceilings and more. 79,000	LAUREN -Great 3BR/2BA, circle drive, great backyard. 83,000
GULF -Super nice 3/2.52 near Lee High. lovely yard. 90,000	WARD -Lovely patio-like home. Light, bright, spacious and clean. Water well for easy yard care. 79,000	STORY -Cute 3BR w/ hardwood floors. Super potential. Apartment in back. 48,000
MARK LANE -Cool 3BR w/ bonus room and extra large kitchen w/ tile floors. 90,000	MICHIGAN -3BR/2BA/3LA, well maintained, good location. 79,000	DEWBERRY -Really nice home, lots of new, 3 big bedrooms. 48,000
ST ANDREWS -Attractive 3BR/2BA/2-car garage in Farmington w/ tile, carpet, DW & paint. 90,000	BOYD-3BR/2BA -2 car/2LA, formal area, breakfast bar, covered patio, new paint, etc. 79,000	MONTY -Tasteful 3BR w/ great carpet, vinyl and paint! Great home. 48,000
FREDA -32.5 - decorator's dream! Soaring ceilings, double light, open plan, total update. Bonus room. 89,999	CANADIAN -3BR/2BA, better carpet, new tile, high ceilings, built-in w/ tile, no painting. 79,000	WADLEY -Inviting & cozy, this Old Midland cottage has just what you need for a sunny hearth for winter. 48,000
DOUGLAS -3BR/2BA/2-car-2LA, Old Midland home, large workshop, security system, very open & bright. 89,999	BRADZ -Tasteful plan w/ view bar & double FP between bedrooms & LA sitting area. 3600. 79,000	CARROLL -Charming, like other contemporary duplex for sale and lease. 87,500
GLENEAGLES -Stunning interior design, easy living plan & terrific storage bldg in Farmington. 89,999	SHILL -Lovely TH in excellent condition. 3BR/2BA. Great covered patio. 72,500	LOUISIANA -Great 4BR/3BA w/ 1994 equipment in real. 39,750
DENGAR -Wonderful 4BR/2LA, large LA, tons of storage, two pantries, corner lot, superior landscaping. 89,999	MICHIGAN -Clean, neat, small yard in this 3BR, ready for occupancy. 72,500	SHILL -Great first-floor. Low maintenance 3BR/1BA in Old Midland. Large yard. 39,500
MISSOURI -Lovely Old Midland area. Lots of new, nice den with fireplace. 89,999	WHITNEY WAY -3BR/2BA w/ bonus room can be yours alone w/ 2% buyer incentive! Start packing. 72,500	MICHIGAN -Old Midland cottage w/ many updates, gleaming hardwood floors, charming. 37,500
WYTHEWOOD -Pristine landscaping, great plan. He is her master bath. 3000. 87,500	NEELY-3BR/2BA -car, upgraded w/ tile floors. High ceilings. Priced to sell. 72,500	CROCKETT -Nice 3BR/1BA. Nice size storage bldg. Large backyard. Ready to move in. 37,000
RUSSELL -Wonderfully maintained 32 only 12 mi from Parker Glen. \$1,100 buyer's incentive. 87,500	WARD -Very nice 3BR/2BA w/ updates. Interior light, bright, clean and convenient. 71,000	PARK LANE -Beautiful 2 1/2 in A-1 condition, lovely yard - looks like Spring. 35,500
JOY -Better than new home located on quiet cul-de-sac w/ wonderful workshop. 87,500	DENGAR -Spacious 4BR/3BA/2LA/2FP. Great area. 70,000	OAK -Wonderful property! Lots of room, new carpet, FP and more. 35,000
SPARTAN -Spacious 4BR/3BA w/LA and huge country kitchen. Great buy. 86,000	AMETHA -Double Year Pleasure. 2FPs, 2LAs, 2-car garage & 3BR/2BA & a great sized yard. 70,000	HILL AVE -Fresh paint, recent AC compressor, dishwasher, hot water heater, 3BRs, big yard. 35,000
H J -Incredibly contemporary floor plan. Huge BRs and closets, open den/kitchen, built-in, new carpet. 86,000	CANADIAN -3BR/2BA/2-car garage w/ tile floors, LA, large covered patio, interior eye, built-in vacuum sys. 69,000	CHERRY -Daring home! 2BR/1BA, great updates! Great landscaping & yard. Must to see. 32,500
GREENHEDGE -Fantastic 3BR w/ extensive remodeling in past year - carpet, tile, pool, etc. Workshop. 84,000	STANDOLIND -Super plan in Farmington area. 3BR/2BA/2LA, 37538 69,000	CHESTER -Cute! Cute! Lots of new updates! Great landscaping & yard. Must to see. 29,000
HERMITAGE -Great home in Santa Rita district. Large LA (high ceilings). Great home w/ 3% incentive. 84,000	HUMBLE -Nice 32 year schoolhouse! Low maintenance! Master w/ closet to die for! Storage everywhere. 69,000	HOLLOWAY -Real charmer located in Old Midland w/ huge workshop! Fantastic summer buy! 29,000
FANNIN -Marvellous 3BR/3LAs. Lee High area, loads of storage. Workshop and great yard. 84,000	WHITNEY WAY -Incredible live-in master bath. Wonderful decor, totally updated, super location. 67,000	
TEAKWOOD -Spacious contemporary TH one of the largest in this complex & located at the West End. 84,000	GULF -Very quiet private TH, 2 1/2 w/ 2-car garage, large courtyard, bonus room. 67,000	
DEYNGER -Heat & aequally clean 3BR/2BA/2-car garage w/ formal dining in Farmington. 84,000	TRIMBER LANE -Really nice home near Bonham. Such a big lot and wonderful patio and backyard. 66,000	
FRONTIER -Mediterranean mystery leads you through Mexican tiled courtyard into entry, sunken den. 84,000	LANHAM -Cute - spacious home w/ interior FP. High ceilings, tile & seq, MBR, near Jordan Elem. 32. 65,000	
SPENCE -Tasteful 1998 built 3BR. Open, light, airy floor plan. Security sys and security lights. 84,000	OND -Lovely Old Midland home. Hardwood floors, garage converted to 4th BR or study. A must to see. 65,000	
IMPERIAL -Gorgeous landscaping, marvelous maintenance, tasteful decor & updating. RV parking. 82,000		
D -Great home in Old Midland 32 w/ great wood windows. Patio area w/FP and hot tub. 82,000		
BUCHANAN PL -Very spacious, great floor plan. Must see. 3BR/2BA home in Northgate. Wonderfully maintained. 82,000		
HAYNES -Reduced! Lots of new in TH, 3222, big w/LA, 2FP, parquet floors in LA, FD. 81,199		
BOYD -Incredible Old Midland charmer w/ hardwood floors throughout. Totally updated. 80,000		
SHILL -Cute! Old Midland neighborhood, big yard, only 32 w/LAs. Lots of new. 80,000		
CHIMARRON -Large 3BR/2BA in new-level neighborhood. 80,000		
GREENHEDGE -Workshop, storage shed, garage work bench and storage galore. 79,000		
FARMHILLS -Bright and open 3BR/2BA in Farmington Park. 79,000		

SUBURBAN HOMES

W. CO. RD. 98 -Lovely home near Midland located on 2.5 acres. 4BR + study or 5BR. Seq master, pool, shop and stall. 238,000	W. CO. RD. 98 1/2 -Tasteful space & amenities in the country. 4BR/2.5BA plus gameroom. 128,900	E. CO. RD. 139 -Near Valley View Community! 4-level on 2.5 acres. Giant new addition. 5BR/3BA. 95,000
E. CO. RD. 105 -Better than new! Beautiful 42.52 Seaford resale w/3-car garage, large workshop. 238,000	S. CO. RD. 1219 -Home town to 18 acres featuring 32 home plus a huge red barn. 128,000	A E CO. RD. 139 -Must see interior to appreciate contemporary, 2 story plan, 3BR/2BA/2FP, huge shop, 37578. 84,900
E FM 307 (STANTON) -131 ac fenced acres w/30'40' shop, barn + 32 house. Greenwood schools. 199,000	S. CO. RD. 1185 -Car lover's dream - 6+ garages, 2400 on 2 acres, lots of recent new, 2HW & workshop. 124,500	N. CO. RD. 107 -Greenwood schools. 3BR/2BA/2-car garage, needs TLC, "as is", great possibilities. 70,000
E. CO. RD. 103 -Perfect move-in new! Greenwood, 1997 built 43 and 3-car garage on 2 fenced acres. 183,500	N. CO. RD. 1247 -Spacious New Berbers, paint, 30 on one acre, shop/storage and circle drive. 114,000	N. CO. RD. 1130 -Greenwood schools. 32 whole of new. 68,750
W. CO. RD. 186 -3 yr old Woodcut custom on 5+ acres. 3BR/2.5BA, double FP, 50x60 airplane hangar. 37979 175,000	E. CO. RD. 125 -Attractive and spacious property on 1.5 acres, 3BR/2.5BA, 2-car garage, workshop. 108,900	S. CO. RD. 1178 -Cozy suburban 2BR/2.5BA whole of new plus barn, storage shed and more. 67,800
N. FM 1788 -Wonderfully charming 2 story, 10 acres, barns, stables, barnhouse, riding arena. 165,000	S. CO. RD. 1165 -Just a terrific house - country living at its best! New carpet, wood floor - den, barn, 2.65 ac. 101,000	E. CO. RD. 128 -Very nice 3BR/2BA, just remodeled, new well, septic (paint side & out) and carport. 45,000

LOTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY

LAMBS -Prime location, easy access to N Loop 250, 18 acres, call for details. 162,000	A ST. & MOCKINGBIRD -APPROX 266 acres adjacent to Country Club \$700,000 or purchase individual tracts @ \$4,000 ac. 760,000	RIDGE HEIGHTS -6 fantastic lots, prices vary. CALL
18 ACRES -Middle of Green Tree North. 160,000	CALL 915-682-1662	S. HWY 340 -10.2 acres. 120,000
BLUESHED -12.212 acres available across from the park, can be sub-divided. 150,000	WALL ST -3000 sq ft, 3000 sq ft, 3000 sq ft. 100,000	N. CO. RD. 1246 -30.20 acres in NW area adjacent to additional 30.2 acres. 90,000
GOULD -Large, approximately 1 acre lot in Truly Estates. 100,000	RICHLAND -3000 sq ft, 3000 sq ft, 3000 sq ft. 100,000	W. CO. RD. 180 -Prime acreage between Midland/Odessa off of 1

Have pet, WILL travel



ABOVE: Betty Surovic, left, struggles to keep in check the excitement of "Putty," her West Highland White Terrier, when she came to pick up the dog. Meanwhile, Debbie Ellinger hands off the dog's toys to be taken home with the pooch. AT LEFT: Homer Ellinger tries to ward off the aggressive affections of a pair of dalmatians while Bill Cosby provides the afternoon's soothing entertainment on the TV. BELOW: A scrappy-looking but adorable little scamp peers up at a visitor from within its room. AT BOTTOM: Cable TV is among the creature comforts provided for this cat enjoying the affections of Debbie Ellinger.

Bonnie Stephan, pet sitter, talks with Zoe, a Shih Tzu, owned by Noah Seabourn and Matt Woodside.

Photo by Tim Fischer

Pet owners have variety of options when it is time to go on vacation

By Johnnie Montgomery
MRT Correspondent

'They're just part of the family," you'll hear pet owners say over and over, yet when it comes to vacations, those family ties lengthen and weaken, at least until the cruise, or the trip to Yellowstone or the family reunion is over.

And that is all to the good, veterinarians, pet sitters and boarding kennel owners say. With a few rare exceptions, pets are safer, healthier and usually much happier when their human companions go on vacations without them.

Midlanders have many options for their pets if they plan ahead. Most of the veterinary clinics offer boarding services; there are also a number of pet boarding facilities in town. Pet owners may also leave their pets at home and either arrange for a friend to care for them, or contract with a pet sitting service to visit from two to four times each day, feed, clean up after and play with the pet, and while they're there, pick up the mail and water the plants. Daily costs for such services can range from as little as \$6 per visit (two visits per day recommended) to \$60 and up per day for a menagerie of several animals that requires four or more visits per day. Pet boarding services also range widely in price depending on the animal and the service.

Both pet sitters and boarding facility owners said pet owners should do some research before deciding what option is best for their pets.

Camille Komyathy with Shannon Animal Hospital said although pet owners should all observe certain common sense guidelines, the needs and temperament of each individual animal should be the ultimate factor in deciding where pets should spend vacations.

"It all depends on the animal. Some do just fine at home, although they need to be checked on at least twice a day, while others may howl, or tear the place up," she said, adding that no matter what, there are certain precautions owners need to take, such as making sure pets have shelter from the hot sun, plenty of clean water and security.

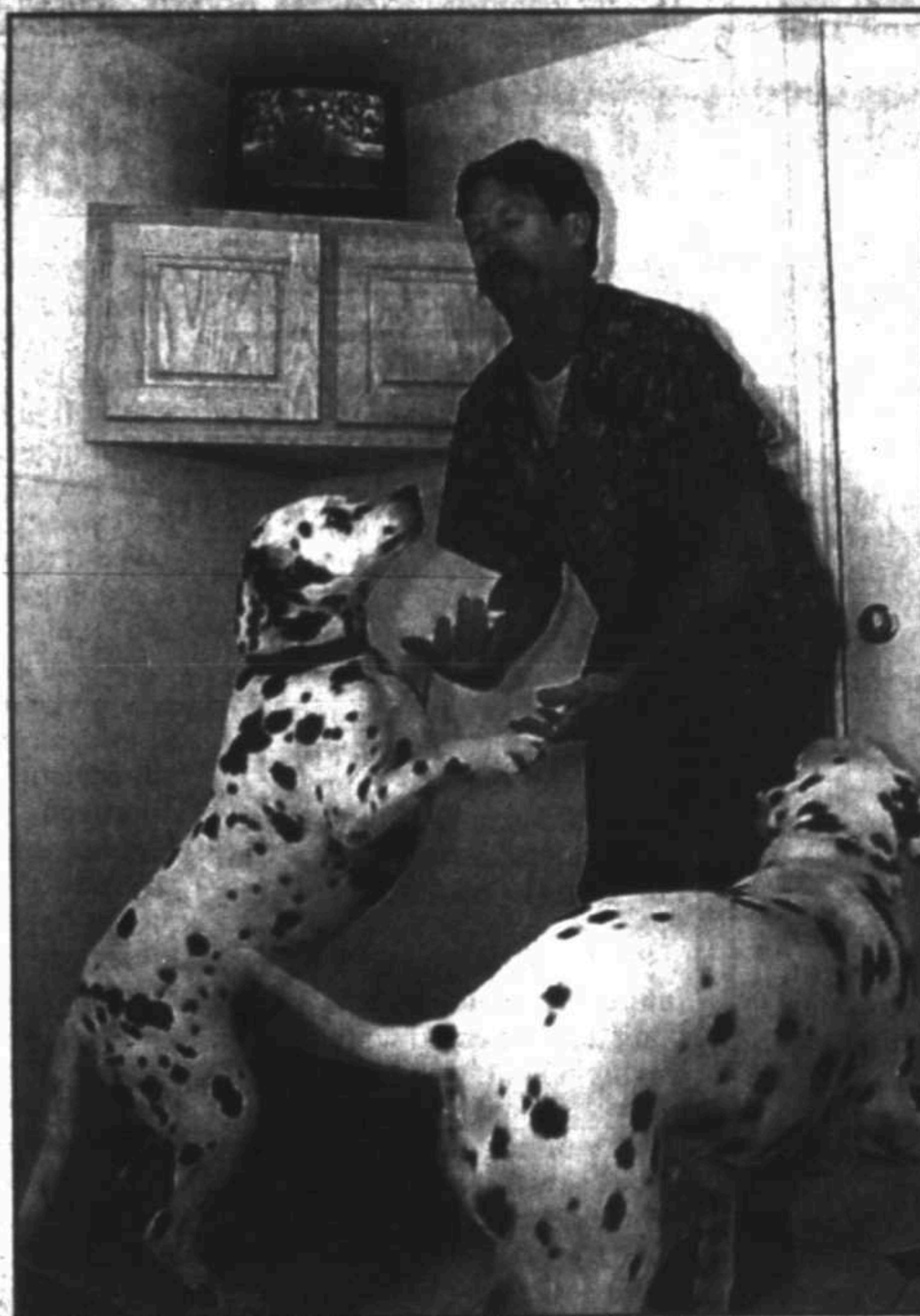
"If you have someone take care of the pets at home, they should check on them more than once a day.

"If you're going to leave pets in the back yard, water and shade are essential. Some people, especially if they have big dogs, like to leave a child's wading pool full of water, so that the dog can get into the water and cool off and also have plenty to drink. They also could leave a large metal waterer that's anchored down so it doesn't get turned over.

"It's a good idea to leave your gates locked," she said. "So often in Midland, gates are blown open during big wind storms. And as an added precaution, install a latch low enough that no one can reach over and release it."

"If the pet is on any medication, make sure the caretaker knows what it is. How often

Please see PETS/2E



Another option — pet sitters/2E

Photos by Brian Adamcik

Happy Paws — a motel away from home

By Johnnie Montgomery
MRT Correspondent

If your pet simply cannot stay at home while you're on vacation — you may be having work done to the house, the pet may be destructive, you may be doing a house swap with humans who hate animals — there are excellent boarding facilities available.

There are country facilities with plenty of room to run, veterinary hospital facilities where frail pets can be under the close eye of a doctor, and then for pets who think they are people, there is the Happy Paws Pet Motel, where every family of pets has its own private suite with human-style beds, private pet door to the powder room, cable TV and room service.

Owned and operated by Debbie Ellinger and assisted by her sister, Barbara Burney, Happy Paws opened in December 1999 and immediately filled all their rooms. Designed and built solely by the Ellingers, the 27-room facility features such amenities as carpeted cat climbing towers in rooms where cat and dog families stay together to allow the cats climbing access to their litter box while

keeping it safe from the dogs. Outside each room is posted the pets' names and breeds, feeding and care notes, and whether or not the dog or cat is allowed to play in the large common play area with other boarders.

For dogs, each pet door leads down a corridor to a private run, as well as large common areas where dogs with owners' permission can play together. Dogs whose owners prefer that they not mingle are taken to play alone with caretakers.

As you might expect, these pampered pets also have special diets and snacks. In the refrigerators are packages of broccoli, carrots, cheese and for one canine couple, filet mignons that are cooked and served every evening at 7 p.m.

Happy Paws is the motel of choice not only for best in show animals, but for mixed breeds whose owners adopted them at the city animal shelter, or found them wandering the streets after being abandoned.

Ellinger said with more than 580 names on the computer data base, there is almost always a waiting list.

"We already have people calling to reserve rooms for Memorial Day 2002," he said.

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

Longtime community and church leader **Harriet Herd** received a well-deserved honor when she was presented the "Sustainer of the Year" Award at the Junior League of Midland's annual May dinner meeting at Green Tree Country Club.

In announcing the award winner, past president **Vicki Jay** told of Mrs. Herd's many contributions to the league, as well as her commitment to the community. A charter member of the league, Mrs. Herd is the only member who has served two consecutive terms as president — from 1955 to 1957.

JLM advisory board member **Jack Swallow** spoke of his fond memories of growing up as Mrs. Herd's neighbor and praised her kindness and generosity. The honoree, who was accompanied by her husband, Harvey, and son and daughter-in-law, Tevis and Patty Herd, received a lengthy standing ovation following her gracious acceptance of thanks for the award.



Harrison

Also receiving honors were **Kim Phillips**, this year's Charity Ball chairman, who was presented the annual "Hand in Hand" Award, and **Bobbie Vaughan**, winner of The Elizabeth Award. The former award goes to the active member, who has gone above and beyond her obligations to the league, and the latter is given to a young woman between the ages of 16 to 21, who has demonstrated a commitment to volunteerism and improving her community.

President **Siri Langston** welcomed past league presidents, including **Robin Hightower**, **Lauren Aldridge**, **Barbara Jowell**, and **Sharia Hotchkiss**. Special recognition was given to women who have contributed five, 10 and 10-plus years of active service to the league, as well as new sustainers. Also introduced were new active members and the new provisional class.

In closing, Mrs. Langston recognized the 2000-2001 board of directors and leadership team for a job well done by using her slogan, "Thank You for Making the Connection." She then passed the gavel to president-elect **Jayne Krawietz**, who introduced her board and leadership team and expressed excitement for the upcoming year with her slogan, "A Perfect Blend of Volunteers."

The Preview Party, which traditionally opens Midland's Celebration of the Arts each May, is always a much-anticipated event. It gives attendees a first look (and the first opportunity to purchase) the works of the artists, who have been invited to participate in "Celebration."

This year's party, held in Midland Center and adjoining Centennial Plaza, allowed guests to sample delicious foods and beverages reflecting regional fare from the featured culinary artists and enjoy a variety of musical entertainment.

Among those on hand to congratulate 2001 Distinguished Artist **Bill Hagerman** were **Carolyn Roden**, **Jenna Welch**, **Judy Rankin**, **Mary and Henri de Compiègne**, and **Karen and Spencer Beal**.

Claudette and Tuli Singh, who were in charge of the sponsor area, seated Celebration of the Arts supporters, including **Claire Rhotenberry**, **Nancy Anguish**, **Robin and Bill Elland**, **Peggy and Charles Simmons**, **Anita and Jay Norris**, and **Mo and Leonard Busby**.

Midland College vice president **Stan Jacobs** and teacher **John Parris** spent the evening making caricatures of the guests as they enjoyed performances by **Schrodinger's Cat**, **Zydeco Dogs**, the **Gillette Brothers** and Midland's own **Pulsations**.

Greg Dove, president of the Arts Assembly of Midland, parted along with "Celebration" chairs and their spouses, including **Kathy Wells**, **Lisa and Tom Jensen**, **Susie and Drew Anderson**, **Robin and Jeff Darr**, **Judy and Dan Green**, and **Susannah and Briggs Donaldson**.

Representing the Preview Party media sponsor **KMID-TV** were **Jerry Vasquez**, **Mike Barker**, **Karen Carter**, **Horace Brown** and **Jeff Kush**.

"A rose is still a rose...whether it be a young bud or a blossom in full bloom" began the picture invitations to **Jessalyn Tarwater Eschberger's** 80th birthday party. Hosted by her three children, **Adelle Dowling**, **Jim Tarwater**, and **Debbie Owen** and their families, the party was held recently at Jessalyn's home.

Among the many guests enjoying the fun event were **June and Frank Cowden**, **Chan Driscoll**, **Becky and David Lindemood**, **Margaret and Courtney Cowden**, **Harriett and John Dublin**, **Mary and Jerry Hilton**, **Martha Ann and Jack Nobles**, **Helen and Ray McKim**, and **Jane and Ray Riddle**.

Out-of-town guests included **Nancy and Dalton Tarwater** of Lubbock and **Ellen Legg Garza** of Dallas.

The Thursday Lunch Group held a farewell luncheon recently at Midland Country Club in honor of **Jackie Gaertner**, who is moving to Durango, Colo., after living in Midland almost 50 years.

The group, which has been meeting once a month for approximately 20 years, also includes **Carolyn Seright**, **JoAnn Gholston**, **Virginia Talbot**, **Genevieve Libby**, **Nan Oestmann**, **Nancy Jordan**, **Mim Curry**, **Dottie Barker**, and **Norma Thomason**.

Sigrid Stewart, **Joanne Franz** and **Kathy Lupardus** hosted a graduation luncheon recently at La Bodega Mexican Restaurant for Mrs. Stewart's daughter, **Jessica Stewart**, and **Fredrika Myhrman**. Both of the honorees are graduates of Midland High School.

Fredrika, a foreign exchange student from Stockholm, Sweden, has been a guest of the Stewarts this past year. She is returning to Stockholm to finish her education. Jessica plans to attend **Stephen F. Austin State University** in Nacogdoches this fall.

The luncheon guests included a group of **MHS** senior students.

BRIDGE WINNERS

May 14-May 20

Monday: Open Pairs

Strat "A"

1. Belle Harris- Wayne Rector

2. Joyce Mitchell- Sally Whiteley

3. Gloria Crites- Marie Morris

Strat "B"

1. Wayne Rector- Belle Harris

2. Sally Whiteley- Joyce Mitchell

3. Frances Levin- Joe Salaman

Tuesday: Open Pairs Club

Championship

N-S Strat "A"

1. Flo Curry-Jane Myers

2. Wyoma Whitlow- Janet Stoltz

3. Gloria Crites- Elle Kerr

Strat "B"

1. Janet Stoltz- Wypma Whitlow

2. Betty Fernandez- Jo Price

3. Jimmie Branch- Jimmie Cox

E-W Strat "A"

1. Helen Wise- Nancy Harris

2. Dixie Gifford- Linda Evans

3. Betty Baxter- Dorothy Breneman

Strat "B"

1. Dorothy Breneman- Betty Baxter

2. Helen South- Maudine Kasch

3. Bitsy Loewenstein- Sandra Rea

Wednesday: Open Pairs

Strat "A"

1. Becky Kinsey- Gloria Crites

2. Marilyn Matthews- Jean Pistole

3. Belle Harris- Jean Gilles

Strat "B"

1. Belle Harris- Jeanne Gilles

2. Barbara Steinert- Babe Griffin

3. Tommie Strack- Charlie Grimes

Thursday: Invitational game

1. Betty George- Snookye

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it's given, and whether the pet was already medicated on the day you leave."

She said pet owners also should make sure the family veterinarian is notified of whatever arrangements have been made, and some sort of payment arrangement has been made in advance for emergencies.

"In case something happens to an animal, the regular veterinary office will usually let the pet owners pay when they return, but the emergency clinic will not. You need to leave the sitter with means to pay for emergency care."

Also in the emergency category, pet owners need to ask what steps sitters are prepared to take in case of flea or tick outbreaks during their absence.

"A large infestation of ticks can incubate after the owners leave, and this must be taken care of immediately to protect the animal's health," Ms. Komyathy said.

TLC pet sitter **Shannon Roberts** added that although it's not a pleasant subject to contemplate, pet owners should tell the caretaker what should be done in case the animal dies.

"That's on our list of questions at the initial interview, because it happens," she said. "Especially if a dog is 18 or 19 — you never do know."

"We've visited houses to find dogs that went to sleep the night before and didn't wake up."

Ms. Roberts said one of the first things pet owners should insist on before making sitting arrangements is the prospective pet sitter be insured and bonded.

Ms. Komyathy said pet owners intending to board their pets should make a premise vis-

it in advance.

"You need to find out what the facility requires. Most places require that pets have all their shots and some want vaccinations against kennel cough."

"You'll want to look and see where your pet will be kept. If the facility refuses to let you go to the place where your pet will stay, I'd suggest you try another kennel."

"Make sure the place has shade. Most places have indoor and outdoor runs."

Ms. Komyathy said pet owners need to provide something for the pets to sleep on, their favorite toys, and if the stay is to be a short one, the food they're accustomed to.

"Most places have concrete floors, so the pet will be more comfortable if you provide a blanket or bed or towel. If you don't send the food the pet is accustomed to, there's a chance the new food will cause diarrhea, and if you're only gone a couple of days, that diarrhea will begin just about the time you return."

For pet owners who elect to take their pets along, Ms. Komyathy has some strong cautionary comments.

"Don't leave your pets alone in a strange place, don't leave them in a car on warm days — not even for 15 minutes," she said. "We just posted a note on the bulletin board about a woman who left her dog in the car with the windows halfway down while she ran into the store, and when she came back, the dog was gone."

"Even worse is the heat. Dogs can suffer terribly and die in a very short time in a hot car."

Collars are another concern.

"Use a harness type collar that they can't get out of, instead of a neck collar."

And she warns against choke chains at any time except when the dog is being walked or

trained.

"There is no time that this is safe, except when the dog is under close supervision," she said. "When you leave the dog, take off the choke chain."

Dr. Morgan Brown, who with his partner Dr. Greg Adkins owns and operates the Shannon Animal Hospital, said it's especially important for pet owners to provide their dogs and cats with identifications.

"Be sure they wear their tags," he said, adding that pets also can be implanted with subcutaneous microchips that can be read by scanners in pet rescue facilities all over the country.

Brown said it's important that pet owners who intend to board their animals get them started in the process fairly young.

"If we get them when they're still young, we can make them comfortable, speak to them, go by every little while and give them a treat and play with them, and they'll learn that good things happen while they're here."

"If an animal has had a bad experience initially, it's hard to overcome that," he said.

Many of the clinic's four-legged clientele walk down the hallways carrying their toys in their mouths, and go right to their pens, Brown added.

"Once we had a customer who brought his dog, Winchester, to the clinic every Wednesday afternoon at two for a bath," he said. "For about two years, we never missed a Wednesday."

"Then the owner left town, and Winchester somehow got out, and they couldn't find him. But at two o'clock the next Wednesday, Winchester showed up at our door."

"Those people lived about two miles from the clinic," Brown said. "And we don't know how he found his way here."

Consortium cares for pets, watches homes

By Johnnye Montgomery
MRT Correspondent

One of the older pet sitting services in the area is **TLC Pet Sitting Service**, a consortium of five individuals living in Midland and Odessa who have a roster of some 250 customers on their computer data base.

"We started this business in 1991, and now a lot of our original pets are old, and some have died," said spokeswoman **Shannon Roberts**.

Midlander **Lisa Stanley** was the original owner and brought in other sitters in order to provide relief and continuity as the business grew. Ms. Roberts came on in 1992.

"They needed someone to care for large dogs, and I've always had large dogs," said Ms. Roberts. "No one wanted to go into the back yard with Rottweilers, but I didn't mind. I found that I really liked the work, and there was enough business to make it profitable for all of us."

Ms. Stanley got out of the business in 1999. Present members include Ms. Roberts, **Debra Ward**, **Sharon Tinsley**, **Dorothy Abrams** and

Doris Walker.

TLC is a member of **Pet Sitters International** and is bonded and insured. The five member owners have also taken classes in pet rescue procedures and safety through the **American Red Cross**.

Besides feed and care, TLC offers airport shuttle and pet taxi service, and will water plants, bring in mail and newspapers and provide homes with a lived-in look by changing lights and turning radio and TV on and off.

Ms. Roberts said the sitters prefer that clients give them three to four days advance notice, although there are times when regulars will call them on their way out of town.

The preliminary interview, however, is a must.

"We go to the owner's house, have at least one sitter, and preferably both the main and the backup sitter meet the pets and the owner, and do an extensive interview," she explained. We and the owners fill out a questionnaire about feeding instructions, care, vet's name in case the pet gets sick, contact information, etc.

"Prices are based on how many visits we

make, and how many pets there are. We usually have a set charge of \$11 per visit for up to four pets, and the price goes up for more than that."

She said TLC usually makes at least two visits per day, with some customers requiring four daily visits.

TLC sitters have cared for dogs and cats, birds of all sizes, fish and amphibians, ferrets, rabbits, hamsters, gerbils, mice, guinea pigs and exotics such as iguanas, lizards and snakes.

She said none of the sitters are enthusiastic about caring for snakes.

"We'd prefer it if people would feed the snakes before they leave town," she explained, "because they eat live mice."

Occasionally, TLC pet sitters bring their customers home.

"Puppies really need more supervision than just occasional checks," Ms. Roberts said. "I don't have a big dog any more, so I can bring puppies home with me."

"Of course, my cat gets really mad at me when I do."

Mother and daughter care for pets together

By Johnnye Montgomery
MRT Correspondent

Mother/daughter pet sitting team **Bonnie Stephan** and **Jayci Martin** visit pet owners' homes on an average of twice daily, although there are clients who request three and even four visits every day.

Ms. Martin plays with the pets and does routine feeding and clean-ups. Ms. Stephan supervises, administers medication and helps with any complex or unusual chores.

Ms. Stephan said they started the business, called **Wag 'N Tail Pet Sitting**, about 18 months ago.

"I was thinking about Jayci's future, and trying to find something that she could work at after leaving school," she explained. "I knew she liked pets, and that she loved working with animals, but I also knew that veterinarians also have hundreds of kids wanting to work for them all the time."

"So I did a lot of research on the Internet, and talked to other pet sitters; we joined **Pet Sitters International**, and we visited the **Happy Paws Pet Motel**, and other boarding places, and this just felt like something that Jayci would love to do."

"Pet sitting has taught Jayci a lot about responsibility and she

just loves playing with the animals, and they love her," she said.

Ms. Stephan said that when she started the business, Ms. Martin was still in high school, enrolled in an internship program. She graduated in May.

"I went to the high school and asked if they would approve Jayci's doing this," she said. "I knew she would have to have an employer evaluate her work, and I didn't know whether or not they would accept her mother as supervisor." The school approved. The next step, Ms. Stephan said, was to contact an attorney to ensure that all the proper steps were taken to protect their legitimacy, then to contact an insurance carrier.

"Wag 'N Tail is bonded and insured, and we always visit our customers before taking on a job, and try to learn about them, and

to let the pets get to know us," she said.

At first, **Wag 'N Tail** advertised, but most of the business comes from word-of-mouth among established customers, and members of **Our Savior's Lutheran Church**. In an effort to branch out with the business, Ms. Martin is presently taking riding lessons, and trying to get comfortable caring for large animals, which led her to rescue four kittens from the horse boarding stable after something happened to their mother. The kittens, about 3 weeks old, must be bottle-fed

with kitten formula every four hours. Ms. Stephan said they offered to take on the job of feeding and caring for the kittens, three males and one female, that they named

"Jayci is so good with them and they're doing well," said Ms. Stephan. "They're still so young that they're wobbly, but they've already learned to use the litter box. So as soon as they're old enough to wean, we'll be asking around to find good homes for them."

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AROUND TOWN

■ **Old Sorehead Trade Days** will be held June 9-10 on the historic downtown streets of Stanton and in the Community Center Complex. Times June 9 are "can to can't," and times June 10 are noon to 5 p.m. There will be arts, crafts, antiques, food, entertainment and more. For information visit www.stantonfolks.com or call 915-756-2006.

■ The monthly membership meeting of the Permian Basin Legal Secretaries Association will be held at noon Tuesday, June 12 at the Petroleum Club. The speaker will be Tina Martin, director of client services for Safe Place, who will speak on domestic violence. Cost, which includes lunch, is \$12. For reservations, contact Lesley Hughes, programs chair, at 684-5782 by 5 p.m. Friday, June 8. No cancellations after Monday, June 11.

■ **Compassionate Friends**, a support for parents who have experienced the death of a child, will meet at 7:30 p.m. June 4 at 2700 Wyndwood. For information call 694-4157, 684-8356 or 520-6461.

■ **Midland Parkinson Support Group** will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, June 4 at the Memorial Rehabilitation Center, Loop 250 and Thomson. For more information call 689-7702.

■ **UTPB Alumni Association's** annual installment of officers/directors dinner will be held June 5 at the CEED. Officers for 2001-2002 are Violet Singh, president; Lamar Casparis, vice president; Sondra Hubble, treasurer and Dottie Chavez, secretary. Area alumni and friends of the association can make reservations by calling 552-2809 by May 31. Cost of the meal is \$7 and special guest will be Dr. David Watts, new president of University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

■ **Midland Christian Women's Club** will have an "Out and About" luncheon from 11:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. June 5 at Green Tree Country Club. The program will be given by Carolyn Coleman, Midland Convention and Visitors Bureau, Allison Carter, 2001 Odessa High graduate and Karyn Green, cancer survivor. The cost of the luncheon is \$11. A free nursery will be provided and mothers are asked to bring a sack lunch for their child. All women are invited. For luncheon and nursery reservations call 570-5064 or 682-5851.

■ **Newcomers Club** will meet for their monthly coffee Thursday, June 7. All interested women are invited to attend. For information call 683-5260 or 520-2040.

■ **Tall City Sectional ACBL Bridge Tournament** will be held June 8 to 10 at the Midland Center. Stratified open pairs and single sessions will be from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. June 8, stratified open pairs and playthrough from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. June 9 and stratified swiss teams at 10:30 a.m. and (time to be announced) June 10. The Hilton Midland & Towers at 683-6131 will offer a \$55 special bridge rate. Cost of tournament is \$8 per session Friday and Saturday and \$9 per session Sunday and .50 cents extra for non-ACBL or unpaid members. For tournament information call 683-2804 and 694-4623.

CLUB NEWS

■ **Col. Theunis Dey Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution** met recently in the home of Patricia LaForce for a salad luncheon. Following the luncheon, 10 new members were introduced; first lady Laura Welch Bush, Beth Cain, Marsha Duesse, Mechelle Gerald, Nancy Hull, Patricia LaForce, Jane McCoy, Annette Stacy, Cindy Walton and Jenna Welch. Also, reports were given by Carolyn Winkler, regent, and Jere Hubbard, delegates to the Texas State Conference and the Continental Congress in Washington, D.C. Mrs. John D. Ramp, Texas state regent, installed the following new officers: Susanne Stiles, regent; Mary Ann Green, first vice regent; Sandra Wagner, second vice regent; Jackie Hendricks, recording secretary; Margaret Cowden, corresponding secretary; Ellen Boothe, chaplain; Kay Trim, treasurer; June Ormond, registrar; and Merle Haag, historian-librarian.

■ **Beta Pi Conclave of Kappa Kappa Iota** met in the home of Virginia Conner for a salad supper. Other hostesses were Wanda Moore, Renee Long and Auriela Kieffer. President Nancy McNeerney called the business meeting to order. Martee Stuart presented the devotional. Ms. Moore read the minutes. Committee reports were given and Ms. Stuart presented the results of the Scholarship Committee meeting. Scholarship Committee members present were Patricia Rosenkrantz and Ms. Conner. Fund-raising projects were discussed to help support the scholarships as well as future endeavors. Members signed up to be hostesses for next year and long-range plans were discussed. Pat Southerland, Evelyn Grant, Patricia Rosenkrantz and Ms. Conner were elected to serve as voting delegates for the upcoming National Convention in Omaha, Neb. Ms. McNeerney adjourned the business meeting and presented gifts of appreciation to her officers and committee chairman. State President Evelyn Grant installed the officers for 2001-2002. The new officers are president, Ms. Stuart; president-elect Sandy Burns; vice president, Ms. Conner; secretary, Ms. Moore; treasurer, Pat Southerland; reporter, Ada Nareim; historians Pat Adams and Diantha Dawkins; and parliamentarian, Ms. McNeerney.

■ **Twentieth Century Study Club** met at The Midland Women's Club for lunch and its May business meeting. Marilyn Butler, president, presided and led the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. Evelyn Minner led the Collect. Some 18 members were in attendance as JoAnne McClurg, Jackie Hendricks and guests, Peggy Kelton, TFWC Western District president. Sherry Phillips, mayor of McCamey, entertained

members with a skit wearing boas and hats obtained at the TFWC Western District Spring Convention held in Marfa in April. Ms. Hendricks then conducted a "Who Wants to be a Millionaire" skit with the "fastest finger contestant," Ms. Butler. Ms. Kelton, reported on the importance of a club being federated. After the Federation Creed was read in unison by attendees, the meeting adjourned.

■ **Laureate Nu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi** met in the home of Tomina Clark. Before the business meeting, Dixie Billinglea, Marilyn Butler, Marlene Byrd, Joann Gardner, Caroline Holmes, Martha McNair, Johnnie Moritz and Melve Sizemore were given the Master Degree Ritual. Ms. Butler presided over the business meeting. Ms. Holmes took the roll and read the minutes of the previous meeting. Ms. McNair gave the treasurer's report. Committee chairmen reported on the 2001-2002 committees. Ms. Butler read the proposed state service projects and the chapter voted for Stillcreek Boys and Girls Ranch. Outgoing president Ms. Moritz was presented with a scrapbook. Ms. Clark gave the cultural program. Ms. Holmes won the hostess gift. Also attending was Helen Tinnin.

■ **Chapter DD of the PEO Sisterhood** met in the home of Jan Murdock with Frances Terry as co-hostess. Lynn Green presented the program on the state convention that she attended in Dallas. The Saturday preceding the meeting, Ms. Terry entertained members of the chapter and guests with a morning "get-acquainted" coffee.

■ **Fortune 20 Investment Club** met in the home of Altie and Bill Russell for a salad luncheon. The following officers were installed: Margaret Purvis, managing partner; Elizabeth Greaves, vice managing partner; Shawn Davis, recording partner; Anne Herbig, assistant recording partner; Kay Smith, financial partner and Wesley Chalfant, assistant financial partner.

■ **Midland Music Teachers' Association** recently had their annual luncheon for installation of officers. The meeting was held at Ranchland Hills County Club where the following officers were installed: president, Phyllis Mason; vice president, Elaine Golden; senior vice president, Maydell Corley; recording secretary, Lyndol Taylor; treasurer, Joy Finley; corresponding secretary, Lynn Porter; reporter, Pamela Holleman; historian, Judy Fimple; and parliamentarian, Pat Powers. The nominating committee was comprised of Ms. Finley, chairman, Ms. Fimple, Ms. Porter, Ms. Mason and Ms. Corley.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

■ **SAN ANGELO** — **San Angelo Writer's Club** meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month at the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 3355 West Beauregard.

■ **ODESSA** — **West Texas Singles Association** invites all singles to take country western dance lessons and line dancing from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday nights at YMCA, 3001 E. University in Odessa. For planned activities call 550-6960.

■ **The New Nashville Nights**, 4300 Andrews Highway in Odessa, will present country and western music in an alcohol- and smoke-free environment at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays for Senior Night, Fridays Youth Night and Saturdays, ages 17 and up are welcome. For information call 915-366-3240 or 915-559-3574.

■ **45 Plus Dance Club** will host a country western dance with live music in a non-smoking and non-alcoholic environment from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. each Tuesday at the Midland Downtown Lions Center, 200 Plaza. Admission is \$4 for members and \$5 for guests. Guests do not need to be accompanied by a member and singles are welcome. For information call 699-5202 or 694-1869.

■ **AARP Chapter 256** will meet at 7 p.m. on the second Monday of each month at Memorial Christian Church Library, 1001 Andrews Highway. For information call 694-2439.

■ **AARP Chapter 4816** will meet at noon

the third Thursday of each month at the Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana. Interested persons are invited. Call 682-3655 for information.

■ **AARP Chapter 5271** will meet at noon on the last Monday of each month at Casa de Amigos, 1107 E. Garden Lane. For information call 682-9701.

■ **VAN-Visually Impaired Men's Support Group** meets from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. each Tuesday. The **Women's Support Group** meets 10 a.m. to noon each Wednesday. Please bring a sack lunch. Both groups meet at VAN House, 2908 W. Ohio. Call 694-2648 for information.

■ **The Children's Department at Midland County Public Library** holds Storytime 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. each Tuesday and Wednesday in the Kaleidoscope Room.

■ **Seniors Over 50 Dance Club** meets 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Wednesdays at 501 Airpark Road. Admission is \$4. Potluck dinner will precede dance at 6:45 p.m. first week only; participants should bring favorite dish. For more information call 694-3236, 687-1633 or 697-0679.

■ **Remembering Our Children**, a support group for grieving parents, meets the first Monday of each month or the second Monday if the first is a holiday. The group meets at 7:30 p.m. at Hospice of Midland, 911 W. Texas Ave. For more information call 682-2855.

HELL ON WHEELS

Road work plays havoc with mall trips

By Jean Starnes

In my next life, I'm going to major in road construction. Maybe by doing that, I'll understand better why the state of Texas has two of the busiest intersections in town barricaded simultaneously. I wondered why the workers didn't work on one intersection at a time. I reasoned they could finish one intersection faster if they concentrated all their efforts on it and then moved to the second one.

For weeks I have berated city personnel for deciding to repair both sections at the same time, but discovered the state can take the blame. I'm very familiar with the turmoil and frustration of trying to travel from Midkiff Road to Garfield Street down the Loop. Three days a week, I pump iron at Specialized Fitness Center, and sometimes it's been a challenge to get in their parking lot.

Other people have had problems, too. The manager of Burger King reported a 5 percent reduction in customers since the road work began. Bill Higgenbotham at Albertson's said, "I haven't noticed a decrease in business, but I am aware of an increase in frustration among

our customers."

With so many people effected, I decided to call the local office of the Texas State Highway Department. When asked, "Why both intersections at the same time?" Doug Eichorst explained it this way:

"Each phase of the job requires a specific team of workers and machines. If these teams can go from one section of road to the next without breaking up and assembling together again later, it saves much time. Anytime you save time, you also save money."

Repairing roads can be compared to cleaning a house. An efficient housekeeper shouldn't vacuum the carpet in one room and put away the machine, only to get it back out later to clean another room.

I told Eichorst about the rumors that say after finishing Garfield and Midkiff, they would then tear up Big Spring Street and Midland Drive. He said, "That isn't true. Both of those intersections have already been reinforced."

"How long with the present job take?" I asked.

"The contract specifies six months, but, as of the middle of May, they are already two weeks ahead of schedule."

To me this is good news because I'm unable to go to the mall until the job is complete. Mall withdrawal pains can hurt as much as mocha frappuccino ones.



Starnes

DEAR ABBY

Young abuse victims have somewhere to turn

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am 15 years old. My mother and father are divorced. Dad remarried a woman with three kids. I have a younger sister and brother. We live with my dad.

Last week, I heard my stepmother talking on the phone to a friend about my brother, sister and me. She said, "I didn't bargain for them." She is always complaining to Dad about us. Our mother wasn't very good to us either, and she gave us to Dad.

Whenever my brother, sister or I get sick, my stepmother complains if she has to take us to the doctor. We don't eat dinner until 7 or 8 at night. She dishes out our food. We're not allowed to serve ourselves. If we don't like what she gives us, she yells at us. Her kids wait until she leaves the room to throw their food in the trash can. If she sees it, she blames us and doesn't believe we didn't do it. Her kids sit and watch TV while we get in trouble for not picking up after ourselves. We try. She and her mother are always saying bad things about Daddy

behind his back.

My grandma says I should tell Daddy. If I do, I know he'll get mad at me. He yells a lot, too, and believes everything my stepmother tells him.

After my mother gave us to him, I heard him say to her, "This wasn't in the plan."

If you print this, Abby, I would like to tell my dad: Please believe us. We don't lie to you. Give us a hug now and then. Tell us you love us. See that we are trying. Please stop yelling at us. How can we be good when all you see is bad? Daddy, can't you see how sad everyone is?

And to my stepmother, I'd like to say: We try to be good so you'll like us. You say you raised your kids right. Teach us the right way, too. Please stop yelling. I want to love you if you will give me a chance. We just need someone to love us in our house. — NO NAME, NO ADDRESS, NO PHONE

P.S. I'm sorry this letter is a mess. I had to write it at school.



Pauline and Jeanne Phillips

Abby, if you print this so my dad will see it, please, please, please don't reveal where it came from.

DEAR NO NAME: It saddens me to say this, but you are not alone in your plight. Please read on:

DEAR ABBY:

My boyfriend's little sister is being abused by her stepfather. He threw her into a closet door. She has a noticeable black-and-blue mark on her arm. I don't know what to do. I'm not sure how often this has happened before.

Part of me is screaming to tell. Another part of me warns me not to for fear that he will do something bad to me. I'm so confused. I don't know what to do. — NO NAME, NO ADDRESS, NO PHONE

DEAR NO NAME, NO ADDRESS, NO PHONE I & II: I understand why neither of you felt comfortable revealing your personal information. I have received many similar letters

over the years, and I always feel frustrated that I cannot personally contact you.

I'm printing your letters as a reminder to all young people who find themselves in similar situations to speak to a school counselor, a trusted relative, family friend, neighbor or member of the clergy, AND TELL THEM WHAT IS GOING ON.

Also, there are several toll-free hotlines to call, including The Childhelp USA National Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-422-4453. Also, there is Boys Town

National Hotline for boys and girls at 1-800-448-3000. All calls are confidential.

Adults who suspect a child is being physically or emotionally abused should call local child protective agencies, local law enforcement or the above hotlines. Help is available.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

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Book review club to meet

From Staff Reports

En Amie Review Club will meet at 11:30 a.m. June 13 at Green Tree Country Club.

Rose-Mary Rumbley of Dallas will review "American Venus" by Diane Rozas, et al.

Ms. Rumbley, whose talks include stories from her travels, has a doctorate in communications from the University of North Texas and has her own business, RMR Communications. She has written four books, two plays and writes columns for Dallas publications. Ms. Rumbley has appeared in movie and television productions and served as head of the Dallas Baptist University drama



Rumbley

department. Her husband Jack Rumbley is a percussionist with the Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra. They have two children and one grandchild.



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WEDDINGS

SMITH-NEWSOM

Amanda Christine Smith and Douglas Ray Newsom, both of Midland, were married at 2 p.m. June 2. The Revs. Larry Ashlock and Jr. Erwin officiated.

Parents of the bride are Jimmy and Brenda Smith and Brian and Sandy Traugber. Parents of the groom are Charlie and Glenda Newsom.

LaTisha Strong served as honor attendant for the bride. Also attending the bride were Amanda Newsom, sister of the groom, Bonnie Traugber and Emily Traugber, sisters of the bride, Julie Adams and Whitney Lanier.

Charlie Newsom served as honor attendant for his son. The groom was also attended by Greg Hill, Gary Simer, Adam Thomas and Jason Booker.

Ushers were Josh Cooley, Jeremy Tarter and Trey Smith and Tony Smith, brothers of the bride.

The bride graduated from Lee High School in 1997. She graduated from Hardin-Simmons University in 2001. She is employed with Hospice of Midland.

The groom graduated from Midland High School in 1997. He is a mass communications major at the University of Texas at the Permian Basin. He is employed with Finish Line.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio, the couple lives in Midland.



Mrs. Douglas Ray Newsom

ASHMORE-MAHAN

McKINNEY — Jennifer Dawn Ashmore and Shawn Neal Mahan, both of McKinney, were married at 2 p.m. June 2 at First United Methodist Church. The Rev. Jim Dorff officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. James Ashmore of Midland. Parents of the groom are Deanna J. Neal of Midland and Clyde R. Mahan of Animas, N.M.

Jamie Fein was honor attendant for the bride. Also attending the bride were Carolyn Boles, Mollie McKee, Tamara NeSmith and Shea Mahan.

John Thurman was honor attendant for the groom. Also attending the groom were Chason Hale, Grant Sisemore, Caleb Roth and Chad Mahan.

Ushers were Richard Carroll and Blake Reedy.

The bride graduated from Lee High School in 1995. She graduated cum laude from Texas Woman's University in 1999. She is a kindergarten teacher with the community school district in McKinney.

Her husband graduated from Lee High School in 1996. He graduated from Austin College in Sherman in 2000. He is a teacher and coach with Wylie Independent School District.

After a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the couple lives in McKinney.



Mrs. Shawn Neal Mahan

JOHNSON-MENEFFEE

JENNIFER Ann Johnson and Christopher Kent Menefee, both of Houston, were married at 7 p.m. June 2 in the Perkins Chapel at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. The Rev. Carey Sayers officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Lee Johnson of Houston. Grandparents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Bob L. Johnson of Midland, Mrs. O. W. Potter of Tyler and the late Oliver Wendell Potter.

Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Len Lee Menefee of Tyler. Grandparents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gus Saunders of Chappell Hill.

Amy Lee Johnson, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. The bride was also attended by Katherine Anne Johnson, Elizabeth Ann Majors, Anna Margarete Kelley, Claire Conoly Nimmo, Haven Elizabeth Posey, Mary Louise Scheps, Jessica Freeman Suber, Laura Katherine Suber and Victoria Alice Gotovac.

The best man was Jake Ellis Menefee, brother of the groom, who was also attended by Henry James Allen III, George Bradley Jones, Brendan Lee Morris, Judson Theodore Offner, Louis Wiley Parchman, Thomas Richard Powers, Brian Conrad Stauffer and John Michael Sylvester.

Ushers were Timothy Edward Daily, Cullen Cazes Foley, Walker Francis Hunsicker, Robert Andrew Jackson and Patrick Blake Tatum.

The bride attended the University of Alabama and graduated in 2000. She is employed with Planner Services as an events coordinator.

The groom attended the University of Mississippi and graduated in 2000. He is employed with Rowan Companies Inc.

After a wedding trip to Hawaii the couple resides in Houston.



Mrs. Christopher Kent Menefee

HUTTON-GUNTER

HENDI Layne Hutton and Perry Clay Gunter, both of Lubbock, were married at 6 p.m. June 2 at Golf Course Road Church of Christ. Verl Gunter, father of the groom, officiated.

Parents of the bride are Randy and Kathi Hutton. Parents of the groom are Verl and Kathie Gunter.

Honor attendant for the bride was her sister Holli Truex. The bride was also attended by Misty Scott, Jennifer Day, Jennifer James and Madison Rawls.

Honor attendant for the groom was Jo Jo Guerra. The groom was also attended by Seth Gunter and Josh Gunter, brothers of the groom, Coby James and Tanner Perry.

Ushers were Anthony Acree, Art Tarango and Jaime McCain.

The bride is employed at Bayless Elementary in Lubbock. Her husband is employed with American State Bank.

After a wedding trip to Dunn's River, Jamaica, the couple lives in Lubbock.



Mrs. Perry Clay Gunter

HENNESSY-CAMERON

KATHLEEN Marie Hennessy and Jared Heath Cameron, both of Nacogdoches, were married at 6:30 p.m. April 28 at First United Methodist Church. The Revs. Gary Hill and Bobby McMillan officiated.

Parents of the bride are former Midlanders Richard and Mary Lou Hennessy of McKinney. Parents of the groom are David and Sarah Cameron of Midland.

Kimberly Hennessy, sister of the bride, was honor attendant. The bride was also attended by her sister Colleen Hennessy, Leah Cameron, sister of the groom, and Jana Korenek, Mandy McNabb and Anne Beier.

Gary McGraw was honor attendant for the groom. Also attending the groom were Brandon Dobbs, Josh Bricker and Rocky Santoni.

Ushers were Jackie-Don Schacht and Fritz Schacht.

The bride graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University in 2000. She is employed with Nacogdoches Independent School District.

The groom graduated from Stephen F. Austin State University in 2001. He is employed with Kroger.



Mr. and Mrs. Jared Heath Cameron

MCALLISTER-BENNETT

MELONY McAllister and Allen Bennett, both of Midland, were married at 6:15 p.m. April 28 at the Island of St. Maarten. A. Mathews officiated.

Parents of the bride are Falcon and Evangeline McAllister of Albuquerque, N.M. Parents of the groom are Rob and Mary Emma Bennett of Midland.

Attending the couple were Rob Bennett, father of the groom; Mary Emma Bennett, mother of the groom; and Vivian Bennett, grandmother of the groom.

The bride graduated from Midland College's nursing program and is employed with Midland Memorial Hospital.

The groom graduated from Midland College Fire Academy and is employed with Midland Fire Department.



Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bennett

DRIMMER-CAHOON

DEBBIE Drimmer and Kell Cahoon, both of Los Angeles, were recently married in Hawaii.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Alan Drimmer of Lynbrook, N.Y. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kell Cahoon of Midland.

The bride is employed with Comedy Central Television Network. The groom works as a television comedy writer.

The couple will reside in Los Angeles.



Mr. and Mrs. Kell Cahoon

Weddings are 'piece of cake' for accomplished French pastry chef

By Linda Beaulieu
Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Chef Jean-Louis Lagalle describes the first wedding cake he ever made as less than perfect.

"It was a nine-tier wedding cake, and it was too tall," he remembers. "It actually swayed. That was a very stressful day in my life as a pastry chef."

That was almost 20 years ago. Today, many wedding cakes later, Lagalle is an award-winning authority on creating special-occasion cakes, who shares his expertise with his students at Johnson & Wales University's College of Culinary Arts.

Lagalle, who was born and trained in France, has worked as a pastry chef at some of the finest resorts and hotels in the nation.

"The wedding cake can make or break the bride's big day," Lagalle tells his students, as he shows them how to create elegant cakes covered with tinted buttercream roses.

"Accidents can happen. I will never forget the cake I made for a wedding at the Ritz-Carlton in San Francisco. The table leg gave way, and the cake danced across the dance floor at the reception."

The first step a pastry chef must take in creating a wedding cake is to meet with the bride and the bride's mother, who usually come armed with wedding-cake books, bridal magazines and photos of cakes they admire.

Lagalle said they often mix and match elements to come up with their own unique cake. Other brides simply want to have the same style of cake that was served at their mother's wedding.

"Sometimes the bride doesn't know what she wants," Lagalle tells his class. "With few exceptions, whatever she wants is what you try to deliver."

Often, brides want their cakes to match the color of their bridesmaids' dresses. That's a charming idea with pastel color schemes — but a bad choice if the bride's party is dressed in black or navy blue.

Pastry chefs must always keep in mind that the top layer of the wedding cake is usually carefully wrapped and stored in the newlyweds' freezer for a year, then thawed and enjoyed on the couple's first anniversary. "This is supposed to be for good luck," Lagalle explains to students.

The size of a wedding cake is determined by the number of guests and the shape of the cake.



AP Photo
Chef-instructor Jean-Louis Lagalle shows student Lisa Kelly a small, elegant wedding cake, at Johnson & Wales University's College of Culinary Arts, Providence, R.I. The cake is one of those Lagalle teaches students how to make. The small size is a recent trend.

Square cakes can feed more people than round cakes. For example, a 14-inch round cake will serve 75 to 80, while a 14-inch square cake will serve 80 to 100.

In recent years, a trend at wedding receptions was to have small, individual cakes served to every guest at the wedding reception. More recently, the trend has been to have a medium-size wedding cake served to every table at the reception, he said. The cake is sliced into eight or 10 portions and served with coffee and tea.

Many brides choose to have a large, intricate "fake" cake on display, with sheet pans of frosted cake in the kitchen for easy cutting and serving. Lagalle said it's wise to use these inedible dummy cakes, made of plastic foam, when water fountains or heavy decorations are part of the wedding-cake design.

One advantage, at least for the pastry chef, is that the display

cake can be made well in advance. The disadvantage, for the bride, is the extra cost.

According to Lagalle, wedding cakes can cost from \$1.25 to \$9 per serving, depending on the local area, the reputation of the pastry chef, the degree of the work involved, and the fillings, flavors and cake hardware used.

One cake he created for a society wedding with 350 guests in Scottsdale, Ariz., had a price tag of \$13.50 per person, for a total of \$4,725.

The reception was held at a five-diamond, four-star resort, and the cake — made with Grand Marnier liqueur and fresh strawberries — had to be perfect," he explains.

One word of warning from Lagalle to brides planning outdoor weddings during the warm summer months: It's best to avoid buttercream frosting which is soft at 80 degrees, and will

actually melt at 89 degrees. Other types of frosting should be used, he advises.

In addition to the traditional wedding cake, more and more couples are asking for a groom's cake to be on display and served at their wedding reception. Lagalle said these groom's cakes are generally a one-tier chocolate cake, often decorated with a sports theme.

Here is a recipe for a chocolate truffle cake that would be perfect for the groom's cake at a small summer wedding.

CHOCOLATE TRUFFLE CAKE

Mousse:
1 pound milk chocolate
5 ounces vegetable oil
2 1/2 cups heavy cream
1 prepared chocolate cake, round, about 9-inch diameter, sliced into 1/8-inch-thick layers (see note)

Chocolate shavings, for optional garnish
Melt the milk chocolate in a double boiler and stir in the oil. Whip the heavy cream to medium-soft peaks and fold into the melted chocolate. Use this mousse as a filling, evenly distributed between the layers of the chocolate cake.

Line a cake ring or springform pan with plastic wrap to prevent cake from sticking. Place a layer of cake on the bottom of the cake ring. Cover with a layer of mousse. Continue this process, ending with a layer of chocolate cake on top. Place in the freezer. Once the cake has set up (about 2 to 3 hours), remove from the freezer. Invert the cake ring or release the springform pan. Remove the plastic wrap. Coat with chocolate ganache.

Note: Use either a favorite chocolate cake recipe or a bought chocolate cake. Cake textures vary: If you are unable to slice your cake into layers as thin as 1/8-inch, the slices may be as much as 1/4-inch thick.

CHOCOLATE GANACHE
2 1/2 cups heavy cream
2 1/4 cups dark chocolate, chopped very fine

Place the cream in a saucepan and scald. Add the chopped chocolate to the scalded cream. Stir until smooth. Glaze the frozen cake with this ganache. While still moist, coat the sides of the cake all around with chocolate shavings, if desired.
Makes 8 servings.

GOWNS: Plus-size brides want same choices as smaller women

(From 4E)

Plus-size brides want the same choices a size-8 bride has with only minor adjustments, like wider straps on a tank neckline, says George Stunda, director of sales and marketing for Monique Bridal. Or, for a sleeveless gown, a plus-size woman may also choose a matching shawl.

"We don't design specifically to a size," he said. Monique Bridal offers its gowns up to size 28.

Overall, the bridal look is bare without showing too much skin. Brides are concerned about

looking beautiful and sexy but they also want to be appropriate, explains Ms. Bratten. They accomplish this compromise by wearing "liquid" fabrics that create sexy drapes, down-to-there backs that are covered with a lace inset, sheer fabrics at the neckline and off-the-shoulder sleeves. Strapless gowns are still out there but they are no longer the only option and, in fact, seem to be fading in popularity.

"The good news is that there is something for everyone — from Moulin Rouge to Jackie O," said Ms. Bratten.

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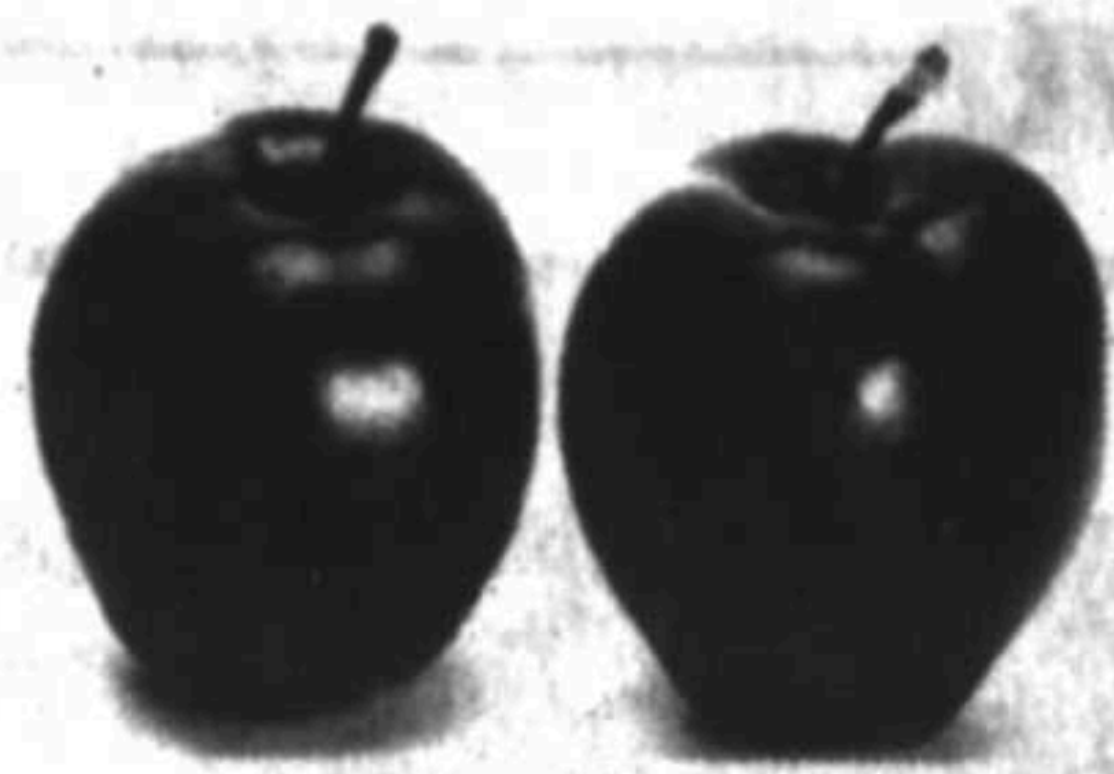
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Education

MAKING THE GRADE

The Midland Amateur Radio Club has presented this year's M.A.R.C. Scholarship to James R. Shene, a member of the Midland High Class of 2001.

Shene plans to attend Texas A&M University.

Stefan Kalon Durham, son of Kevin and Becky Durham of Midland and a graduate of Trinity School, has received the bachelor of arts degree in English literature from Reed College.

Durham received the Phi Beta Kappa award at Reed College's 92nd commencement ceremony.

Sean Anderson was initiated into National Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society for first-year students.

Anderson attends Texas Tech University.

Midlander Christopher James Lawson earned his bachelor of arts degree in architecture from the University of Kansas.

He is the son of Jim and Kathy Lawson.

Jamie Washam received her master's of divinity degree from Harvard Divinity School at Harvard University.

She has accepted a two-year internship, sponsored by the Lilly foundation, at Hyde Park Union Church in Chicago.

She is the daughter of former Midlanders Wes and Farrell Jean Washam.

Four high school seniors from the Midland area have been awarded Carr Academic Scholarships at Angelo State University for the 2001-2002 academic year.

The students are Crystal E. Corona, Gregory E. Sumner and Megan R. Whitefield from Midland High School and Valerie A. Lord from Lee High School.

Carr Academic Scholarships range in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000 to qualified undergraduates.

Jamie Moore has been named the 2001-2002 Tom Joslin Scholar by the University of North Texas Emergency Administration and Planning program. He is a 1993 graduate of Lee High School.

Moore, a senior emergency administration and planning major, will receive \$1,000 for tuition and fees for the next academic year.

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Derek Latzel of Midkiff, was among the students at South Plains College who received degrees or certificates recently. Latzel received a Certificate of Proficiency in Diesel Service Technology.

Laura M. Lightner, a native of Midland, received her degree during recent commencement exercises at Central Baptist Theological Seminary.

She received a Master of Divinity degree.

Ms. Lightner has served as executive director of the Kerr County Christian Action Council and director of the Crisis Pregnancy Center and Maternity Home in Kerrville. She is a staff chaplain at Bethany Medical Center in Kansas City, Kan.

She received an undergraduate degree in nursing from Odessa College School of Nursing and a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Schreiner College in Kerrville.

She is a writer and has had one book and numerous free-lance articles for newspapers and magazines published. She is a member of Shawnee County Allied

Tribes and the Kansas Association of Chaplains.

Lindsay Cates, a 1999 graduate of Midland High School, received her bachelor's of arts degree in business administration from Richmond, the American International University in London.

Miss Cates also received a distinguished award from the School of Business and was recognized as a member of the Richmond Honors Program because she graduated magna cum laude.

Thomas Reynolds was named

a student of the week by the Midland West Rotary Club. He is the son of Ronnie and Vicki Reynolds.

He is involved in choir, National Honor Society and German Honor Society.

He volunteers with the Make a Wish Foundation and is a Texas Scholar.

He has been named to Who's Who Among American High School Students and is a National English Merit Scholar. Reynolds plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in business.

Christine E. Carruth, a student at Lee High School, was named a student of the week by the Midland West Rotary Club. She is the daughter of Don and Cathy Carruth.

She is a violinist with the Lee High Symphony Orchestra, is a member of StrictLee Strings, is a PAL and is a member of National Honor Society.

She is a member of the Fannin Terrace Baptist Youth Group. She is a works weekly at Manor Park Nursing Home.

She is a National English Merit Scholar and is listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students. She is also a ballet dancer with Midland Festival

Ballet.

Miss Carruth plans to attend Chapman University in Orange, Calif., to study the performing arts.

Laura Bullock has been

named a student of the week by the Midland West Rotary Club. She is the daughter of Janice and Gary Bullock.

She is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Texas Scholars.

She volunteers at the soup kitchen and vacation Bible school. She is also a member of her church's youth group.

She has been named in Who's Who Among American High School Students and has been awarded the National History Award.

She plans to attend Texas A&M University to study finance and psychology.



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EDUCATION IN BRIEF

Taylor Reunion Services is coordinating reunions for the following schools and graduating years. To give or receive information call 1-800-677-7800 or visit www.taylorreunions.com.

Midland High School Class of 1981 will have an informal get-together from 8 p.m. to midnight June 15 at KD's BBQ, 3109 Garden City Hwy. A reunion gala (dressy casual attire) will be held 7 p.m. to midnight June 16 at the Hilton Hotel.

Permian High School and Odessa High School Classes of 1966 will have an informal get-together 8 p.m. to midnight July 6. A reunion gala will be held 7 p.m. to midnight July 7. Both events will be held at the Holiday Inn Centre, 6201 E. Business I-20 in Odessa.

Lee High School Class of

1981 will have an informal get-together 8 p.m. to midnight June 8 at the Hilton Hotel. A reunion gala (dressy casual attire) will be held 7 p.m. to midnight June 9 at Green Tree Country Club.

Midland High School Class of 1991 will have a reunion gala (dressy casual attire) 7 p.m. to midnight June 23 at Green Tree Country Club.

Lee High School Class of 1991 will hold an informal get-together 8 p.m. to midnight Aug. 17 at Sedona Grill, 2101 West Wadley, Suite 45. A reunion gala will be held 7 p.m. to midnight August 18 at the Petroleum Club, 501 West Wall.

Permian High School Class of 1991 will hold an informal get-together 8 p.m. to midnight October 26 at Dos Amigos, 47th & Golder in Odessa. A reunion gala

will be held 7 p.m. to midnight October 27 at the Holiday Inn Centre in Odessa.

Lee High School and Midland High School Classes of 1971 will hold an informal get-together 8 p.m. to midnight September 14 at KD's BBQ. The reunion gala (dressy casual attire) will be 7 p.m. to midnight September 15 at Green Tree Country Club.

Permian High School Class of 1961, Ector High School Class of 1961 and Odessa High School Class of 1961 will have their informal get-together 8 p.m. to midnight July 27. A reunion gala (Texas

casual attire) will be held 6 p.m. to midnight. Both events will be at the Holiday Inn Centre.

Midland Educational Support Personnel Association recently held its first awards banquet.

Trudie Black and Betty Holland were honored for their retirement from Midland ISD. Retiring Superintendent Joseph Barressi received a congratulatory letter from Ignacio Salinas, president of Texas State Teachers Association, and a certificate from Midland ESP Association.

The organization also honored Michael Worley, principal at

Travis Elementary and Willie Tarleton, director of transportation, with the Administrator of the Year awards.

Winning highest in membership recruiting was Pam Shields, and Shirlene Caldwell received an award for selling the most tickets for the event.

Bunche Early Childhood Cen-

ter held a reception to honor three staff members who retired at the end of the school year.

Retiring are: Odessa Taylor, a 29-year MISD teacher; Thedia Walker, a 31-year MISD teacher assistant; and Urbano Rios, counselor at West and Bunche, who served seven years with MISD and a total of 31 years in education.

Group's goal: educational equality

By Claudia Feldman
Hearst News Service

HOUSTON — One year out of college, Wendy Kopp convinced 500 of the nation's best and brightest university graduates to spend two years teaching in poor urban and rural school districts from New York to California.

She named her program Teach for America, raised \$2.5 million

to support it, and told everybody who would listen that the nation's poor children must have the same educational opportunities as those in more affluent schools.

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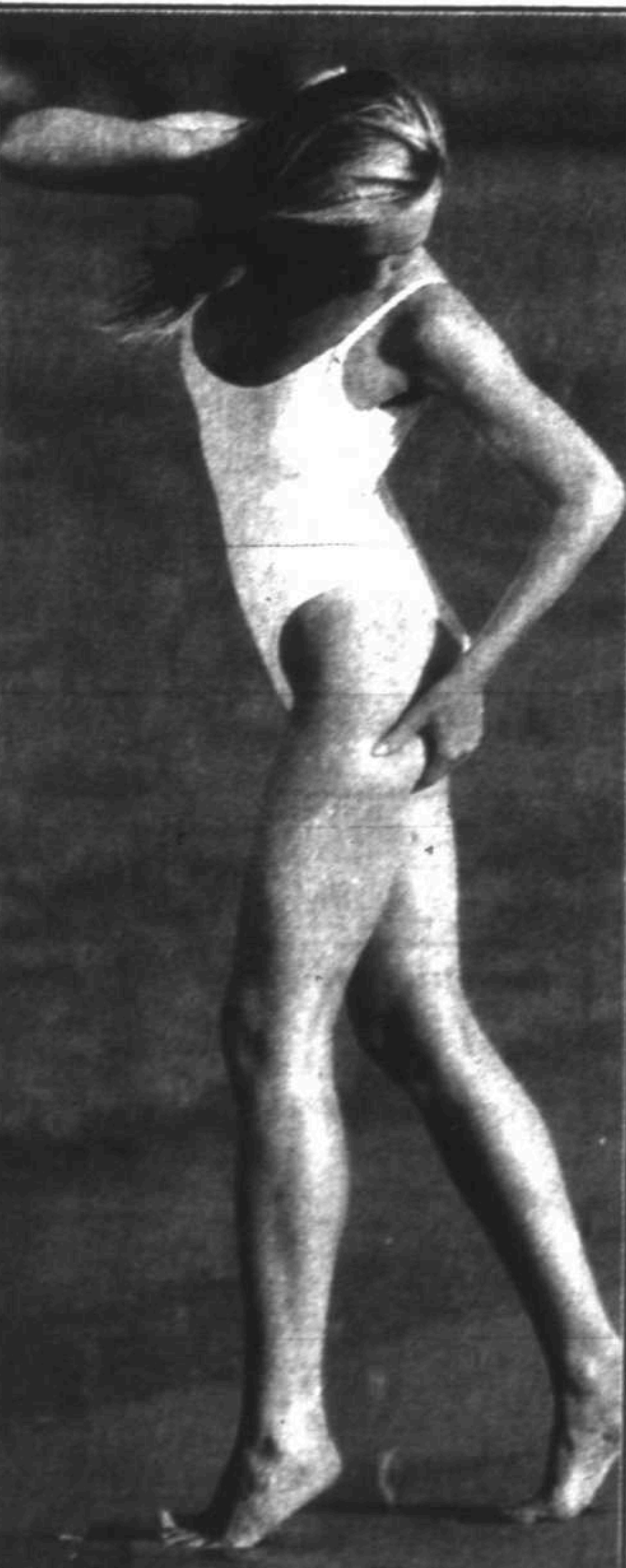
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By Angle Wagner
Associated Press

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Seniors finding Las Vegas a perfect place to reinvent retirement

By Angie Wagner
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — The smack of tennis balls echoes through the warm, Saturday morning air as a sea of retirees takes over the courts. They are out in force this day, trying out new rackets, relishing the sunshine and the different kind of retirement they've found.

"It's the great life," tennis instructor Tom Soong, 58, yells out.

It is indeed for retirees, who are younger and healthier than ever and flocking to retirement communities here because of Las Vegas' appeal.

The weather, the taxes, how beautiful it is out here," Barb Booth says, a tennis racket slung over her shoulder.

About 20 percent of Clark County's 1.4 million people are aged 55 and older, and predictions are retirees have only just begun to discover Las Vegas. A study by the National Association of Home Builders says Nevada will be the nation's most popular senior housing market for the next several years.

The image of retirees playing shuffleboard and knitting in rocking chairs is long gone. Seniors who come to Las Vegas to retire are starting new careers, honing Internet skills and relishing in their quiet communities. Call it retirement reinvented.

Terry Culp and his wife, Claudia, moved to Las Vegas two and a half years ago to retire after they sold their manufacturing equip-

ment company in Buffalo, N.Y.

"We didn't really want to live next to the boom box, three cars in the driveway," Mrs. Culp says.

They researched cities, real estate, what each place had to offer, and decided Las Vegas — with its world-class restaurants, entertainment and warm climate — was best for them.

"We love music, both of us," Mrs. Culp, 54, says. "Of course, the Strip has that any day of the week."

They moved into Sun City Anthem in Henderson, just outside of Las Vegas, and Culp, 55, spent his days golfing. The couple ventured onto the Strip often to dine and take in shows. Culp took college classes to stay busy.

But when it seemed all the golf that could be played was, the couple decided they were bored.

"We're young enough to do something totally different," Mrs. Culp says.

So Culp, who had worked 25 years with his New York company, decided to return to work, becoming a field engineer for the Manufacturing Assistance Partnership program at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. The program offers financial, technological and marketing help to local companies.

"Our idea of retirement is not necessarily sitting in the rocking chair waiting for the grim reaper," he says. "I'm doing things I never thought I'd be doing. I just don't view myself as a retired person."

Culp enjoys his job so much, he actually goes to retirement communities in town to recruit other

retirees to work for the business, he helps.

"They're interested in contributing to the community. They've got a lot of time on their hands."

His wife plans to pursue a master's degree in library science over the Internet.

When Culp isn't working, the couple spend time in the community's gym or log on to one of the six computers they have in their home.

"We retired from the first life, the first phase, and now we're just moving onto something else altogether," Mrs. Culp says. "We don't know what we're going to be when we grow up."

Retirement communities have certainly changed since Del Webb Corp., a leading builder in the senior housing market, built its first one in Phoenix in 1960.

"At the time it was sewing clubs and shuffleboard," says Sean Patrick, spokesman for Del Webb in Las Vegas. "We don't even have shuffleboard courses anymore."

Now, the most popular club at Del Webb's Sun City Summerlin in northwest Las Vegas is the computer club. About 1,700 retirees are members. They learn to pay bills on the Internet and learn about graphics.

Del Webb developed three retirement communities in town. When all the homes are sold, the company predicts almost 36,000 retirees will live in them. Sun City communities are also found in retirement hotbeds such as Florida, Arizona and California.

The three here all have golf courses, huge recreation areas and numerous clubs to join. Del Webb has found that some retirees start new careers; others move their extended families nearby and begin new memories.

Nevada's favorable tax structure is also a draw. By living in Nevada, retirees avoid state income taxes, inheritance taxes and gift taxes.

"They're places individuals can move to and do the things they've always wanted to do," Patrick says.

In Sun City Anthem, 40 percent of the residents are still employed. "The words retirement don't even fit anymore," he says.

On this day, dozens of so-called retirees are on the tennis courts at Sun City Anthem, trying out new rackets. No one sits and watches; this is an active bunch that except for the silver hair, could resemble the kids at a high school tennis practice.

Booth, a retired schoolteacher from Sterling, Ill., is done with her game for the day, so she slings her racket over her shoulder and leaves the courts.

"Most of us have been too busy working to be young and athletic," she says. "This is our last chance."

She is a stark contrast to the local senior citizens, who mostly live in apartment complexes. They have less money than the transplanted retirees, who buy spacious homes and live in the retirement communities.

"You can sit in the hot tub overlooking the lights of the Strip," Mrs. Culp says. "You pinch yourself and say, 'yahoo!'"



AP Photo
Terry Culp, left, and his wife Claudia pose inside the fitness area of the recreation center at Dell Webb Sun City Anthem in Henderson, Nev. A study by the National Association of Home Builders says Nevada will be the nation's most popular senior housing market for the next several years.

Seniors find friendship, good times in B-I-N-G-O

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mary Gilligan taps her frail fingers against the table, waiting, hoping this bingo game is hers.

"I-18," the voice calls out.

Then, a dreadful sound from across the room: "BINGO!"

"Son of a gun," Ms. Gilligan, 79, says after the agony of yet another losing game. But she will stay here for hours longer — visiting with her bingo player friends, sipping free drinks, just maybe winning a game.

"I used to win quite often," she says wistfully.

Each day, the blur of silver hair fills the bingo hall at Arizona Charlie's, a popular locals' casino on the city's west side, and many others across the valley. Some 2,500 people, mostly senior citizens, play bingo here every day.

"It's more like a social club for them," says bingo manager Mary Sandlin. "They get to know each other. I'm sure it has its downside. I'd like to see them doing other things."

Bingo is one of the lowest grossing casino games — only \$2.6 million last year compared to \$2.5 billion on quarter slot machines. But casinos offer bingo because they hope gamblers wander up to the other games as well. Some casinos like Arizona Charlie's even have complimentary shuttle buses that pick up players at their retirement homes.

Ms. Gilligan is like most bingo players: a senior citizen who comes here for the camaraderie.

"I've been playing here since they opened in 1988," she says.

With oxygen tank in tow, she arrives each day to claim her seat. She's playing 36 bingo cards this day and so far, isn't having much luck.

It's eerily silent for a casino; the only sounds are the announcer's voice, the squeak of felt-tipped markers laying claim to their numbered prey, that all-too-familiar winning shriek that makes Ms. Gilligan cringe.

"They just forget that I play here," she says, defeated with each call.

Across the table, Elroy Neitzel, 78, a snowbird from Friendship, Wis., rests his cane on the table. He's playing the \$10 "rainbow" pack, a group of 12 cards in different colors.

"Today is three," Neitzel says, explaining how many sessions he will endure. "Usually it's two."

Next to him, a quiet woman barely notices the conversation. She's all business, quickly dabbing the numbers as they are called. "I'm his wife," she declares, looking up, then quickly returning to her game.

"We started playing bingo because we were losing too much money playing slot machines," Neitzel says.

Player Micki Enciso, 76, suddenly bursts into the conversation and holds up a sheet of paper. "I bring jokes and we laugh," she declares. "If we don't win, we laugh a lot."

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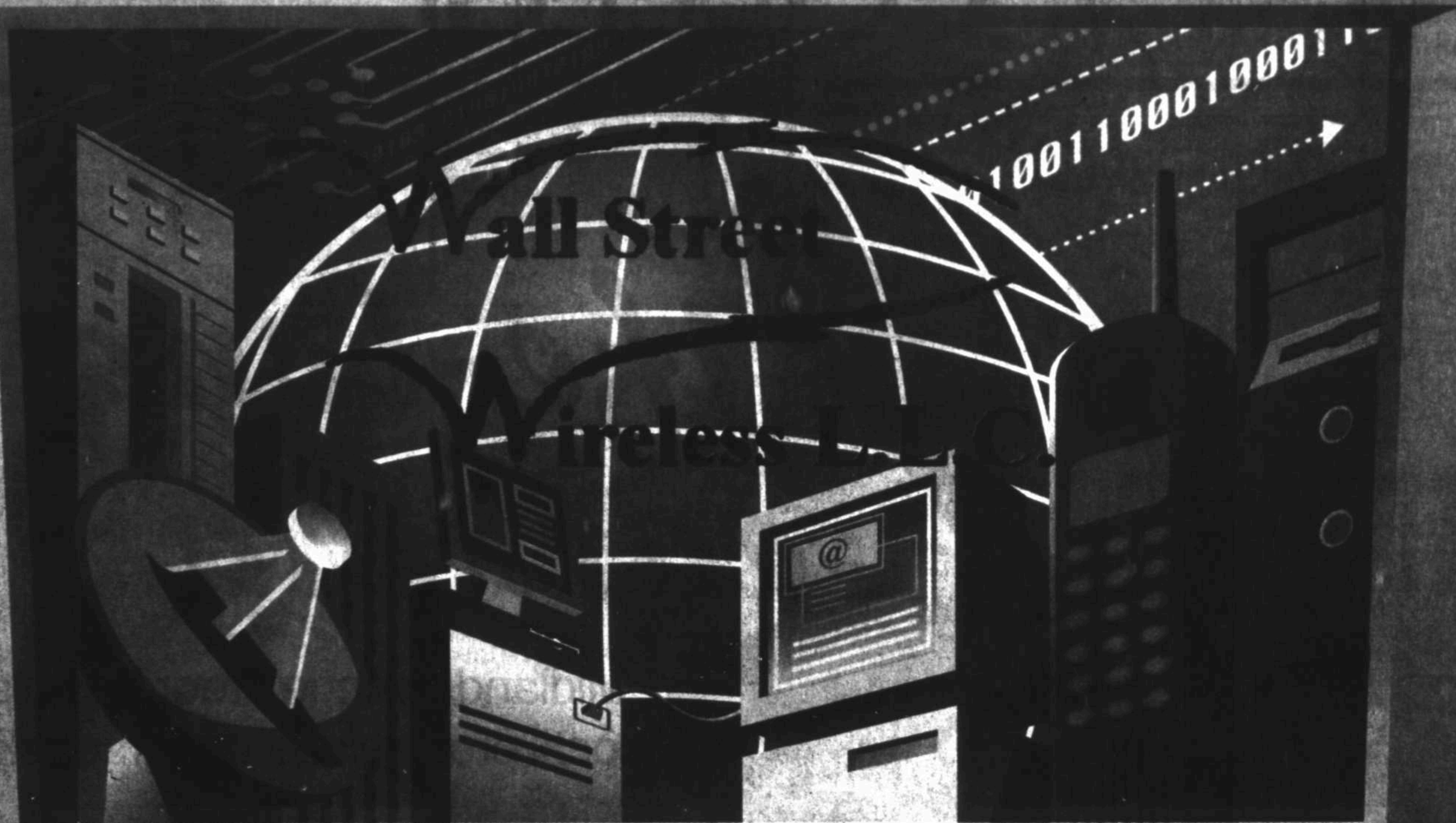
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Sunday, June 3, 2001



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'A Comedy Tonight'

The Midland College Drama Club presents a dinner theatre production, "A Comedy Tonight."

The production, directed by Dr. David R. Allen, director of the MC Drama program, features an evening of comic plays, routines and songs with dinner.

The production will run June 15, 16, 22 & 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Roadrunner Room in the Scharbauer Student Center on the MC campus.

The price, which includes dinner, is \$20 for the general public and \$15 for students.

Tickets go on sale Monday, June 4.

For tickets go to the Midland Community Theatre Box Office at 2000 W. Wadley or call the box office at 682-4111.

Reality Therapy

MC Health Sciences Continuing Education is offering training in Reality Therapy, a method of counseling that teaches clients how to take ownership of their behavior and responsibility for their direction their lives take.

The instructor is Dr. Jim Whitefield, Senior Faculty Member of the William Glasser Institute, a Board Licensed Psychologist and Licensed Specialist in School Psychology and National Certified School Psychologist.

The course meets 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. June 18-21, and #8723 003Q. The class meets at the ATC, 3200 W. Cuthbert, Room 139. The registration fee is \$500.000 which includes handouts, 32 contact hours and 3.2 CEUs.

For questions or registration please call Julie Costilla at 685-6486.

Continuing Education

New Continuing Education classes will begin at Midland College in the next several weeks. For information about these and other classes, call 685-4518.

A 16-week Electrical Journeyman class will be 5:30-7 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, June 5-Sept. 27. Bill Routh is the instructor, and the class will be at the Advanced Technology Center.

A series of 10-hour computer classes will be Monday-Thursday, June 4-7. Fee for each class is \$55. The classes and times are: Basic Computer Skills—9-11:20 a.m.; Word 2000—2-4:20 p.m.; Keyboarding—6-8:20 p.m.; Windows 98—9-11:20 a.m.; and, Advanced Internet—11:30 a.m.-1:50 p.m.

For more information about classes or to register, call 685-6479.

Kids' College

Registration continues for Kids' College, MC's summer enrichment program for elementary school students. For information, call 685-4518.

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Life-Long Learning

Midland College program helps local professionals upgrade skills

By Katherine Allen

Learning requirements don't fit into a box. Learning requires a willing student and something to be learned. Other than that the sky's the limit.

Midland College's Workforce Training offers limitless opportunities for Permian Basin businesses to train their employees.

"We aren't restricted," Barry Horseman, Director of Workforce Training, said.

"We aren't restricted by a minimum number of students; we can handle two to 200. We aren't restricted by location; we can train at the Advanced Technology Center (ATC), or at a business' location or another place. We aren't restricted by instructors; we will work with an instructor provided by the business or find one who can do the job."

The ATC currently has two classrooms designated exclusively for workforce training, one general purpose room, the other equipped with computers.

"We are highly involved with the Midland Chamber of Commerce," Horseman said, "as part of the economic development effort to bring prospects to Midland. We want the prospects to know that training and appropriate facilities are available for their needs."

The Workforce Training staff, Horseman and Workforce Training Coordinator Renee Spicer, has already helped many local businesses with challenging and specific training needs.

"We have provided business Spanish instruction for the banking industry as well as for appliance technicians," Horseman said.

"These service-sector employees must communicate with their customers whose knowledge of English is limited."

"We also provide training for all new hires and supervisory training for the Kent Companies."

"We also designed a supervisory development course for Key Energy involving 20 people every month. We will even take it to another region for Key."

Cingular Wireless benefits from the Workforce organization.

"We submitted a grant request to the Texas Workforce Commission to



Clockwise from top: Although the textbook looks the same, this class on Shelby software skips the grades and trains these employees to use software developed for churches; Computer Instructor Alfred Johnson was the Shelby instructor. Nancy Hart (right) helps an area judge understand a computer program developed specifically for members of the legal profession involved in legal research.



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train all new employees," Horseman said.

"Training will begin in early June and continue through December. By the end of the year we'll have trained

over 900 employees," Eddins-Walcher also has a long-term alliance with the Workforce group.

Training will continue every week through the summer for all supervisors

and management personnel from their 20 west Texas offices in various computer programs. Altogether about 100 people will be trained.

Other classes developed by the staff include conflict resolution, communication, business communication, software training, supervisory training evaluation, management styles and mentoring employees.

Future projects are equally challenging.

"We have been approached to develop training for Chinese petroleum engineers," Horseman said. "These engineers require basic knowledge of H2S and water flood recovery techniques. The mainland Chinese petroleum industry is relatively new. Since the Permian Basin is a leading oil producing area the expertise they need is here."

Developing a specialized class takes time and care.

"We start at the very beginning," Horseman said.

"First we identify specific training needs, especially when we start from scratch. Working closely with the business we build an outline, which is mutually agreed on. Then we develop a curriculum."

"We also negotiate the fee prior to the start of the class."

Both the company and the instructor understand the specific objectives.

Since Workforce Training is associated with Midland College Horseman has instructors available to approach about teaching classes.

"I go to the Midland College instructors first to find an instructor," Horseman said. "Next I look to the adjuncts and then I search the community to find just the right person."

The length of the course varies as well.

"Normally 8-20 classroom hours are needed over the four-week period," Horseman said. "But we've had some courses run for a year."

When the class meets also is wide open.

"We currently have classes during weekdays, Saturday evenings, whenever the customer and its employers can participate," Horseman said.

Horseman and Spicer can be reached at the Advanced Technology Center, 697-5863 ext. 3603 to discuss training needs.

News of Midland College Events

Summer I late registration continues; orientation set

Even though classes started Thursday, May 31, late registration for MC's Summer I session continues through June 6.

The session ends July 10.

Registration is in progress in the Student Services area of the Scharbauer Student Center.

Summer II Session classes meet July 11-August 16, and registration ends July 17.

For information about registration call 685-4501.

For students who are new to Midland College or for those who just need more information, New Student

Orientations have been set for 9-11 a.m., Tuesday, June 5, and Monday, June 18, in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center.

The sessions are for students planning to attend Midland College, but anyone, including parents and friends, may attend.

Orientation covers financial aid, the admissions process, TASP requirements, placement tests, degree and certificate options, help in choosing a major, job placement and student activities.

For more information, call 685-4501 and ask for a counselor.

Registration help tips

1. Take the TASP or the alternate TASP test. If you don't, the state says we can't let you register.
2. Bring your transcript(s) or have it/them on file.
3. Don't be afraid to ask questions.
4. Plan ahead, and let a counselor help you with a degree plan.
5. Know your social security number.



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By Deborah

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Certain flowers and plants grow well in shady areas

By Deborah Bengt Frost

Shade is nothing but a blessing in West Texas landscapes, but too much can be a challenge. Let's face it — most plants do their best with at least six hours of direct sunlight. If you have too much shade don't give up on growing plants, just take a look at what can be grown in the shade.

When it comes to shade there are varying densities that range from dappled and deep. Partial shade is shade for part of the day. Dappled shade means shade all day but with shafts of sunlight throughout most of the day. And deep shade means no direct sunlight.

Another factor to consider with shade is the resulting soil conditions. If the shade is caused by large shade trees the soil is most likely to be dry, low in fertility and filled with competitive tree roots. If the shade is caused by a building or other structure, then the soil may stay wet for prolonged periods of time.

Once you've determined your growing situation, then plants can be chosen. Start your landscape update with a plan on paper, even if it is just a sketch. Keep in mind a plant's mature height and

spread so you can place plants where they can be seen and admired. Try to plant the same plant in drifts and repeat those drifts in the landscape for the best exhibit.

Here are some options to consider for shady areas.

Annuals
 ■ Coleus are warm season annuals grown for their lush beautiful foliage that comes in red, yellow, green, purple, pink, chartreuse and a combination of colors. The plants grow about 1 to 2 feet tall and wide. Most coleus need shade but there are several sun-tolerant varieties, like pink parfait and burgundy sun. Coleus requires moist soils and their succulent stems and leaves are especially attractive to snails, slugs and sowbugs.

■ Caladiums are tender, warm season bulbs that have large gorgeous leaves available in red, pink, white, green and combinations. They grow 1 to 2 feet tall, need mostly shade and warm, moist soils.

■ Wax leaf begonia is a warm season annual that grows about 8 to 12 inches tall, blooming in pink, red or white flowers. The leaves can also be very ornamental in green, red or burgundy

depending on the variety. This succulent plant can be a tasty treat for snails, slugs and sowbugs.

■ Salvia coccinea is a warm season annual that grows 1 to 2 feet tall and 1 foot wide. It blooms all summer and fall with bright red, white and pink flowers depending on the variety. This plant needs to be deadheaded during the growing season. Varieties include lady in red, coral nymph and white nymph.

Perennials
 ■ Ruellia is tough warm season perennials that bloom in purple, pink and white depending on species and cultivars. Will grow in most moisture and light conditions. Mexican petunia grows 2 to 3 feet tall and will spread by an underground runner, so they can be invasive but they are easy to pull up. New dwarf types, like Katie's are non-invasive nature.

■ Bouncing bet, sometimes called soapwort, is a tough, old-fashioned spreading, warm-season perennial with clusters of pink and white flowers and blooms during the spring and early summer. Grows 1 to 2 feet tall and spreads.

■ Turk's cap is a shrub-like warm season perennial that is tough. It grows 3 to 4 feet tall and

wide, has bright red flowers summer through fall. There is a hard-to-find white blooming selection.

■ Texas gold columbine is a cool-season perennial that grows 2 to 3 feet tall and wide and forms a mound of attractive lobed leaves. During late winter and spring it blooms with gorgeous soft yellow, long spurred flowers.

■ Mist flower is a warm-season, spreading perennial that grows 1 to 2 feet tall and spreads by underground rhizome. It has lavender ageratum-like flowers. One species called Greg's blue mist flower blooms spring to fall and another species is referred to as perennial ageratum. These are butterfly magnets.

■ Oxalis is a small plant that grows 8 to 10 inches tall and wide and blooms in spring and early summer with pink flowers. There are a few other species with white flowers and purple foliage.

■ Rain lilies are small, clump-forming, grassy-like (some leaves are tubular) plants that bloom

after a rain in summer or fall. Charming flowers can be white, pink or apricot depending on the species. Most grow about 10 to 12 inches tall.

■ Zexmenia is a shrubby perennial that blooms consistently with small golden-yellow daisies from spring to fall. Plants grow 2 feet tall and wide. It is very tough, care-free and drought-tolerant.

■ Lyre-leaf sage is a salvia that grows about 8 inches tall and wide. The pale blue flowers are rarely showy, but the foliage is very attractive. It makes a good West Texas ajuga.

Ground covers
 ■ Pigeonberry is low-growing, 10 to 12 inches tall with light pink flowers that are followed by red berries.

■ Coralberry is a ground-cover or dwarf-spreading shrub type of plant. It is woody, deciduous and grows about 2 feet tall and spreading. The leaves are small and oval. The plant blooms with small inconspicuous flowers but

forms clusters of berries that will turn magenta in color and persist through the winter. It is a very useful plant in the dense shade of trees.

■ Variegated spider plant is excellent for adding interesting texture and color to a shady area.

■ Inland sea oats is an outstanding ornamental grass for the shade. Lush foliage is topped by nodding seed heads. Grows 2 to 3 feet tall and wide. Attractive foliage color change occurs in fall.

■ A hodgepodge of other plants that grow in the shade include hearts and flowers (dew plant), society garlic, English ivy, Boston ivy, frog fruit, holly fern, wood fern, asparagus fern, blue plumbago, pink pavonia and Italian arum.

Deborah A. Bengt Frost is the extension horticulture agent for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Midland and Ector counties.

CORPS: Members aren't education majors

(From 6E)

world I did it," said Ms. Kopp, 33, who recently was in Houston to promote her book, "One Day, All Children: The Unlikely Triumph of Teach for America and What I Learned Along the Way" (PublicAffairs, \$23). She also was celebrating the program's success and trying to raise funds.

"The best explanation comes from something I read that said, 'When ideas are meant to happen, the laws of the universe are suspended to make way for them.'"

Teach for America members fill job vacancies in poor areas and earn paychecks from the schools they serve. Though most corps members are not education majors, they spend a summer in intensive training, attend night classes at local universities for alternative certification, and receive mentoring and monitoring throughout their two years' service.

Early on, Ms. Kopp said she and a trusted band of managers tried to expand the program too fast, without the funds or the careful management needed to hold the program together. More than once she scrambled for contributions just to keep things going from week to week. Eventually,

she knew she had to modify the program if it was to survive.

Teach for America recently received an \$8.3 million grant from the Pines Foundation, created by Don and Doris Fisher, the couple that launched The Gap.

With the money, Ms. Kopp wants to foster the leadership and

collaboration of Teach for America alumni. She wants to make the teaching corps as racially and ethnically diverse as possible.

Right now there are 1,500 members in classrooms across America. Ms. Kopp would like to see that number grow to 4,000 in the next few years.



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HOME & GARDEN



AP Photo
Marji Christopher looks through different edible plants on the Rio Cibola Ranch in San Antonio. On her right is honeysuckle, lemon grass in foreground left, spearmint immediately behind it, pecan tree left of her and agerium behind her. Agerium isn't edible, but it's a natural bug repellent.

Edible landscaping is good enough to eat

By Pamela Moomann-Outz
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — Marji Christopher wants a landscape she can really sink her teeth into. "I'm thinking of (taking out) everything in my yard that I can't eat," said the Master Naturalist and Master Gardener who recently taught a class on edible landscaping. "It's an amazing idea. In lieu of planting trees, flowers, shrubs and ground covers that are just there, not edible and may not even be xeriscape plants, you plant herbs and edible plants."

Ms. Christopher's idea of an edible landscape is really just taking the idea of a specific plot for a garden and extending it throughout the yard and around the house.

With some planning and proper plant choices, Ms. Christopher said, a landscape can be edible, beautiful and low maintenance. Converting a nonedible landscape into a culinary delight isn't complicated. Just start replacing typical plantings with edible alternatives.

For example, instead of monkey grass or liriope, Ms. Christopher suggests planting some of the many varieties of chives. "Chives have larger blooms (than other types of decorative grass)," she said. "It makes sense to use that."

Try parsley for a border. "It has a nice texture, and it's very dark green," she said. Instead of pampas grass, plant lemon grass. It multiplies, doesn't need a lot of water and stands up well during the summer heat.

Ms. Christopher said entire lawns of thyme are becoming more common, and the benefits are many. A lawn of thyme requires no mowing, is hardy and smells great.

"An edible landscape is much more useful

and versatile than a typical landscape with nothing you can eat," she said. "It's a whole new line of thinking. What you put in your yard not only has great texture but is useful."

Ms. Christopher said herbs bloom at different times, brightening a yard in any season. Mexican mint marigold, for example, is covered in bright golden blooms in September and October when hardly anything else is blooming.

"You get a year-round atmosphere that's beautiful, useful and hardy," she said.

Planting an edible yard isn't just for seasoned gardeners. Beginning gardeners or those with limited space can get in on the fun, too.

"There is a scenario where you could have a garden on your patio just in pots," Ms. Christopher said. "Space is the No. 1 thing to consider. Most of the herbs are good in pots."

With proper sunlight and drainage, many vegetables can be grown in pots, as well. Container gardeners can have fun experimenting. Try growing bay trees in a pot. Lemon verbena or lemon balm fill a pot with delightful fragrance. Place these pots where the plants will be brushed by passers-by, thus releasing their scents.

"As far as a beginner, you can do a strawberry pot that has an edible variety of herbs and plants that will bloom," she said. "You just have to educate yourself."

Beginners can start by browsing through gardening books at the library. There, they can find information, tips, recipes and photographs to get them started, all without a large investment.

For cooks, an edible landscape has obvious benefits. Fresh herbs aren't just for professional chefs. Anyone who loves nature and good food

can reap the benefits. Stepping outside the door to snip a sprig of fresh thyme for the pasta sauce is not just convenient. It's also sensual and satisfying.

But there is a catch. "You can't have this landscape in place without being totally organic," Ms. Christopher said.

San Antonio gardener, author and naturalist Patty Leslie Pasztor compiled a list of natural alternatives to chemical pesticides. They include:

- Baking soda. Four teaspoons in a gallon of water is an effective fungicide.

- Bacillus thuringiensis. This helpful bacteria is sold under the names of Bio-worm, Dipel and Thuricide and eradicates webworms, cabbage loopers and other harmful caterpillars.

- Beer. Pour beer into jar tops, then press them into the ground. Slugs, snails and pill bugs crawl in and drown.

- Insecticidal soap. This is an effective pesticide, but it also kills beneficial insects, so use with caution.

- Dishwashing liquid. Mix 1 teaspoon in 1 gallon of water and spray directly on insects. Use dishwashing liquid, not dishwasher detergent.

- Diatomaceous earth. This is the skeletal remains of diatoms, microscopic sea organisms. It is good for controlling fleas and can be put directly on pets and lawns. It also kills roaches outdoors, pill bugs, slugs, cinch bugs and can be sprinkled on fire ant mounds. The best way to apply is to mix 2 tablespoons in a gallon of water and spray. Wear a mask when applying. Organic Plus is one widely available product.

- Pyrethrum. This is derived from a type of chrysanthemum and will kill most garden and lawn pests. Pyrethrum is widely available, but avoid pyrethroids, which are artificial substitutes.

Besides being beautiful to look at, lovely to smell and delightful to cook with, an edible landscape has yet another benefit, Ms. Christopher said.

"Once you get this type of landscape in place, you're doing a twofold thing," she said. "Not only are you planting something you can use, but you're providing a haven for wildlife."

Most herbs have blooms in shades of lavender, purple and blue colors that attract butterflies, she said.

Ms. Christopher, who teaches a variety of classes on gardening, landscaping and cooking, said she may teach a class this fall that incorporates the idea of landscaping and cooking with plants in the landscape. She said her spring class on edible landscaping had 35 students a large group for a noncredit gardening course.

"The people were just so into this," she said. "It's just incredible. In the last five years, in particular, interest has tripled. It's a big market out there. I think people realize it's decorative, useful and hearty."

Ms. Christopher said there are many good places to buy both seeds and plants such as local nurseries, which also can offer advice.

"It's all out there for the taking," she said. And to the basic question of why plant an edible landscape, Ms. Christopher's answer is just as basic.

"There's no reason not to."

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Mountain herb growers recommend planting early indoors to avoid frost

ASHEVILLE, N.C. (AP) — They were growing and gathering herbs in the Appalachians of Western North Carolina probably before the 19th century, when the mountain folk called it "wildcrafting."

Now this cottage industry is big business, generating \$40 million or so every year for consumers newly interested in plants that can flavor, scent or maybe even heal.

Alan Salmon is a veteran herb grower who now advises customers at his retail nursery, the Wildwood Herbal Flower Farm, in the valley just north of Asheville. For example: "If you are a card-holding Cilantro lover, you need to sow seeds every two weeks. Sow and cover them lightly in a pot or in your garden in a sunny spot, and water infrequently."

Limit the chemical fertilizers, he advises, because these can adversely affect flavor. And watch for late spring freezes.

Other tips about herbs from Salmon and other growing experts:

- Start early. Sow indoors during those weeks before early-morning frosts are over. You should be able to count on the heads of seedlings to be up and ready for planting outdoors. Keep in mind some herbs don't germinate as well indoors as they do outside.

- Give them a clip. Seedlings need a few weeks to get established, but then start cutting them back. Even if you want to leave flowers on the plants for the bees, cut most back for bushier, shapelier, plants.

- Know what you grow. Check out books and references about herbs and their uses. Start with a basic reference that gives scientific names and general information.

- Grower beware. Some herbs can be harmful if used incorrectly. Always check with your doctor before trying herbs for medicinal use. And it's important to know which part of the plant has medicinal benefits (flower, leaves or root).

- Seasoning. Plant for all seasons, and if you're in a colder area, try hardier herbs such as lavender, rosemary, thyme and sage.

- Keep a journal. Make a record of new spring plantings and their care. Draw garden layouts so you'll know where to look for the perennials to come up again and avoid planting something else on top of the established plant. Paste seed packets and instructions into your journal.

Lilac time inspires poets, brings mixed emotions

By George Bria

POUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) — Lilacs bring mixed emotions, linked in poetry to love but also death. Prized by gardeners in many lands, the flowers' beauty and fragrance, aside from promptings of joy or sadness, proclaim Spring has fully arrived.

T.S. Eliot perhaps struck the bluest note with his "April is the cruellest month, breeding lilacs out of the dead land, mixing memory and desire."

But Walt Whitman also waxed elegiac in mourning spring's passing in "When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloomed."

To Victorians who doted on the "language of flowers," lilacs meant "the emotions of first love," and the poet Alfred Noyes had that in mind when he wrote, "Go down to Kew in lilac time."

Love also imbued the 1928 hit song, still heard occasionally, "Jeannine, I Dream of Lilac Time."

Lilacs come in many varieties, but the common lilac, *Syringa vulgaris*, of Balkan origin, has enjoyed immense popularity since it was introduced into western Europe from Turkey about 1550 and into America by the earliest colonists.

By the 18th century, Thomas Jefferson was frequently mentioning lilacs in his garden notes and letters.

The common lilac's ability to survive harsh winters and summer droughts with

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little care — you can practically neglect it — obviously contributed to its widespread adoption. Cultivars of the shrub produce flowers of various colors — blue, lilac, magenta, pink, purple, violet, white and yellow — and some bear honorific names of noted men and women.

A blue one, for example, is called "President Lincoln," a pink one, "Montaigne," for the 16th century French essayist, and a lilac-colored one, in French, "Christophe Colomb." A double-flowered white lilac is named "Edith Cavell" for the British nurse executed by the Germans in World War I for helping to smuggle Allied troops from Belgium to the Dutch border.

One minus about lilac bushes: There's not much to attract you after the blooming season, and you could call them boring. Also, the leaves mildew easily in shade, but little if any serious harm results.

In my own garden, I have long-standing shrubs of blue and white common lilac, but my favorite is a smaller shrub

known as Persian lilac. Historians have determined that it really originated in China and was taken to Persia many centuries ago. It has more delicate-looking flowers than the common and I fancy that its fragrance is sweeter.

This bush rises to a height of about 12 feet at a corner of my house where I can see the pink-violet blooms, in mid-May, both from the kitchen and living room, a sight that has become a longed-for springtime experience. And with Whitman I truly grieve when, each year, the flowers die.

Most lilacs have the same soil requirements, exposure and culture, which means survival in virtually any soil, doing best in a rich loam midway between slightly acidic and slightly alkaline, or a pH of about 7. The shrubs can stand some shade but need a generous amount of sun for the blooms to thrive. The best time to plant young shrubs is early spring. However, this can be done also in the fall before the ground freezes. Fall plantings should be well watered.

You can grow your own common lilacs from sucker growth, often abundant, that comes up at the base of established bushes. You dig out a sucker, or sprout, with its root, and plant it in a hole wide enough to accommodate the root without cramping. Fill the hole with topsoil and compost and a little bone meal, and water well for the first season.

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Eight artists combine talents to make dolls for Gallery 1114 exhibit

By Georgia Temple
Entertainment Editor

The project, aptly entitled "Trust and Surrender," appealed to Midland doll-designer Rice Freeman-Zachery. Each of eight artists were to start a doll and then pass it on to one of the other artists along with a journal that documented the creative process. Every artist would add something to each doll.

"The process of collaboration is a process of altering someone else's work," said Ms. Freeman-Zachery, who has been making dolls since childhood and does not collect dolls, read doll magazines or have any dolls that aren't handmade.

"There's a fine line between adding to what someone else has done and completely changing their creative vision."

"So the task for each artist was to determine what the doll required, especially after the doll had been to several different artists. After it had been to several different artists, each doll would develop a personality, and the artist tried to stay true to that personality."

"So, when we began the process, it was trusting that other artists would not do something to our dolls that we wouldn't have wanted to be done and surrendering the doll that we had started up to the vision of the other artists."

The project began in 1999. The results are now on display here through June 10 at Gallery 1114, 1114 N. Big Spring St. The showing also features work by New York photographer Ron Parisi and New Mexico artist Jennifer Burkley. Viewing hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday or by appointment by calling 685-9944.

"We've just had people coming by in droves to look at the dolls because they are fabulous," Gallery 1114 member Kathy Swindler said. "We had some concerns that especially the photography might be a little controversial, but it's been real well received."

Parisi photographs women with disabilities. His objective since he began getting this work out "seriously" some 13 months ago presents him with a lifetime task: altering the able-bodied populations' attitudes and feelings regarding the disabled population. He has had 41 showings of his work in those 13 months.

"The first viewing of the work, lots of people get very upset," said Parisi, who is an art director in New York City. "Some people react to the overt sexuality. What I find is that almost everybody that has that initial hesitancy to the work will respond to it later."

"They can't quite get it out of their minds. They wonder why did I do it. It's in that thought process that they begin to understand what I am trying to do — to get them to explore their attitude about disability. Some of the comments back have been profound."

Since the early 1980s, Parisi has had numerous opportunities to see others' reactions to someone who has a disability. His wife, Beth, is among those in the disabled population. And, as an art director, he is well aware of "how connected our society is to visualization. The car we drive. The label we wear. We're very conscious of how we look."

The visual focus prevalent in society when it comes to beauty has a narrow perimeter.

"We just have this very restricted, narrow view of what's perfect or what's desirable," Parisi said. "It's not good."

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ABOVE: The collaborative doll exhibit is now showing at Gallery 1114. The dolls were each assembled with contributions from various artists. AT LEFT: A detail from "Princess Wasp Waist," by Jennifer Burkley, is on display at Gallery 1114. AT FAR LEFT: A photograph by Ron Parisi, who photographs women with disabilities, is also showing at Gallery 1114.

GALLERY 1114

JUNE 3, 2001

Midland Rib and Jazz Fest to feature Tom Braxton

By Michele Kennerly
MRT Correspondent

IT'S SUMMERTIME ... AND THE LIVING'S EASY.

The first Midland Rib and Jazz Fest, scheduled for June 16, will provide Midlanders with a sample of two things easy on the system — ribs and jazz.

The two-pronged event will include a Rib Fest and Business Expo from 11 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. at the Midland Community Center, formerly the Northeast YMCA, and a Jazz Fest beginning 8 p.m. at Lee Freshman High School.

"This will be a day of ribs, conversation and talent," said Robbyne Hocker-Fuller, member of the Midland African American Roots Historical/Cultural Arts Council, which is organizing the event. "It's important to utilize all our city parks with events such as this, and the event should shake up the social scene in Midland."

The first prong is to include the sale of ribs from Sam's Barbecue, hourly giveaways, arts and crafts booths, business booths and non-profit organizations' booths. Also, there will be performances by a youth choir and Young Flavor, a stomp group.

The other prong will feature a concert by Tom Braxton, a Lubbock native, and his band. Joining Braxton will be special guest James Braxton, Tom's father. The elder Braxton, also a jazz musician, is an orchestra director for the Lubbock Independent School District.

Tom Braxton has performed in Midland several times before, but as he creates additional albums and gains popularity he is becoming increasingly difficult to schedule, Ms. Fuller said.

"He's played here before, and I've brought him to all 23 Midland elementary schools as a motivational speaker to talk to the kids about reaching for their dreams," said Ms. Fuller. "All the kids love him."

Braxton, who creates under the genre "jazz fusion," writes his own music, plays the piano, the flute, and several kinds of saxophone, and is producing his fourth CD, which is scheduled for release around Christmas time.

"By returning to Midland we hope to touch base with our regular audience and to inspire the next crop of musicians on the rise," said Braxton, who is currently touring with jazz greats Wyman Tisdale and Kirk Whalum. "I also like to get back to my West Texas roots."

Braxton describes his group's style as "a mixed bag."

"We have a bit of everything, from John Coltrane to Stevie Wonder. We're part smooth jazz, like the kind currently on most urban formats, and part fusion, which in itself is a mix of Latin and R&B."

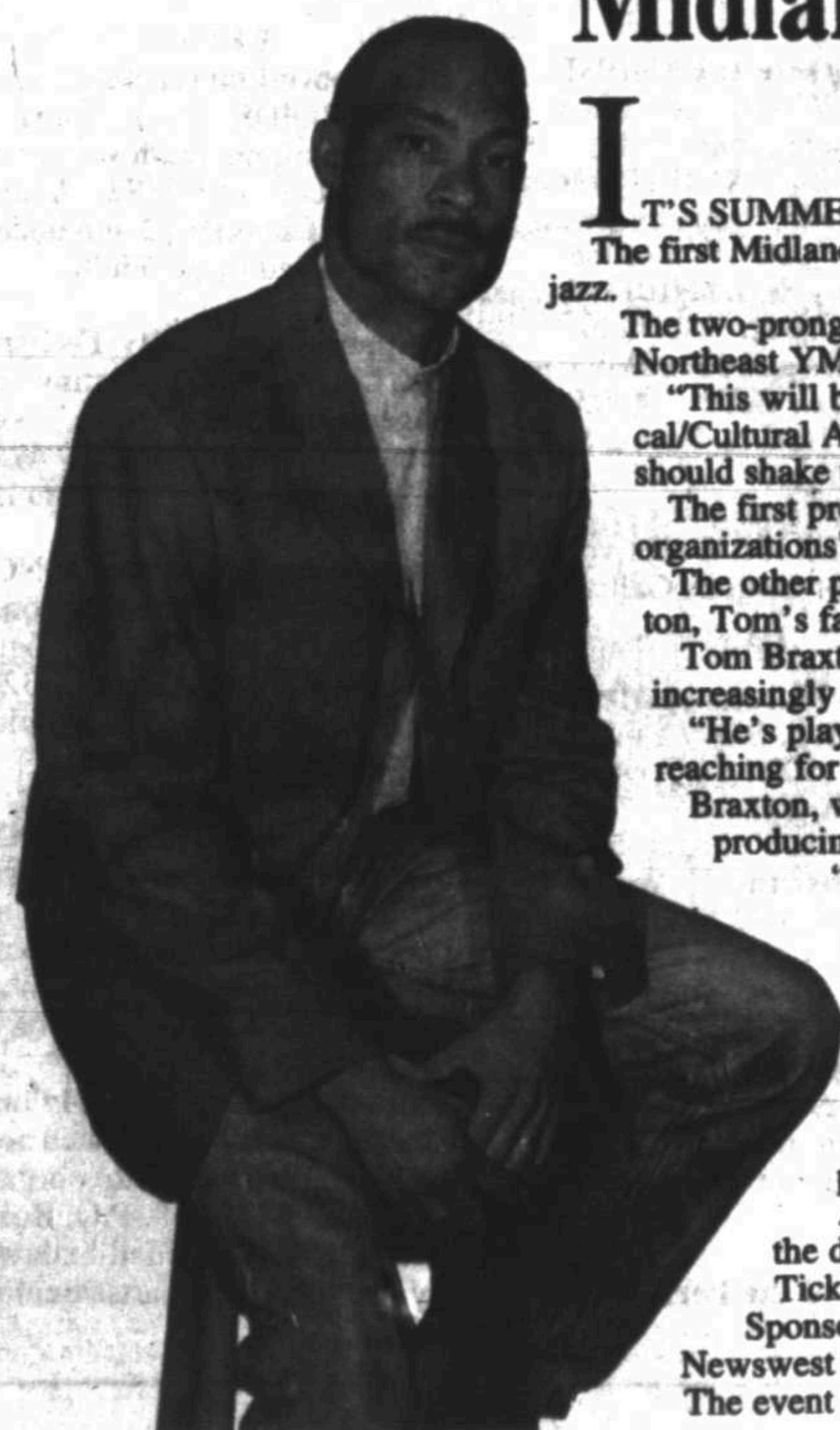
"What makes the Midland celebration so special is not just the fact that Tom is one of America's hottest and fastest-rising jazz stars," said Eric Strong, a Lubbock events spokesman. "What makes the event special is that he's a young Texan and entrepreneur."

Advance tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for college students with valid IDs, and \$8 for those of high school age or younger. At the door, all tickets are \$15.

Tickets can be purchased at The Boutique, Bedazzled, Sam's Barbecue or by calling Phyllis Lewis at 520-8475.

Sponsors of the Midland Rib and Jazz Fest include Texaco, the Midland Black Chamber of Entrepreneurs, Midland Reporter-Telegram, Newsweek Nine, Plaza Inn, and the Ramada Inn.

The event will benefit projects groups, and artists supported by the Midland African American Roots Historical/Cultural Arts Council.



Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"CHEERS" By JIM PAGE

ACROSS

1 Pen name
4 Musical climax
8 Ravel work
14 Word on a bulb
18 Rock's Brian
19 Rabbit title
20 By _____
22 Curved molding
23 ROB ROY
26 Yours and mine
27 "Do _____ a Waltz?"
28 Kryptonian alter ego
29 "It's just _____ thought"
30 Helpful types
32 Pyramid, basically
33 Flavoring herb
35 Polished
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66 Cards' home: Abbr.
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71 Ornate wall hanging
73 Dugout fig.
75 Begin to shoot
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79 Worth emulating
81 Quilt filler
82 Hexa- plus two
84 Either "Something Stupid" singer
86 Beard cutter
87 Spritd
90 Family men
91 Sanctuary
93 So far
94 Described vividly
97 Fish delicacy
98 24 horas
101 "Such chutzpah!"

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17 Mrs. Dick Tracy
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25 "I'll get right _____"
31 Provisional words
34 GRASSHOPPER
36 GIBSON
38 Raps and claps
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62 Whalers' gathering, in New England
66 Really heads up
68 Verdi princess
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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, June 3, 2001:

Focus on your day-to-day life so you'll enjoy it more. It is OK to change what doesn't work. Take a class or seminar to expand your professional skills. This year, your spiritual life develops in importance. You seek answers, often trying to make sense of life. Others respect your quest. If you are single, romance often puts smiles in your eyes. Be careful that you don't put a love interest on a pedestal. If you are attached, your relationship blooms, as you will be more concerned with details and with pleasing others. SCORPIO provokes interesting thoughts.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
**** Don't push so hard to get a project completed. Give up efficiency, and join your friends and loved ones. The Ram might be getting too serious about work and responsibilities right now. Have a key discussion now, or you will need to put it off for several weeks in order to make your points heard. Tonight: Order in.

This week: Challenges mount all week, and others confuse information. If you can take the week off, do so.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Others know how to pique your interest, and they do just that. Sometimes the Bull might be hard to move in a new direction. Your hesitancy might be one of the reasons others try to manipulate you. Lighten up, and toss away habits that might restrict you. Tonight: Respond to someone's request. This week: You can try to deal with others and with finances, but you might see red as a result.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** You might be too distracted to complete a project. Why fight trends? Your mind often wanders, as Gemini seeks to solve the universe's problems. Brainstorm with buddies over a meal. Some Gemini might pick up their pens and do some writing. At the same time, catch up on mail. Tonight: Don't make anything more complicated than it needs to be.

This week: Just when you thought you cleared all the power plays — bang! A full moon on Tuesday adds more problems.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** Your bright ways and happy

manner bring a loved one or potential sweetie a lot closer. Allow the romantic in you to emerge. Someone delights in seeing you like this. Take a walk by the water or perhaps picnic in a favorite forest or outdoor spot. Walk away from recent stress, and relax. Tonight: Ever playful.

This week: Pace yourself. If you let frustrations and problems get to you, you could pull your hair out. Think about scheduling an early weekend, starting maybe on Wednesday!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Others confuse plans, but you don't really care. You are quite happy doing little just now. Be the powerful Lion. Don't allow someone to talk you into doing something you don't want to do. Confusion surrounds wishful thinking, rather than reality. Take off your rose-colored glasses. Tonight: Whatever works.

This week: Test your creativity Monday when you are bowled over by news. Examine solutions Tuesday when others pull on you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Though clarity is a Virgo's strong suit, what you say — no matter what it is — somehow gets misinterpreted. You could choose to get upset, or you could decide to not overreact. Accept an invitation for brunch and visit with someone. Catching up on news seems like the business of the day. Tonight: Listen to a neighbor carefully.

This week: You cannot understand why everyone is fussing, but you know it adds up to a bad hair week. Be smart. Look past the immediate.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** You might not be able to curb expenses right now, but you will in the near future. Be realistic about the limitations of a risk. A child or loved one has very different ideas from yours. Certain people know how to flatter Libras to get what they want. Don't fall prey to this game unless you absolutely want to. Tonight: Treat another to dinner.

This week: What you say gets misinterpreted. Before you know it, you could be in the middle of a hassle. Curb the nasty comments and the fighting.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** You might be oblivious (and happily so) to the undercurrents around your home. Not everything is at it seems,

and you might not care. Develop a game plan today that works for you. Your strong Scorpio personality bowls over a difficult friend. Make peace. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

This week: Be especially cautious with finances. What might be wisest is to not sign on any dotted lines for the next few weeks. Others test limits.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
***** You aren't getting the whole story. Rather than demanding the truth, step back, and ultimately you'll gain another perspective. Sometimes being aloof — which certainly isn't like the bold and direct Sagittarius — works in your favor. Try it. You just might like the results. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

This week: You might be more controlling than you realize. Others have a strong reaction to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** Aim for what you want. Though you might want to discuss the costs and implications, you will not get the information you seek for several weeks. Kick back, and worry less about what is happening. Get together with friends, and let the good times flourish.

This week: Don't take someone personally. Avoid judgments, as hard as it might be. On Wednesday, your generosity of spirit pays off. Let your creativity surge.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Too much play (which the Aquarian loves!) might be taking its toll. Still, you prefer to stay for at least one more day in this oblivion. Don't ask for details. Simply go along with someone's plans. If you feel like staying close to home, do just that. Check in on your mother or a mother figure in your life. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

This week: Friends and associates change their times, which puts pressure on a key situation. Wait this out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** You find that not only are you confused, but others are as well. Don't worry about sorting everything through. Go to a concert or movie, where clarity doesn't count. Let your mind relax and take in different thoughts. Be exotic. Opt for a different restaurant or cuisine. Tonight: Don't worry about tomorrow. Stay up as late as you want.

This week: Others go topsy-turvy Monday and Tuesday, no matter which way you turn.

GOREN BRIDGE

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAN HIRSCH

NOW YOU SEE IT,
NOW YOU DON'T

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

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SOUTH
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The bidding:
SOUTH WEST NORTH EAST
1♠ Pass 2♥ Pass
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5♠ Pass 5♥ Pass
6♠ Pass Pass Pass

Opening lead: Ace of ♠

Earlier this year, peripatetic Pakistani now New Yorker Zia

Mahmood and British internationalist Andy Robson successfully defended the Cap Gemini World Top Pairs title they won last year — the first time this feat has been accomplished. Going into the last match they were in second place, but this deal took them to the front.

South took an aggressive view of his holding after North's two-over-one game force improved the holding. Once North showed spade support, to all intents South drove straight to the spade slam.

After the defenders banked a club trick, it might seem your Aunt Midge could rake in the rest of the tricks and, indeed, she probably would have done so had she been sitting South. Unfortunately, sitting South was the Polish internationalist Krzysztof Jassem, and he was presented with an unexpected problem.

Declarer ruffed the second club and cashed the king of spades, under which Zia dropped the jack! If declarer drew all the trumps, he would have to rely on either a 3-3 diamond break or the J-10 doubleton dropping, or a favorable lie of the queen of hearts. Instead, declarer adopted a line based on diamonds

being no worse than 4-2.

South led a diamond to the queen and a diamond back to the ace, then ruffed a low diamond with the ace of spades. Next came the table's low spade, and declarer took the "marked" finesse of the eight of spades — down one when West produced the nine of spades he "could not" have.

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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THE ARTS CALENDAR OF EVENTS
A project of
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SUNDAY, JUNE 3
American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBITION: Internationally recognized collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sun. 12-5 p.m. Call 563-1000. Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

Arts Assembly of Midland: EXHIBIT: The third annual Art in the Park, featuring four sculptures by Texas artists Sherry Owens of Dallas, Nancy Wilson Pfeiffer of Kingwood, Joe Barrington of Throckmorton, and Robbie B. Barber of Woodway. The yearlong exhibit is at Windlands Park, 1000 W. Dengar. EXHIBIT: Toy Truck by Jim Robertson, and Milestone 1995 by Tim Glover, sculptures on display in Centennial Plaza, 687-1149. Free.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum of the Permian Basin: CLASS: Adventures in Art, for ages 6-12, held monthly from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Call 550-9696 for information on next class. Tuition and pre-registration required. EXHIBIT: Hung Liu: A Retrospective Exhibition, through July 15. EXHIBIT: American Plains Artists present their traveling Grand Miniature Exhibit, through July 8. EXHIBIT: Power of Portraiture: Old Masters Paintings from the collection of the Sarah Campbell Blaffer Foundation, through June 24. Museum gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-3811. Free admission.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBIT: "Body and Soul," through June 10. EXHIBIT: Collaborative Doll Exhibit, dolls by nine women artists from across the U.S. Modern and contemporary art are featured. Gallery hours are 1-5 p.m. Thurs.-Sun. or by appointment, 1114 N. Big Spring, 685-9944. Free.

Thomas Kinkade Signature Galleries: EXHIBIT: 2101 W. Wadley, Suite 12, 682-9911. Hours are 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 12-5 p.m. Sunday. No admission charged.

Midland College: EXHIBIT: Prints by participants of the Kathleen Kuchar Monotype Workshop, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, through July 12, McCormick Gallery, Allison Fine Arts Bldg., 3600 N. Garfield. Call 685-4770 for information. Free.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBITS: Permanent exhibits: Indian artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and 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; available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. Call 682-2931. Free tours.

Midland Gallery: EXHIBIT: An eclectic collection of art from around the world. New location in Colonnade Shopping Center, 4610 N. Garfield, Suite A-2. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m. or by appointment. Call 694-8761.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBIT: Painter Bill Shenck, Western pop artist, part of the 2001 Contemporary Artist Series, through June 24. EXHIBIT: Merritt Mauzey and his Friends: Prints by Texas Regionalists from the collection of the Museum, through July 8. EXHIBIT: In the Third Dimension, sculpture selections. EXHIBIT: John James and John Woodhouse Audubon, Hogan Gallery, 1705 W. Missouri. Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 683-2882. Free.

Odessa College LRC: 201 W. University. Call 915 335-6646 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

The Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: Museum hours are Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1500 I-20 West, 683-4403. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues.-Sat., 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 915 332-7123. Admission charged adults.

Scarborough-Lineberry House: HISTORIC HOME: 802 S. Main St., 685-7368. Open by appointment; available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

University of Texas of the Permian

Basin: EXHIBIT: Junior/Senior Art Exhibit, Gallery of the Visual Arts Studios, through June 13. Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 1-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., 4901 E. University, Odessa. Call 552-2806. Free.

White-Pool House Museum: Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 E. Murphy St., Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

MONDAY, JUNE 4
Globe Theatre: CLASS: "Actor's Tool Kit," 6-week session beginning April 23 held each Monday for grades 7-12, 4:30-6 p.m., 2308 Shakespeare Rd., Odessa, 580-3177. Tuition charged.

The Haley Library and History Center: EXHIBITS: Permanent collections including paintings, bronzes, firearms and artifacts that exhibit pioneer settlement of the Great Southwest, spur collections, saddles from ranching pioneer families, and archival collections including photographs of turn of the century ranch life. The library houses 30,000 volumes on settlement of the region and the cattle industry. 1805 W. Indiana. Open Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., 682-5785. Free.

Midland Arts Association: EXHIBIT: Bank United lobby, 401 W. Texas.

Midland Community Theatre: SUMMER THEATRE SCHOOL: Session I, June 18-28, 2000 W. Wadley. Call 682-2544 for information. Tuition charged.

Midland Palette Club: EXHIBIT: Painting of the month, Bank One lobby, 2301 W. Wall.

TUESDAY, JUNE 5
Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "All About the Sun," geared for families with children out of school, 2 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged.

Ellen Noël Art Museum: SLIDE/VIDEO PRESENTATION: Brown Bag Art Education series, held each Tuesday 12-1 p.m., 4909 E. University, Odessa, 550-9696. Free.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: My Town, a two-story interactive cityscape, the latest permanent exhibit. EXHIBIT: Beach Babies, a toddler room built just for ages under 3. EXHIBIT: West Texas Keys, an aquarium exhibit. Museum hours are Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Free.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6
Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "The NASA Space Station, with Charlie Brown," geared for families with children out of school, 2 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged.

Parker House Ranching Museum: Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work, also featuring area local history exhibits. Currently on display, Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys memorabilia. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wed.-Sat., 1118 Maple, Odessa, 1-915-335-9918. Free.

THURSDAY, JUNE 7
Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "Astronomy 101," geared for families with children out of school, 2 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8
Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: "ASTEROIDS: Deadly Impact," 8 p.m., Museum of the Southwest complex, 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: "Messin' With Destiny" and "Marriage to an Older Woman," both one-act comedies, 8 p.m., 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Presidential Museum: CONCERT: Back Porch Swing free summer concert series, held each Friday through August 31, 8 p.m., 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 332-7123. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and picnic baskets. Free.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9
Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: "Messin' With Destiny" and "Marriage to an Older Woman," both one-act comedies, 8 p.m., 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

The Arts Assembly of Midland maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; e-mail linda@artsassembly.net; http://www.artsassembly.net.

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SKYWATCH

By: Gene & Connie Hardy

Darkness finally descends after the long twilight of June evenings. We see the longest day of the year on June 21, as the Summer Solstice occurs at 2:38 a.m. CDT, when the sun's path touches farthest north for the year, then begins its six month return southward. As the northern hemisphere begins summer, winter is starting in the southern hemisphere.

Binoculars make a great way for star-gazing delights on June's early-summer nights: double stars, strongly colored stars, variables changing brightness in hours or months, star clusters, even some galaxies and nebulae. The Big Dipper and three 1st magnitude stars (Arcturus, Spica, and Regulus) shine on the western side of the sky. The Summer Triangle is fully visible in the northeast. Looking south, we see a distinctive swirl of stars low in the southeast, the constellation Scorpius. Bright Antares marks its orange-gold "heart," out shone by reddish Mars farther to the left.

In the ENE, Vega is the brightest star of Lyra. It becomes a dazzling pinpoint of light through binoculars! Looking to Vega's lower left, you'll find the wide double star epsilon Lyrae amid the scattering of fainter pinpoints. Epsilon is a true binary (two stars slowly orbiting each other in space), consisting of two white stars currently oriented upper left to lower right. Zeta and Delta are two other double stars in Lyra, needing very high-power binoculars or a telescope to be seen.

While you're sweeping the night sky, point your binoculars into the Milky Way swinging up along the eastern horizon. It runs all the way from the NNE to the SSE below Vega right through Deneb and Altair, the other bright "corners" of the Summer Triangle, ending at the spout of Sagittarius' "teapot." Mars also lights up its southern end. Within this arm of the Milky Way you'll discover myriads of jewel-like displays, perhaps even a supernova, if you're lucky.

On June 5, the Full Moon will climb high in the late evening, flanked by Antares to its right and Mars to its lower left. Other names for the full moon are: Flower Moon, Rose Moon, Strawberry Moon, or Honey Moon. The following night, the moon and Mars make a beautiful color-contrast pair, silvery white and fiery orange.

Look for Venus before and during dawn on June 8. This "Morning Star" shines highest in the east at greatest elongation (the angle between the Sun and a planet as viewed from Earth), 46 degrees west of the Sun.

June 13 shows off a blazing Mars at opposition, meaning it is opposite the Sun in our sky. It rises in the east around sunset, shines highest in the south in the middle of the night, and sets in the west around sunrise. Mars will remain in the evening sky throughout the rest of the year, but fading as Earth leaves it far behind in our faster orbit around the Sun.

June 16 gives us the best chance to witness a meteor shower radiating from Lyra (active from June 11 - 21). Having a waning crescent Moon presents a useful chance to search for this possible, but only occasionally active shower.

In the early morning of June 17 and 18, compare the position of brilliant Venus to the waning crescent moon, from just left of it to its lower right.

For those who are interested in attending a total eclipse of the Sun in the South Atlantic, southern Africa, Madagascar, and the Indian Ocean, June 21 is the day to be there! This first day of summer is also the date that Mars will be closest to Earth (42 million miles) in its orbit around the Sun. In a telescope, it appears as big as it will get during this apparition, 20.8 arcseconds across.

Did you know that astrology is an important aspect of our local scene? For those who may be attending the AAPG annual meeting in Denver this week, you're in for a treat! Carolyn Shoemaker, Comet-finder, will give the inaugural lecture, "Through a Crystal Ball." Her areas of research overlap the petroleum geologist's interest in impact craters (from comets) as related to oil-bearing subsurfaces. She and her late husband, Eugene, had spent 13 years gathering information in Australia as well as in the Southwest. She is also greatly involved with the space exploration of asteroids, and the recent NEAR Shoemaker was named in honor of her husband. Carolyn is quite a busy lady, having taken up Astronomy as a second vocation after the age of 50. She jumped into a new career and has discovered more than 32 comets and 800 asteroids, becoming most famous for her

association with the Shoemaker-Levy 9 comet that struck Jupiter in July 1994. She says, "It doesn't take a crystal ball to tell us we're going to be hit by a comet or an Asteroid." That's a likelihood, but not a prediction of catastrophe, she quickly added.

Duck! that is, if you see it in time! You are living in the meteorite center of the world and scientists don't know why that is. So far, we have been lucky to avoid some errant piece of cosmic chondrite. The Blakemore Planetarium has ordered a chart which pinpoints 1,200 meteorite falls recorded in North America, most of them right here in the Southwest! By the way, meteorite prospecting can be fun and lucrative. You do have to know what to look for. Start by seeing our present meteorite show: "Asteroids, Deadly Impacts." check the listings in the MRT for Friday or the Midland Marquee in the Sunday issue.

Question for the month: "How do we see stars if they're so far away?" Vincent Van Gogh once wrote: "The sight of stars always sets me dreaming, just as naively as those black dots on a map set me dreaming of towns and villages. Why should those points of light in the firmament, I wonder, be any less accessible than the dark ones on the map of France?"

That point of light you see from a star is meant for your eyes only! Meet your photon! Not just any photon, but the one in the stream of photons that enters your eye when you look at a star; a jolt of pure microscopic energy conveying the message of the stars, born in their fiery core. Ever stop to think about that photon (a particle of light) traveling through turbulent space for trillions of miles for years just to enter your eyes alone? It never slows on its journey, never strays, plunging through Earth's atmosphere, avoiding destruction by molecules and dust.

There is more to astronomy than the visual wallop of a star-studded sky. All this, an astronomical gift from our Creator! And, what could be more heroic or humbling than mankind's efforts to grasp the meaning of the cosmos!

So, join the awe-inspired pairs of eyes looking heavenwards to the constant stream of photons shining into our own eyes from the distant starlight!

✓ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin June 3-9

Sunday, June 3

Comedy

"Messin' With Destiny" and "Marriage to an Older Woman," both one-act comedies, will be performed at the Midland Community Theatre through June 23. Admission is \$10. Curtain time is 8 p.m. and 2 p.m. for Sunday shows. For more information call 682-4111 or 570-4011.

Monotype show

An exhibition of prints done by participants of the recent Kathleen Kuchar Monotype Workshop are on display at the Midland College McCormick Gallery. Summer gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday. The exhibit continues through July 12. The gallery is located in the foyer of the Allison Fine Arts Building.

Art exhibit

ODESSA — Proteus Gallery, 112 W. Fifth, presents "The Good Life - Ranching in the Davis Mountains" by award-winning photographer Diane Lacy. This is an exhibition and sale of photographs portraying authentic ranch life on the historic Kokernot 06 Ranch. The show continues until July 28.

Traveling exhibit

ODESSA — The American Plains Artists return to the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University, with a traveling exhibition entitled "Grand Miniature Exhibit." This exhibit has been juried from work submitted by eight signature members and 156 associate members from 21 states. The exhibition consists of 38 juried miniature works of art.

Juror for the show was internationally recognized Cyrus Afshar. The exhibit will be open to the public until July 8. The public is invited to the opening reception from 2:30 to 4 p.m., June 10. The museum's gallery hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 550-9696 or 550-3811.

Art exhibit

EL PASO — An exhibition of works by Tom Lea and Charles M. Russell is on display at the El Paso Museum of Art, 1 Arts Festival Plaza, until July 29.

On display until July 1 is an exhibition featuring 75 of Ansel Adams' greatest images from the collection of SBC Communications Inc. in "Ansel Adams: Classic Images." For more information on either exhibition, call 915-532-1707 or visit www.elpasomuseum.org.

Monday, June 4

Ballet workshop

Leo Ahonen will teach a week-long workshop at the Coleman Dance Academy, 4610 N. Garfield, Monday through Friday. His classes will include ballet technique and pointe/turnout. Call 682-2653 for information.

Ahonen was accepted to the Ballet Academy of the National Opera House in Helsinki, Finland at the age of 6. He joined the National Ballet of Finland at the age of 14, and 17, he was a guest performer with the Kirov Ballet in Leningrad and the Bolshoi Ballet in Moscow. After that, he entered the Kirov

Ballet School, Vaganova Konstantin Shatlov, and received the "Kirov Trained Certificate" at graduation. He received the "Golden Achievement Award for International Pedagogues."

Ahonen won a bronze medal in the Men's Senior category at the Second International Ballet Competition in Varna, Bulgaria. He was a principal dancer and the company teacher of the National Ballet of Holland, Royal Winnipeg Ballet and the National Ballet of Finland. His dancing career, which spans 40 years, includes more than 300 roles and 3000 performances in 34 countries. He retired from performing in 1999.

Wednesday, June 6

Car magazine

The editors of "Sport Compact Car" magazine will be on hand at Jacobs Electronics from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday. Free barbeque will be available, as will free dyno-testing, product giveaways, T-shirt giveaways and a chance to meet the editors of the magazine. To be eligible for product giveaways, you must pre-register at jacobselectronics.com. Names will be drawn at random, and you must be present to win.

The editors' stop in Midland is part of their "Trek 2 Texas," a 1,500-mile road trip from Please see WEEK AHEAD/4F

EXHIBIT: Gallery 1114 has 3 shows

(From 1F)

We have lots of attitudes that need changing.

"We've legislated changes, yet 78 percent of the people with disabilities who can and want to work don't have jobs. That's attitude. You can't legislate attitude. You have to live it. Certainly being with Pat and two other people (models, Jill and Janet) has led me to be a champion for inclusion. We must get over these old attitudes."

The third showing of work at Gallery 1114 presents Jennifer Burkley's provocative blend of health and illness portrayed against the human form.

"People can't hardly keep from touching it," Ms. Swindler said of Ms. Burkley's work. "It's like this thick rubber on canvas. She's done quite a few shows too nationally. And she's very young. Her career is just taking off."

Ms. Burkley's work is sexual.

"We called the entire show 'Body and Soul,' which kind of tied into all three," Ms. Swindler said. "Ron and Jennifer's work tied into the human body and we felt like the dolls fit into that as well."

Certainly, the dolls have acquired personality. In fact, Ms. Freeman-Zachery doesn't feel as if the one she began

belongs to her. She would prefer to see the dolls kept together but feels she will receive "hers" back after the rounds of exhibitions featuring the dolls.

"It was exciting to start one and try to imagine what other people might do to alter it," said Ms. Freeman-Zachery, a writer for Rubberstamp Madness magazine. "And she's very interesting, but she doesn't look at all the way she would have if I had worked on her, so I don't think of her as mine."

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Friday, June 8

Plays

ALPINE — Big Bend Play-ers, Inc. announces the final production of the 2000-2001 season. Charlie Stanley will be directing three one-act plays, which will be performed in the AISD Auditorium at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and June 15-16. There will be no reservations for this production. Plays to be performed are "I Bring You Flowers," "Where Have All the Lightning Bugs Gone" and "A Game." For more information, call 915-837-2921.

Saturday, June 9

Meeting

ODESSA — Comanche Trail Wood Turners will hold their monthly meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday at Vance Ford's workshop, 1021 Independence Circle. After the regular business meeting, a demonstration will be given on turning of tops and yoyos. The public is invited. For more information, call Alex Skinnier 570-1962.

Bird festival

SILVER CITY, N.M. — Grey Feathers Lodge will be hosting its Fourth Annual Hummingbird Festival. Thousands of hummingbirds are vis-

ible at the feeders each day with as many as nine different species. One can listen to guest speakers and see slides of all types of birds and wildlife. Watch Joan Day-Martin gently trap and band hundreds of hummingbirds Saturday and June 10. Wildlife artists will present their work and answer questions.

June 23-24 will feature an art workshop with Grace Privratsky. Materials are furnished, and the only thing participants need to bring is a red-handled Xacto knife and \$20.

The festival will continue through Labor Day Weekend with as many as 6,000 to 7,000 hummingbirds during late July and early August.

For more information, a complete calendar of events, or to make reservations, call 505-536-3206 or e-mail stay@greyfeathers.com. Grey Feathers Lodge is located 25 miles north of Silver City, N.M. at the junction of Highway 15 and Highway 35. Limited seating is available, so call for reservations.

Upcoming in Midland-Odessa

Mummers

The 53rd season of Summer Mummers will begin June 15 and continue through Sept. 1. "2001: A Space Oddity" or "The Sky's No Limit in Midessa, Texas," by Linda Bond and Bruce Partain will be performed at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado. Curtain time is 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for the pit, \$9 for the floor and \$5 for balcony. Group rates are available. This production is not recommended for children. The box office is located at

Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley. Box Office hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call the box office at 682-4111 or 570-4011.

Upcoming Outside Midland-Odessa

Anniversary

FORT BELKNAP — A celebration of the 150th anniversary of Fort Belknap, one of Texas' frontier forts, is scheduled for June 23. The festivities begin at 9 a.m. Soldiers in period dress will stand guard as special recognition is given to Fort Belknap and the other frontier forts which served our country well. Living history reenactments from Forts Richardson, Griffin and Chonco will be setting up displays to give visitors a taste of life on a frontier fort in the 1850s.

There will be living history demonstrations, a period baseball game, self-guided tours of the fort, artillery and small arms firing demonstrations, mounted cavalry drills and a military brass band. For the kids there will be a junior military enlistment, music and storytelling and old-fashioned games like horseshoes. Visitors are welcome to attend the festivities in period dress.

Founded on June 24, 1851 as a post serving as a buffer between the eastern settlements and the untamed frontier, Fort Belknap became the hub connecting roads and providing safe transportation for all of those traveling into Indian territory. Fort Belknap also supplied a depot for the Butterfield Overland Mail Co.

Fort Belknap is located 10 miles north of Graham on Highway 61. For more information, contact Claire Spivey at 940-549-0401.

Lost and Found

Lost weekend

The clean-up after Celebration of the Arts has revealed a set of bongos, a ring of "Pat's keys," a silver scooter, some small spotlights and prescription sunglasses. To identify, call the Arts Assembly of Midland, 687-1149.

Auditions and Contests

Art contest

AUSTIN — All artists who are residents of Texas are invited to apply to Artists Harvest 34th Annual Exhibit and Sale to be held Nov. 3-4 at the Crockett Center, 6301 Highway 290 East.

Exhibitors are chosen by a jury of three arts professionals. All media is allowed — fine crafts as well as fine art. Slides showing the quality of the artist's work are required. Applications may be obtained by calling 512-473-3866 and leaving your name and address or e-mail to artlive@texas.net. Interested persons may also download applications from <http://artlive.home.texas.net>. Artists Harvest's mailing address is P.O. Box 80546, Austin, Texas 78708-0546.

Talent search

Music City Search of Nashville, Tenn. is conducting its new artist and song search. This talent search and seminar will offer winners the opportunity to perform on Nashville's Music Row in front of a panel comprised of producers, publishers, managers and other industry professionals. Entry forms must be received no later than June 21. To receive entry form information, visit

www.musiccitysearch.com or call 615-846-1700.

Poetry contest

The Texas Poetry Alliance is offering a \$1,000 grand prize in its annual spiritual poetry contest open to the public. There is no entry fee. To enter, send a poem 21 lines or less to: Free Poetry Contest, 3412-A Moonlight Ave., El Paso, Texas 79904. Or enter online at www.freecontest.com. The deadline for entering is June 11. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants. The editors reserve the right to publish the winning poems.

Love poetry

The New York Poetry Alliance is sponsoring Poetry 2001, a free contest open to everyone. A \$1,000 cash prize will be awarded to the winner. There are 28 prizes in all. The deadline for entering is June 18.

To enter, send a poem 21 lines or less to New York Poetry Alliance, Box 1588, New York, NY, 10116-1588. Or enter online at www.freecontest.com.

Pageants

The Texas United States Pageants are state-wide events which sends the Texas representatives to the Ms. United States, Miss Teen United States and Miss Teenage United States competitions. Applications need to be completed by July 15. The pageant begins Aug. 10 in South Lake.

Only 30 contestants per age group are allowed to compete. The state winners will receive a five-day cruise to the Bahamas where they will compete at the national pageant in November. The proceedings include evening gown, swimsuit and interview competitions.

Teenage delegates must be between 13 and 16, never married, never given birth and a resident of Texas. Teen delegates must be between 17 and 19, never married, never given birth and a resident of Texas.

Ms. delegates must be between 20 and 39, not married and a resident of Texas. Interested individuals may contact Tracy Crist at 817-442-8896 or tracycrist@msn.com.

Art show

The Cooperative of Women Artists is accepting entries in the National Multimedia Juried Art Show 2001. All interested artists may submit up to three slide entries by Aug. 10. Some \$1,200 in awards will be given for best of show, first, second and third places with four honorable mentions. Entries must be original art not done under supervision or from kits: including painting, printmaking, drawing, sculpture, fiber, clay, assemblage and photography. A painter and printmaker, Stanley Lea, will be this year's juror. The show is open Oct. 5-26 at the Katy and E. Don Walker Educational Center at the Sam Houston Memorial Museum, 1402 19th St. in Huntsville. To request an entry form and instructions, contact CWA Multimedia at 266 Elkins Lake, Huntsville, Texas 77340, or call Golda Rich at 936-295-5377.

Midlanders in the News

Ballet festival

Midland Festival Ballet participated in the annual Regional Dance America Southwest Festival which was held in Houston May 17-20.

The Company presented the ballet "Back Suite," choreographed by artistic director Judy Coleman.

Dancers attending were Christy Carruth, Allison Fields, Nicole Horn, Rachel Kerr, Courtney Leen, Josiah Neyarez, Kristen Payton, Lindsey Pitts, Lauren Sauer, Pam Shahan, Quincy Smith and Gabriel Zertuche. Also attending were Susan Clark, ballet mistress; Judy Lerwick; Karen Scarcelli; Joy Payton; Anne Fields; Vicki Kerr and Kelly Elms.

Financing, concert packages — along with something intangible — make Cliburn No. 1

By Wayne Lee Gay
N.Y. Times News Service

FORT WORTH — What Hollywood is to movies, what Detroit is to cars — that's what Fort Worth is to piano competitions.

Since the 1980s, Fort Worth's Van Cliburn International Piano Competition has stood astride the world of classical piano contests like a colossus.

To be sure, a case could be made that the chief European competitions — the Chopin in Poland; the Queen Elisabeth in Belgium; the Leeds in England; the Tchaikovsky, before Russia started to come apart at the seams — are arguably as significant as the Cliburn.

But even the directors of the Cliburn's top North American competitors, Paul Pollei at the Bachauer in Salt Lake City and Andrew Raeburn at the Honens in Calgary, Alberta, concede superiority on this continent to the Cliburn.

The reason? For starters, both Pollei and Raeburn view the Cliburn's solid financial backing as a significant factor in its primacy.

"The Cliburn has been able to buy fame," Pollei says.

Raeburn, who was director of the Cliburn competition from 1982 to 1985, agrees that the financing raises the Cliburn to the top level.

"They've got enough money to be able to recruit good pianists and jurors," he says.

The Cliburn is not, however, a costly organization.

As anyone who has ever visited the Cliburn Foundation office knows, President Richard Rodzinski runs a lean operation and knows where every cent goes. Typically, the foundation operates on about \$2 million annually during a noncompetition year,

with the budget going up to about \$5.5 million during a competition year.

But it's not just money that makes the Cliburn great. Any decent-sized city in America could raise \$3.5 million, find 30 talented young pianists, and fly them in to perform.

It's two other things, one tangible and one intangible, that make the Cliburn the greatest piano competition in the world.

The first is the list of prestigious engagements the Cliburn provides for the winners. The Cliburn offers not just the gold medalist but each of its finalists a set of engagements on which any one of them could build a career.

The second, the intangible, is the emotional devotion, the sweat and sometimes tears, of thousands of volunteers and donors through the years. It would take decades for any city in Europe or America to develop the foundation of community support that has made the Cliburn what it is. Fort Worth volunteers have helped create an event that runs not only with smoothness and extraordinary efficiency but with a distinctively warm and humane personality. It's well known on the competition circuit that Cliburn competitors are treated like royalty from the minute they step off the plane until the minute they leave.

The reputation of the Cliburn is now so significant that to be selected to participate in the competition is in itself an enduring resume item. To make the semifinal round holds the possibility of being discovered by a manager with the clout to make a career happen — witness Frederic Chiu, who turned his unique repertory choices and stage presence in the 1993 Cliburn into a significant career on the international concert stage and as a recording artist.

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Drilling set sym

The American Drilling Engineering Society will host a half-day symposium on land drilling technology. The seminar is scheduled for June 15 at the Katy and E. Don Walker Educational Center at the Sam Houston Memorial Museum, 1402 19th St. in Huntsville. To request an entry form and instructions, contact CWA Multimedia at 266 Elkins Lake, Huntsville, Texas 77340, or call Golda Rich at 936-295-5377.

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DALLAS — Colorado River Water Conservation District has approved a pipeline project for protection for on the Lower Colorado River. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River.

Midland CO2 co

CALGARY — Ridgeway Petroleum and CIG Resources subsidiary of have agreed for and evaluation for CO2 recovery. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River.

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ENID, OK. — Resources International, a subsidiary of Mount Vernon, has acquired a 10% interest in the assets of Mount Vernon. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River.

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MIDLAND — Inc. intends to place approximately \$300 million of private placement notes due 2005. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River. The project is a 10-mile pipeline that will carry water from the Colorado River to the Lower Colorado River.

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Briefing

Drilling engineers set symposium

The American Association of Drilling Engineers (AADE) will host a half-day-long drilling symposium June 7, at Midland Center. Entitled AADE Tech 2001, the cost for the seminar is \$5 and will feature papers on long lateral horizontal drilling and completion, whipstocks and windows, and techniques and products for controlling lost circulation as well as other topics. Registration for the half-day event is from 12-1 p.m., with presentations beginning at 1 p.m. and ending at 4 p.m.

LCRA approves Longhorn plan

DALLAS — The Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) has approved Longhorn Pipeline's proposed issues of protection for drinking water on the Lower Colorado River. The Settlement Agreement clarifies and defines measures of the Longhorn mitigation plan, and is an important step in a long process of mitigation, said Longhorn President Carter Montgomery. The LCRA has opposed Longhorn in court, but Montgomery said "the end product is better because of LCRA input and cooperation."

Midland firm gets CO2 contract

CALGARY — Calgary-based, Ridgeway Petroleum Corp. and CIG Resources Co., a subsidiary of El Paso Corp. have agreed to jointly explore for and evaluate the potential for CO2 recovery in the California market. The two companies will also evaluate the potential for CO2 and helium development in Arizona. Ridgeway recently signed a contract with FLO-CO2, of Midland, to provide their Arizona plant with an initial 100 tons per day of CO2 with the eventual potential for 1,000 tons per day.

Continental Resources buys Farrar Oil

ENID, OK. — Continental Resources Inc., of Enid, Oklahoma, has agreed to acquire the assets of Farrar Oil Co. of Mount Vernon, Illinois, the third largest producer in Illinois. Continental officials say the acquisition will give the company an established operational base from which to expand exploration in the Eastern United States. The acquisition includes 568 operated and 232 non-operated wells with daily oil production of 1,760 barrels and 1.75 million cubic feet, and will increase Continental production and reserves 15 and 13 percent respectively. Farrar will continue to operate in Mount Vernon as Continental Resources Illinois Inc.

Pure Resources to place notes

MIDLAND — Pure Resources Inc. intends to raise approximately \$300 million through a private placement (Rule 144A offering) of senior unsecured notes due 2011. The offering of the notes, which is subject to market and other conditions, will be made within the United States only to qualified institutional buyers, and outside the United States to non-U.S. investors. Pure intends to use the net proceeds of the note offering to repay a portion of its revolving credit facilities. The company expects to price the notes towards the end of the week of June 4th, 2001.

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Reserve values take historical turn upward

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

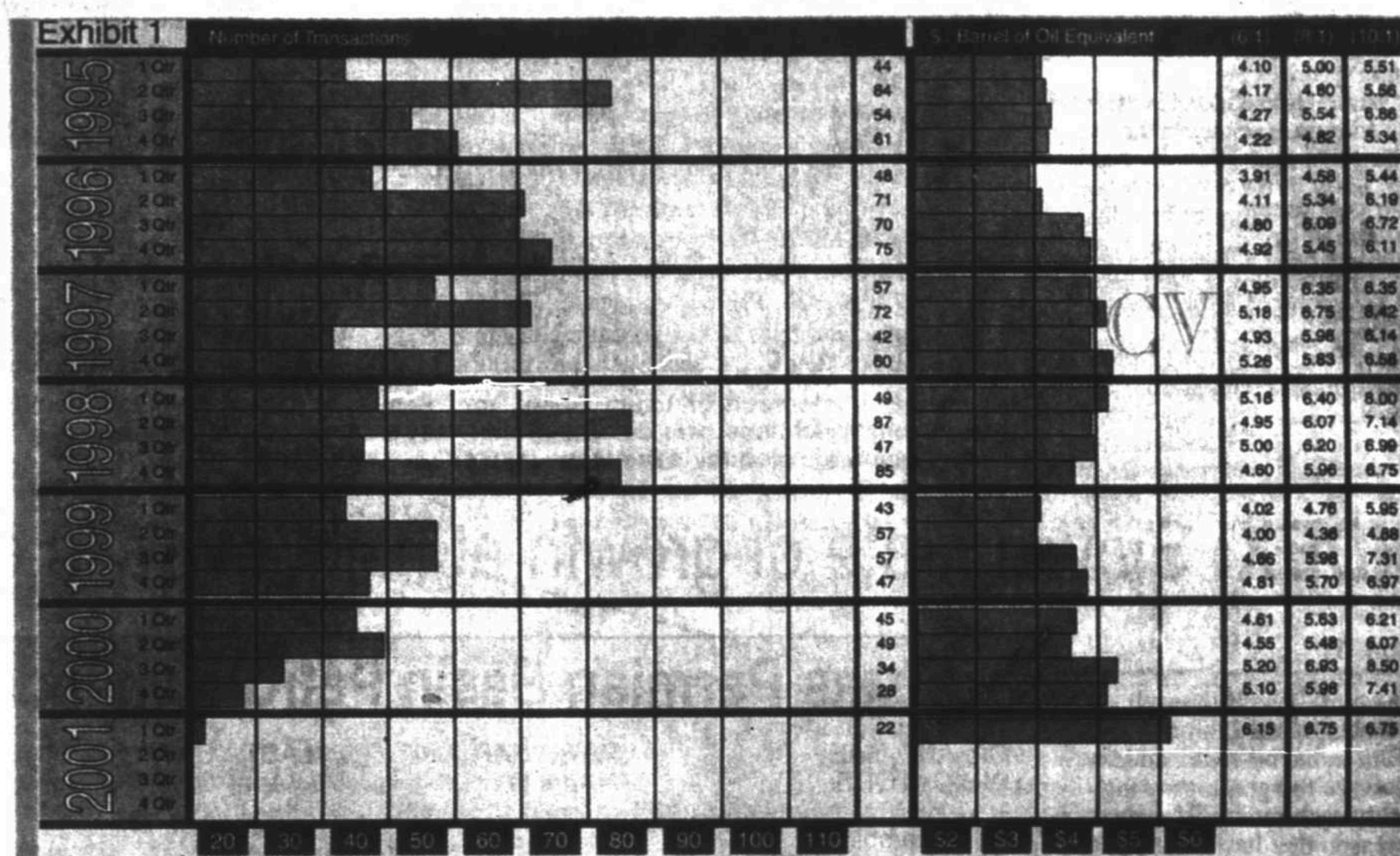
A radical and fundamental shift in reserve values and acquisition activity is reflected in the latest edition of the Cornerstone Quarterly Reserve Report, a publication which tracks the sale of oil and gas properties.

According to Cornerstone, the price paid for a barrel of oil in the ground on a reserve basis hit its highest level in seven years in the first quarter of 2001, while the number of oil and gas transactions dropped to the lowest point in history.

Experts say convergence of the two extremes in the transaction of oil and gas reserves appear to represent a fundamental shift in strategies for oil and gas companies. "It is evident that oil and gas in the ground has become such a good investment that nobody wants to sell it," said one oil producer, noting that exploration is becoming a new economic driver for the industry.

The Cornerstone Report, which tracks oil and gas transactions on a historical basis, said only 21 oil and gas asset sales were recorded in the first quarter of 2001, less than half the number traded in the last quarter of 2000, and far below 1998 when almost 90 transactions were recorded in the second and fourth quarters.

The Report said the average first quarter price paid for a barrel of oil in



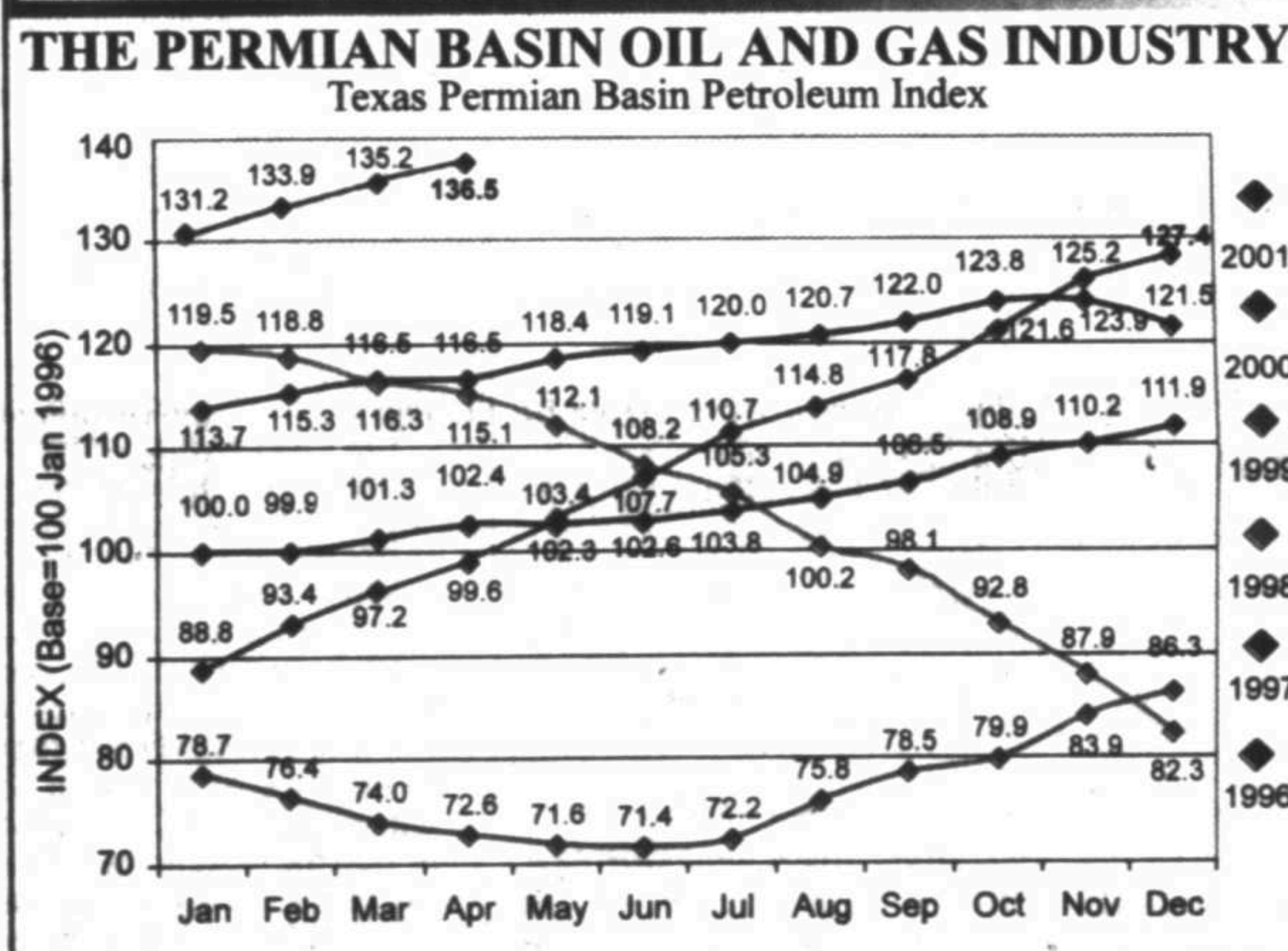
the ground was \$6.15, compared to \$5.10 for the previous quarter. That is the first time the median price for a barrel of oil has ever traded above \$6, and the first time the median price per barrel of oil equivalent has increased

over \$1 per barrel of oil equivalent in a single quarter.

While transaction activity levels have been highly volatile on a quarterly basis since 1995, the reserve price for a barrel of oil equivalent has gen-

erally traded in the four dollar range, with 19 of the past 25 quarters seeing prices below \$5. That, however, may about to change. The ROAR will continue to track reserve values to let you know which way values are going.

THE PERMIAN BASIN OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY



Petroleum Index continues to perform above its peak

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Strong energy prices have the Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index continuing to surpass its peak reached in November 1997.

"We look for it to stay at about this level," said Morris Burns, executive vice president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. "It could increase if we find more workers."

He said that all the drilling and workover rigs with enough crews to man them are at work and a few more could be put to work if crews could be found to operate them.

If prices remain at current levels of \$25 for crude and \$4 for natural gas, Burns said, "it's good for everyone. It gives us a chance to explore and take risks while consumers aren't paying any more than they are now."

A lack of workers, he said, is a problem throughout the industry. "No one has enough people," he

said. Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the index for First American Bank, the Midland Chamber of Commerce and Reporter-Telegram, said he sees the index reaching a plateau and that it will be interesting to watch over the next several months.

"I think we're done with the huge month-to-month jumps," he said, as there are no longer sharp increases in product prices.

Ingham said he expects the index to continue its growth, though the rate of growth will slow and indeed has begun to slow already.

Growth, he said, could continue if prices remain high enough to stimulate drilling activity, drilling permits and increased employment.

He does not see the flattening of the index as a negative, explaining that if it represents stable, high levels of activity in the oil industry, it is actual-

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Houston company buys super computer to help in search for oil and gas

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — In today's high-tech search for oil, the company with the fanciest computer tends to catch the most crude.

That's why the oil exploration firm WesternGeco hopes a Linux-based supercomputer able to process trillions of calculations a second will give it a leg up on its competitors.

The Houston-based firm announced its selection of the IBM supercomputer Friday (cq). The machine, assembled by linking hundreds of smaller computers, boasts enough storage capacity to house the complete U.S. Library of Congress. It already has been installed.

The new computer will power WesternGeco's seismic imaging system, which uses the echoes of sound waves to map underground structures.

It will give WesternGeco the ability to analyze huge amounts of seismic data more quickly, plus enable workers to do analytical work that wasn't cost-effective in the past.

"Obviously the spiking prices in energy are motivating companies to take more aggressive postures in the pursuit of petroleum products," said Dave Turek, IBM's vice president of Linux-emerging technologies. "This Linux system allows data to be processed at an enormous rate."

Turek said that only a few years ago, 3-D images of underground formations were limited to a few square miles.

Now, high-powered computers can provide geologists with highly detailed 3-D maps of hidden oil and gas reservoirs across a wide expanse of geographical terrain before drilling even begins. Supercomputers can, for example, remove seismic distortions that may result from the varying degrees of thickness of salt below the Gulf of Mexico's seabed.

With the help of supercomputers, companies today can avoid the \$100 million or so it may take to dig a dry well. IBM's supercomputers generally cost less than \$10 million.

"Eight or 10 years ago it was quite uncommon for companies to be drilling in the Gulf of Mexico at great depths," Turek said. "But today thousands and thousands of feet can be drilled there, and it's because of new calculational abilities."

In 1989 only 5 percent of wells drilled in the Gulf of Mexico were based on seismic imaging. Today, virtually all drilling expeditions are preceded by seismic imaging.

"The use of IBM systems running Linux has greatly expanded our ability to evaluate potential drill sites," said Trevor Gatus, Houston land manager for WesternGeco. "We are able to complete jobs that once took eight weeks in three."

Friday's announcement was just the latest in a string of Linux-based supercomputer projects that have been unveiled within the past few months.

IBM's roster of clients also includes Royal Dutch Shell, which announced in December that it would use the Linux supercomputer to help it identify oil reservoirs.

In March, the U.S. Department of Defense said it planned to install a Linux cluster at a computing facility in Hawaii. It will be used for applications such as tracking and fighting wildfires across the country.

IBM deployed its first Linux supercomputer last year, a system dubbed Los Lobos at the University of New Mexico.

John Paul Pitts

Remembering Presidents and oilpatch barbecue cooks

The longer I live, the longer my "people-that-I-miss" list seems to grow. A new name added to that list is Sammy Hunt.

When I entered Johnny's Bar-B-Que last week, for a fleeting moment I almost expected Sammy to be standing there, knife in hand, smiling — just as he had done for 46 years.

Sammy was a fixture in this corner



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of the oilpatch. With only a sixth grade education, all Sammy ever did was cook and serve barbecue at Johnny's Bar-B-Que. Six days a week, his specialty was brisket and ribs with a large side-order of friendly. The fact that he did it longer than anyone else in Midland made him a familiar face and household name for generations of Midlanders and possibly one of the best known oilpatch barbecue cooks in West Texas.

But Sammy passed on last August, leaving that task to his faithful sidekick of 25 years, Ricky Bowers. Ricky only has 20 years of barbecue cooking to catch up to Sammy.

Several times, over the years, John Hackney, owner, leased the eatery

to others, but each time Sammy and Ricky were part of the deal. Johnny says he would have let Sammy take over the smoke shop, but, barely able to read and write, Sammy did not feel up to the task and chose to cook and serve. It was one of the longest kitchen tours in Midland.

Like many other Midlanders, Sammy was a big part of my life. He was cookin' and grinnin' when I came to Midland in the early 1970s as a single man. I courted my future wife over Sammy's barbecue, and when our daughter Sarah came along one of her first out-of-the-house encounters with solid food was a bowl of butter bean juice prepared by Sammy. Sammy played a role in the dining experience

for generations of Midland families, including three generations of Midland's First Family.

He served the first Bush family, when president-to-be George W. Bush was just a young boy. Later, when he grew up and came back to Midland to become an oilman, George W. would become a regular at Johnny's. In a Reporter-Telegram article, President George H.W. Bush, the 41st President, called Johnny's Bar-B-Que one of his favorite barbecue spots, and Sammy, with his cooking and smiling skills had a hand in that pronouncement.

The Welch family were regulars at Johnny's for years. Laura Bush's

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father, Harold, was part if the regular Saturday crowd that came to Johnny's to watch football. In his office Johnny Hackney, owner of Johnny's, has a framed photograph of Laura Bush, her Dad and the twins posing with Sammy and Ricky in the kitchen at Johnny's.

How close is the Bush family to barbecue? Sammy did not live to see George W. Bush inaugurated as the 43rd President of the United States. Had he lived to see it, he would have been proud. Who knows, he might have been invited to the White House along with his boss Johnny Hackney, who was a guest at the private inaugural party at the White House.

All Sammy Hunt did for his entire adult life was cook and serve barbecue, but sometimes that's all it takes to be missed.

John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Reporter Telegram.



This framed photograph of Laura Bush, her father Harold Welch, and twin daughters Jenna and Barbara with Johnny's Barbecue cooks Sammy and Ricky hangs in the office of Johnny's owner Johnny Hackney.

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ly the most desirable result.

"We enjoy the high rates of growth in the oil index and we like to see the graph growing quickly each month. However, the reason that has occurred, of course, is that the crash in the oil economy occurred prior to it. In short, there is reason to rejoice, not despair, over a slowing rate of growth in the oil economy, assuming stable, relatively high levels of price and activity. Over time, we should also see slow but steady growth in industry employment."

Burns does not foresee any negatives looming on the horizon, even concerns about electricity supplies and rates and demands by California for caps on electric rates.

"One thing about President Bush and Vice President Cheney is they've said what the problem is," he said of California's electricity woes. "The state has not build generating plants in 20 years and their population has doubled in that period. Until they add capacity, they're going to have this problem."

Burns pointed out that "we started this spiral with the Arab embargo of 1973" and the country hasn't really had an energy policy since World War II.

With Democrats set to take over control of the U.S. Senate and indicating they will alter the president's energy policy proposals to include price caps and short-term relief from high electricity and gasoline prices,

Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index				
OIL AND GAS INDICATORS	THIS YEAR April '01	LAST YEAR April '00	% Change 2/00-2/01	
Oil Price/bbl (Monthly ave WTI)	\$ 24.44	\$ 22.99	6.3%	
Oil Price /bbl (YTD Avg)	\$ 25.44	\$ 25.27	0.7%	
Gas Price (Waha Hub Monthly Avg)	\$ 5.30	\$ 2.81	88.6%	
Gas Price (YTD Avg)	\$ 6.63	\$ 2.49	166.3%	
Rig Count (Month)	107	73	46.6%	
Rig Count (YTD Avg)	110	69	59.4%	
Drilling Permits (Month)	341	275	24.0%	
Drilling Permits (YTD)	1,534	1,123	36.6%	
Oil Completions (Month)	125	157	-20.4%	
Oil Completions (YTD)	527	596	-11.6%	
Gas Completions (Month)	55	45	22.2%	
Gas Completions (YTD)	255	168	51.8%	
Oil Production Volume (000's bbls/Month)	23,253	24,195	-3.9%	
Oil Production Volume (YTD)	92,322	95,866	-3.7%	
Oil Production Value (000s Month)	\$ 568,303	\$ 556,243	2.2%	
Oil Production Value (YTD)	\$ 2,348,554	\$ 2,421,467	-3.0%	
Gas Production Volume (000s MCF/Month)	109,964	113,845	-3.4%	
Gas Production Volume (YTD)	435,451	447,781	-2.8%	
Gas Production Value (000s Month)	\$ 582,809	\$ 319,904	82.2%	
Gas Production Value (YTD)	\$ 2,887,273	\$ 1,102,048	162.0%	
Oil and Gas Employment (Month)	12,800	11,800	8.5%	
Oil and Gas Employment (Average YTD)	12,700	11,900	6.7%	
Oil and Gas Regional Stock Index	309.6	211.3	46.5%	
INDEX (Base - 100 January 1996)	136.5	99.9	36.6%	

*Courtesy Robert K. Anderson Co.

Burns said "That's why California has its problems — price caps."

Price caps, he said, discourages investment in generating capacity, compounding the

problem. "We ran into that in the oil patch in the late 1970s," he said.

As for gasoline prices, he said that, adjusted for inflation,

gasoline prices are at historic lows.

In 1980, gasoline cost \$1.35 a gallon which, adjusted for inflation, would equal \$3.10 today, he said.

Pioneer Natural Resources raises 2001 budget

DALLAS — Pioneer Natural Resources Company announced that its Board of Directors has approved a \$50 million increase to its 2001 capital budget to a total planned investment of \$480 million to allow the company to appraise recently announced discoveries in the Deepwater Gulf of Mexico, South Africa and Gabon and to further enhance its exploration program.

Scott D. Sheffield, Pioneer's Chairman and CEO stated, "Our recent discoveries have the potential to significantly enhance future production and net asset value, and our strong cash flow allows us to expand our capital budget to take advantage of our success."

Appraisal drilling on the Falcon

and Turnberry discoveries in the Deepwater Gulf of Mexico, the Boomslang discovery in South Africa and the Olowi discovery in Gabon accounts for approximately \$30 million or 60% of the capital increase. T

he remaining \$20 million increase relates to the previously announced purchase of additional interest in the Devils Tow-

er field in the Deepwater Gulf of Mexico, seismic acquisition in South Africa and Pioneer's first well in Tunisia.

Pioneer is a large independent oil and gas exploration and production company with operations in the United States, Canada, Argentina, South Africa and Gabon.

Williams proceeds with plans for Arctic operations

TULSA, Okla. — Williams announced plans to increase its efforts to pursue Arctic gas and liquids development.

Cuba Wadlington, Jr., executive vice president of Williams and president and chief executive officer of Williams Gas Pipeline, met with Governor Tony Knowles' Alaska Highway Gas Policy Council in Anchorage, to stress the company's commitment to building a pipeline to deliver natural gas from the North Slope to markets in Alaska, Canada and the lower 48 states. Wadlington also announced the commencement of a feasibility study to look at new petrochemical investments in Alaska.

"Williams has been very active in the development of Alaska's energy resources for more than a generation," Wadlington said. "We were deeply involved in the

Alaska North Slope gas project when it was first discussed in the 1970s. We currently have approximately 500 employees in Alaska. Williams is initiating a process to substantially accelerate efforts to participate in the development of a pipeline that will bring North Slope gas to market. The production of this gas also brings the potential for new natural gas liquids investments, such as the potential for petrochemical development in Alaska. We will now begin the process of reviewing the many options available and are kicking off a feasibility study to evaluate the opportunity for such value-added investments."

Williams is dedicating a full-time team of cross-functional employees to the project. The creation of the multi-disciplinary team allows the company to

consolidate its extensive knowledge and experience in natural gas pipelines, natural gas liquids extraction, value-added manufacturing, energy marketing and trading and regulatory affairs in both the United States and Canada. The team will be charged with conducting an extensive assessment of the numerous opportunities surrounding an Arctic gas pipeline, ultimately assisting in the development of a solution for moving Arctic gas and liquids to market that optimizes the interests of all stakeholders.

With an extensive infrastructure already in place, Williams currently has more than \$340 million in fixed assets in Alaska. Williams owns and operates a 200,000 bbl/d refinery, petroleum terminals, convenience stores and has a 50 percent ownership position in an air-cargo terminal

in the state.

In Canada Williams owns a 14.6 percent interest in the Alliance pipeline system, which delivers 1.5 bcf/d of wet gas from Western Canada to the Chicago area. Extensive gas processing and natural gas liquid production, fractionation and storage capacity has also been acquired in British Columbia and Alberta.

With a 29,300-mile pipeline network spanning the continental United States, Williams is one of the nation's largest-volume transporters of natural gas. The company also provides a wide array of energy products and services, including an energy marketing and trading group that manages risk and energy distribution for customers throughout North America and internationally.

Economics may foil Bush plan for more gasoline refineries

New York (BridgeNews) - President George W. Bush wants oil companies to build more refineries to help control prices for gasoline, but energy industry experts say he shouldn't hold his breath.

The financial returns from the refining industry are so low that it will take more than removing regulatory hurdles to bring on a wave of refinery construction, they say.

Market volatility makes the building of the first new refineries since the 1970s even less likely. Oil companies are much more likely to expand existing refineries.

"From a financial point of view, an investor wants returns," said Charles Ting, an analyst for Lehman Brothers. Economics of scale are so important, Ting emphasized, that refineries able to process at least 250,000 barrels per day are the smallest ones deemed profitable. Plants that big would cost at least \$1.5 billion.

"In order to get that kind of money, investors want a 15% return," said Ting. "That requires refining margins of \$10 per barrel for a prolonged period."

The profit on converting light, sweet crude oil into gasoline, diesel and other fuels has hovered near \$12 per barrel for the past two months. It's only the second time in the past 11 years they have been above \$8, and owners of existing refineries say margins may need to be that high for at least five years.

"It would take \$10 to \$15 margins for a sustained period," for a company to contemplate a new facility, Ultramar Diamond Shamrock Chief Executive Officer Jean Gaulin told BridgeNews. Gaulin spoke to BridgeNews on the sidelines of a recent news conference to announce that Valero Energy Corp. was buying UDS in a \$6 billion deal that will make Valero the second largest U.S. refiner.

Lehman Brothers data shows that the average margin from 1996 to 2000 was higher than \$7.00 only in the profitable Los Angeles basin, where strict clean air standards have made margins higher than in the rest of the country, according to Ting.

"Historically, (refining) has not been one of the more profitable areas of our business," D.H. Daigle, director of Americas refining for ExxonMobil Refining & Supply Co. said in a statement before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee. He said returns from the downstream part of the energy industry - refining and marketing - have averaged about 5% over the last two decades, "just a little more than a 3-month T-bill."

"Building new domestic refineries is unlikely to be a practical option given siting and permitting issues and fundamental economics of the business," Daigle told legislators. "As a result, we will need to look to capacity expansions at existing refining locations to meet the bulk of our future demand growth."

In the first quarter of 2001, ExxonMobil earned \$5.05 billion in earnings, 50% more than a year earlier, on quarter 2001, a 50% boost, on revenues of \$57.28 billion. The company spent \$2.52 billion in capital in the quarter, as it searched for new oil and natural gas resources to take advantage of soaring crude oil prices.

The Bush administration's energy plan could make it easier for refiners to expand capacity and make better use of the capacity they have. The plan includes a Department of Justice review of so-called New Source Review environmental regulations, which the National Petrochemical and Refiners Association called "a significant impediment" to refinery expansions.

Until recently, industrial firms that produce air pollutants had been able to expand existing plants under more lenient, grandfathered environmental regulations. New Source Review required expansions to come under the more strict regulatory scrutiny associated with new construction.

The NPRA also welcomed the Bush plan's emphasis on improvements to pipelines and other infrastructure.

"Siting a refinery is like real estate, location, location, location," said Lehman's Ting in reference to infrastructure. "If you build a 400,000 bpd refinery in California, is the market (for the products) there? Is there room on the pipeline to move it to Los Angeles or San Francisco where the demand is?"

Lee Raymond, chief executive officer of ExxonMobil, the world's largest oil company and largest refiner in the United States, recently told analysts that one of the major problems for refiners is existence of gasoline standards that vary from state to state.

When a refinery unit shuts in Texas, gasoline from nearby Louisiana can be used to supply Texas distributors. But if a California refinery has a problem, only one mainland-U.S. refinery outside the state, a Valero facility in Texas, can make gasoline to meet California Air Resources Board requirements.

The lack of pipelines connecting Texas' huge refinery capacity with California means that it takes much longer, and costs much more, to ship the gasoline west. Transporting fuel by ship, through the Panama Canal, is also financially risky, because the price differentials that made the shipment seem worthwhile at first may disappear by the time the gasoline arrives.

Exxon Mobil unit makes 12th discovery

IRVING, Texas — Exxon Mobil Corp. announced that its subsidiary, Esso Exploration Angola (Block 15) Limited (Esso), has made a deepwater oil discovery, its twelfth oil find on Angola Block 15.

The discovery well, named Mavacola-1, encountered an oil-bearing reservoir that flowed at a test rate of 3,280 barrels per day. The well was drilled in 3790 feet (1155 meters) of water to a total depth of 9060 feet (2760 meters). It is located approximately 191 miles (307 kilometers) northwest of Luanda.

Esso and Sociedade Nacional de Combustiveis de Angola (Sonangol), the state oil company of Angola, have previously announced 11 Block 15 discoveries, with the Hongo, Kissanje, Marimba and Dikanza discoveries during 1998, the Chocalho and Xicomba discoveries in 1999, the Mondo, Saxi, and Batuke discoveries in 2000, and the Mblumbumba and Vicango discoveries in 2001.

Block 15 represents a world-

class development opportunity with recoverable hydrocarbon potential in excess of 3.5 billion oil equivalent barrels. Planning for multiple developments is underway with the first due to come on stream in 2004.

In addition to Esso (Operator, 40 percent), other participants in Block 15 are BP Exploration (Angola) Limited (26.67 percent), Agip Angola Exploration B.V. (20 percent) and Statoil (13.33 percent).

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Abraxas sells non-core Canadian assets

SAN ANTONIO — Abraxas Petroleum Corp. announced that its wholly owned subsidiary, Canadian Abraxas Petroleum Ltd., closed on the sale of certain non-core assets located in Alberta for total consideration of CDN\$15.2 million.

The sale includes approximately 5.6 Bcfe of net proved reserves (as of the April 1, 2001

effective date) and interest in certain gas gathering, gas processing facilities and undeveloped lands. Current net daily production from the properties is approximately 3 Mmcfe.

Bob Watson, CEO of Abraxas, commented, "The purchase price of approximately US\$1.80 per proved Mcfe and US\$20,000 per daily producing barrel represents

an attractive value for our shareholders. Continued successful drilling in our core areas is replacing these reserves and production. This sale continues our strategy of selling non-core assets to deploy capital into our core areas where we have the greatest growth potential while improving liquidity."

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Meridian Resource cuts debt, sells properties

HOUSTON — The Meridian Resource Corp. announced the reduction of senior bank debt by \$40 million to \$190 million realized from \$10 million in excess cash flow and \$30 million in proceeds received from the sale of certain non-strategic properties.

As part of an overall plan to re-structure the capitalization of the company and position Meridian for growth primarily through its scheduled exploration program, Meridian's management established the following as a means to accomplish its goals:

- (1) simplify the capital structure by eliminating the Preferred Stock;
- (2) reduce fully diluted share count;
- (3) reduce debt;
- (4) reduce costs (operating, general and administrative and interest expenses);
- (5) increase profitability; and,
- (6) re-focus efforts on growth through exploration drilling.

Since implementation of the plan in early 2000, the company has made substantial progress in all areas through a series of transactions including:

(a) the purchase of all outstanding Preferred Stock (convertible into 12.8 million shares of Common Stock) plus 6 million shares Common Stock, or 25% of the fully diluted share count, from Shell on Jan. 29, 2001;

(b) the sale of approximately 74 Bcfe of non-strategic reserves for a total consideration of \$68.7 million, \$50 million of which, together with excess cash flow of \$10 million, was used to reduce outstanding senior bank debt from \$250 million to \$190 million;

(c) new field discoveries and reserve additions in the company's 2001 exploration program at its Thornwell, Weeks Island and East Lake Arthur fields.

The most recent divestiture of properties included all of Meridian's interest in five fields: (i) Backridge; (ii) West Lake Verret; (iii) Lac Blanc; (iv) S. W. Lake Boeuf; and (v) Chocolate Bayou. The sale was comprised of 25.1 billion cubic feet of gas equivalent (Bcfe) proved developed reserves and 20.5 Bcfe of undeveloped reserves, representing approximately 10.8 million cubic feet of gas equivalent per day (Mmcfe/d) production, or

8.5% of the company's net daily production.

Consideration for the sale was \$33 million with a closing date of May 17, 2001 and an effective date of March 1, 2001. Benefits of the sale include the reduction of total debt by an additional \$30 million resulting in an immediate savings in interest costs of approximately \$2.9 million on the company's senior bank debt, the elimination of \$9.5 million in future capital expenditures associated with the properties, and the elimination of over \$5 million in annual Lease Operating Expenses (LOE), which represented approximately 28% of Meridian's total LOE for the year 2000. It is expected that additional savings will be recognized from additional general and administrative and interest savings as the properties are turned over for operations to the purchasers and the company's borrowing base is re-determined as currently reduced.

Buyers of the properties were not disclosed at the buyers' request.

Pioneer Natural Resources plans Tunisia exploration

DALLAS — Pioneer Natural Resources Co. has entered into definitive agreements with Euro-gas Corp. to explore 2.7 million acres in the prolific TAGI sand play of the Ghadames basin onshore Tunisia.

Pioneer will earn a 50% participating interest in three permits (Bazma, Jorf and El Hamra) by drilling two wells over the next two years for an estimated cost to Pioneer of approximately \$5.2 million. Pioneer has the option to operate the three permits after the drilling of an initial exploratory

well (Douz No. 1) in the Bazma permit that spudded May 26, 2001.

Pioneer targeted the TAGI sand play, one of several world class plays in the Ghadames basin, as a strategic addition to its existing exploration program. The TAGI sand play is the most active exploration play in the basin, having added over four billion barrels of oil and gas reserves in the past 10 years. Recent giant field discoveries in the TAGI play in Algeria (Hassi Berkine and Qoubba) are on

trend with the billion barrel El Borma TAGI field in Tunisia and suggest the potential for further significant extensions of the TAGI play into Tunisia.

The acreage offers well-developed pipeline infrastructure with excess capacity and access to oil and gas markets. TAGI reservoirs typically produce at high rates from relatively shallow depths resulting in low development costs. Pioneer has identified over a dozen prospects and leads on the acreage.

Scott D. Sheffield, Pioneer

Chairman and CEO, stated, "We view the TAGI play in Tunisia as a great complement to our existing exploration program. With its high-quality onshore reservoirs at shallow depths and well-developed infrastructure with access to oil and gas markets, a discovery in this area could contribute to near- and mid-term production growth and cash flow."

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Wiser Oil completes acquisition of Invasion Energy

DALLAS — The Wiser Oil Co. has completed the previously announced acquisition of Invasion Energy, Inc., a private Canadian oil and gas company located in Calgary, Alberta. The purchase price was \$35.7 million, which was funded with cash and \$15.0 million of bank debt.

Wiser estimates this acquisition will increase the company's proved gas reserves at December 31, 2000 by 28.8 Bcf, or 38%, to approximately 105 Bcf. On a BOE basis, the Invasion acquisition will increase total proved reserves at December 31, 2000 by 13% from approximately 37.1 MMBOE to 41.9 MMBOE. The company's daily net gas production will also increase by approximately 12 MMcf per day for the remainder of 2001, a 50% increase over current gas production of approximately 24 MMcf per day. Approximately 65% of Invasion's net daily gas production is subject to a hedge in the form of a costless collar with a floor price of \$4.05 and a

ceiling of \$5.60. The current hedge runs through October of 2001.

The Invasion properties are in the Wolverine, Bison and Ross-bear fields in Northwest Alberta. This area is approximately 275 miles northwest of Edmonton, Alberta. It is a multi-pay area with production from the Bluesky, Gething and Wabamun formations at depths averaging less than 1,300 feet. The gas is processed and compressed through 100 percent owned facilities.

Harold Thornton, Senior Vice President of Wiser Canada, said, "This acquisition establishes a new core area for the Company. We believe there is a great deal of unrecognized potential in this acreage position that covers over 365 square miles. Geologic and geophysical work has already begun and rigs have been contracted for a 25-30 well winter drilling program." In support of the development of the Invasion properties, the Company expects to budget \$7 million of capital

expenditures for the 2001/2002 winter drilling season.

George K. Hickox, Jr., Wiser's Chairman and CEO, added, "The acquisition of Invasion significantly increases our overall gas production and is evidence of our

commitment to building upon our existing Canadian asset base. This new core area and the undeveloped acreage associated with it will provide exploration and exploitation opportunities for the next several years."

Industry Briefing

Texas Municipal Gas makes acquisition

HOUSTON — The Texas Municipal Gas Corp. has completed an acquisition from EnRe L.P. of San Antonio.

The acquisition consists of an overriding methane royalty and production payment carved from EnRe's Clayhill and West Ponder properties in Denton and Wise counties. The properties have an expected life in excess of 30 years, producing primarily from the Barnett Shale. Over the life of the PDP and PUD reserves, Texas Municipal Gas anticipates producing 27,417 BBTu of methane from its interests. In establishing the purchase price, Texas Municipal was able to enter into gas price hedges for 20 years at prices in excess of \$4 per MMBtu in each year.

Under the terms of the transaction, EnRe is scheduled to drill 45 additional development wells and open additional productive zones from existing wells. EnRe will continue as operator of the properties and will retain all natural gas liquids, oil, condensate and residual natural gas production.

Pangea Petroleum acquires lease

HOUSTON — Pangea Petroleum Corp. announced the acquisition of the remaining 75% interest in the A.A. Sharp No. 6 lease in Jim Wells County, Texas. The company now owns a 100% working interest in this well.

Pangea Petroleum Corporation (www.pangeapetroleum.com) is a Texas-based independent energy firm that includes a wholly owned subsidiary, Mass Energy. The company has oil and gas leases in Jackson County, Texas, Starr County, Texas, Shelby County, Texas, and Kern County, Calif. The company also has a strategic relationship with Paradigm Advanced Technologies.

EOG Resources to buy Energy Search

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Energy Search Inc. has entered into a definitive merger agreement with EOG Resources, Inc. for EOG to acquire Energy Search.

The common and preferred shareholders of Energy Search will each receive \$8.22 per share for all outstanding shares of Energy Search. This represents a premium of approximately \$1.40 (21%) over the average closing price of Energy Search common stock during the previous 20 trading days. The merger is subject to customary closing conditions, including approval by the shareholders of Energy Search. It is expected that the transaction will be completed in the early part of the third quarter of 2001.

Rowan gets contract for Super Gorilla V

HOUSTON — Rowan Companies, Inc. announced that an agreement has been reached with PanCanadian Petroleum Limited on a drilling contract for Super "Gorilla V".

The rig will be utilized offshore eastern Canada near Sable Island beginning in late June. The initial commitment, subject to certain conditions and regulatory approvals, is for two wells, which are expected to take about five months and provide around \$23 million of total revenues. The contract also provides options to drill two additional wells.

Varco acquires Albin's Enterprises

HOUSTON & ORANGE, Calif. — Varco International has acquired, through a subsidiary, the capital stock of Albin's Enterprises Inc. Albin's carries on the business of designing, manufacturing, rebuilding, refurbishing, modifying and enhancing high-pressure nitrogen pumping units and related equipment. Varco is the world's leading manufacturer of nitrogen pumping units and related equipment for sale to the oilfield services industry. Terms of the sale were not announced.

"Albin's expands our customer base and manufacturing capacity for both the nitrogen pumping and coiled tubing product lines," remarked George Boyadjieff, chairman and CEO of Varco. "Albin's has developed a unique combination nitrogen/fluid pumping unit that reduces the customer requirement for power plants and capital equipment. We are proud to add their product line to our extensive line of nitrogen pumping equipment."

Albin's joins Varco's Coiled Tubing/Wireline Products Group and will operate as Hydra Rig - Duncan, Okla.

TBX buys Union City Prospect stake

DALLAS — TBX Resources Inc. announced the acquisition of an interest in the Union City Prospect, which is located in Canadian County, Oklahoma. The prospect will be a 3 well drilling program with a total depth of approximately 12,000 feet each. The primary objective of the Union City Prospect is the Bios D'Arcy, the upper member of the Hunton Formation. Secondary objectives in the prospect area are the Cottage Grove, Oswego, Skinner, and Red Fork formations. According to the Consulting Geologist, the prospect is a low risk development prospect with potential gas reserves to be in the 2 BCFG to 4 BCFG range per well. If some of the Secondary Objectives are realized ultimate reserves could be as high as 5 BCFG per well, although actual results may vary.

The results for the 24-hour Oklahoma state test on the Lillie No. 2-11 conducted on April 24th, 2001 were as follows; 3,039 MCF (3,039 million cubic feet of natural gas a day) along with 73 barrels of oil a day on a 14/64 choke. The Lillie No. 2-11, located in Beckham County, Oklahoma, was drilled in February 2001 and is a successful producing well. Estimated reserves are expected to be approximately 5 BCFG and 60,000 barrels of oil.

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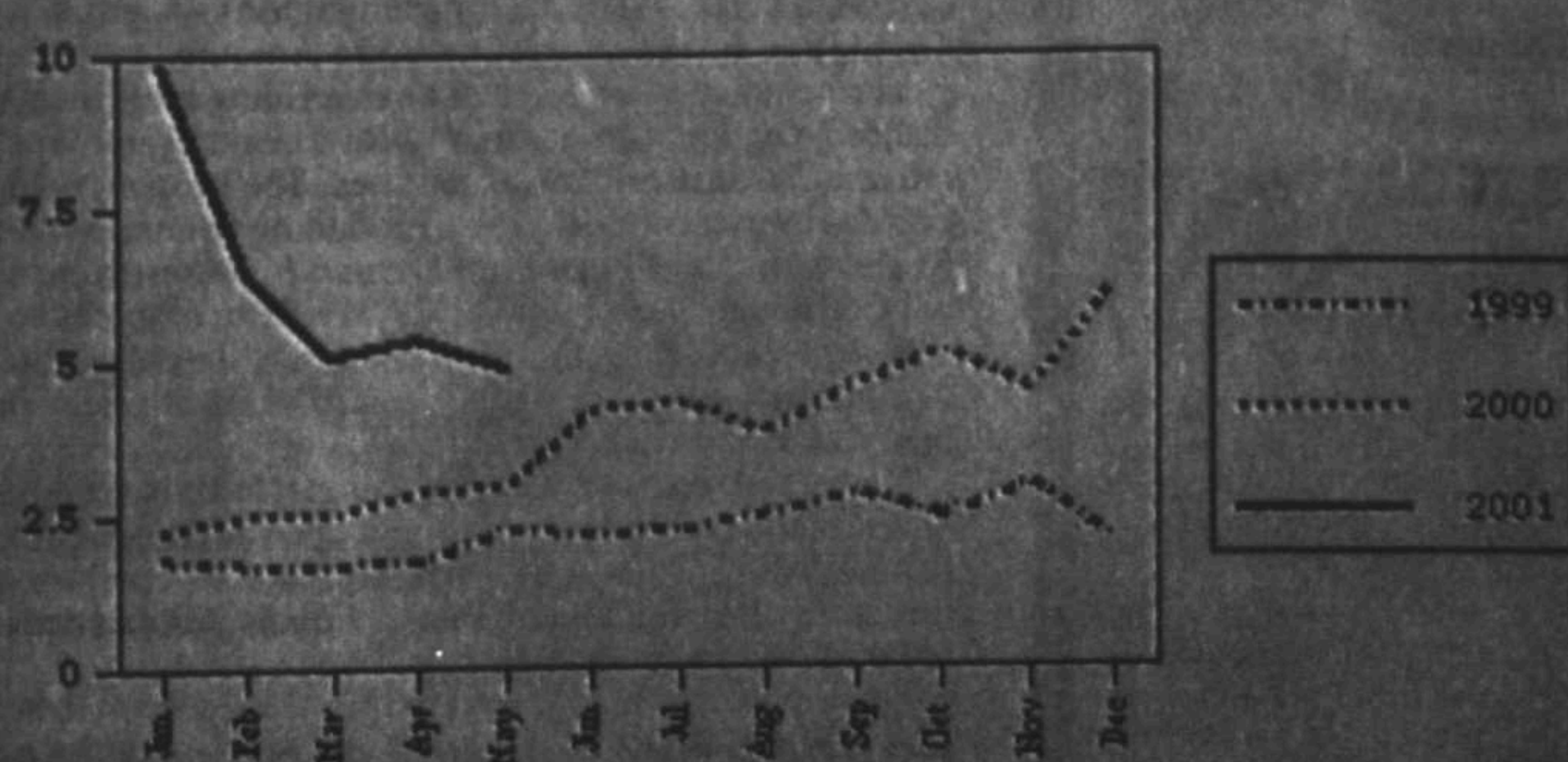
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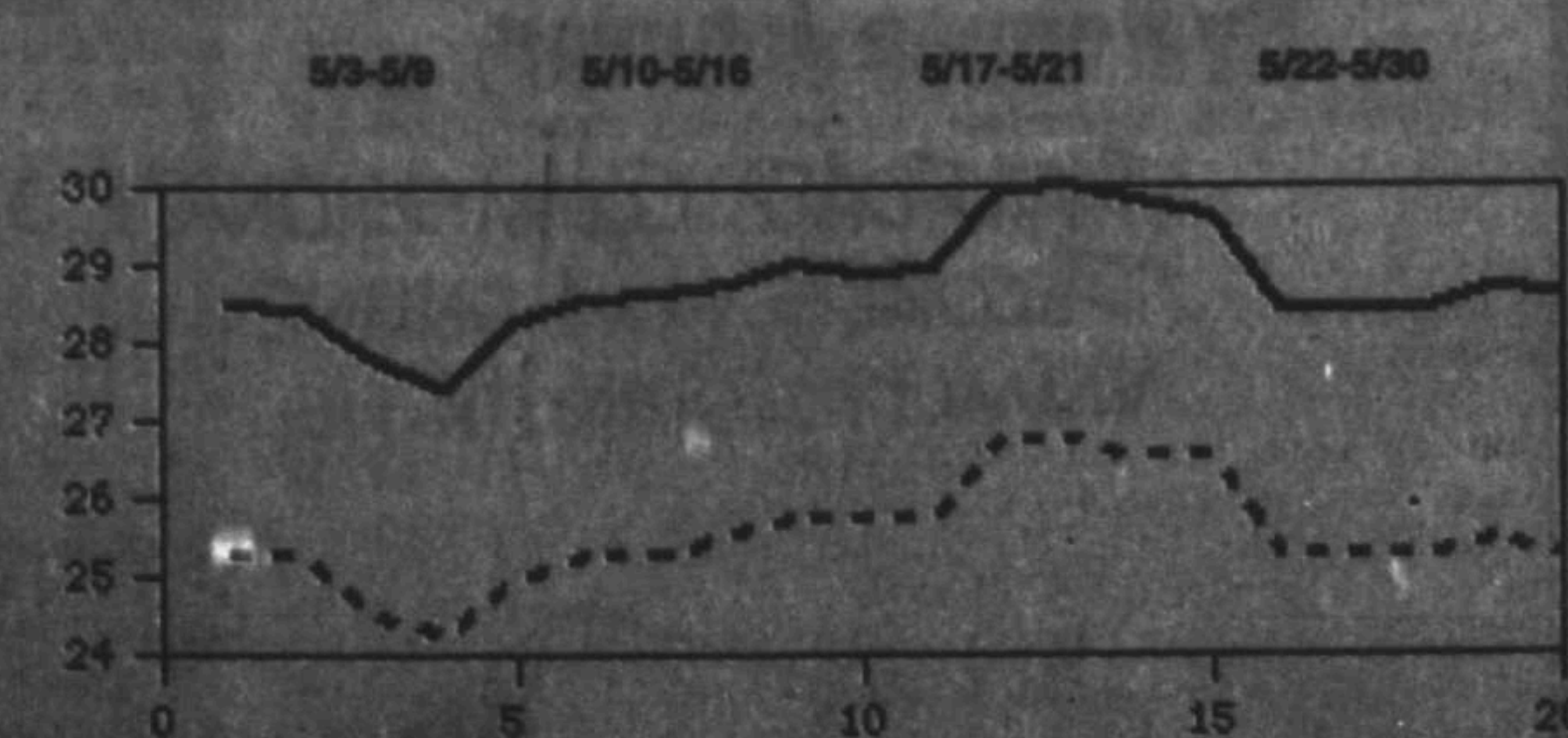
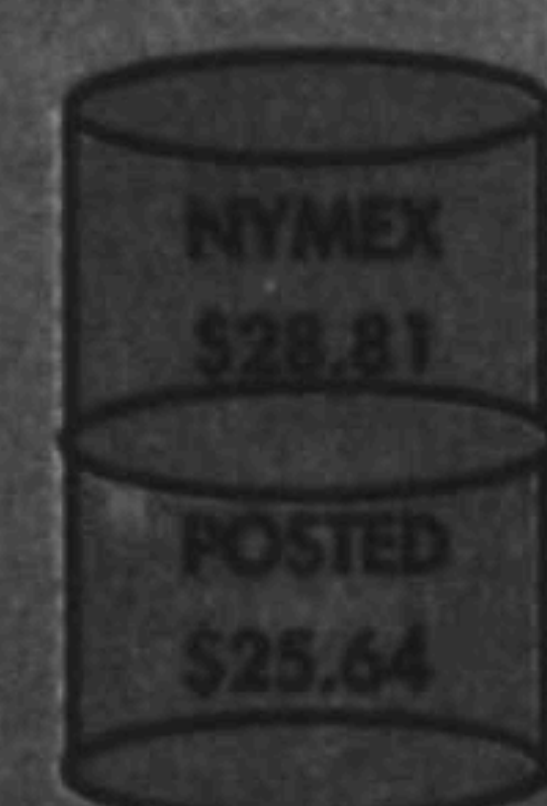
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RME Pet. Co.
 Warren, W. K. Foundation "24" #12
 Ozona (Canyon Sand)-D; T & ST
 L RR Co./L. Sapp; A-5418; Blk MM,
 Sec 24; 2500 FSL 660 FEL of lse;
 2500 FSL 660 FEL of sur-
 vey; 32.60 miles SW of Ozona; obj:
 7500; permit #508185; API #105-38645

Schleicher County
 Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Meador 178 #6
 Sawyer (Strawn, North)-Recom-
 pletion; HE & WT RR Co./S. I. Nicks;
 A-809, Blk A, Sec 178; 660 FNL 1980
 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of sur-
 vey; 12.40 miles SW of Eldorado; obj:
 7800; permit #508263; API #413-
 32016

Sutton County
 Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Shurley 95 #8
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer
 (Canyon)-D; H.E. & W.T. RR Co.; A-
 320, Blk B, Sec 95; 750 FNL 2100
 FSL of lse; 750 FNL 2100 FSL of sur-
 vey; 3 miles SW of Sonora; obj: 6450;
 permit #508267; API #435-35470

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Kirby "184" #5
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer
 (Canyon)-D; H.E. & W.T. RR Co./G. W. Stephenson; A-
 1348, Blk A, Sec 184; 1980 FNL 1980
 FEL of lse; 1980 FNL 1980 FEL of sur-
 vey; 8 miles NW of Sonora; obj: 7800;
 permit #508265; API #435-35469

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Shurley 98 #8
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer
 (Canyon)-D; H.E. & W.T. RR Co./M.
 B. Atkinson; A-893, Blk B, Sec 98;
 1800 FNL 2290 FNL of lse; 1800 FNL
 2290 FNL of sur-
 vey; 3 miles SW of
 Sonora; obj: 6450; permit #508264;
 API #435-35468

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Meckel "A" #18
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora
 (Canyon Upper)-D; H.E. & W.T. RR
 Co./A. J. Swearingen; A-1235, Blk A,
 Sec 152; 500 FNL 2100 FWL of lse;
 500 FNL 2100 FWL of sur-
 vey; 9 miles

NW of Sonora; obj: 7300; permit
 #508088; API #435-35466
 Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Meckel "A" #20
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora
 (Canyon Upper)-D; H.E. & W.T. RR
 Co./R. W. Davis; A-1382, Blk A, Sec
 124; 4780 FNL 6080 FSL of lse; 500
 FWL 800 FSL of sur-
 vey; 7 miles NW
 of Sonora; obj: 7050; permit #508087;
 API #435-35465

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Meckel "A" #19
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sonora
 (Canyon Upper)-D; GC & SF RR
 Co./J. L. Davis #4; A-932, Blk N/A, Sec
 N/A; 2400 FNL 3000 FSL of lse; 2400
 FWL 2320 FNL of sur-
 vey; 7 miles NW
 of Sonora; obj: 6600; permit #508086;
 API #435-35464

Burlington Res. O & G Co. LP
 Steen #56
 Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; GC &
 SF RR Co. #12/Nora E. Stringer; A-
 1225, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 1983 FSL
 1580 FEL of lse; 670 FNL 1580 FEL
 of sur-
 vey; 4 miles N of Sonora; obj:
 5645; permit #508411; API #435-
 35473

Burlington Res. O & G Co. LP
 Steen #57
 Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; GC &
 SF RR Co. #9; A-147, Blk N/A, Sec
 N/A; 5744 FNL 2280 FWL of lse; 467
 FNL 2280 FWL of sur-
 vey; 6 miles NNE
 of Sonora; obj: 5920; permit #508410;
 API #435-35474

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 Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; GC &
 SF RR Co. #13; A-145, Blk N/A, Sec
 N/A; 630 FSL 2135 FWL of lse; 630
 FSL 2135 FWL of sur-
 vey; 4 miles N of Sonora; obj: 6005; per-
 mit #508409; API #435-35475

Burlington Res. O & G Co. LP
 Steen #59
 Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; H.E. &
 W.T. RR Co./N. E. Stringer; A-1226,
 Blk A, Sec 64; 3267 FNL 1980 FEL of
 lse; 2010 FNL 1980 FEL of sur-
 vey; 4 miles NE of Sonora; obj: 5815; permit
 #508408; API #435-35476

Burlington Res. O & G Co. LP
 Steen #55
 Sonora (Canyon Upper)-D; GC &
 SF RR Co. #11; A-146, Blk N/A, Sec
 N/A; 2699 FNL 2785 FEL of lse; 2570
 FEL 2500 FWL of sur-
 vey; 7 miles NNE
 of Sonora; obj: 5725; permit #508407;
 API #435-35477

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Thomson "C" #5
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 Upper)-D; HE & WT RR Co./T. F.
 Christman; A-1578, Blk A, Sec 34;
 500 FWL 842 FNL of lse; 500 FWL
 1800 FSL of sur-
 vey; 7 miles NE of
 Sonora; obj: 6750; permit #507023;
 API #435-35431

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Simmons Ranch #19X
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer
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 Parker/D. Simmons; A-1535, Blk JK,
 Sec 4; 1790 FSL 670 FWL of lse; 5789
 FNL 670 FWL of sur-
 vey; 8 miles W of
 Sonora; obj: 6450; permit #508422;
 API #435-35478

Dreyfus, Louis Nat. Gas Corp.
 Simmons Ranch #19
 Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Sawyer
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 Parker/D. Simmons; A-1535, Blk JK,
 Sec 4; 670 FWL 1750 FSL of lse; 670
 FWL 5750 FSL of sur-
 vey; 8 miles W

of Sonora; obj: 8450; permit #507518;
 API #435-35457

Terrell County
 Athanor Texas Inc.
 Pakenham 51 #10
 Pakenham (Wolfcamp)-D; TC RR
 Co.; A-995, Blk 1, Sec 51; 1910 FWL
 2115 FSL of lse; 1910 FWL 2115 FSL
 of sur-
 vey; 25 miles SW of Sheffield;
 obj: 9000; permit #508366; API #443-
 30870

Tom Green County
 Swartz Oil Co.
 Tweedy NL #1
 Atkinson, W. (San Angelo)-D;
 CCSD & RGNG RR Co. #1027; A-
 4432, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 330 FELY EL
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 vey; 3 miles W of Knicker-
 booker; obj: 1000; permit #508177; API
 #451-32438

Upton County
 Neerburg Producing Co.
 University 4 "9" H #1
 Block 4 (Devonian)-D-Horizontal
 Well; UL; A-000000, Blk 4, Sec 9; 760
 FSL 567 FWL of lse; 760 FSL 567
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 vey; 6 miles SE of Rankin;
 obj: 10500; permit #508103; API
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Crane County
 Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
 McElroy, J. T., Cons. #1262
 McElroy-D; CCSD & RGNG RR
 Co.; A-13, Blk F, Sec 215; 8625 FNL
 5094 FWL of lse; 1935 FSL 186 FEL
 of sur-
 vey; 75 miles N of Crane; obj:
 4000; permit #508405; API #103-
 34824

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
 McElroy, J. T., Cons. #1267
 McElroy-D; CCSD & RGNG RR
 Co./J. T. McElroy; A-1089, Blk F, Sec
 202; 9766 FNL 5986 FWL of lse; 794

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 vey; 1 mile NE of
 Crane; obj: 4000; permit #508404; API
 #103-34825
 Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
 McElroy, J. T., Cons. #1266
 McElroy-D; CCSD & RGNG RR
 Co./J. T. McElroy; A-1089, Blk F, Sec
 202; 9826 FNL 5433 FWL of lse; 734
 FSL 153 FWL of sur-
 vey; 1 mile NE of
 Crane; obj: 4000; permit #508403; API
 #103-34826

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 McElroy, J. T., Cons. #1265
 McElroy-D; CCSD & RGNG RR
 Co./J. T. McElroy; A-1089, Blk F, Sec
 202; 9071 FNL 5999 FWL of lse; 1489
 FSL 719 FWL of sur-
 vey; 1 mile NE of
 Crane; obj: 4000; permit #508402; API
 #103-34827

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
 McElroy, J. T., Cons. #1264
 McElroy-D; CCSD & RGNG RR
 Co.; A-13, Blk F, Sec 215; 9183 FNL
 4508 FWL of lse; 1377 FSL 772 FEL
 of sur-
 vey; 75 miles N of Crane; obj:
 4000; permit #508401; API #103-
 34828

Chevron U.S.A. Inc.
 McElroy, J. T., Cons. #1263
 McElroy-D; CCSD & RGNG RR
 Co./J. T. McElroy; A-1089, Blk F, Sec
 202; 8504 FNL 5800 FWL of lse; 2056
 FSL 5209 FWL of sur-
 vey; 1 mile NE
 of Crane; obj: 4000; permit #508400;
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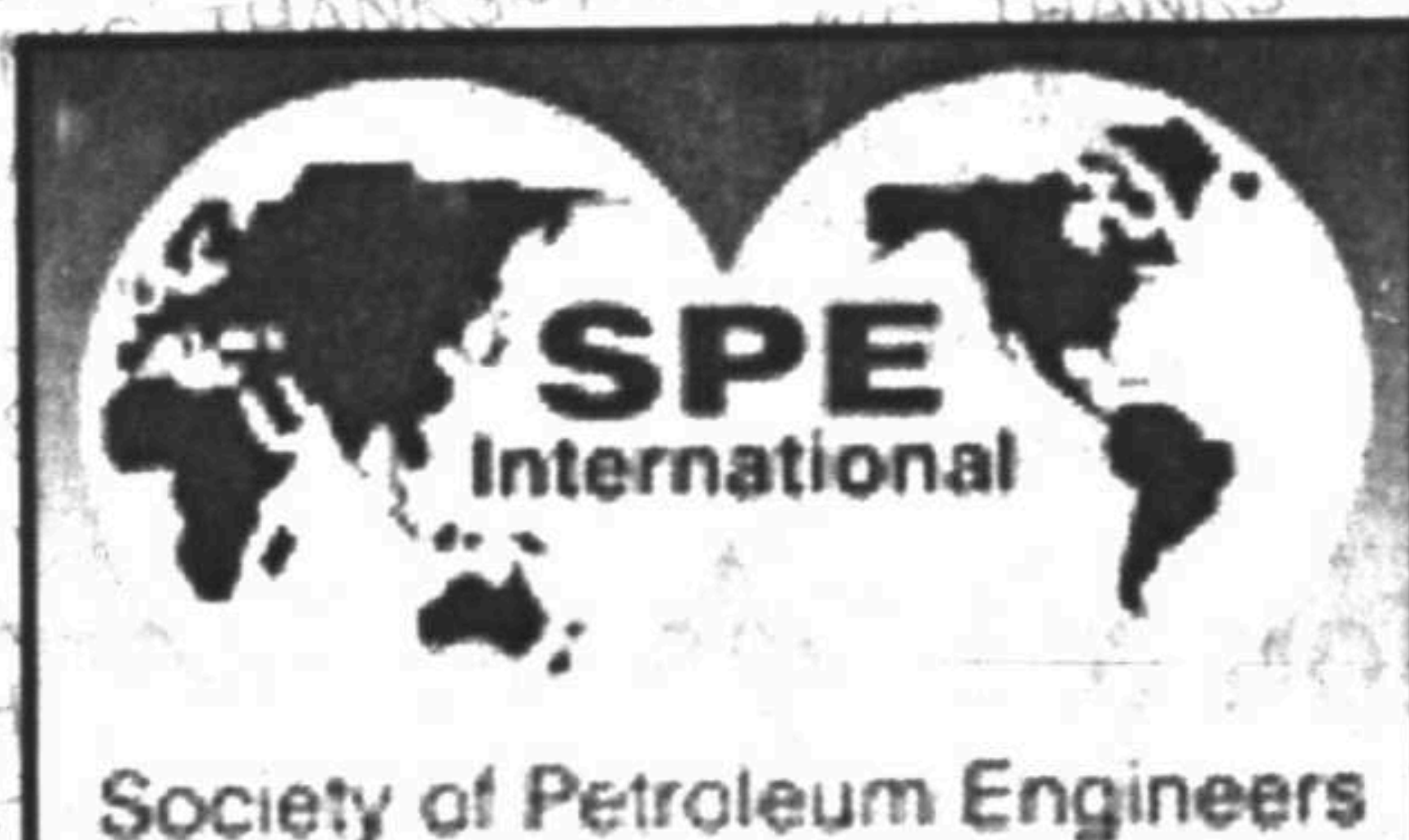
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 pletion; T & P RR Co./B. Cosper; A-
 531, Blk 44, T1N, Sec 22; 330 FSL
 330 FEL of lse; 2310 FNL 990 FWL
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 vey; 1.50 miles N of Goldsmith;
 obj: 4245; permit #508134; API #135-
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pletion; PSL/E. J. McDaniel/B. H. Blak-
 eney; A-1221, Blk A, Sec 14; 1690
 FNL 3840 FWL of lse; 1660 FSL 1000
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 vey; 2 miles N of Goldsmith;
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Bellwether cash flow jumps 32 percent

HOUSTON — Bellwether Exploration Co. announced financial and operating results for the first quarter ending March 31, 2001:

Cash Flow: Cash flow from operations, before changes in working capital, for the quarter totaled \$17.3 million or \$1.19 per share (fully diluted), up 32% over first quarter 2000 cash flow of \$13.1 million or \$0.93 per share.

Net Income: Income for the quarter, stated before the effect of a non-cash charge relating to the adoption of SFAS 133, was \$6.4 million or \$0.44 per share. Reported net income, stated after the effect of a non-cash charge relating to the adoption of SFAS 133, was \$3.6 million or \$0.25 per share for the quarter.

Production and Revenue: The company's production for the first quarter of 2001 averaged 5,478 barrels of oil per day and 45.0 million cubic feet of gas per day or 12,974 barrels of oil equivalent per day. Production volumes are down 15% as compared to the first quarter 2000 daily average due to the sale of several producing properties in late 2000. Improved oil and gas prices resulted in revenues of \$33.8 million, up 34% from revenue of \$25.2 million for the same period in 2000.

EBITDA: Earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation, less other non-cash items ("EBITDA") for the first quarter of 2001, exclusive of the adoption of SFAS 133, totaled \$22.0 million, an increase of 34% when compared to EBITDA of \$16.4 million for the same period in 2000.

Burlington Resources to sell securities

Washington (Bloomberg) — Burlington Resources Inc., a natural-gas and oil exploration company, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission to sell \$900 million of securities.

The filing enables the Houston-based company to register securities in advance and sell them when financing needs arise or market conditions are favorable. Terms of the securities, including debt, preferred and common stock, and trust preferred securities, are offered at the time of sale.

The company said it will use the proceeds for general corporate purposes, such as the reduction of debt, increasing working capital funds, expenditures or acquisitions, according to the filing.

Burlington Resources also wants to carry forward \$600 million of unsold securities registered in a previous filing. Once the SEC approves the latest filing, the company will have \$1.5 billion of fund-raising capacity.

Plains pipeline prices of common units

HOUSTON — Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. announced the issuance and sale by the Partnership of 3,750,000 Common Units at a public offering price of \$26.05 per unit. Goldman, Sachs & Co. is the sole underwriter for the offering.

Excluding the underwriter's over-allotment option, gross proceeds from the offering will be \$97.7 million. Net proceeds will be approx-

imately \$93.2 million. Such proceeds will be used to reduce indebtedness under the Partnership's revolving credit facilities, providing the Partnership with additional financial flexibility to fund its organic and acquisition growth objectives. The underwriter was also granted an option to purchase up to an additional 562,500 Common Units.

ATP Oil & Gas delivers record quarter

HOUSTON — ATP Oil & Gas Corp. reported the best first quarter financial and operational results in the company's 10-year history.

For the quarter ending March 31, 2001, versus the quarter ending March 31, 2000: production increased 18% to 5.8 Bcfe; oil and gas revenues, including the effects of hedging and derivative activities, increased 10% to \$15.3 million; and Adjusted EBITDA increased 21% to \$11.6 million.

During the quarter, ATP acquired 11 oil and gas properties adding approximately 62 Bcfe of proved reserves, which represents the largest quarterly growth in the company's history. ATP has estimated proved oil and gas reserves of approximately 177 Bcfe at the end of the first quarter 2001, up approximately 40% since December 31, 2000. All of these results are new records for the first quarter.

Prize Energy net income up 242 percent

DALLAS — Prize Energy Corp. announced financial and operating results for the first quarter March 31, 2001.

Prize reported record net income of \$17.8 million, or \$1.38 per common share (\$1.30 per diluted share), on total revenues of \$54.2 million for the three months ended March 31, 2001 compared to net income of \$5.2 million or \$0.49 per common share (\$0.35 per diluted share), on total revenues of \$29 million for the same period in 2000. As a result of the implementation of the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" ("SFAS 133"), the company's record net income included an after tax non-cash gain of \$3.2 million or \$0.25 per common share (\$0.23 per diluted share). The gain is the direct result of the company recognizing the change in the time value and mark to market adjustment of its hedge position resulting from the significant decrease in natural gas prices since the beginning of the year. Consequently, net income excluding the gain from SFAS 133 was \$14.6 million or \$1.13 per common share (\$1.06 per diluted share). During the first quarter of 2001, cash flow from operating activities before working capital changes increased 152.3% to \$27.0 million compared to \$10.7 million for the same period in 2000. Also, Prize's EBITDA (earnings before interest, taxes and depreciation, depletion and amortization) increased 140.9% to \$41.2 million compared to \$17.1 million for the first quarter of 2000.

Fortune Natural gas sees positive quarter

HOUSTON — Fortune Natural Resources Corp. announced its financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2001.

Fortune realized net income for the first quarter of 2001 of \$95,000, or \$0.01 per share, compared to a net loss of \$362,000, or \$0.03 per share, for the same period in 2000. The 2001 income results primarily from higher gas prices and higher gas production. Fortune's earnings before interest, taxes, depletion and amortization (EBITDA) were \$332,000 for the first quarter of 2001 as compared to EBITDA of negative \$25,000 for the quarter ended March 31, 2000.

Carrizo Oil reports record revenues

HOUSTON — Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc. reported the company's financial results for the first quarter of 2001.

Revenues increased 104 percent for the three months ended March 31, 2001 to \$8.73 million as compared to \$4.28 million during the quarter ended March 31, 2000. The increase in revenues was due to a 120 percent increase in the average oil and natural gas prices received offset by a seven percent decrease in production.

Cash flows from operating activities before changes in assets and liabilities during the first quarter of 2001 increased 137 percent to \$6.67 million, or \$0.48 per basic share, as compared to \$2.82 million, or \$0.20 per basic share, during the first quarter of 2000. Operating Cash Flow for the first quarter of 2001 increased eight percent over fourth quarter 2000 Operating Cash Flow. The company reported net income of \$3.46 million, or \$.25 and \$.21 basic and diluted per share, respectively, for the three months ended March 31, 2001, as compared to \$1.13 million, or \$.08 basic and diluted per share, for the same quarter during 2000.

Plains All American Pipeline reports results

HOUSTON — Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. reported income before extraordinary item and the cumulative effect of adoption of accounting pronouncement SFAS 133, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities, of \$12.5 million, or \$0.36 per unit. This compares with income before extraordinary item and cumulative effect of accounting change of \$64.3 million, or \$1.83 per unit, in the first quarter of 2000. Significant unusual factors affecting first quarter 2000 results include gains on asset sales of \$48.2 million and terminated interest rate swap of \$6.8 million.

Net income after extraordinary item and the cumulative effect of the accounting pronouncement was \$13.0 million, or \$0.37 per unit, for the first quarter of 2001 and \$60.2 million, or \$1.71 per unit, for the first quarter of last year. The current year quarter includes a \$0.5 million cumulative effect gain as a result of the adoption of SFAS 133. The Partnership recorded an extraordinary charge of \$4.1 million in 2000 related to the early extinguishment of debt.

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, amortization and other noncash expenses for the first quarter of 2001 was \$23.9 million and cash flow from operations (net income plus noncash expenses) totaled \$17.3 million. This compares with EBITDA of \$28.7 million and cash flow of \$19.1 million recorded for the first quarter of 2000.

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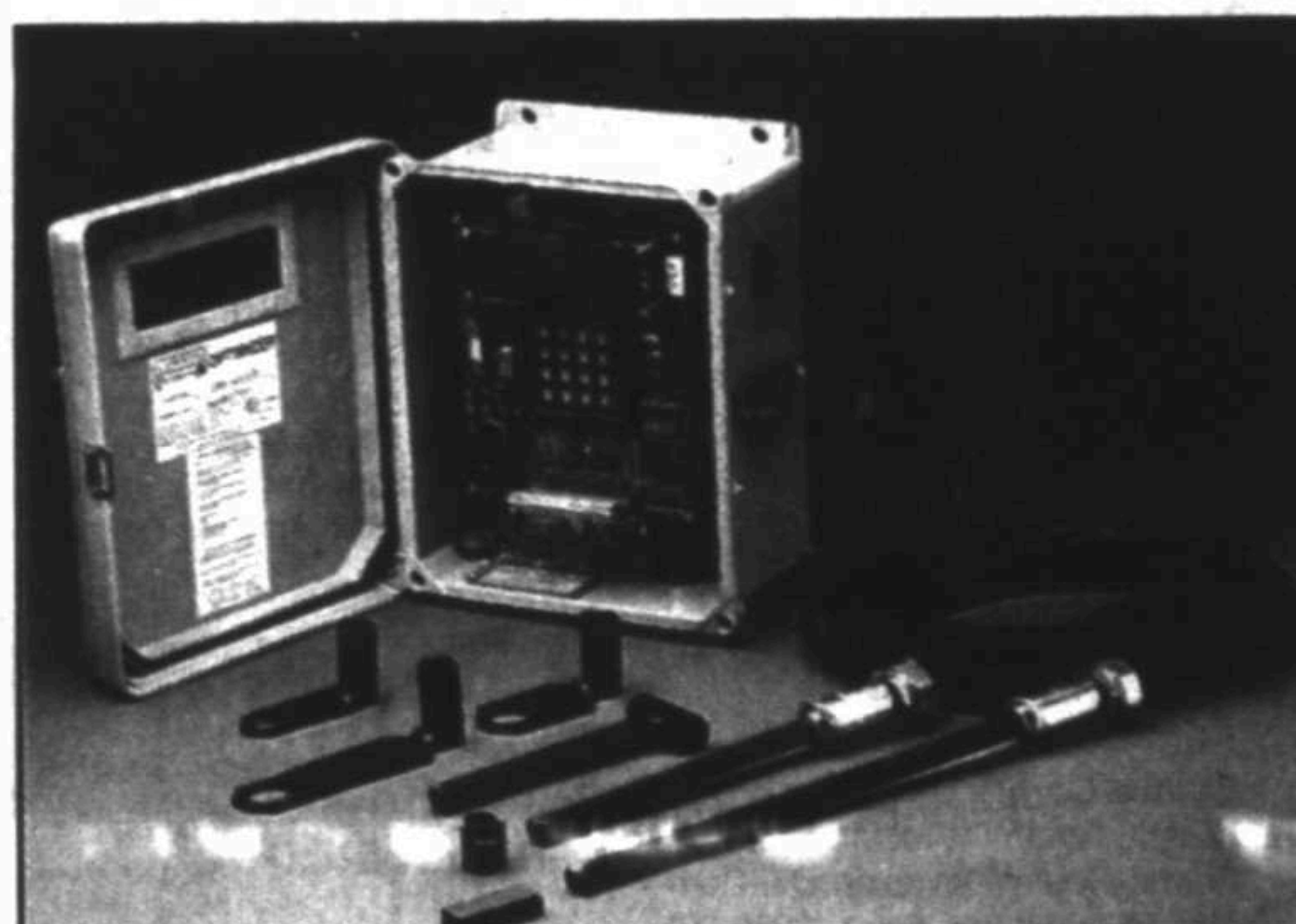
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U.S. COUNT PROFILE

	This Wk.	Last Wk.	Last Year
USA Land	1067	1034	708
USA Offshore	195	191	156
Canada	263	252	210
U.S. Directional	316	308	210
U.S. Horizontal	81	83	44
U.S. Gas	1030	992	662
U.S. Oil	230	231	201

This information updated May 25, 2001

PERMIAN BASIN

TEXAS					
DIST. #7C					
Coke	0	Jeff Davis	0	Garza	0
Concho	0	Loving	1	Hale	1
Crockett	6	Martin	2	Hockley	2
Irlon	2	Midland	17	King	0
Kimble	0	Mitchell	1	Lamb	0
McCullough	0	Pecos	4	Lubbock	0
Menard	0	Presidio	0	Lynn	0
Reagan	2	Reeves	9	Motley	0
Runnels	1	Sterling	0	Scurry	1
Schleicher	0	Ward	5	Terry	2
Sutton	3	Winkler	3	Yoakum	5
Terrell	3				
Tom Green	1				
Upton	6				
DIST. #8A					
Bailey	0				
Borden	2				
Cochran	0				
Cottle	1				
Crosby	0				
Dawson	1				
Dickens	0				
Floyd	0				
Gaines	4				
DIST. #9					
Andrews	4				
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Crane	2				
Culberson	3				
Ector	2				
Glasscock	1				

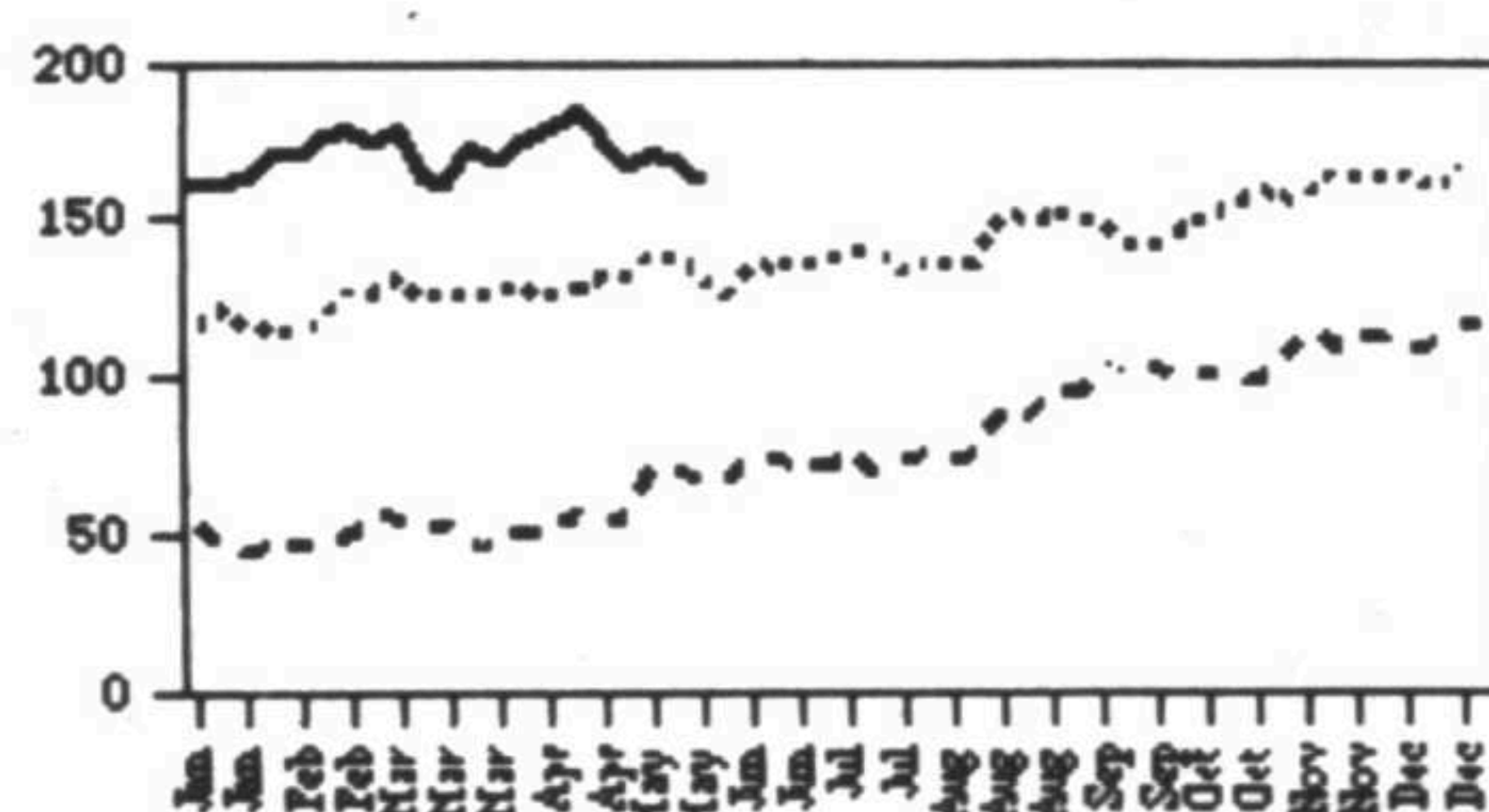
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NEW MEXICO

Chaves 3
Eddy 30
Lea 29
Roosevelt 0
N.M. TOTAL 62

Basin Total 163
Year Ago 138

RIG COUNT PROFILE



Rig Count information
provided by Hughes
Christensen

Completions

New Mexico

Eddy County

OXY USA Inc.
OXY Sweet & Sour State #1
Logan Draw; T17S, R27E, Sec 24;
1310 FSL 660 FEL; EL 3508 GL; TD
9800; PBTD 9790; Spud 9-21-00;
Comp 12-19-00; production is through
treated perfs: 9628-9670; Treat: 2500
gals 7.5% HCl, 17515 gals 70q foam
frac w/40,500# 20/40 sd; IP: 2-23-01
Flow 24 hrs 3 BO, 1 BW, 457 MCF,
22/64" Ch, TP 344; API #30-015-
31314

Marbob Energy Corp.

"D" State #2
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 26; 990
FSL 430 FEL; EL 3660 GL; TD 4309;
PBTD 4286; Spud 1-3-01; Comp 1-18-
01; production is through treated
perfs: 3855-4130; Treat: Acdz w/2000
gals 15% NEFE; IP: 2-4-01 Pump 24
hrs 42 BO, 217 BW, 39 MCF; API #30-
015-31421

Marbob Energy Corp.

"D" State #5
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 26; 990
FSL 990 FSL; EL 3677 GL; TD 4212;
PBTD 4199; Spud 1-13-01; Comp 2-
01-01; production is through treated
perfs: 3751-4001; Treat: Acdz w/2000
gals 15% NEFE; IP: 2-4-01 Pump 24
hrs 39 BO, 242 BW, 31 MCF; API #30-
015-31422

Marbob Energy Corp.

"D" State #7
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 35; 430
FSL 2310 FSL; EL 3682 GL; TD 4400;
PBTD 4380; Spud 1-23-01; Comp 2-
15-01; production is through treated
perfs: 3832-4233; Treat: Acdz
w/2000 gals 15% NEFE; IP: 2-19-01
Pump 24 hrs 44 BO, 194 BW, 37
MCF; API #30-015-31423

Lee County

Amerada Hess Corp.

North Monument G/SA Unit #930
Eunice Monument; T19S, R36E,
Sec 25; 224 FSL 2443 FSL; EL 3616
GL; TD 4500; PBTD 4040; Spud 11-
6-00; Comp 12-15-00; production is
through treated perfs: 3772-4010;
Treat: Acdz w/4200 gals 15% HCl; IP: 1-
2-01 Pump 24 hrs 0 BO, 444 BW, 5
MCF; API #30-025-35181

Metador Pet. Co.

Laughlin #2
Monument; T20S, R37E, Sec 4;
1980 FSL 330 FSL; EL 3573 KB; TD
7050; PBTD 7010; Spud 10-9-00;
Comp 11-17-00; production is through
treated perfs: 6460-6550; Treat:
142,000# 20/40 sd & 60,000 gals xlinx;
IP: 11-24-00 Flow 24 hrs 113 BO, 44
BW, 638 MCF, 48/64" Ch, TP 300, CP

Apache Corp.

Livingston #19
Penrose Skelly; T21S, R37E, Sec
4; 3630 FSL 810 FEL; EL 3428 GR;
TD 4450; PBTD 4363; Spud 2-10-01;
Comp 2-28-01; production is through
treated perfs: 3852-3980; Treat: Acdz
w/4500 gals 15% HCl, Frac w/32460
gals gel & 60080# 16/30 sd; IP: 3-13-
01 Pump 24 hrs 142 BO, 123 BW, 233
MCF, GOR 1641, Gty 36.7; API #30-
025-35341

Texas RRCD 7C

Reagan County

Hallwood Pet., Inc.
Rocker B "149" #8
Spraberry (Trend Area oil)-Comple-
tion; T & P RR Co.; Blk 1, Sec 149;
1980 FSL 660 FEL of survey; 5 miles
N of Big Lake, to pump 40 barrels of
37 gravity oil/day, plus 67,000 ft of gas,
& 93 barrels of water, w/gas-oil ratio
of 1.675-1; production is through
treated perfs: 5418-6930; TD 5418,
where 5 1/2 in casing was set at 7106,
PBTD 7057; GE 2541

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Cross Timbers Oper. Co.
Texas -Q- #9
University Block 9 (Devonian)-
Completion; UL; Blk 9, Sec 10; 467
FEL 1850 FSL of lse; 11 miles SW of
Andrews; Comp 3-26-01; Test 4-5-01
24 hrs tested, Sub Pump, Calculated
24 hr rate 290 BO, 40 MCF, 105 BW,
42.7 Oil Gravity, Gas-Oil Ratio 138;
Top of Pay 10500; TD 10756; PBTD
10695; Perfs: 10730-10740 (CIBP @
10695); Treat: 250 g. 15% NEFE HCL
acid; Perfs: 10626-10632 & 10520-
10540; Treat: 250 g. 15% NEFE HCL
acid; permit #501826; API #42-003-
38690

Winkler County

Burlington Res. O&G Co.
Keystone Cattle Co. #410
Keystone, South (Wichita Albany)-
Completion; PS; Blk B-6, Sec 9; 5280
FSL 8105 FSL of lse; 8 miles E of
Kermit; Comp 2-6-01; Test 2-22-01 24
hrs tested, Pumping, 11 BO, 17
MCF, 97 BW, 1545 Gas-Oil Ratio,
40.8 Oil Gravity; Top of Pay 6456; TD
8618; PBTD 7625; Perfs: 6456-6626
& 6890-7130; permit #503407; API
#42-495-32335

Burlington Res. O&G Co.
Keystone Cattle Co. #403
Keystone, South (Wichita Albany)-
Completion; PS; Blk B-6, Sec 2; 9029

500, GOR 7415, Gty 36.9; API #30-
025-35182

FSL 8105 FSL of lse; 9 miles E of
Kermit; Comp 1-24-01; Test 2-25-01
24 hrs tested, Pumping, 19 BO, 58
MCF, 55 BW, 3053 Gas-Oil Ratio,
40.8 Oil Gravity; Top of Pay 6330; TD
6774; PBTD 6716; Perfs: 6349-6495
& 6598-6694; permit #503406; API
#42-495-32313

Texas RRCD 8A

Borden County

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
Canon Ranch Unit #211
Jo-Mill (Spraberry)-Completion; T &
P RR Co.; Blk 33, T6N, Sec 26; 3400
FEL 1030 FSL of lse; 14 miles W of
Gail; Comp 1-21-01; Test 2-27-01 24
hrs tested, 2 X 1.5 X 22" RHBC, Cal-
culated 24 hr rate 8 BO, 5 MCF, 285
BW, 41 Oil Gravity, 625 Gas-Oil Ratio,
50 Casing Pressure; Top of Pay 6732;
TD 7400; PBTD 7185; Perfs: 7064-
7126; Treat: 21,500 gals G-3000 gel
+ 69000# 16/30 sand; Perfs: 7064-
7126; Treat: 950 gals 7.5% HCL acid;
permit #500185; API #42-033-31757

Dawson County

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
Dyer, M. E. #3
Ackerly (Canyon Reef)-Comple-
tion; T & P RR Co.; Blk 34, Sec 37;
650 FSL 1950 FSL of lse; 3 miles N
of Ackerly; Comp 4-20-01; Test 4-26-
01 24 hrs tested, 2 1/2" X 1 1/4" X 22"
RWBC, Calculated 24 hr rate 220 BO,
100 MCF, 0 BW, 37.2 Oil Gravity, 455
Gas-Oil Ratio, 50 Casing Pressure;
Top of Pay 9080; TD 9250; PBTD N/A;
Perfs: 9092-9118; Treat: 2000 gals
15% NEFE acid; permit #500630; API
#42-115-33065

Yoakum County

Reed & Stevens, Inc.
Jones, Truett #3
Spivey (San Andres)-Completion; J.
H. Gibson; Blk D, Sec 27; 662 FSL
467 FEL of lse; 7 miles NE of Plains;
Comp 4-12-01; Test 4-17-01 24 hrs
tested, Pumping, Calculated 24 hr rate
20 BO, TSTM MCF, 0 BW, 32.3 Oil
Gravity; Top of Pay 5262; TD 5337;
PBTD 5320 5320; Perfs: 5262-5284;
Treat: 250 gal 15% NEFE; permit
#502509; API #42-501-34500

Development Wells

(From 4)

Spraberry (Trend Area)-Re-Enter;
T & P RR Co./J. J. Hodnett; A-1000,
Blk 36, T5S, Sec 12; 724 FSL 1686
FWL of lse; 1686 FSL 1916 FNL of
survey; 4.50 miles W of St. Lawrence;
obj: 8400; permit #499670; API #173-
32260

Midland County

OXY USA WTP LP
Dora Roberts Ranch Devonian Unit
#3403
Dora Roberts (Devonian)-D-Horiz-
ontal Well; T & P RR Co./R. M. Mid-
dleton; A-810, Blk 41, T3S, Sec 34;
680 FSL 1715 FSL of lse; 660 FSL
1715 FSL of survey; 8 miles SE of
Odessa; obj: 12375; permit #508132;
API #329-34560

Pecos County

Riata Energy, Inc.
Longfellow "9" #1
Pinon (Overthrust)-Re-Enter; M. A.
Clay/O. W. Bennett; A-7975, Blk
600, Sec 9; 2300 FSL 1400 FSL of
lse; 2300 FSL 1400 FSL of survey;
40 miles SE of Ft. Stockton; obj: 7148;
permit #508384; API #371-35537

Winkler County

Energien Res. Corp.
University "10-17" #3
War-Wink (Cherry Canyon)-D; UL;
A-00000, Blk 17, Sec 10; 467 FSL
1240 FSL of lse; 467 FSL 1400 FEL
of survey; 7 miles SW of Wink; obj:
8000; permit #508166; API #495-
32855

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Borden County

Manzano Oil Corp.
Scott 21-G #2
Clayton Ranch, N. (Spraberry)-D;
T & P RR Co.; A-137, Blk 31, T6N,
Sec 21; 1510 FSL 1707 FNL of lse;
1510 FSL 1707 FNL of survey; 10
miles NW of Gail; obj: 6200; permit
#508153; API #033-31784

Kindred Pet. Co.

Pylant #1
Myrtle, N. (Wolfcamp)-Re-Enter; H
& TC RR Co./J. A. Stavelly; A-1008,
Blk 97, Sec 463; 662.50 FSL 1987.50
FWL of lse; 662.50 1987.50 FNL of
survey; 15 miles E of Gail; obj: 7600;
permit #508110; API #033-30531

Dawson County

Walsh & Watts, Inc.
Hemphill #28
Britt (Spraberry)-Recompletion;
Taylor CSL, LGE, 3, LAB 11; A-341,
Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 660 FSL 800 FEL
of lse; 660 FSL 800 FEL of survey;
7.80 miles NW of Lamesa; obj: 7580;
permit #508116; API #115-32682

Dickens County

Woods Oper. Co., Inc.
Waddell #5
Spur, South (Croton Lime)-D; H &
GN RR Co.; A-81, Blk 1, Sec 169;
1095 FEL 784 FSL of lse; 784 FSL
1667 FSL of survey; 4 miles SE of
Spur; obj: 7200; permit #508246; API
#125-30744

Gaines County

Yucca Energy, Inc.
Cunningham Davis "B" #5074
Homann (San Andres)-Recomple-

tion-Directional Well; WT RR Co./W.
H. Birdwell; A-359, Blk G, Sec 74; 647
FEL 600 FSL of lse; 660 FSL 1971
FEL of survey; 6.50 miles NE of Semi-
nole; obj: 5600; permit #508108; API
#165-31215

Petroleum Tech. Services Co.

Hancock #6
Tex-Mex, SE. (San
Andres)&(Wichita Albany)-D; PS/D.
Boone; A-361, Blk A-12, Sec 23; 660
FEL 660 FSL of lse; 660 FSL 1980
FNL of survey; 22.50 miles SW of
Seminole; obj: 8000; permit #508102;
API #165-35735

Occidental Permian LTD.

Denver Unit #6651
Wasson-D-Directional Well;
PS/D. Cunningham; A-1041, Blk AX,
Sec 45; 13627 FEL 11951 FSL of lse;
2643 FSL 1398 FSL of survey; 1.50
miles S of Denver City; obj: 5600; per-
mit #508374; API #165-35737

Garza County

Burk Royalty Co.
Southeast Garza Unit #131
Garza-D; K. Aycock; A-490, Blk 5,
Sec 5; 560 FSL 1650 FSL of lse;
2675 FSL 1005 FEL of survey; 2 miles
S of Post; obj: 3499; permit #508115;
API #169-33642

Scurry County

Anadarko Pet. Corp.
Williamson, Iona #2A
Diamond -M- (Clear Fork)-Field
Transfer; H & TC RR Co./G. W. Mar-
tin; A-1763, Blk 97, Sec 214; 990 FSL
990 FSL of lse; 990 FSL 990 FSL
of survey; 9 miles W of Snyder; obj:
3459; permit #508150; API #415-
02692

Anadarko Pet. Corp.

Williamson, Iona #4A
Diamond -M- (Clear Fork)-Field
Transfer; H & TC RR Co./G. W. Mar-
tin; A-1763, Blk 97, Sec 214; 990 FSL
990 FSL of lse; 990 FSL 990 FSL
of survey; 9 miles W of Snyder; obj:
3350; permit #508149; API #415-
02696

Anadarko Pet. Corp.

Williamson, Iona #5A
Diamond -M- (Clear Fork)-Field
Transfer; H & TC RR Co./G. W. Mar-
tin; A-1763, Blk 97, Sec 214; 330 FSL
330 FSL of lse; 330 FSL 330 FSL
of survey; 9 miles W of Snyder; obj:
3385; permit #508148; API #415-
04596

Anadarko Pet. Corp.

Williamson, Iona #6A
Diamond -M- (Clear Fork)-Field
Transfer; H & TC RR Co./G. W. Mar-
tin; A-1763, Blk 97, Sec 214; 330 FSL
990 FSL of lse; 330 FSL 990 FSL
of survey; 9 miles W of Snyder; obj:
3435; permit #508147; API #415-
30648

Anadarko Pet. Corp.

Williamson, Iona #1A
Diamond -M- (Clear Fork)-Field
Transfer; H & TC RR Co./G. W. Mar-
tin; A-1763, Blk 97, Sec 214; 990 FSL
330 FSL of lse; 990 FSL 330 FSL
of survey; 9 miles W of Snyder; obj:
3597; permit #508152; API #415-
02690

Anadarko Pet. Corp.

Williamson, Iona #3A
Diamond -M- (Clear Fork)-Field
Transfer; H & TC RR Co./G. W. Mar-
tin; A-1763, Blk 97, Sec 214; 330 FSL
990 FSL of lse; 330 FSL 990 FSL
of survey; 9 miles W of Snyder; obj:
3377; permit #508151; API #415-
02694

New Mexico

Chaves County

Reliance Energy Inc.

Wildcats

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Tom Green County

Bulldog Oper. Co.

Ozzie #1
Wildcat-D; GC & SF RR Co. #1; A-
4242, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 467 FSL
1174 FSL of lse; 467 FSL 2673 FSL
of survey; 10 miles NE of San Ange-
lo; obj: 3500; permit #508355; API
#451-32439

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Crane County

Devon Energy Prod. Co., L.P.
Henderson, M. F. #189
Wildcat-D; PS/LM, F. Henderson; A-
1079, Blk B-23, Sec 6; 1418 FSL 4710
FWL of lse; 1418 FSL 570 FEL of sur-
vey; 16 miles NW of Crane; obj:
10000; permit #500637; API #103-
34771

Culberson County

Republic Energy Inc.
Moon Ranch #1
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co.; A-2919,
Blk 61, T1S, Sec 11; 5350 FSL 1640

FEL of lse; 50 FSL 1640 FEL of sur-
vey; 18 miles NW of Orla; obj: 13000;
permit #508386; API #109-32211

Howard County

Partee Drig. Inc.
Twins #342
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./W. B.
McWhorter; A-1312, Blk 31, T1S, Sec
34; 1980 FSL 660 FEL of lse; 1980
FSL 660 FEL of survey; 6 miles S of
Coahoma; obj: 8200; permit #508381;
API #227-35708

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Crane County

Partee Drig. Inc.
Twins #343
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./W. B.
McWhorter; A-1

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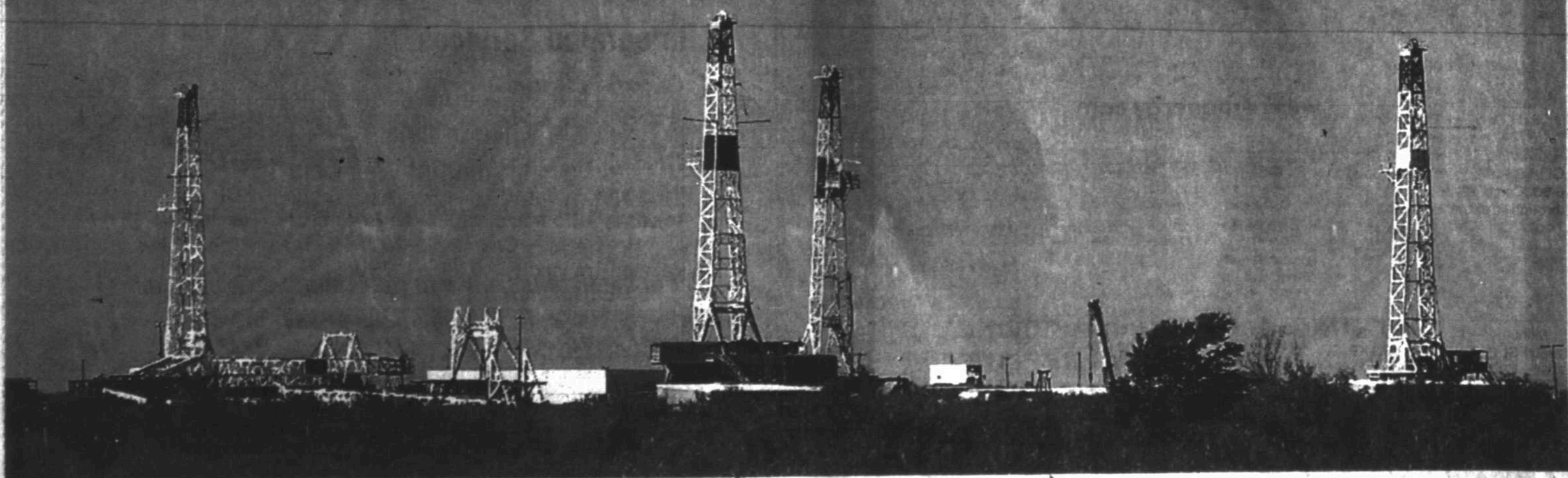
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Questions about ANWR aren't slowing Alaska energy boom

By Sam Howe Verhovek
N. Y. Times News Service

CORDOVA, Alaska — Regardless of what happens to the Bush administration's plans to open Alaska's Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil drilling, the state is on the verge of the biggest boom in energy development since the Trans-Alaska oil pipeline was built in the mid-1970s.

From the Copper River Delta here on Prince William Sound to Cook Inlet near Anchorage, where the state recently sold oil-exploration rights in 30 tracts, to the gigantic man-made Northstar island in the Beaufort Sea where BP Amoco is set to begin offshore production, exploration and development are surging.

And state and industry leaders are confidently promoting plans for a project that would dwarf all of these: a \$10 billion pipeline to carry natural gas in Alaska's north to the lower 48 states, an undertaking that could spark a boom akin to the one following construction of the oil pipeline.

This surge heartens energy officials like Larry Houle, who fondly recalled how he made \$97,000 in one year as a 19-year-old welder's helper during construction of the 800-mile pipeline, which stretches from the Arctic to the south Alaska port of Valdez.

"There's an optimism I haven't felt in this state in a long time," says Houle, who is now general manager of the Alaska Support Industry Alliance, a trade association for companies that serve the oil and gas industry. "Everybody just seems to be hiring everybody these days."

But that same surge alarms environmentalists, some of whose leaders worry aloud that the intense battle over the wildlife refuge has obscured

other battles they say they should be fighting against energy development.

The rush of activity is the result of a sharp and sustained rise in fuel prices and technological advances that have made it "easier to find the oil and cheaper to get it out of the ground," said Scott Goldsmith, an economics professor at the University of Alaska. It also stems from the industry's confidence that the Bush administration's support for oil production will further justify such investments.

And while Congress can decide what happens in the refuge, — and with the change of power in the Senate to Democratic leadership, the White House proposal to open the refuge to drilling is unlikely to go anywhere — many decisions about what happens here are in the hands of state officials, strong supporters of oil and gas development. Support for the gas pipeline is especially robust, though energy industry executives and Alaskan and Canadian leaders are feuding over just where such a pipeline should run.

Gov. Tony Knowles, a Democrat, and other Alaska officials strongly favor a plan to build a gas pipeline that would run alongside the existing oil pipeline for much of its way. But Canadians and many industry officials back a route that would go under the Arctic Ocean — just beyond the wildlife refuge — east to Canada, where the gas would flow south through existing pipelines.

Either route is likely to provoke another environmental battle here. And while the issue of drilling in the refuge continues to draw the most attention, other development plans are raising concerns as well.

Just this week, Phillips Alaska Inc., one of the main players in Alaska's energy industry, said it had discovered

three large oil and gas fields on the North Slope, inside the 23-million-acre National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska. Despite objections from environmental groups, the Clinton administration offered about 4 million acres in the northeast corner of the reserve for exploration three years ago, with several companies bidding more than \$100 million for rights to lease about 130 tracts in the area.

The reserve area is near the Arctic Ocean, well to the west of the refuge, and many environmentalists say it contains lands that are just as ecologically sensitive. But they concede they have little chance of stopping development in that region.

"It's a fabulous area in terms of wildlife, it has resources that match or exceed what are found in the Arctic refuge, especially with the birds," which congregate by the tens of thousands in both places during their annual migrations, said Stanley E. Sanner, executive director of Audubon Alaska.

"But it doesn't have that line around it calling it a national wildlife refuge," Sanner said. "So it's a different political and legal framework. We're not in a position to just sort of fall on our sword and say there should be no oil drilling there, like we can attempt to do in the Arctic refuge. Our hope is there can be more of an attempt to find common ground on what areas are the most important to protect."

In other areas, it is very difficult to see where such common ground might lie.

Here in the Copper River Delta, near the site of the state's first oil field development nearly a century ago, a company's bid to renew oil exploration near Prince William Sound has enraged the fishermen who catch Copper River salmon, the fish that are

much in demand at restaurants around the country. These fishermen belong to the same fleet that was upended in 1989 when the Exxon Valdez ran aground near here, dumping at least 10.8 million gallons of North Slope crude into the Sound and blackening more than 1,000 miles of the Gulf of Alaska coastline.

The herring and salmon market collapsed in the years after the spill. But, thanks in part to an intensive marketing campaign that has made the Copper River king and sockeye salmon known by name to diners thousands of miles away, there has been something of a recovery in the fleet based here in Cordova, a waterfront fishing town that is ringed spectacularly by the snowy Chugach Mountains.

Just east of here, in the Chugach National Forest, one of the regional corporations set up two decades ago to benefit Alaska's native inhabitants owns the drilling rights to Katalla, an oil field that first started production at the turn of the century and was abandoned by the 1930s.

With oil prices rising, that corporation, Chugach Alaska, has reached agreement with an independent oil company to restart oil-drilling operations in the area. Many of the fishermen, backed by environmentalists, say even the mere fact of drilling in the area could harm the pristine image their fish now enjoy.

"It's crazy," said Dan Pettit, 45, who owns a fishing boat here called the Midnight Sun. "If they make one mistake there, we'd be wiped out. Even if they don't, it taints the fish. People are going to think these fish have to swim past refineries or something."

Chris Maxcy, 33, agreed as he mended nets in a light mist the other

evening here. "It's wild, it's clean, it's got a reputation as the best fish around. If they had even one minor spill and it got into the river system at the wrong time, that would be a disaster for us."

Rick Rogers, the vice president of lands and resources for Chugach Alaska, said such concerns were overblown.

"What taints the image of the fish is all the hype coming from national environmental organizations that somehow the Copper River salmon is threatened by this," said Rogers, referring to the company's plans to drill an exploratory well, perhaps as early as this summer, at the Katalla field.

Rogers said that industry interest in the area had "waxed and waned" over the years. "Right now there's quite a bit of interest" because of high fuel prices, he said.

Here and elsewhere in the state, as well as in dozens of places being looked at for potential offshore development, the individual projects in question are still small in relation to the oil reserves that could be found in the Arctic refuge. The projects under way now are generally measured in the tens or hundreds of millions of gallons, while federal geologists estimate there are between 3 billion and 16 billion barrels of oil beneath the tundra at the refuge.

But in total, they could well approach the size of the Arctic reserves, and there is strong pro-drilling pressure in the state, where oil money finances nearly all of the state budget, with enough left over to provide every resident in Alaska with an annual "oil dividend" check that last year reached \$1,963.86, an all-time high.

Spinnaker announces four new offshore discoveries

HOUSTON — Spinnaker Exploration Co. announced four new exploratory successes. Three of these operations resulted in new field discoveries and one in a deeper pool discovery.

South Timbalier Block 274 1 was successful in establishing pay in three separate Bul-1 reservoirs between 12,250' and 12,480' true vertical depth (TVD). These intervals were the primary objectives for the well.

Spinnaker owns a 100% working interest (WI) and 83% net revenue interest (NRI) in the well and block. Facility design is now underway and the company anticipates first production in the first quarter of 2002. The well is located 70 miles south of Bay Marchand, Louisiana and is situated in water depth (WD) of 265'. The ST 274 block was purchased at federal lease sale in March 2000.

The High Island 202 7 well, located in Spinnaker's High Island Project Area (HI Blocks 202, A-7, A-18, and A-19), was successful in finding productive field pays as well as productive Rob-M sands.

The HI 202 7 was the first test of the Rob-M sands on the large HI 202 structure. Completion operations will commence soon.

The well was drilled as a straight hole approximately 3,000' south of the main wellhead platform for the field and will be developed as a caisson tie-back to the HI 202 platform. Spinnaker operates the HI 202 field with a 75% WI and 62% NRI.

The company has also been successful with two exploratory wells drilled in West Cameron Block 459. These wells tested separate geologic structures on the block. At least one more well will be drilled with the current rig mobilization.

The WC 459 1 found 44' of high quality TVD pay in the Pleistocene "T" sand target. Spinnaker owns a 50% WI and 42% NRI in the well. The WC 459 2 found a total of 89' of high quality pay in its two main objectives, also of Pleistocene age. Spinnaker owns a 100% WI and 83% NRI in the WC 459 2. Platform and facility design is underway. First production is anticipated in early 2002. WC 459 is situated in 134' of WD, approximately 85 miles south of Cameron, Louisiana. The block was purchased by Spinnaker in March 2000 at federal lease sale.

The company has recently participated in two deep water suc-

cesses previously announced by Murphy Oil Corp. Spinnaker owns a 25% WI and 25% NRI in the Seventeen Hands discovery located in Mississippi Canyon Block 299. A geologic sidetrack of the discovery well is currently underway. The company also owns a 25% WI and 25% NRI (subject to royalty relief on the first 87.5 million barrels of oil equivalent produced) in the Front Runner discovery located in Green Canyon Blocks 338 and 339. The discovery well was recently sidetracked and confirmed the existence of several main field pays significantly down dip to the GC 338 1. The well is currently being sidetracked to a separate geologic feature located southeast of the GC 338 1 location.

Spinnaker has now been successful with 46 gross exploratory wells in 73 total attempts since its inception (63%). The company's net success rate in these exploratory operations is 69%.

Spinnaker Exploration Company is an independent energy company engaged in the exploration, development and production of natural gas and oil in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico.

Grant lands Ecuadorian 3-D project

HOUSTON — Grant Geophysical Inc. has entered into a contract with Occidental Exploration and Production Company (OXY) to conduct a large 3D seismic survey in Ecuador.

The contract calls for Grant to provide approximately 750 square kilometers of 3D seismic data. It is estimated that the project shall last nine months and will be conducted in the Oriente Basin, which is located in the Amazon jungle region of Ecuador.

Dick Miles, President of Grant commented, "Grant appreciates the opportunity to work with OXY on this project. Ecuador is a key market for Grant. This contract is a significant

step towards solidifying Grant's business strategy in Latin America."

Grant Geophysical, Inc. is involved in the acquisition, processing and marketing of 2D and 3D seismic data used by oil and gas exploration and development industry in the exploration for new reserves, the development of existing reservoirs, the management of producing oil and gas fields and other specialized geophysical services. Grant, headquartered in Houston, Texas, operates land and transition zone projects in the United States, Canada, Latin America, Middle East and Far East.

Parker Drilling drills third Caspian Sea well

TULSA — Parker Drilling Co. Rig 257, the largest arctic barge drilling rig in the world, has mobilized and begun drilling its third well in the Caspian Sea.

The Kashagan East 2 is a delineation well located six miles northwest of the first well. The rig is on a three-year contract with OKIOC.

"We are excited to be a part of this very important drilling project," remarks Robert L. Parker

Jr., president and chief executive officer. "The Caspian area is a demanding and very harsh environment, and we are proud of our safety and environmental commitment, as well as the performance of our rig crew and management team."

The OKIOC consortium includes BG International, BP Amoco, Eni, ExxonMobil, Inpex, Phillips Petroleum Company, Shell, Statoil, and TotalFinaElf.

Parker Drilling Company is a Tulsa-based global energy company specializing in offshore drilling and workover services in the Gulf of Mexico and international land and offshore drilling. Parker also operates Quail Tools, a provider of premium rental tools for oil and gas drilling. Parker Drilling has 79 marketed rigs and employs more than 3,500 people worldwide.



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