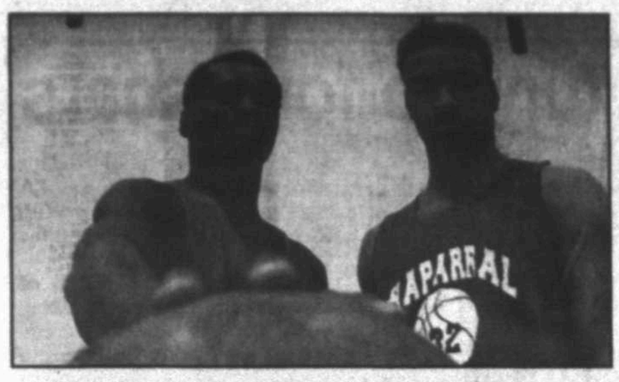


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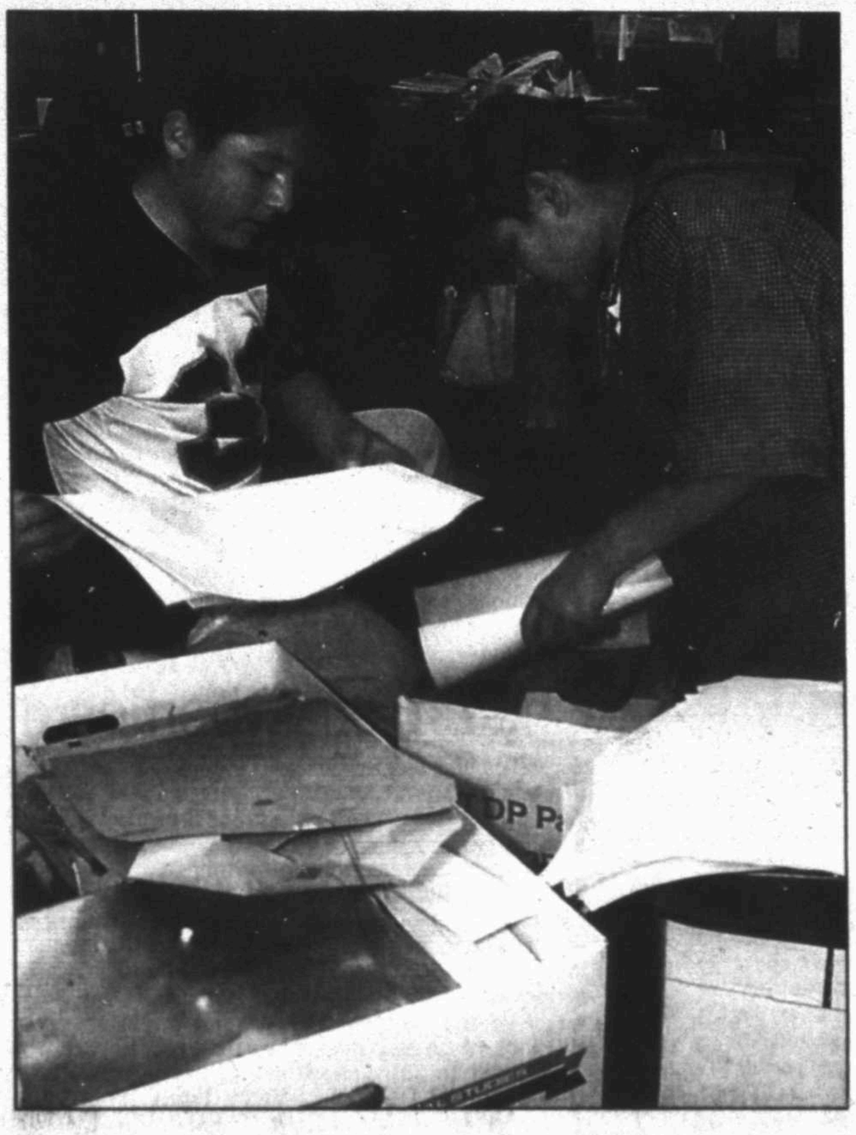
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PACKIN' UP





Photos by Brian Adamcik

Above, Rowena Seth, left, aide to Carolee Carver, who teaches resource/content mastery, helps pack up supplies at Henderson Elementary School last week. Right, Henderson fifth-graders Anival Prieto, left, and Oscar Hernandez help pack up supplies.

Schools to have new look after spring break

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

Students at Bonham and Henderson elementaries are in store for some changes when they return from the spring break holiday.

Bonham students will return to classes on a completely renovated campus.

"It's just beautiful," said Principal Robbie King. "It's like a dream come true for everybody who has worked here for very long."

Renovations at the campus began in June 1999. As with all elementary campuses that recently have been renovated, Bonham was completed in two phases. The first phase was finished in November. The school moved roughly half its students into the completed portion over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Spring break will mark completion of the second and final stage, and the school district will use the holiday week to move into the "new" building.

Ms. King added that the campus will have a dedication and open house May 18. Parents are invited to attend the dedication ceremony and tour the campus.

"We'll be in the new building Monday (after spring break), and this week we are packing and taking tests," said Ms. King. "The village is going to move into it. They are thrilled."

Currently, Bonham has a "village" of portable buildings in which students are receiving instruction. The Monday after spring break, however, all Bonham students will be in their new classrooms.

Only about half of the students at Henderson will be in new classrooms after spring break. The first phase of the renovations at Henderson is complete. Those renovations began in August 1999.

"Some of the comments I'm hearing from teachers is, 'It doesn't even look like the same school,'" recently promoted Henderson Principal Lilia Nañez said.

Ms. Nañez explained that the school, constructed in the 1950s, was two separate buildings with access to all classrooms from the outside. To transfer to the cafeteria or library, some students would have to go outside, which could cause discomfort during a normal winter. Ms. Nañez also pointed out that the outside entrance to the classrooms posed questions of safety.

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MISD to survey parents about their choices for magnet schools

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

The Midland Independent School District has set another wheel in motion on the road to freedom from government oversight of Midland schools.

One of the requirements of the unitary status settlement agreement between MISD and the U.S. Justice Department is the creation of at least two magnet school programs by the 2001-2002 school year. What types of magnet programs those will be has not yet been determined, but the district is working on it.

According to Joe Cummins, executive director of administrative services for MISD, his office has been writing a parent survey to discover what type of magnet programs Midland parents will support.

The idea behind magnet schools is to offer programs so attractive that parents would voluntarily send their children across town to a school outside their neighborhood. Through this voluntary enrollment, MISD hopes to achieve integrated campuses.

To find out what programs parents find most attractive, the district is seeking input from parents. Cummins said magnet school surveys will go out March 21, to more than 5,000 parents of students in kindergarten through grade four.

'The intent of the survey is to design magnets that are customized to the desires of Midland parents. The primary purpose is voluntary integration and, hopefully, extraordinary academic programs ... .'

— Joseph Baressi Jr., MISD superintendent

"Right now, we are in the beginning steps of trying to establish what type of theme for magnet schools parents would be willing to consider. And we've offered them choices based on whether they feel the choice is attractive or not very attractive," said Cummins.

The survey presents eight magnet school themes and asks parents to rank them 1-5, with a 5 being the most attractive. Respondents also can reply that they have no opinion.

The themes are:

- Dual language — instruction provided in both English and Spanish
- Math and science — focus on math and the sciences
- International studies — social studies, study of different cultures
- Performing arts — focus on music, band, dance and drama
- Back to basics — very structured academic environment
- Physical education — focus on gymnastics, golf, tennis and other lifetime sports; also might include some organized sports instruction such as soccer, softball, baseball, etc.
- Communications — emphasis on writing, publication, journalism, some photography, as well as speech and debate

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Resident complains cell towers are eyesores

By Ian Heald
Staff Writer

Most Midlanders have probably driven by a 200-foot wireless phone tower having never noticed it or having been unsure of what it was.

John Patrick Michael McCarthy, on the other hand, notices one every time he steps into his back yard.

The 7-month-old tower is on city property, used by Sprint and owned by American Towers Operations, which runs more than 10,000 broadcast and wireless towers throughout the United States.

McCarthy has questioned whether this tower, as well as the 21 other wireless towers in the city, could adversely affect property values or even jeopardize the health of those living near the tower.

"I just think it's unsightly that this has to occur in somebody's back yard," McCarthy said.

Citing the 1996 Telecommunications Act, Midland Director of Utilities Ken Jones said there are no health risks posed by the wireless towers.

"This tower is not kicking out stronger radio waves than what we've already got in the air," Jones said.

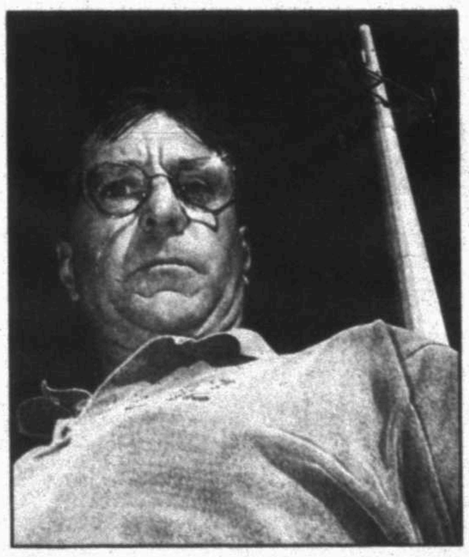
And, Jones said, he doubted these towers could ever adversely affect neighboring property values.

"The city's planning and zoning department is very careful to see where those towers are and where they're placed to see they don't affect property values," Jones said. "We're making them build monopoles. It's all one pole so it looks nicer than a square tower. This is aesthetically more appealing. Of course, aesthetics are in the eye of the beholder .... This tower has been up behind the water plant for seven months and all of a sudden (McCarthy) notices it and he complains."

Sheryl Clayton, a real estate agent with ReMAX, said she's experienced no problems with property devaluations near wireless towers but added that the possibility could arise.

"I think there would be people who would find that to be a challenge and be concerned about it, and there's others that wouldn't," Ms. Clayton said.

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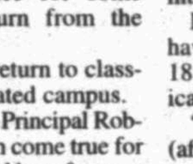
Midlander John Patrick Michael McCarthy is angry about the cell phone tower that has been placed in his neighborhood.

Brian Adamcik
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A look inside

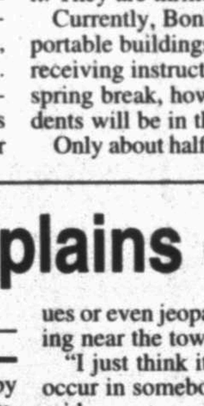
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Person to Person



Although she loved her job as county clerk, Rosenelle Cherry says she wouldn't trade her life now for anything.

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Bush, Gore enter each other's states, exchange charges

PLANT CITY, Fla. (AP) — George W. Bush ate his way through a strawberry festival on Sunday while Al Gore preached against racism, but the placid settings did not deter a biting exchange between the two presidential contenders.

Bush, appearing near Tampa with his brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, said "I wasn't sure if it was an April Fool's edition" when he picked up Sunday's newspaper and saw Gore promising to make campaign finance reform an issue after admitting to funding "mistakes" in the 1996 re-election campaign. Gore told The New York Times he had learned from those errors.

Bush, the Texas governor, sounded incredulous.

"I think the vice president is someone who will say anything to get elected. The more he talks about campaign funding reform, the better off it will be for my campaign," he said.

Meanwhile, in an interview with The Associated Press, Gore said Bush's five-year, $483-billion tax-cut plan would put Social Security, Medicare and health care in general at risk.

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"In the words of John McCain, he doesn't put one penny into Social Security, one penny into Medicare or one penny into expanding access to health care," the vice president said, quoting the Arizona senator whom Bush knocked out of the GOP presidential race last week.

Gore repeated the refrain at an assisted living home for seniors near Dallas, calling Bush's tax-cut plan "a risky tax scheme" that would threaten Medicare and Social Security.

The vice president, who was in his rival's home state during the AP interview, also questioned Bush's readiness to lead the country.

Bush immediately shot back: "The vice president obviously believes that all knowledge and wisdom emanates out of Washington ... I think all wisdom and knowledge emanates from the people."

The exchange came as the Republican and Democratic challengers crossed into each other's territory looking for votes. Six states — Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Texas — hold presidential primaries Tuesday, awarding 341 GOP and 566 Democratic delegates.

After appearances in Texas, Gore was headed to Florida for the evening.

Bush also was traveling in his opponent's home state, picked up the endorsement in Knoxville, Tenn., of Sen. Fred Thompson, who had supported McCain. Thompson, who headed an investigation into the 1996 fund-raising problems, tweaked Gore for his interest in campaign finance reform.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly cloudy	Mostly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 68	High 63	High 71
Low 47	Low 44	Low 44

Today's forecast calls for increasing cloudiness and highs in the upper 60s. Winds will be from the east at 10 to 20 mph. Tonight is expected to be mostly cloudy with lows between 45 and 50.

Tuesday's forecast calls for cloudy skies and a 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, highs in the lower 60s. A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms remains in the forecast through Thursday.

Sunday's high was 72, compared with a record 95, set in 1989. The low was 36, compared with a record 15, set in 1948.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Sunday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.24 in.
Total for year	0.85 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.26 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

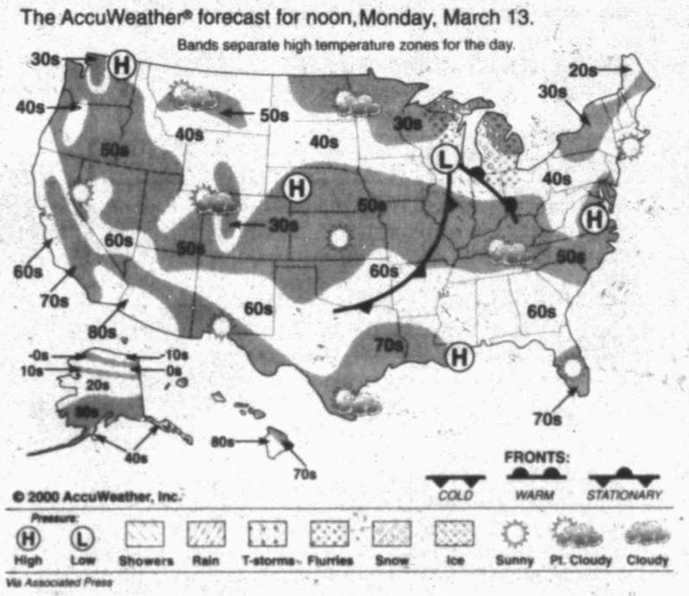
High	72
Low	36
Normal high	70
Normal low	39

Sunrise ... 7:01 a.m.
Sunset ... 6:55 p.m.

Pollen count
Trees: NA **Weeds:** NA
Grass: NA **Molds:** NA
Dust: NA
Courtesy: John D. Bray, MD.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, March 13.



Via Associated Press

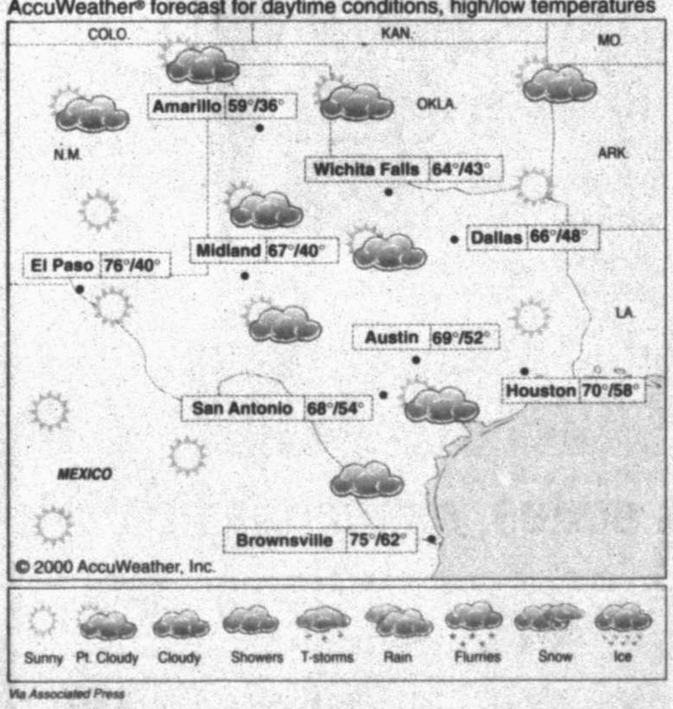
United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	41	33	.24	clr
Albuquerque	67	35	cdy	
Anchorage	33	28	cdy	
Asheville	38	32	.01	cdy
Atlanta	51	35	.25	clr
Atlantic City	55	52	.15	cdy
Baltimore	49	48	.16	cdy
Billings	45	31	rn	
Birmingham	53	32	clr	
Bismarck	29	16	.08	sno
Boise	51	29	cdy	
Boston	41	38	.99	clr
Buffalo	34	27	.52	cdy
Burlington,Vt.	33	32	.31	clr
Casper	46	16	cdy	
Charleston,S.C.	61	46	.12	clr
Charlotte,N.C.	52	43	.06	clr
Cheyenne	41	24	cdy	
Chicago	47	20	sno	
Cincinnati	41	26	.03	cdy
Cleveland	36	27	.58	sno
Columbus,Ohio	38	25	.08	cdy
Concord,N.H.	38	33	.70	clr
Dayton	35	24	.01	cdy
Denver	47	34	cdy	
Des Moines	51	27	cdy	
Detroit	43	26	.07	sno
Duluth	30	13	cdy	
Evansville	46	19	.01	cdy
Fairbanks	28	9	cdy	
Fargo	27	18	cdy	
Flagstaff	56	20	clr	
Grand Rapids	43	22	sno	
Great Falls	45	29	cdy	
Greensboro,N.C.	49	46	clr	
Hartford Spgfld	45	36	.63	clr
Helena	43	31	cdy	
Honolulu	84	71	clr	
Indianapolis	40	18	.15	cdy
Jacksonville	68	49	.16	clr
Juneau	37	32		cdy
Kansas City	54	26		clr
Las Vegas	71	48		clr
Little Rock	54	29	.04	cdy
Los Angeles	75	53		clr
Louisville	46	28	.02	cdy
Memphis	57	29	.10	clr
Miami Beach	86	70		cdy
Milwaukee	43	21	rn	
Mpls-St Paul	29	25	.02	cdy
Nashville	50	29	.48	cdy
New Orleans	62	44	clr	
New York City	49	40	.37	clr
North Platte	50	24	cdy	
Oklahoma City	61	28	cdy	
Omaha	59	28	cdy	
Orlando	79	66	clr	
Pendleton	52	32	cdy	
Philadelphia	50	43	.73	cdy
Phoenix	80	54	clr	
Pittsburgh	38	29	.31	cdy
Portland,Ore.	54	32	cdy	
Providence	47	39	1.84	clr
Raleigh-Durham	55	53	clr	
Rapid City	39	29	cdy	
Reno	61	36	clr	
Richmond	55	55	.65	cdy
Sacramento	68	42	clr	
St Louis	51	24	.34	cdy
Salt Lake City	48	35	.01	cdy
San Diego	64	54	clr	
San Francisco	62	46	clr	
Santa Fe	63	25	cdy	
Seattle	47	37	.13	cdy
Shreveport	59	35	.52	cdy
Sioux Falls	27	26	.12	cdy
Spokane	42	28	.33	cdy
Syracuse	33	31	.12	sno
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	76	67		clr
Topeka	54	24		clr
Tucson	81	45		clr
Tulsa	58	30		cdy
Washington,D.C.	50	50	.20	cdy

State forecast

AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions, high/low temperatures



Via Associated Press

Texas temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Pcp.
Abilene	71	38	0.0
Amarillo	68	32	0.0
Arlington	63	33	t
Austin	68	30	0.0
Beaumont	63	42	0.0
Brownsville	76	52	0.0
Burnet	65	34	0.0
College Station	66	37	0.0
Conroe	67	34	0.0
Corpus Christi	70	51	0.0
Corsicana	62	36	0.0
Cotulla	75	39	0.0
Dalhart	62	29	0.0
Dallas	62	38	0.0
Del Rio	72	42	0.0
Dryden	70	39	0.0
El Paso	75	34	0.0
Fort Stockton	79	41	0.0
Fort Worth	62	30	0.0
Galveston	63	49	0.0
Georgetown	66	32	0.0
Harlingen	76	47	0.0
Hondo	70	32	0.0
Houston	65	44	0.0
Junction	70	27	0.0
Kingsville	75	M	0.0
Laredo	73	50	0.0
Longview	61	M	0.0
Lubbock	72	40	0.0
Lufkin	65	32	0.0
Marfa	72	25	0.0
McAllen	78	47	0.0
New Braunfels	68	34	0.0
Paris	55	32	0.0
Rockport	69	52	0.0
San Angelo	72	33	0.0
San Antonio	68	34	0.0
San Marcos	72	34	0.0
Terrell	60	33	0.0
Tyler	61	35	0.00
Victoria	69	39	0.00
Waco	62	35	0.00
Wichita Falls	67	32	0.00
Wink	78	35	0.00

Actors guild offers final tuneup for Oscars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Annette Bening and Kevin Spacey won top acting honors Sunday from the Screen Actors Guild for their roles as a dysfunctional couple in the suburban satire "American Beauty," positioning them as front-runners at the Oscars later this month.

"American Beauty" also won the guild's ensemble acting award. The movie leads all contenders with eight Oscar nominations. The Oscars ceremony is March 26.

Spacey, who already has a supporting actor Oscar for "The Usual Suspects," thanked his "American Beauty" co-stars, saying they were "the reason I was able to come to work every day."

He also praised director Sam Mendes and said "if this is my best work, you are the reason."

Bening thanked her co-stars and family, including husband Warren Beatty and their three children. She is eight months pregnant with their fourth child.

"One thing to all the actresses out there," the 41-year-old Bening said. "Don't wait to have a baby. Do it now."

Angelina Jolie won the supporting female actor award for her take on a hospitalized sociopath in "Girl, Interrupted." Michael Caine took the supporting male actor honor for his role as an ether-toking abortionist in "The Cider House Rules."

Jolie also won a Golden Globe for "Girl, Interrupted," and the guild award was another boost for her Oscar prospects.

"I'm very aware of how an Oscar can help your career," Jolie said backstage. "It sounds corny, but the nomination, it's my first time, maybe my only time, and I'm going to enjoy that."

Michael J. Fox, who announced this year he is leaving ABC's "Spin City" because of his fight with Parkinson's disease, received the award for male actor in a comedy series for the second straight year.

"You were kind enough to give me one of these last year," Fox said, referring to the guild statue. "Just so you know, they really scare small children."

Fox said backstage he plans to continue acting but wanted out of the grind of a weekly TV series. Besides working with a Parkinson's foundation, Fox said he plans to have fun just "taking my kids to school, that kind of stuff. Just having five minutes to actually figure what the hell that crayon drawing is."

Lisa Kudrow was honored as female actor in a comedy series for NBC's "Friends." The cast of NBC's "Frasier" won the ensemble acting award for a comedy series.

Edie Falco and James Gandolfini won female and male acting honors in a dramatic series for the acclaimed mob drama "The Sopranos." The HBO series also won for ensemble acting.

"I don't think any of us thought anyone would watch the show in the beginning," Gandolfini said. "We figured people would just think it was a bunch of lunatics from New Jersey."

Sidney Poitier was honored with the guild's life achievement award. The tribute included clips from such Poitier films as "A Place in the Sun," "To Sir With Love" and "In the Heat of the Night."

Like the Directors Guild of America awards held Saturday night, the 6th annual Screen Actors ceremony offered a glimpse of how the Oscars might shake out.

In the previous five awards shows, the actors guild has chosen nine of the 10 performers who went on to win Oscars in lead-acting categories. The guild has a 50-50 record on predicting Oscar winners for supporting roles.

The Directors Guild has a longer and more impressive track record. In its 52-year history, only four guild winners have failed to receive the Oscar.

"American Beauty" director Mendes won this year's Directors Guild honor, beating Frank Darabont for "The Green Mile," Spike Jonze for "Being John Malkovich," Michael Mann for "The Insider" and M. Night Shyamalan for "The Sixth Sense."

Historic online primary shows future voting direction

PHOENIX (AP) — Arizona's first-of-its-kind Internet election showed online voting can work with a relatively small population. The question now is whether it can succeed with much larger groups.

One way or the other, critics and supporters agree that eventually, most Americans will have the option of voting by clicking a computer mouse.

"We opened up the gates today to people who might not otherwise have voted," state Rep. Leah Landrum said at a victory party for the Internet voting that ended Saturday. "This is something I know is going to stick around."

Vice President Al Gore defeated former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley by a nearly 4-to-1 margin in the Arizona Democratic primary, the nation's first binding election for public office using the Internet.

The voting was spread out across most of the week. From Tuesday through Friday, participants could cast their ballots by mail or from any computer where they could log onto the Internet, as long as they had obtained a personal identification number. Voters who waited until primary day had to go to a polling place to use a traditional paper ballot or, in most locations, a computer.

The primary drew some 78,000 ballots, doubling the previous record for turnout since the state party switched from a nominating convention to a primary in 1984. Just over half of the participants voted electronically.

Election.com, the company hired to run the primary, avoided any problems from hackers, even though a reporter from the online publication NationalJournal.com said he hired a computer expert to try to hack into the site.

But there were plenty of stumbles along the way.

Some voters didn't receive their personal identification numbers and had to call in to get them. Others ran into "system busy" messages or blank screens when they tried to link to the Web voting site, and some older Web browsers would not connect at all.

So many people flooded telephone help lines on the first day of voting that many got only busy signals.

State Party Chairman Mark Fleisher said election officials learned a lot from the experience.

"It's been real worth it," he said. "If you make democracy easy and put it in their living rooms, they will vote."

Many states watched the Arizona experiment. California, Oregon, Louisiana and others have been considering online voting.

CAMPAIGN: Church, strawberries don't smooth barbs

(From 1A)

"Wow, I sure could have used his help a couple of years ago, when we and the rest of the nation were watching them parade before us an array of illegalities, improprieties, taking the Fifth Amendment, absentee witnesses, all the time the Justice Department was trying to keep a lid on it and keep the facts from the American people," Thompson said. "I don't mind good foxhole conversions, but there has to be accountability first."

In Florida, Bush said he is considering calling for suspension of a 4.3 cents-per-gallon gasoline tax passed in 1993 with Gore casting the tie-braking vote in the Senate. A number of Republicans in Congress are thinking about such a move to counter rising gasoline prices brought on by an oil shortage stemming from production cuts put in place by the oil producing nations.

Gore said in his AP interview that getting the oil producing nations to increase supply is the way to go, and Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said Sunday he is opposed to suspending the 1993 gas tax.

Bush's chief political strategist, Karl Rove, had even harsher criticism of Gore and a 1996 fundraiser he attended at a Buddhist temple in California. A Gore friend and political supporter recently was convicted of arranging illegal donations in connection with the event.

"Sometimes Vice President Gore has a big problem telling the truth," Rove said on "Fox News Sunday." "The Buddhist temple involved violations of law. Fifty-five thousand dollars in illegal contributions were funneled through that fund-raiser, and the vice president has consistently not told the truth about his involvement in that fund-raiser."

Rep. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., appearing on the same program, said he hoped Bush and McCain will set aside the bitterness of the campaign and unite against Gore for the good of the party.

"If John McCain jumps on board, and he puts his heart into it, woe be unto the Democrats," said Graham, who helped lead McCain's effort in South Carolina.

Bush made his comments after touring the Strawberry Festival, a carnival replete with Ferris wheels, conch fritters and strawberries everywhere.

The governor made himself a towering strawberry shortcake at a booth sponsored by St. Clement Catholic Church. McCain had criticized Bush for speaking at a South Carolina Christian school whose leaders have criticized Catholicism.

MISD: Surveys to be sent out March 21

(From 1A)

• Computer and technology — focus on computers and technology.

The survey also asks parents their preferences for certain services that could be offered within the constructs of any theme. Those include uniforms, extended year programs, extended day programs, smaller classrooms and multi-age classrooms. Cummins said multi-age classrooms might apply if a teacher taught the same group of kids for two consecutive years.

The survey also will give parents several opportunities to make comments, Cummins said.

"The intent of the survey is to design magnets that are customized to the desires of Midland parents," said Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. "The primary purpose is voluntary integration and, hopefully, extraordinary academic programs, in addition to services that would be attractive to parents."

Each survey will include a postage-paid return envelope. The surveys need to be returned to the district by April 15, when the district will analyze and tabulate the results.

SCHOOLS: Renovations are almost complete

(From 1A)

"The corridor is now indoors instead of each classroom door leading outside. Now, no child has to walk outside in the cold to go to PE or lunch," said Ms. Nañez. "Everyone, not only children, have a sense of security knowing they won't have to go outside."

With the renovation, the school's two buildings were connected via a corridor and all classrooms were remodeled facing inward.

To accommodate the renovation, four sections of the fourth grade and three sections of the third grade were moved into Wilshire Baptist Church. Over the holiday, those classes will be moving into the newly renovated portion of Henderson.

With the final phase of renovations beginning after spring break, Henderson once again will be moving. According to Ms. Nañez, the school has been preparing all week for a move during spring break. One section of kindergarten will move into the computer lab, another section of kindergarten will move into a portable building and a third section will move to Wilshire Baptist Church, next door to the school. All first- and second-grade students also will move into Wilshire Baptist Church and will remain there through the end of the school year.

According to Wilson Heidelberg, executive director of auxiliary services, all renovation projects are being completed on time and within the budget.

Heidelberg said Henderson will be complete by the start of the 2001-2002 school year. Rusk is expected to be completed April 17. That leaves two schools to be renovated — Emerson and Jones.

"It's been very smooth. Everything is going according to plan," said Heidelberg.

TOWERS: Poles don't concern all homeowners

(From 1A)

"The cell phone companies are placing them within a close proximity, so they are popping up more and more. As far as encountering a problem with them yet, I haven't," she said.

Cameron Walker, planning and development coordinator for the city of Midland, said special use permits are required of companies that want to establish a tower in a residential zone. He said notification must be given to all neighbors within 200 feet of the proposed site. City Council makes all final decisions on construction of wireless towers.

But, to ensure there isn't a clutter of towers throughout Midland, Walker said, the city recommends "co-location" whereby more than one wireless provider share a tower, thus reducing the number of towers.

Ann Parker's home is located farther north than McCarthy's, but the tower lies roughly 200 yards south of her back yard.

"I quit looking at it," Ms. Parker said. "For the first three or four days, it just made me sick that it was there. Then I had to quit thinking about it. I don't know why they have to put one up over here when they already had one at Albertson's."

About a mile to the east lies another tower, just behind Albertson's grocery store off of Midkiff Road. It is used by Poka Lambro Wireless, whose offices are in the same shopping center.

"No one has ever called in here and complained to us as far as I know," said Linda Beebe, retail store manager for Poka Lambro. "You can see a lot of things from your back yard you may want to complain about. I have an office building behind my back yard."

Reba Davidson, who lives near a wireless tower on the corner of Illinois Avenue and Midland Drive can see the tower from her front yard but said it hasn't bothered her.

"It is pretty ugly," Ms. Davidson said. "But it hasn't really been a problem. When my daughter lived here it bothered her. We didn't understand what it was exactly."

Despite this, Ms. Davidson said it's not a concern and doesn't think the tower's presence has adversely affected her property value.

According to Mark A. Flowers, assistant city attorney, four of the 22 wireless towers presently permitted in the city of Midland are on city-owned property.

According to the accounting department, the city received $21,328.75 for renting out those four tower spaces in fiscal year 1999.

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Pope asks forgiveness for the church's wrongs

By Candice Hughes
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — In an unprecedented moment in the history of the church, Pope John Paul II asked God's forgiveness Sunday for the sins of Roman Catholics through the ages, including wrongs inflicted on Jews, women and minorities.

The apology was a personal landmark for a frail, ailing pope who vowed to cleanse and reinvigorate Catholicism for its third millennium.

"We forgive and we ask forgiveness," he said at several points during the solemn Day of Pardon Mass at St. Peter's Basilica.

The church burned heretics at the stake during the Inquisition. Armies of the faithful slaughtered Muslims during the Crusades. And during the Holocaust, some Catholics stood silent in the face of Nazi genocide.

The pontiff did not specifically mention such infamous wrongs during the service. Few specific groups were mentioned and no names were given.

Still, the references were clear, both in John Paul's words and those of the five Vatican cardinals and two bishops who confessed sins on behalf of the church.

Cardinal Edward Cassidy recalled the "sufferings of the people of Israel" and asked divine pardon for "the sins committed by a not a few (Catholics) against the people of the Covenant."

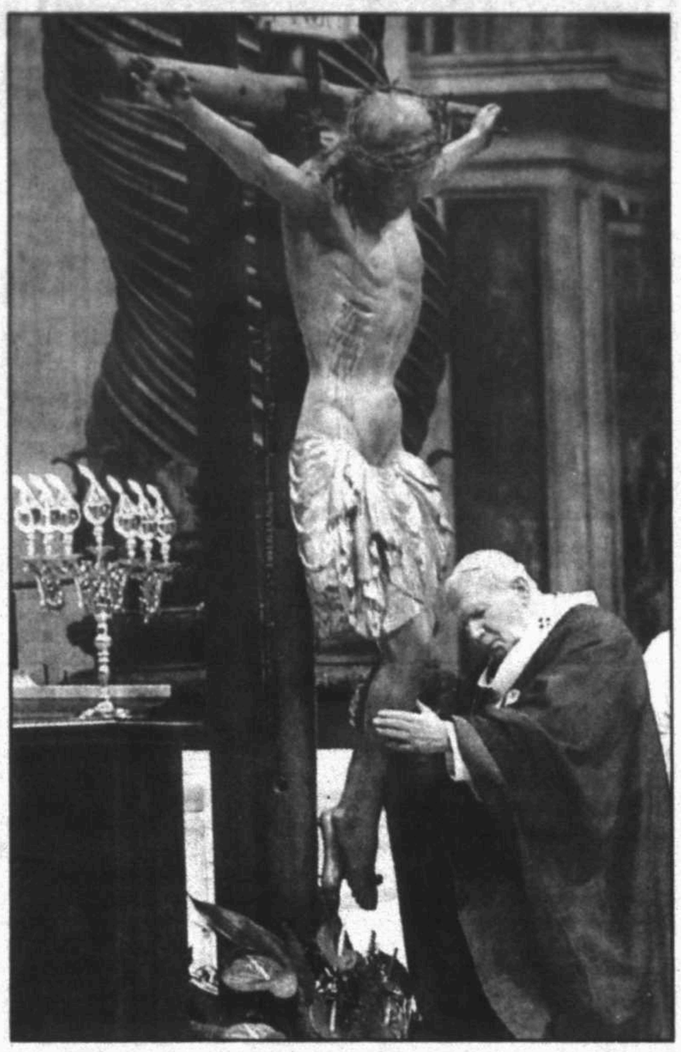
After a moment of silent prayer, the pope responded: "We are deeply saddened by the behavior of those who in the course of history have caused these children of yours to suffer, and asking your forgiveness we wish to commit ourselves to genuine brotherhood."

Several Jewish leaders praised his penitential words, but said they expected more during the pope's March 20-26 visit to the Holy Land. During his trip the pontiff will visit Israel's Holocaust memorial, Yad Vashem, and the Western Wall, the holiest site in Judaism.

The director of Yad Vashem, Avner Shalev, called Sunday's day of pardon both "significant" and "historic." But "he has to pay tribute and commemorate the remembrance of the Holocaust, and I know that he is going to address" it, Shalev said in Jerusalem.

Israel's chief rabbi, Meir Lau, also said he expects more and described himself as "deeply frustrated" by John Paul's failure to mention the Holocaust by name.

"I hope deeply that the pope of today whom I appreciate very much for his doings and for his condemning anti-Semitism will complete the asking of forgiveness next week in Yad Vashem in Jerusalem," Lau said.



AP Photo
Pope John Paul II embraces a wooden crucifix during the Day of Pardon Mass in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Sunday. The pope asked forgiveness Sunday for the sins of Roman Catholics through the ages, singling out the mistreatment of Jews and the violation of rights of ethnic groups.

Officials to rush seed to Mozambique flood victims

By Barry Hatton
Associated Press

MAPUTO, Mozambique — Aid officials said Sunday they plan to rush seed along with emergency food supplies to thousands of flood victims, most of them poor farmers, to help them rebuild their lives and reduce their reliance on foreign aid.

With most crops in southern and central Mozambique destroyed by the surging waters that struck last month, officials focused on the next planting in late April. They hope by the next harvest four months later, subsistence farmers and their families will once again be able to feed themselves.

"If we don't start getting seeds to the farmers now, they will miss the September harvest and we will have to support them until April 2001," said Lindsey Davies, a spokeswoman for the World Food Program.

The U.N. Food and Agricultural Organization estimates the deluge that engulfed central and southern Mozambique a month ago, and surged again two weeks later, wiped out 10,000 hectares of maize, rice and bean fields and thousands of head of cattle. Some 80 percent of Mozambique's 20 million people survive by farming.

At least a quarter million people are temporarily housed in 96 makeshift, mostly squalid, muddy camps in central and southern Mozambique. Fearing more flooding from heavy rains forecast in the next 10 days, authorities have urged flood survivors not to return to their homes.

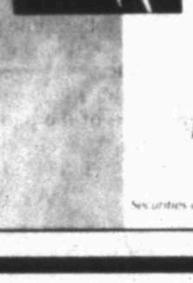
The confirmed number of dead from flooding grew to 492 on Sunday.

"As the floodwaters have receded, more bodies have been pulled from the mud," said Antonio Machere, spokesman for Mozambique's National Institute for Crisis Management, adding that he expected the number to grow.

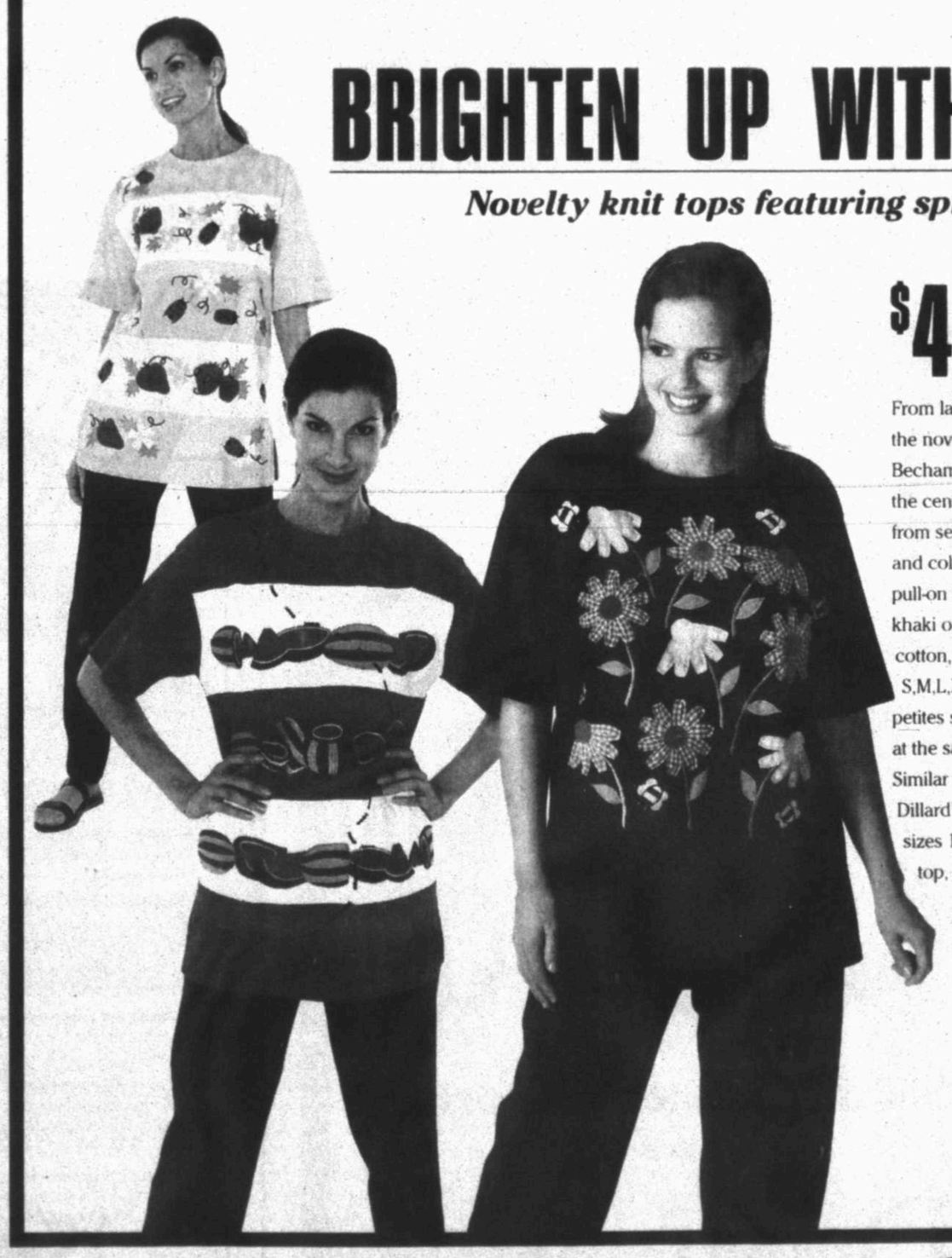
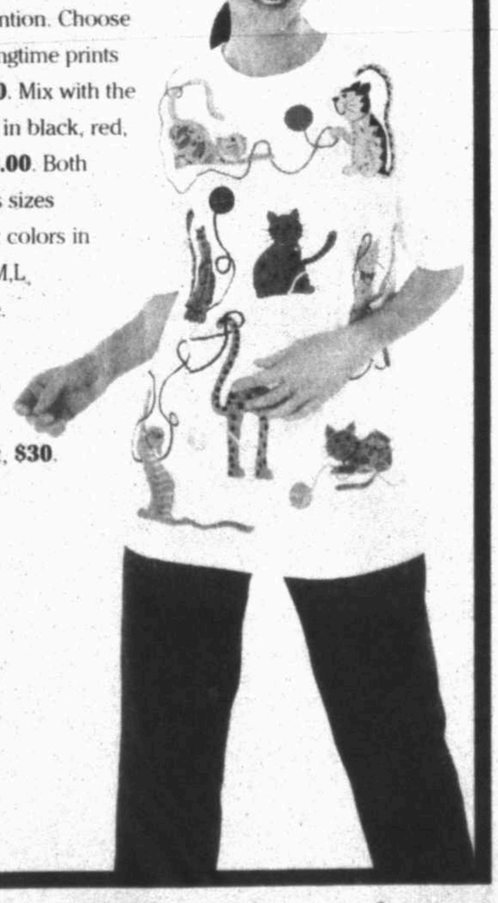
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Water cannons turned on neo-Nazi protesters

By Paul Geitner
Associated Press

BERLIN — Vastly outnumbered by police and opponents, 350 neo-Nazis on Sunday marked the anniversary of the 1938 Nazi annexation of Austria with a march through central Berlin intended to show support for a far-right Austrian party.

More than 15 people were arrested before and during the march, including several radical leftists who threw stones at neo-Nazis and police. One officer was hit in the head and taken to a hospital with a possible concussion, police spokeswoman Gabriele Gedaschke said.

Riot police used a water cannon repeatedly to disperse stone-throwers along the march route and at the Brandenburg Gate, where it ended. But Gedaschke said no serious disturbances or other injuries were reported.

Fearing violence, the city had sought to ban the march, organized by the extreme-right National Party of Germany under the motto "We are one people — national solidarity with Vienna."

But on Saturday, an appeals court overturned the ban on free speech grounds.

March organizers said they wanted to protest European Union sanctions leveled against Austria for including Joerg Haider's far-right Freedom Party in its new government. Haider's party campaigned on an anti-immigration platform.

Haider, who is stepping down as leader of the party, has apologized for comments he made in the past that praised aspects of the Nazi regime.

About 1,500 police were deployed to prevent violence and keep the neo-Nazis from marching through the politically charged Brandenburg Gate, where Hitler's troops once staged their torchlight parades.

The march ended instead on the gate's west side, while thousands of people gathered on the opposite side for a "Europe without Racism" rally featuring music and speeches by Wolfgang Thierse, president of the German parliament, and other politicians.

"A strong anti-fascist alliance is the right answer to extreme-right attacks," Thierse told the crowd, calling for "the ostracism of racism and intolerance." Police estimated the crowd at the rally at 2,000.

Sunday's neo-Nazi march was to go through the city's Kreuzberg district, a heavily Turkish neighborhood that is also a base for hard-core leftists. It was rerouted by police at the last minute "to avoid confrontation" after they found roadblocks erected on some streets.

Turks are the largest minority in Germany.

Before the march began, 10 people were arrested on charges such as displaying banned Nazi symbols or uniforms. Five people from the "Anti-fascist Action Berlin" were arrested for violating public assembly laws. Several stone-throwers were also arrested.

On Jan. 29, some 500 neo-Nazis were allowed through the gate during a protest against plans to erect a national Holocaust memorial nearby. It was believed to be the first neo-Nazi march through the gate since the end of World War II.



AP Photo
About 500 neo-Nazis marched through central Berlin Sunday showing support for Austrian far-right leader Joerg Haider on the anniversary of the 1938 Nazi annexation of Austria.

Rescuers find remains of 80 miners killed in explosion

By Sergei Shargorodsky
Associated Press

KRASNODON, Ukraine — Ashen-faced relatives stood in silence beneath a light snow Sunday, watching rescuers coated in coal dust drag up the bodies of 81 people killed in a Ukrainian mine explosion and load them onto refrigerator trucks.

Survivors of the former Soviet republic's worst mine disaster in decades described a confusing burst, a suffocating cloud of coal dust and the sickening smell of smoke before they were brought to the surface.

A preliminary investigation suggested that Saturday's accident was a methane explosion caused by a violation of safety regulations, the Interfax news agency quoted President Leonid Kuchma as saying.

Ukraine's mine accidents are often caused by methane, a naturally occurring, odorless and highly explosive gas that seeps out of coal seams and can build up in poorly ventilated mine shafts.

But union officials said it could have been a coal dust explosion ignited by welding equipment at the Barakova mine near the eastern town of Krasnodon, about 425 miles east of Kiev.

While Ukraine has the world's highest coal industry death rate, the Barakova mine hadn't suffered a major accident before. Instead, it was known for the passion of its 3,000 workers, ever ready to launch a strike to demand back wages and stand up for their rights in one of Ukraine's poorest industries.

On Sunday, that enthusiasm was nowhere to be found. A few grief-stricken miners wandered aimlessly among the crumbling buildings at the mine, whose rusty, creaky elevators stand against the dark pyramids of coal rock.

Several rescue workers in dirty orange overalls were packing their gear, the last of the 33 teams who worked since Saturday to pull the dead up from the rubble 2,190 feet below.

Officials said 80 of the 277 miners who were underground at the time of the explosion died on the spot. Most of the others escaped safely.

One died Sunday in the hospital. Seven coal workers remained hospitalized.

One of them, interviewed in his hospital bed, described the blast on Russia's NTV television.

"I heard a burst, then saw cloudy coal dust. There was the smell of fire," the survivor said through glazed eyes. His name was not given.

"I called the dispatcher, and she said, 'There's been an explosion, you guys are the only ones left, hurry and come back up.'"

A handwritten list of the victims' names hung on a bulletin board at the entrance to the mine's administration building. Next to the list were two red carnations, a notice about volleyball practice, and a note advertising a country cabin for sale.

"My son, my blood!" wailed one woman wrapped in a shawl, whose 21-year-old son, Andriy Li-Chan-Yuk, was on the list.

Three young men stopped next to the list, and one started crying, touching the written names.

"Five friends at once, just like that. Friends, schoolmates," he said, turning away.

At least 274 miners died in mine accidents in Ukraine last year, down from about 360 in 1998.

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Guerrilla war looms over Serbia

PRESEVO, Yugoslavia (AP) — The open-air bazaar was teeming with people buying, selling, and bargaining loudly on a sunny market day. But just before dusk, the streets suddenly emptied and an eerie silence descended on the southern Serbian town as residents rushed to be home by dark.

"Nobody feels safe any more, the tension is just terrible," said Riza Halimi, the mayor of the predominantly ethnic Albanian town of Presevo, 7 miles east of troubled Kosovo province. "We are trying to preserve peace, we tell people not to panic, not to flee. There must be a peaceful solution."

But about 2,000 people have already left, Halimi said, in the wake of a spate of explosions and nighttime shootouts that have killed several people. The formation of a new, Kosovo-inspired ethnic Albanian guerrilla group has only worsened fears of yet another war in Yugoslavia.

Western leaders are also worried.

Last weekend, US Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright, warned that ethnic Albanians banking on a new NATO intervention "shouldn't miscalculate." She also urged Serbs to show restraint.

Albright's spokesman, James P. Rubin, arrived Sunday in Kosovo, in part to make clear that NATO will not tolerate Kosovo ethnic Albanians smuggling weapons and offering support to their kinsmen across the border in the rest of Serbia.

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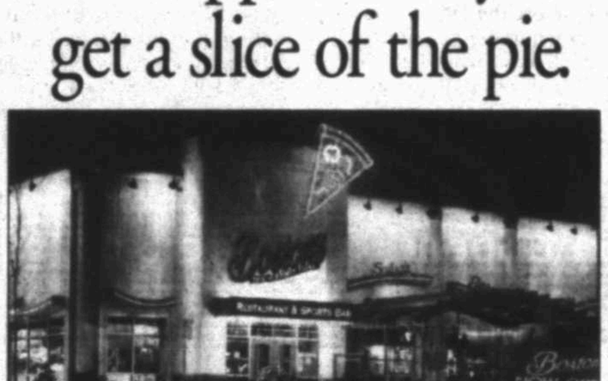
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Cohen seeks new ties, return of missing servicemen

By Robert Burns
Associated Press

HONG KONG — A quarter century after the end of the Vietnam War, at the start of a new era of U.S. military commitment to Asia's future, Defense Secretary William Cohen is visiting Vietnam to deliver two messages — both linked to the war that still haunts many Americans.

His trip, starting Monday, is intended to reinforce the Pentagon's commitment to finding, recovering and returning to their families the remains of 2,000 U.S. servicemen still unaccounted for from the war.

But Cohen's trip also is aimed at conveying the Clinton administration's interest in building a new relationship between American and Vietnamese armed forces — an interest Vietnam seems to share. He said he would propose several modest steps toward a military-to-military relationship, starting with cooperation on removing war-era land mines and joint studies on military medical problems.

"Both nations were scarred by this," Cohen said of the long war which cost 58,000 American and an estimated 3 million Vietnamese lives. "They have their own scars from the war. We certainly have ours."

Cohen, the first U.S. secretary of defense to visit Vietnam since the war ended in April, 1975, is expected to address another combat legacy: the poisonous human and environmental cost of having sprayed millions of gallons of a chemical defoliant called Agent Orange in the Vietnamese countryside.

Vietnam estimates that 1 million of its people are victims of Agent Orange, which was sprayed over wide areas of central and southern Vietnam between 1962 and 1971 to destroy cover for North Vietnamese forces. Both U.S. veterans and the Vietnamese government want Washington to take a more active role in determining the extent of the human toll.

Officials of the Vietnam Veterans of America Inc., were in Hanoi in February and said they found the Vietnamese government willing to join with U.S. scientists in researching the health consequences of Agent Orange exposure. Previous studies have not reached firm conclusions on the possible connection between Agent Orange and health problems such as diabetes, cancer and heart disease.

Although some in the U.S. military still feel resentment toward Vietnam and disgust at the war's outcome, today's military leaders generally agree with Cohen that it's time to engage with Vietnam.

"This is something I'm working pretty hard on in the Asia-Pacific region," Adm. Dennis Blair, commander of U.S. Pacific Command, said recently. He wants to create "security communities" among "like-minded nations" in Asia that do not want formal treaty obligations.

"This idea I think is open to former enemies like Vietnam," Blair said.

Aide to Iran's president shot

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — A close confidant of the Iranian president was shot at close range and seriously wounded Sunday in a shocking daylight attack reminiscent of last year's killings by vigilantes who sympathize with Iran's hard-liners.

Saeed Hajjarian, a pillar of President Mohammed Khatami's popular reformist movement and a member of Tehran's municipal council, was rushed to the hospital after a gunman on a high-powered motorcycle approached and fired at him twice while he was on his way to work, witnesses said.

He was hit by one bullet, which remained lodged in the back of his neck, doctors at the Sina Hospital in Tehran said. At least one doctor said there was a possibility of permanent brain damage.

Majid Ansari, a reformist member of parliament who visited the hospital late in the afternoon, said Hajjarian was breathing on his own after being taken off a respirator. Iranian television reported Sunday night that Hajjarian had regained consciousness. Later, under tight security, he was wheeled to another hospital building and could be seen wearing an oxygen mask.

Within hours of the shooting, dozens of security checkpoints were set up across Tehran. Intelligence Minister Ali Yunesi said the assailants have been identified, but he did not say who they were.

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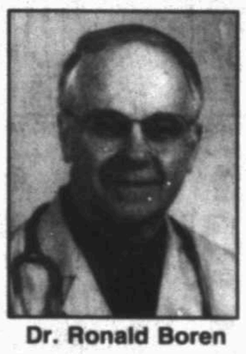
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Studies: Baby walkers, childhood obesity, seizures, HIB vaccine

After perusing various journals and publications, I thought the following information would be of interest to parents of small children.

Baby walkers The American Academy of Pediatrics has for a number of years recommended against using the popular baby walkers for safety reasons. There have also been discussions among developmental experts regarding possibly harmful effects on motor development. While utilizing walkers would seem to benefit the six-to-fifteen-month-old, a recent study published in the *Journal of Developmental Behavior Pediatrics, 1999*, suggests that is not so.


Dr. Ronald Boren

Developmental studies have shown that visual feedback about body position and limb movement is necessary for the timely acquisition of motor milestones. An infant in a walker receives much less of this feedback than he or she would without it. Walker-experienced infants sat and walked later than those in the no-walker control group and they scored lower on the Bayley scales of mental and motor development.

There was also evidence that the restriction in a walker may exert its greatest influence on mental development in the six-to-nine-month age period. Its effect is apparently not short-lived, since its frequent initial use predicted lower mental scores in some infants for as long as 10 months after initial use. It appears that there is not only an increased risk of injury with walkers, but also a risk to development. The risks outweigh the benefits.

TV, Video and Obesity A number of studies reported in pediatric literature have associated TV watching with obesity in adolescents. Children who watch TV for two hours or more a day tend to be sedentary and to snack a lot, contributing to their risk of obesity. Now the Journal of the American Medical Association reports the first experimental study to demonstrate a direct association between television, videotape and video game use and increased adiposity.

A study was done using a school-based intervention program in one school, while the program was not invoked in another school used as a control group. The two schools' students were matched sociodemographically and scholastically. Children in the intervention group had significantly less gain in adiposity.

Genetic Marker for Febrile Seizures Febrile (or fever-related) seizures are not rare in the first five years of life. The risk for febrile seizures has been shown to have a genetic component. A recent issue of the *Annals of Neurology* reported on a linkage analysis of genetic studies conducted at the University of Utah. The study involved a four-generation family with 21 members affected by seizures associated with fever and inherited as an autoaomal dominant trait.

Evidence that febrile seizures have a strong genetic component has been derived from family, twin and EEG studies. If one child and a parent are affected, siblings have a 30-40 percent risk, with the risk at 50 percent if both parents are affected. The risk of epilepsy later in life is two-to-seven percent in simple febrile seizures and varies with the type of gene carried by the family.

Genetic counseling should be sought when febrile seizures are recurrent, or when they occur in more than one family member. Your pediatrician can help you decide if genetic counseling is indicated.

Meningitis and Newer Vaccines A dreaded but not uncommon disease before the 1990s, meningitis caused damage and death to a significant number of children. It is exciting, therefore, to see a dramatic decline in *Hemophilis Influenza B* meningitis following widespread use of the HIB vaccine.

A new conjugated *Pneumococcal* vaccine has been shown to be very effective in preventing meningitis caused by that bacterium. The number of HIB meningitis cases fell by 95 percent from 1981 to 1995, while the number of cases of pneumococcal and meningococcal meningitis remained relatively constant.

We should start so see the incidence of pneumococcal meningitis fall when the new vaccine is introduced to infants over the next year. Also, the incidence of middle ear infections decreased with vaccinations since pneumococcal bacteria commonly cause middle ear disease. This comes at a time when pneumococci are increasingly resistant to antibiotics.

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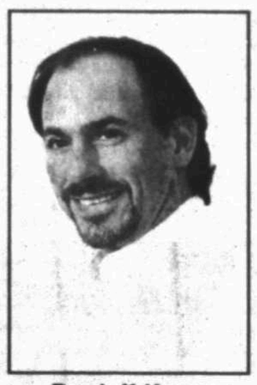
Dr. Jeff Kapp

Is your dentist conservative?

"Let's be conservative." Have you heard this from your dentist lately? Do you know exactly what he means by "conservative?"

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Dr. Jeff Kapp

Conservative dentistry is doing what is necessary to provide you with long-term health while preserving as much of your natural tooth as possible. When it comes to your health, dental or otherwise, conservative shouldn't mean, "let's take our chances." When it comes to your health, there should be no compromise.

As an aesthetic dentist, I believe in being preventive and conservative as well as in making your smile beautiful!

Dr. Jeff Kapp is one of the leading aesthetic and restorative dentists in the country. A graduate and clinical instructor of the New York University Rosenthal Institute of Aesthetic Dentistry, he maintains memberships in the Academies of Cosmetic, Implant and General Dentistry. After practicing for seven years in a cosmetically-based practice in Houston, and completing hundreds of cases, Dr. Kapp moved to Midland in 1991. He maintains a practice dedicated to bringing the Permian Basin a level and style of dentistry which was previously unavailable here. His office is located at 3000 N. Garfield, Suite 250. The phone number is 570-7554.

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Evans honor was clearly one he deserved

Honored — and roasted — last week by the Midland Texas Exes for his work during the past year as chairman of the University of Texas Board of Regents, his fund-raising efforts for the presidential campaign of Gov. George W. Bush and his business acumen as president and chief executive officer for Tom Brown Inc., Don Evans is a well-known and respected Midlander who fully deserved the accolades showered on him.

As was pointed out by those who joined in to slowly turn him over the roasting fire at the Petroleum Club, all three of the jobs Evans has been holding down over the past year are full-time endeavors. Any one of them might overwhelm someone of less talent and ability, but not Evans.

In his role as head of Tom Brown Inc., Evans is responsible not only to the employees but also to the shareholders of that medium-sized oil company.

Guiding the University of Texas System through the maze of governmental regulations and challenges it faces is no easy task either.

And neither, of course, was raising the millions of dollars in political contributions for Bush's presidential campaign. But Don Evans accomplished it with a style — and a result — that made it look easy.

In fact, as one of Evans' fellow regents, Patrick Oxford of Houston, put it at the roast, "Your boy Donny has done you proud."

That says a lot about the assessment of the job he has performed in all three roles. It is a credit to the man who has made Midland his home for years. We extend our congratulations to Evans for this significant honor.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, March 13, the 73rd day of 2000. There are 293 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 13, 1852, "Uncle Sam" made his debut as a cartoon character in the New York Lantern.

On this date:

In 1781, the planet Uranus was discovered by Sir William Herschel.

In 1868, the impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson began in the U.S. Senate.

In 1901, the 23rd president of the United States, Benjamin Harrison, died in Indianapolis.

In 1906, American suffragist Susan B. Anthony died in Rochester, N.Y.

In 1925, a law went into effect in Tennessee prohibiting the teaching of evolution.

In 1933, banks began to re-open after a "holiday" declared by President Roosevelt.

In 1964, in a notorious case, 38 residents of a Queens, N.Y. neighborhood failed to respond to the cries of Kitty Genovese, 28, as she was being stabbed to death.

In 1969, the Apollo 9 astronauts splashed down, ending a mission that included the successful testing of the Lunar Module.

In 1980, Ford Motor Chairman Henry Ford II announced he was stepping down.

In 1980, a jury in Winamac, Ind., found Ford Motor Company innocent of reckless homicide in the fiery deaths of three young women riding in a Ford Pinto.

Ten years ago: The Soviet Congress of People's Deputies approved Mikhail S. Gorbachev's proposals for a multiparty political system headed by a powerful president.

Five years ago: Two Americans working for U.S. defense contractors in Kuwait, David Daliberti and William Barloon, were seized by Iraq after they strayed across the border; sentenced to eight years in prison, both were freed the following July.

One year ago: Serb government forces destroyed more than 25 homes of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, apparently in retaliation for the killing of Serb civilians. Playwright Garson Kanin died in New York at age 86.

WHOM TO WRITE

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

Governor: George W. Bush (R), State Capitol Building, Austin, Texas 78701 or call (512) 463-2000, Fax (512) 463-1849.

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CHARLEY REESE

Congress is allowing China to push U.S. around

Congress should quit diddly-bopping around and just say no to Taiwan's request that America sell its advanced weapons.

The bottom line is this: Is the United States prepared to go to war with China over Taiwan? I think that the answer is clearly no, and that being the case, the United States should not provoke a conflict by selling advanced weapons to Taiwan.



Reese

The government in Taiwan seems to be of mixed minds about reunification with China. Even the nationalist Chinese who fled to Taiwan after losing the civil war with the communists in 1949 have always acknowledged that Taiwan is a province of China.

For a while, the nationalist Chinese claimed to be the legitimate government of China, and the United States recognized them as such. President Carter, however, ended that, abrogating a mutual-defense treaty and breaking diplomatic relations with that government to establish relations with the communist government. All American presidents since then have agreed that there is only one Chinese government, and it is in Beijing, not in Taipei.

Yet it seems that at least some in the government of Taiwan are toying with the idea of declaring independence.

China has said that it will invade if that happens, and there is no reason to believe that the Chinese are bluffing. It would be unforgivable for American politicians to send a misleading signal to Taiwan that we might support a bid for independence. It would be especially unforgivable if they did it just to pander to the arms merchants or to play some domestic partisan games.

War is a serious business. U.S. policy should be, at this time, to encourage negotiations between Taipei and Beijing and to do nothing that would mislead the Taiwan government into making a miscalculation. Allowing Taiwan to acquire the weapons it is asking for, including advanced destroyers with anti-missile systems, would certainly be a miscalculation. Beijing would read that as a preparation for independence.

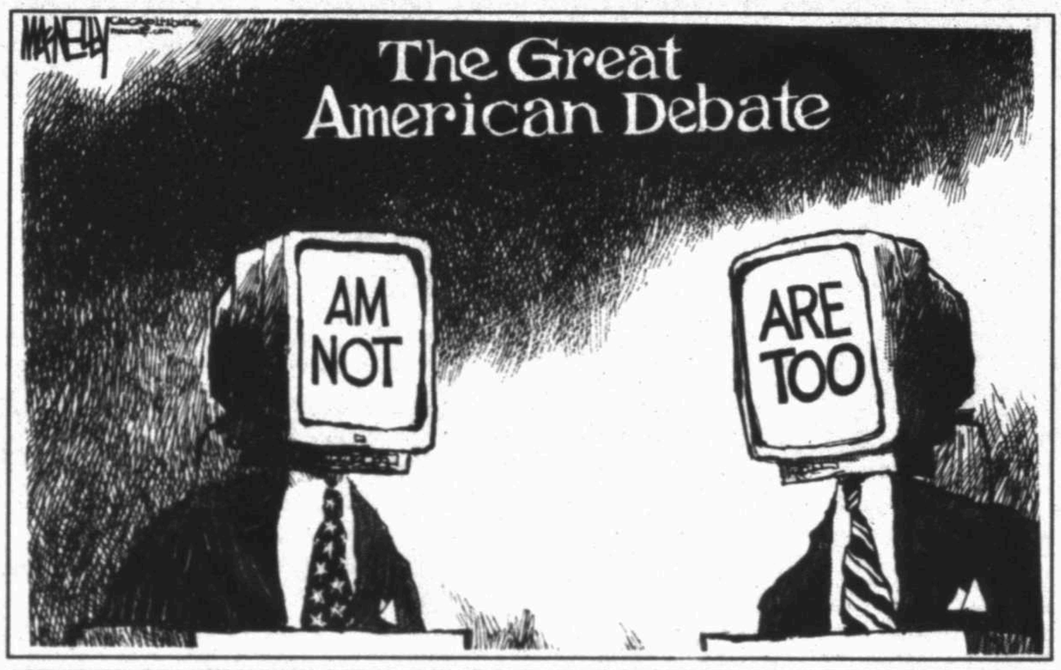
American politicians should also realize that whatever advanced weapons they sold to Taiwan would eventually end up in the arsenal of China. There is no way Taiwan can defend itself against a Chinese invasion, and we are going to look both silly and impotent standing on the sidelines and watching as it takes place. It is in our self-interest for reunification to take place peacefully.

I'm not happy that Taiwan is going to fall under communist rule, but the opportunity to prevent that was blown by Richard Nixon and Jimmy Carter. They wanted to offset the Soviet Union with closer ties to China. Now President Clinton has blown that gain by expanding NATO. China and Russia are closer today than China and the Soviet Union ever were.

Though you would never know it listening to our politicians knock the enamel off their teeth, U.S. power in relation to the rest of the world is beginning to wane. That the Philippines, despite being economically hard up, turned down our multibillion-dollar bribe offer and kicked us out of their country was a clear signal that the old days of American dominance are coming to an end.

I will not be surprised when the Japanese ask us to leave their country sometime during the next few years. Our days of being a "Pacific power" are numbered. We have won only one war in the 20th century, and that was in 1945. We did not win in Korea or Vietnam, and since then we have done nothing but bully small countries like Panama, Iraq and Yugoslavia. Our armed forces today are greatly weaker than they were during the Gulf War. Politicians in both parties have so larded the budget with social spending that it will be difficult to rebuild our forces.

Charley Reese's column is distributed by King Features Syndicate.



LETTERS

City officials can be trusted with our money for the sports complex

More than 10,000 Midland voters said yes to the new sports complex last November. The voter turnout and margin of victory were tremendous. The citizens of Midland want a new sports complex.

True, the estimated cost of the sports complex (listed in all brochures and spoken to the public) was $35 million, but the cost estimate was only that, just an estimate. It looks as though the cost will be slightly higher, but I am confident the mayor and City Council will do two things: No. 1, they will keep the cost as close to the estimate for the complex, and No. 2, they will be realistic and build a stadium that will not only last for the next 50 years, but be one that Midlanders will be proud of.

Speak up and support the mayor and council. It may take a little extra to do it right. The complex will be a major attraction for Midland for many years to come.

Lisa Crawford

Lent and Mardi Gras don't go hand in hand

This year's annual Associated Press article on Mardi Gras festivities incorrectly implies a theological link between those events and the period of Lent that follows.

The type of immoral behavior described in the story is not condoned by the Catholic Church. Lent is a wonderful opportunity for penitential practice and a remembrance of our salvation history.

Devout Christians have no need to use Lent as an excuse to act in ridiculous and sinful ways during the preceding week.

Timothy B. Roberts

McCain is a man of strongest character and deserves our vote

Seeing "Faith of my Fathers" and "John McCain, An American Odyssey" on my desk, one of my sons, who can vote, asked me what I thought of the senator and would I vote for him.

My reply: "John McCain came from a professional military family. At his own admission, he did not always appreciate who he was or what he could be. It took the cruelty of war and captivity by a vicious enemy to help him find himself and his country's honor, which he upheld under arduous circumstances.

He returned from war a better man but not a perfect one. He made mistakes, some personal, some professional. McCain's candor in admitting his human failures makes him a man capable of constant renewal and redemption. He may fall or get knocked down, but he will get back up.

Our country hungers for honesty in high places and genuine reform. No candidate is more capable of giving it to us than John McCain. His passion, his sense of mission, his zest for his causes of campaign finance reform and national rededication will restore a moral imperative to the presidency its present occupant fails to exert.

John McCain earned my respect. He has my vote, and I believe that he ought to have yours."

J.K. "Rusty" Wall

Board stealer should listen to conscience, answer for sins

I hope whoever stole my big board from my driveway at 602 W. Nobles is happy. It was probably the same person who stole my 50-foot hose off my water faucet in the front yard some time ago. This board helped me to back out of my driveway without scraping the front of the car. I'm 74 years young and I suppose you really care for the elderly.

If you have any conscience and know you will have to answer for your sins, you could at least return my board.

Billee Tully

Does Odessa have more progressive voters than Midland?

The March 7 Reporter-Telegram contained a letter with a headline in the form of a question, "Does Odessa have better civic leaders?" It went on to denigrate Midland Mayor Bobby Burns while mentioning that Odessa will get a train station.

By way of reminder, Odessa's voters approved a sales tax increase for economic development purposes. Midland's voters rejected such a proposal.

The question that should be asked is "Does Odessa have more progressive voters than Midland?" Something to think about.

Arlen L. Edgar

Hospital helped to make 19-day stay bearable

I want everyone at Midland Memorial Hospital and also the people of Midland to know how kind, thoughtful, loving and caring all the employees were to my mother, Voncile Bannister, during our 19-day stay in the hospital. They all took a personal interest, not only in helping her, but gave our family help and support way beyond the duties they are required to do in their normal routine.

I also want to thank Dr. Susan Kutz, Dr. Don Crockett and Dr. Lawrence Buxton for all their care and understanding. Bless each and everyone of you.

Sammie Crites

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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



DAN RATHER

Could past elections teach a lesson to today's candidate?

When your reporter was just breaking into political reporting, there was this local county commissioner named Squatty Lyons. "People vote their pocketbooks," Squatty said, adding that remembering this had gotten him re-elected a record number of times.

I thought of old Squatty recently while having coffee with another grizzled veteran of political wars, a retired journalist named David.

"If the economy stays up," David says, "Gore's the next president. If it doesn't, he's toast. Bush'll be in."



Rather

My friend David has forgotten more about politics than most folks ever knew. So when David speaks, your reporter listens. He might be right about this year's election — the late Squatty Lyons certainly would have thought so.

And you hear his sentiments echoed by, among others, some people high up in the Gore campaign and other influential folks in the Bush campaign.

Such thoughts must also have crossed a few minds on "Super Tuesday" primary day, when the Dow Jones Industrial Average plunged 374 points, the fourth-largest point drop in its history.

The stock plunge was precipitated by the triple threat of rocketing oil prices, warnings of lower-than-expected quarterly earnings by blue-chip Procter & Gamble and strong signals from Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan that he would pursue interest -rate hikes despite the recent rise in unemployment figures.

The convergence of politics and Wall Street was, in this case, coincidental. But the sinking stocks must have sent a shiver through Gore. For the vice president remembers well how he and ticket-topper Bill Clinton gained the White House against George W. 's father: four little words — "It's the economy, stupid."

President Bush watched his approval rating fall more than 40 points from its post-Desert Storm high amid recession in 1990 and '91 and anemic growth in '91 and '92. With his chances for re-election tanking along with consumer confidence, Bush implored Greenspan to keep lowering interest rates in '92. Faster and further. But the Fed chairman would not be moved — only three rate drops that year compared with 10 the year before.

Everyone knows what happened next: Clinton won, and within a few months of taking office, that robust economic recovery that Bush kept promising was "just around the corner" rounded the corner.

Give Clinton and Gore credit. They made the most of a break. Without a single Republican vote in Congress, they pushed through a tax increase in 1993 and closed many tax loopholes. They made budget balancing and deficit reduction the priorities, then led the fight to bring these things about.

It laid the foundation for the greatest economic boom in modern American history. And Gore might ride its crest right into the Oval Office.

But what if? What if materials costs continue to rise? What if the Fed raises rates one too many times? What if oil prices don't stabilize or drop? Gore would find himself in a 1970s-style economic bind: high prices at the gas pumps, high inflation and high interest rates — the hat trick that, along with the Iran hostage crisis, undid Jimmy Carter's presidency.

Even if Greenspan keeps growth and inflation in balance, oil prices remain a wild card and a major Gore worry. As Arthur Cashin, chief floor trader for Paine Webber, told your reporter, "Traders and investors are both worried that if we wind up with two-dollar-a-gallon gasoline, that's the equivalent of a tax increase."

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Hillary, Giuliani seared in spoof

The two U.S. Senate hopefuls get silly for annual charity event

By Beth J. Harpaz
Associated Press

NEW YORK — First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton passed another initiation rite in her adopted state, laughing throughout a spoof on New York politics that made a lot of jokes — some of them crude — at her expense.

Her Republican Senate rival, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, was also roasted at the annual event staged by political reporters, but he nearly stole the show with his own scripted performance in full drag — blonde wig, dress, makeup.

Saturday night's event was the first time the mayor and first lady had met face-to-face since she began campaigning here over a year ago.

They shook hands and exchanged pleasantries when she entered the room at the New York Hilton, but when she walked away, he turned to reporters and said: "I'm very, very encouraged that we are drawing a lot of out-of-towners to this performance."

During intermission, they bumped into each other backstage as they greeted the cast.

"I hear you're the star," Clinton told the mayor.

"We're gonna see, we're gonna see," he replied.

"I can't wait to see it," she said.

The annual show — a $400-a-head black tie dinner that benefits homeless shelters, soup kitchens, educational programs and other local charities — is renowned for its rollicking tastelessness and outrageous jokes.

One gag featured the Hillary character taking a subway to Shea Stadium "where I can watch my favorite team, the New York Yankees!"

When a rider explained that the Yankees actually play in Yankee Stadium, the Hillary character answered: "Sorry ... We live in Chappaqua now, you know. That's Indian for 'The Land of Separate Bedrooms.'"

Clinton laughed heartily at the joke and smiled and applauded throughout the evening, though she grimaced when her character asked for directions to Times Square and said: "My husband wants me to pick up a few things for him at the Virgin Megastore."

The show's plot also featured a hapless Hillary being hauled off to jail for campaigning in Times Square, while the Rudy character picked on homeless people. President Clinton showed up, but instead of bailing out his wife, he sprung an actress and left Hillary in the slammer.

As Clinton got up from her table during intermission, she remarked with a laugh: "I'm still standing."

In the event's annual tradition, only the mayor gets a rebuttal during the show, and Giuliani made the most of it.

His elaborate performance included a live stage show with the cast of "Saturday Night Fever" — with Giuliani doing John Travolta moves in a white disco suit — and videotaped skits based on five musicals.

In the drag skit, "Rudy/Rudia, "a take on the musical "Victor/Victoria," the mayor spritzed his ample faux bosom with perfume only to have Donald Trump — the real Donald Trump — sniff it, then bury his head in it.

Then, as Rudia pondered which hat to buy, comedienne Joan Rivers — again, the real Rivers — began shrieking:

"Who do you think you are? Hillary Clinton? Can't you make your mind up about anything?"

The skit was a reprise of his 1997 performance at the annual dinner.

During Saturday's show, the mayor sat with his aides and actor Danny Aiello, and Clinton sat two tables away with New York Daily News publisher Mort Zuckerman.

The two candidates' campaign managers were seated across the room — together.



AP Photos



ABOVE: First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani shake hands Saturday at the Inner Circle show, an annual spoof on local politics staged by New York City reporters. The annual show — a $400-a-head black tie dinner that benefits homeless shelters, soup kitchens, educational programs and other local charities — is renowned for its rollicking tastelessness and outrageous jokes.

RIGHT: New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, decked out in a white disco suit, shows off his dance moves.The event marks the first time Clinton and Giuliani have been in the same room since the two began campaigning against one another for U.S. Senate.

Study: Flu shots may prevent heart attacks

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The annual flu shot may carry a surprising benefit — fewer heart attacks.

A study released Sunday suggests that heart patients may significantly reduce their risk of a second heart attack if they get vaccinated against influenza.

The finding is still considered preliminary and needs to be confirmed by further studies. Still, doctors say it raises the possibility of a powerful and underused way of keeping the heart healthy.

The study, directed by Dr. Morteza Naghavi of the University of Texas, supports the theory that a variety of smoldering infections can inflame the buildups that clog the arteries, making them more likely to break open and trigger heart attacks.

Naghavi based his study on 233 patients who were treated between October 1997 and March 1998. He presented the results at a meeting of the American College of Cardiology.

At the same meeting, two other studies were released showing that heart attacks tend to be more severe during the cold months, and cardiac arrest is most common in the winter.

Naghavi's study compared people who suffered second heart attacks with those who did not. Those who had flu shots reduced their risk of new heart attacks by 67 percent.

If flu shots truly do protect heart patients, he said, "educating this population and physicians could help increase the rate of vaccination, which is still under 65 percent."

He cautioned, however, that studies like his cannot prove that flu shots are the reason for the reduction in new heart attacks. That would require following larger numbers of heart patients before they get sick to see if the shots affect their risk.

Many studies have shown that heart problems are most common during the cold months, when flu and colds are also circulating. Dr. Geoffrey Tofler of Royal North Shore Hospital in Sydney, Australia, said Naghavi's study suggests "there may be a way of reducing this increased risk by vaccination."

A report by Dr. Robert A. Kloner of Good Samaritan Hospital in Los Angeles reviewed data from two large studies involving more than 1,200 patients to see if the severity of heart attacks varies from season to season.

His team looked at victims' blood levels of creatine kinase MB, an enzyme released by dying heart cells. The higher the level of this enzyme, the more severe the heart attack.

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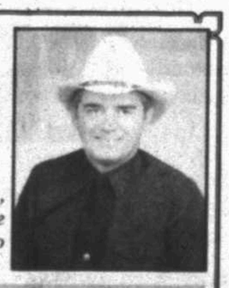
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McVeigh says Gulf War, government conflicts left him angry

By Judith Kohler
Associated Press

DENVER — Fighting in the Gulf War left Timothy McVeigh angry and disillusioned, he said in an interview broadcast Sunday on "60 Minutes," and the clashes at Waco and Ruby Ridge showed the federal government will use violence "as an option all the time."

In the interview with CBS' Ed Bradley, McVeigh did not say he was innocent of the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City in 1995. The explosion killed 168 people.

In his only other interview since his 1997 conviction, that same year with the Buffalo News in New York, he also refused to say if he was the bomber or knew who was.

His lawyers last week filed an appeal of his conviction and death sentence, claiming pretrial publicity and defense attorneys' alleged leaks of inflammatory stories to the press deprived him of a fair trial.

McVeigh said during the Feb. 22 interview at the federal maximum-security prison in Terre Haute, Ind., that he was angry and bitter after fighting in the Gulf War, where he won several medals for heroism.



Timothy McVeigh, left, appears in his first interview since he was sentenced to death for the Oklahoma City bombing, with CBS's "60 Minutes," correspondent Ed Bradley Feb 22. at the U.S. penitentiary in Terre Haute, Ind.

AP Photo

"I went over there hyped up, just like everyone else. Not only is Saddam evil; all Iraqis are evil. What I experienced, though, was an entirely different ball game. And being face to face close with these people in personal contact, you realize they're just people like you," he said.

His anger deepened when Randy Weaver's wife and son were shot and killed in a standoff with federal agents at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, in 1992 and dozens of members of the Branch Davidian sect died in a fire after a 51-day standoff with federal officers in Waco, Texas, eight months later.

McVeigh said U.S. citizens must keep government in check.

Asked if violence is a way to do that, McVeigh said: "If government is the teacher, violence would be an acceptable option.

"What did we do to Sudan? What did we do to Afghanistan? Belgrade? What are we doing with the death penalty? It appears they use violence as an option all the time," McVeigh said in a transcript provided by CBS.

He also told Bradley he could not ask him directly if he was the Oklahoma City bomber because of his appeal.

One of the claims in McVeigh's motion for a new trial is that images of him in an orange jumpsuit, leg irons and handcuffs two days after his arrest prejudiced the jurors against them because they were shown repeatedly. He said the pictures were "the beginning of a propaganda campaign."

West Virginia Legislature bans same-sex marriage

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The West Virginia Legislature voted Saturday to ban homosexual marriages and prohibit the state from recognizing such marriages performed in other states.

On the last day of the 60-day legislative session, the House approved the measure 96-3 and sent it to the governor for his signature. The Senate previously passed it unanimously. Gov. Cecil Underwood introduced the ban, so his agreement is expected.

"We were concerned we didn't have a statute. We could be forced into recognizing same-sex marriages from other states," Underwood said.

The bill would allow marriage licenses to be issued only to couples consisting of a man and a woman.

It would insert onto marriage license applications the phrase, "Marriage is designed to be a loving and lifelong union between a woman and a man." The bill also prohibits West Virginia from recognizing homosexual marriages performed in other states.

Chuck Smith, co-chairman of the West Virginia Lesbian and Gay Coalition, said, "I think this is a really sad day. The main purpose of the bill is to say, once again, that people who are gay and lesbian are second-class citizens."

On March 8, Californians approved a ballot measure that prohibits the state from recognizing same-sex marriages legally performed in any other state.

After the Hawaii Supreme Court raised the possibility of same-sex marriages in 1993 — a prospect the state's voters later rejected — 30 states and the federal government passed laws denying recognition to same-sex marriages.

In Vermont, town meetings have been held to guide state lawmakers trying to craft legislation following a state Supreme Court ruling that gays are unconstitutionally being denied the benefits of marriage.

Two teens die in shooting at school dance

SAVANNAH, Ga. (AP) — A school dance to celebrate a high school basketball championship ended in gunfire that left two teens dead and another wounded.

Three young men were shot as 300 young people left the Beach High School gymnasium in Savannah about 11:15 p.m. Friday.

Stacy Smalls, 19, died from gunshot wounds at a Savannah hospital shortly after the shootings. Officials said Smalls was not a student.

Ramone Kimble, a 16-year-old student at Savannah High School who was shot in the head, died shortly after 11 a.m. Saturday at Memorial Health University Medical Center in Savannah, nursing supervisor Ellen Pinckney said.

Lamar Jenkins, a 16-year-old Beach High School student, was shot in the buttocks. He was treated and released from the hospital.

Savannah police arrested Darrell Ingram, 19, Saturday morning and charged him with two counts of murder and one count of aggravated assault.

Suspicious bag found in plane scares workers

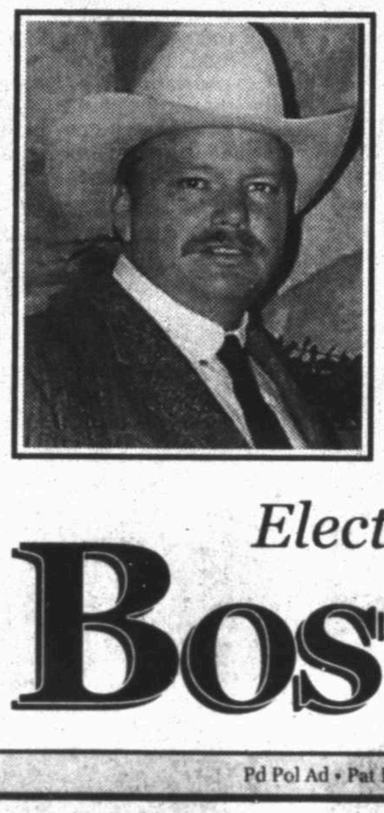
SEATTLE (AP) — An Alaska Airlines flight attendant was stunned Saturday to reach into a child's backpack for crayons and find what looked like an explosive device, prompting an emergency U-turn and landing at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.

Chutes on the MD-80 series airliner were deployed and passengers slid to the ground after the emergency landing around 3 p.m., airport spokesman Bob Parker said. Two people suffered minor injuries from the slide and were treated at the scene and released.

The suspicious device actually was a training aid being used by Alaska's security firm to conduct a routine test in the airport terminal.

The boy, 8 or 9 years old, was by chance carrying a backpack identical to the one used in the test, officials said.He laid his pack on a security checkpoint conveyor belt at the same time as the "passenger" in the test put the identical bag on, and the boy picked up the wrong bag on the other side.

The boy was traveling unaccompanied on Alaska Flight 444, which departed Sea-Tac for Ontario, Calif. at 2:06 p.m. with 83 passengers and five crew members aboard. About 30 minutes into the flight, the boy asked the flight attendant for his bag so he could use his crayons, and that was when she discovered the device. The plane immediately turned back. Passengers were being put on other flights.



Let's Get Back to the Basics

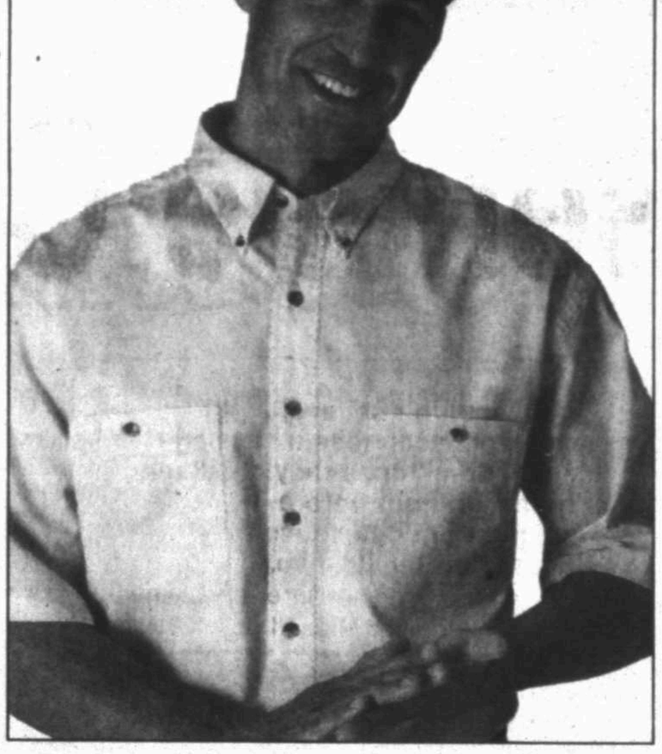
Sometimes, being in a position for a long period of time brings complacency and a need for change. Shouldn't our deputies be patrolling the county and making sure our homes and businesses are secure? We need to get the deputies out of the office and onto the street so they can do their job—**keeping you safe.** Let's get back to the basics. *I'm Pat Bostick, asking for your vote March 14th for Midland County Sheriff.*

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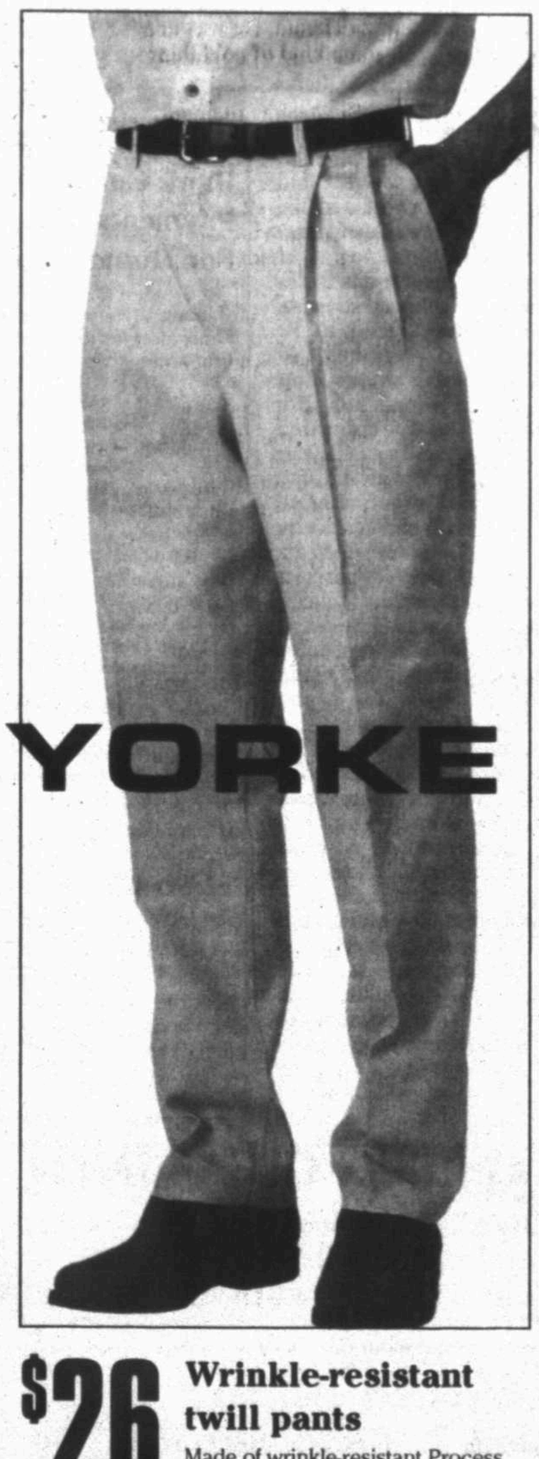
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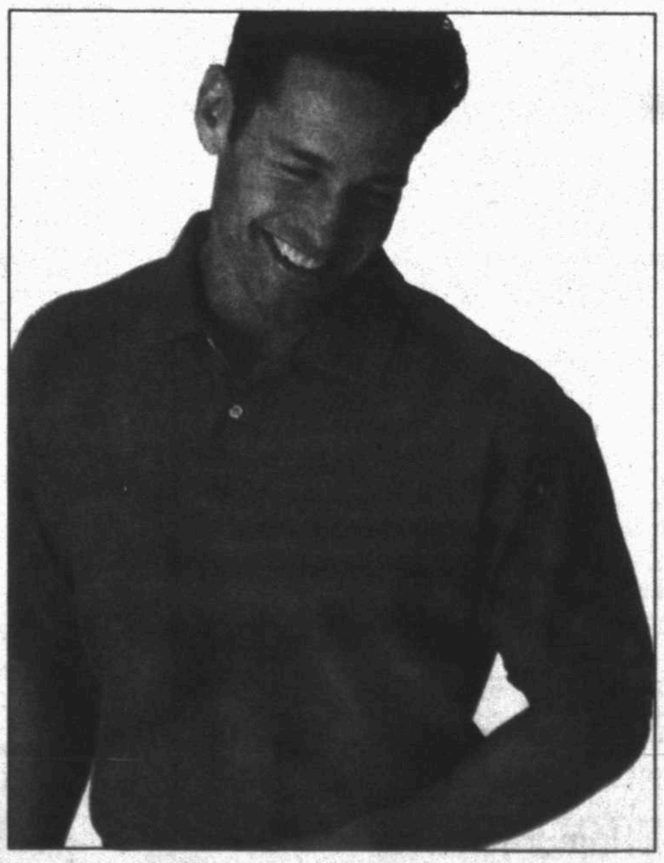
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Dear Abby/2B
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DAVE BARRY

It should be illegal to ship lobsters across country

It was a Thursday evening when I got a message from my office at The Miami Herald: Somebody had sent me a live Maine lobster.

It was meant as a gift. I was supposed to eat it. But I do not believe in eating lobsters. I do not believe in eating *anything* that looks like an insect and has 137 legs and claws and feelers and eyeballs waving around on stalks. I believe that lobsters are biologically related to that thing that is always chasing Sigourney Weaver around spaceships.


Barry

So I was not thrilled to get a live lobster. I think there should be laws against interstate lobster trafficking. I think that we should be protected from the danger of opening an innocent-looking box and finding ourselves confronting a crustacean the size of Mary Lou Retton.

The Miami Herald Business Section, located next to my office, offered to take the lobster off my hands and eat it. But I was uncomfortable with that. In a strange way, I felt responsible for this lobster. I felt that if something bad were to happen to it, I would ultimately pay the price, under the principle of "karma," which holds that your fate in future incarnations is determined by how you treat lobsters.

So I decided to drive to work and release the lobster — which I had started thinking of as "Duane" — in Biscayne Bay, a body of water that is located next to the Miami Herald building so the editors will have something to look at. On the way in, I called the Herald's fishing/outdoors writer, Sue Cocking, who gave me some bad news: Duane was a cold-water lobster, and if I put him in the warm South Florida water, he would quickly kick the bucket, or whatever it is that lobsters kick.

So now I had a problem: I was taking custody of a lobster upon which my fate depended, and I had no idea what I was going to do with him. And then it hit me: I could send him to Tom Schroth. Tom is my old friend and journalism mentor; he and his wife, Pat, live in Sedgwick, Maine, and are veteran lobster wranglers. I figured that if I could get Duane up there in time, they could release him into his original stomping waters.

So I got Duane at the Herald. He was in a cardboard box with some kind of cold thing to keep him in semi-suspended animation, but he could still move his claws in small, sad gestures. With Duane on the seat next to me, I raced to the shipping place in Coconut Grove, where the proprietors, Rod and Judy Heflin, to their credit, did not question the concept of shipping a live Maine lobster, from Maine, back to Maine. Before they sealed the box, I took a last look at Duane, who gave me a jaunty wave, as if to say, "What the *heck* is going on?" And then he was gone.

Next I called Tom and Pat in Maine to alert them. They were not home. This was bad, because in my haste to get Duane shipped, I neglected to put a note in his box, which meant that Tom and Pat might assume he was dinner.

Fortunately, Tom got my message and called back to say he'd release Duane, assuming that Duane — who by now was qualifying for frequent-flyer benefits — arrived alive. I told Tom that Duane was a spunky lobster with a lot of heart (or, possibly, hearts).

The next 24 hours took forever. The Business Section assured me that Duane would arrive in Maine as dead as Lamar Alexander's presidential campaign. I was a mess.

And then it came, an e-mail from Tom that filled my heart with joy. It described how Tom and his daughter Jennifer took Duane to the sea:

"The Sedgwick Town Dock is about a half-mile from home. The snow was falling hard. It was getting quite dark. We took Duane to the edge of the water, where the boat-launching tracks went into the lowering tide. There was a little ice at the edge of the water. I took him out of his box — he was gorgeous, about 2 pounds and still lively, no rubber bands on his claws — and placed him tail-first into the water. As you had predicted, he waved to us as he, with a quick flip of his luscious tail, pulled deep into the dark waters of Eggemoggin Reach as it greeted the Benjamin River off Sedgwick's shore. Perhaps now he is in the Gulf of Maine, where his chances of survival are as good as the other 1,237,456,987 lobsters there."

I'd say more about this, but I am too choked up. *"Booorn free! As free as the wind blows."*

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Dave Barry's column is distributed by Tribune Media Services.

Person to Person

With Johnnye Montgomery




U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram
Rosenelle Cherry, retired county clerk, said she enjoyed working for Midland County but now enjoys volunteering and doing things with her daughters and granddaughter.

Retired county clerk

Rosenelle Cherry

It's been more than three years since she closed the door of the Midland County Clerk's office and handed over the keys to her successor, yet Rosenelle Cherry still gets calls from people needing information or advice about matters pertaining to the county court system in general, or specific to a document they've filed.

Sometimes they are nighttime calls, coming long past courthouse hours. Other times old friends or long-ago customers dial her number simply because they know her, and remember her graciousness and helpfulness during the days when the Midland County Courthouse was more accessible and less complicated.

"I have to tell them to call the County Clerk's Office," Rosenelle said. "There have been so many laws changed in the last three years that I wouldn't dare try to advise anyone."

The changes aren't confined to legalities. The very environment of the courthouse is different now, and Rosenelle stays away, not from a sense of disenfranchisement or disinterest — she remains active in the County and District Clerks Association of Texas and recently assisted in the rewriting of its state handbook — but because she doesn't want to give the impression that she's looking over the shoulders of present personnel.

She also discourages comparisons, favorable or unfavorable.

"Circumstances change," she said. "It never serves any purpose to compare how anyone does a job with how anyone else does that job.

"I would never minimize the pleasure and enjoyment I experienced from all my years as county clerk, but now I thoroughly enjoy my life volunteering and working in my church, and doing things with my daughters and granddaughter."

Rosenelle, a native of West Texas, is the daughter of a pioneer ranching family. She grew up on an Andrews County ranch and graduated from Andrews High School before going on to Tarleton College in Stephenville.

She went to work as deputy in the Midland County Clerk's Office in 1948.

'You wouldn't believe all the ways people can lose a marriage license. Sometimes they'd call me at home, an hour before the wedding, frantic because they couldn't find the license.'

— Rosenelle Cherry, retired Midland County clerk

Three years later, when Midland County's steady growth necessitated the creation of an auditor's position, the district clerk became county auditor, the county clerk moved into the District Clerk's Office, and Rosenelle was appointed county clerk.

She campaigned for the post and won the job at election time in 1952. She said several attorneys had advised her that hard campaigning would serve her well.

"They said, 'Rosenelle, if you'll win really big this year, you'll never have to run against another opponent,'" she recalled.

"Midland County had a lot fewer people then, about 20,000 population, and I would go house to house after work, and I spoke to gatherings all over the county," she said. " I just stressed that I had the experience and I knew the work and would continue to do the job as well as I could."

The strategy worked. Rosenelle outpolled her opponent 2-to-1 in that election, and for the next 45 years — a period spanning 13 elections — she ran without opposition and was the consistent top vote-getter among unopposed candidates.

In the early days, Rosenelle had three deputies and the office was open until noon on Saturdays. She said she and her deputies shared the work equally — almost.

"When people came to the office with problems, I felt I had to handle them personally because I was the one they elected."

She also made it a point to be at the office by 7:15 every morning, making it possible for people on probation who owed fines to come by the office on their way to work and make payments on the fines, without being late to their jobs.

"I went to work every morning all revved up," she remembers, smiling. "It was a new day and I couldn't wait to see who it was that I was going to help. There were so many different things we did that the job was never boring."

The county clerk handled birth and death certificates, marriage licenses, financing statements, county court dockets, deeds of trust and releases of deeds when they were paid off, bonds for the 4,000 to 5,000 public notaries in the county and bonds for public warehousemen. When establishments went out of business, they filed their inventories with the clerk's office.

Then there were the people who prevailed upon Rosenelle to keep their wills.

"I had to watch the obituaries every day, so I wouldn't miss anybody," she said.

She said the workload increased tremendously during booms.

"We had established a reputation over time, and people knew that anything filed before 5 p.m. could be retrieved the following day. People often wanted it quicker than that, and we would try to accommodate them."

They recognized the special needs of people from out of town.

"They were always so surprised and so grateful when they found that they could finish what they came for without spending an extra night in Midland," she said.

While busying themselves serving Midland County, the all-woman staff had fun. They listened to more than their share of bad lawyer jokes from the attorneys who continually passed through the revolving door, and they laughed through their frustration at the foibles of their public.

"You wouldn't believe all the ways people can

Please see **CHERRY**/2B

Malaysians obsessed with setting records

By Jocelyn Gecker
Associated Press Writer

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — The records keep rolling in: the man who climbs thousands of steps backward, the largest gathering of old people at a circus, the smallest frog. Not to mention, of course, the world's tallest skyscrapers.

Record-breaking feats have become something of an obsession in this Southeast Asian nation. Barely a week goes by without some novel — some would say dubious — feat being attempted by a man, woman or child somewhere in Malaysia.

Among the dozens of records set just this year: the longest variety show (13 hours), the highest backward climb up a staircase (2,058 steps) and the most number of heads shampooed in one day at a shopping mall (1,068).

Leading the drive is 74-year-old Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad — a record-holder as Asia's longest serving ruler.

Please see **OBSESSED**/2B



Humor to start your week ...

Two sausages were in a frying pan, and one of them was doing the macarena.

The dancing sausage turns to his compadre and says, "It's getting pretty hot in here, eh?"

The other sausage cries, "Oh, my gosh, a talking sausage!"

— Contributed by Midlanders Chris Culley and Marcie McDaniel

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TALKIN' TEXAN

Baylor drama teacher most always gets what he wants

By Tumbleweed Smith

While a student at Baylor University during the '50s, I had the privilege of taking some drama courses from Paul Baker, a genius whose creativity has influenced theaters around the world.

His Baylor Theater had stages surrounding the audience, which was seated in swivel chairs. He tore up copies of Thomas Wolfe's 800-page novel "Of Time and the River" and handed out segments to small groups of students and told them to "put this on stage."


Smith

When he directed "Hamlet" he had three actors playing the major roles. A film was made of that play and it won the cinematography award at the Brussels World Fair in 1958. I'm proud to say I played one-third of Horatio in the production.

His course called "The Integration of Abilities" was the most lively course on campus at the time. Students from every field of study took it and learned how to realize their potential as a creative person.

Recently, The Southwestern Writers Collection at Southwest Texas State in San Marcos was the recipient of some of his papers, videos and audiotapes. Many of Baker's former students and colleagues were on hand for the presentation.

Gene McKinney, who taught play writing, told about an event that occurred shortly after World War II, when McKinney started teaching at Baylor. He called Baker "Prof."

"Prof stopped me in the lobby. I noticed that his neck was bowed, his head was jutting forward and his chin was out. I recognized immediately that this was his going into battle mode, as though he was going to use his head as a battering ram, possibly on me.

"He stared at me and asked curtly, 'Do you think I look poor and need money?'

"I had never viewed Prof as a natty dresser, but on this day he looked awful. Ancient sport coat and tie, baggy pants too short, exposing his GI olive drab socks from his Army days. But it was his shirt that distressed me. Frayed collar, faded color, but even worse, one sleeve cuff was held together by a large paper clip.

"I decided evasion was the best way to answer his question. I replied, 'Why do you ask?'

"He said, 'I'm on my way to battle the administration about next year's budget. The drama department needs a lot more money. I thought I might help our cause if I went over looking as poor as our department.'

"I told him he certainly looked like he needed some money.

"He lunged through the front door, his head jutting forward. When he came back from the meeting, his head had returned to its normal position and he was semi-triumphant. I asked him how he did.

"He said, 'Not great but better than last year. I think it was because this year I added the GI socks and the paper clip.'"

Paul Baker usually gets what he asks for.

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Tumbleweed Smith is a Big Spring storyteller and folklorist.

Museum exhibit chronicles 300-year history of piano

WASHINGTON (AP) — Practice, practice, practice — a dreaded refrain heard by millions of children who toil over an instrument that began as entertainment for the elite and became a 20th century symbol of prosperity and gentility for America's middle class: the piano.

Jazz pianist Dave Brubeck, who will be 80 this year, said some of the old pianos in a year-long show that opened Thursday at the National Museum of American History were part of his youth.

"I was raised on a cattle ranch," he recalled at a news conference Wednesday, "and you'd be surprised how many people had pianos. A neighbor had a square piano I played when I was a kid, and when I go back, it's still there."

His first music teacher was his mother. She had studied with Dame Myra Hess — the classical pianist known for her lunchtime performances in London's National Gallery when the bombardments of World War II had closed all the concert halls.

The first documented appearance of the piano was in Italy about 300 years ago.

The show includes one of the three surviving instruments made by Bartolomeo Cristofori, who lived from 1655 to 1732. He invented "a kind of harpsichord ... with some hammers that play the soft and the loud," according to an inventory from the year 1700 made for the Medici family that ruled Florence.

It was the soft (piano in Italian) and the loud (forte) that gave the instrument its name "pianoforte," later shortened to piano. The hammers that strike the strings gave composers a whole new range of possibilities over the harpsichord that just plucks the strings with quills.

The 25 pianos in the show include square pianos, a portable upright, a "giraffe" piano — a grand standing on its head, a miniature said to have been made for "General Tom Thumb," a P.T. Barnum attraction, and Liberace's rhinestone-studded grand.

And there's the upright that belonged to Irving Berlin, who composed largely on just the black notes. It has a trick lever for transposing from one key to another.

"The black keys are right there under your fingers," he said. "The key of C is for people who study music."

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EDITOR'S NOTE: "Piano 300 — Three Centuries of People and Pianos" will be at the S. Dillon Ripley Center, next to the Smithsonian Institution's "castle" headquarters, through March 4, 2001. Admission is free.

DEAR ABBY

Divorcee may use maiden name or husband's name

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My mother and I have been discussing the proper way to address an envelope to a divorced lady. I have been divorced for several years and am on very good terms with my ex-husband and his wife.


Van Buren

Last year, my aunt sent me a Christmas card to "Mrs. Albert Jones." It was ironic that it arrived on a day when my ex and his wife were at my house. I looked at my ex's wife and said, "This must be for you!" Knowing my aunt, we all laughed about it.

I spoke with my mother and asked her to tell her sister not to address me in that manner. I am divorced from Albert and am no longer his wife. (As a matter of fact, Mrs. Albert Jones does exist — and it's not me!!)

This year, my aunt has at least improved a bit. She sent my Christmas card to "Mrs. Tina Smith." I again spoke with my mother and told her that since I have been divorced for several years, I do not consider myself a "Mrs." My mother replied that it is still proper to address a divorced woman as "Mrs." I do not believe this is correct. I explained to my mother that in the case of a death, the wife could continue to use her husband's name -- but not in the case of a divorce. Which one of us is right, Abby? — TINA IN ORLANDO, FLA.

DEAR TINA: Your mother is correct. A divorced woman may take back her maiden name (Miss Jane Smith), or she may properly be addressed as Mrs. first name plus her husband's last name (Mrs. Jane Jones).

DEAR ABBY: We buried my uncle yesterday, and several people said to my aunt, "I'll stop by and see you soon." I know how easy it is to make such promises when caught up in the moment, and I hope at least a couple of those people follow through.

I live 75 miles away and can't spend as much time with my aunt as I'd like. They used to have a very active social life, but as dementia took the sparkle from their conversations, my aunt and uncle were relegated more and more to the company of the health aides who have cared for them around the clock. Few of their old friends drop in.

I know it is difficult for people to make time, especially for less pleasant things like a conversation with someone who isn't the same scintillating person they used to know. But it is so good for the person to continue to have interaction with others, and it's just plain cheering to see a different face for a few minutes.

I don't want to preach, but I hope my letter will inspire a few people to spend half an hour with friends or relatives who could use a bright spot in their day. Even if their minds don't remember it, their hearts will. -- NIECE IN TROY, N.Y.

DEAR NIECE: You have written an eloquent letter. When people age, their friends begin to die and their list of social contacts grows shorter. It then becomes the responsibility of nuclear and extended family to make sure older people don't become completely isolated.

There are many ways to entertain older people who suffer from age-related memory loss: preparing and bringing over a favorite meal or dish, a cassette of music from their generation that might lift the spirits and stimulate the memory, a short drive in a familiar neighborhood.

A companion pet can provide a special kind of love, not to mention entertainment. However, a pet should not be given unless the giver is absolutely sure it can be properly cared for and looked after.

CONFIDENTIAL TO 'POOR IN MONTANA': "Nowadays, we think of a philanthropist as someone who donates big sums of money, yet the word is derived from two Greek words, 'philos' (loving) and 'anthropos' (man): loving man. All of us are capable of being philanthropists. We can give of ourselves." — Edward Lindsey

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OBSESSED: Megaprojects good for nation's ego, prime minister says

(From 1B)

In his 18 years as leader, Mahathir has transformed Kuala Lumpur into a showcase of superlatives. The capital's skyline holds the 88-story Petronas Towers, the world's tallest buildings; Southeast Asia's highest tower; and a newly opened shopping mall that is touted as Asia's largest.

Mahathir defends the megaprojects as "good for the ego" of a developing nation. "It is important because small people always like to appear tall. If you can't get tall enough, you put a box under you," he once said.

His favorite phrase — "Malaysia Boleh!" or "Malaysia Can Do It!" — has become a national slogan intended to assure the country's 22 million people of their potential and nudge them along the path to self-improvement.

With records rolling in, someone needed to write them down. And so was born the Malaysia Book of Records. A coffee-table hardcover published in 1997, it aims to "inspire greatness within all Malaysians," according to its forward. Its 300 glossy pages feature 1,300 records in 11 categories ranging from sports and technology to buildings and human achievements.

There's the largest replica camel collection (200), the most frequent best man (1,069 weddings), the first blind lawyer (he reads his briefs in Braille), the 10-year-old girl who is the youngest person to pull a van, which was packed with seven bodybuilders. The book's second edition, due out in April, will include 400 new entries.

Part of the book's allure is its accessibility, says editor Danny Ooi.

"We will encourage any record people want to create," he said. "It's not that easy to get into the Guinness Book of Records. To get into Malaysia's book is easier." Unlike its international model, Malaysia's book turns no one away.

But more than low hurdles, the book offers Malaysians "a way to be nationalistic" and to do "a lot of positive things for the country," said Ooi, a former beauty pageant organizer.

That spirit was what drew many on a recent Saturday to a suburban mall, where a small army of hairstylists shampooed through 1,068 scalps to wash the most heads at a shopping mall.

"I came to set a world record. It makes me proud to do this for my country," said 29-year-old Anne Ong Yoke Kwan, while waiting in line.

But patriotism isn't the only motivation. Record mania can be good for business, too.

Proctor & Gamble, which sponsored the shampoo-a-thon to promote a new shampoo, took out half-page advertisements in local newspapers for 10 days leading up to the event. Come the big day, the multinational set up 20 mobile sinks under a giant tent, paid local TV personalities to rally the crowd and kept energy high with free-flowing Starbucks coffee.

"We thought what better way to sell the product — wash a lot of heads and help set a record," said Charmaine Wong, Proctor & Gamble's brand manager for Malaysia and Singapore.

Critics say that as competition heats up with attempts to set outlandish new records, the country's image will pay the price.

National shame came in January when a team of Malaysian skydivers — who claimed to be the first Asians to parachute to the South Pole — returned home and begrudgingly confessed they had fibbed. Pressed by reporters, they admitted they had jumped 1,100 miles from their goal.

After the botched parachute attempt, Sports Minister Hishamuddin Hussein said the nation needs to put on the brakes in the superlatives race.

"Everybody seems to be proposing the best, the first, the largest, the biggest, the smallest, the highest," the minister said. "But from now on, we will be very strict with these proposals to safeguard the country's reputation."

CHERRY: Clerk starts black-eyed pea party

(From 1B)

lose a marriage license," she said. "Sometimes they'd call me at home, an hour before the wedding, frantic because they couldn't find the license, or the night before. It was exasperating, but we had to laugh."

They also made their own trademark brand of fun by feeding the public black-eyed peas to start the year off right. Rosenelle said the tradition began sometime during the 1960s.

"Every office all over the courthouse, and all over town would have a Christmas party," she explained. "So I decided instead to cook black-eyed peas, a southern good-luck tradition, and to invite everybody — people in the courthouse, the attorneys, all our customers, anybody who wanted to come was welcome."

Although the feast consisted originally of black-eyed peas and cornbread, the menu soon expanded to include other vegetables, meats and cheeses, desserts and relishes, and was always accompanied by hot apple cider.

Rosenelle's staff grew with the growth of the county, until she had 16 deputies. In 1982, a separate Elections Administration Office was created — a move that alleviated much of Rosenelle's paper work and allowed her to concentrate on further accommodating her customers.

Rosenelle was honored many times over: In 1983, she was voted Outstanding County Clerk of Texas by the State County and District Clerks Association; in 1984, she received the Liberty Bell Award presented by the Young Lawyers Association of Midland; in 1985, she was nominated a Centennial Citizen; and in 1988, was honored as Outstanding Citizen during National Business Women's Week.

Beset by health problems and wanting to spend more time doing volunteer work and enjoying her family, she announced in 1996 that she would retire at the year's end, so as to allow other candidates to file and run in county primaries and in the November election.

If she had harbored ideas of finding long stretches of empty time for doing nothing, though, Rosenelle was destined for a surprise.

Her friends said they have to make an appointment to see her and that the best way to catch her is to go to church or to the hospital — where she serves on the auxiliary — or to Midland College where she takes classes.

Rosenelle said she wouldn't change a thing.

"I have such a good life, and I just go from one activity that interests me to another. I loved being the county clerk, particularly the association with all the fine people, but I wouldn't trade my life now for anything."

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DEATH NOTICES

Harold Snodgrass

Harold Snodgrass died Saturday, March 11, at his home.

Funeral services will be noon Wednesday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Skip Hedgepeth officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born Oct. 29, 1930 in Eastland County.

He lived in Carbon before moving to Midland. He worked for the U.S. Postal Service for 50 years, recently retiring. He was a member of the American Postal Worker's Union for 48 years.

Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Bell Snodgrass of Midland; two brothers, Bennie S. Snodgrass of Odessa and Willy J. Snodgrass of Deerfield, Fla.; and three sisters, Dorothy Tracy of Mesquite, Lottie Fox of Olden, and Ann Murray of Eastland.

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

Jewell Rosson

HARRISONVILLE, MO. — Former Midlander Jewell Rosson, 88, died Tuesday, March 7, in Belton, Mo.

Private funeral services were Friday, March 10, at the Dickey Funeral Home in Harrisonville. Burial was at the Orient Cemetery.

She was born Dec. 1, 1911 in Hot Springs, Ark.

She was a pharmacy supervisor for Walgreen's, retiring June 30, 1981. She was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. She moved from Midland to Harrisonville in 1984.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Raymond Rosson on Feb. 19, 1973; four brothers, Claude Allen, Lester Allen, Roy Allen and Harold Allen; and a sister, Blanche Blehm.

Survivors include a daughter, Anita R. Hull of Harrisonville; a brother, Rush Allen of Arkadelphia, Ark.; two sisters, Clara Harding of Arkadelphia and Effie Kauffman of Hot Springs; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Helen Townsend

OVERLAND PARK, KAN. — Helen M. Townsend, 96, wife and mother of former Midlanders, died Tuesday, March 7, in Overland Park, Kan.

Services will be 10 a.m. today in the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Homes Chapel of Memories, 542 Hickory, Abilene, with the Rev. Max Tipton officiating. Graveside services will be 3 p.m. today at Fairview Cemetery in Midland. Visitation will follow the service today at the Abilene funeral home.

She was born Dec. 12, 1903 in Moulton, Iowa.

She lived in Pasadena, Calif., then Abilene for 35 years, before moving to Kansas. She was a sales clerk for Altman's Style Shop and Nollner's Colonial Shop in Abilene. She was a member of the Abilene Community Church, and taught Ladies Sunday School for 20 years at University Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. Trey L. Townsend.

Survivors include a son, Leon Townsend of Granbury; a daughter, Sharon Henderson of Overland Park, Kan.; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren.

James E. Newton

James E. Newton, 54, died Saturday, March 11, at his residence.

Services have been set for 10 a.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel with Odessa VFW Post Chaplain Al Bullard officiating. Burial will follow at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

He was born July 1, 1945 at Fort Davis to James Ray and Eula Mae (Weldon) Newton. He retired after 24 years in the Navy, joining Conoco in 1990 as a right-of-way man.

Survivors include a son, Keely Newton of Midland; two brothers, Lonnie Newton of Phoenix and Ray Newton of Midland; a sister, Patricia Loucas of Katy; a granddaughter; and several nieces and nephews.

Eulene Jones

KNOTT — Eulene Jackson Jones, 70, of Knott, died Saturday, March 11, at her residence.

Graveside services will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 14 at Trinity memorial Park with the Rev. Bob Manning, a retired Baptist minister, and the Rev. John Kinman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Knott, officiating.

She was born November 6, 1929 in Vealmoor and married John Jones January 11, 1949 in Big Spring. He preceded her in death in 1993. She worked for Howard County as a deputy county clerk for 23 years before retiring.

Survivors include three daughters, Cheryl Poitevint and Pamela Nichols, both of Big Spring, and Rita Pitts of Lufkin; three sisters, Doris Smith of Big Spring, Neva Green of Monahans and Karen Walls of Glen Rose; a brother, Darrell Jackson of Andrews; five grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends Monday evening from 6 to 7 p.m. at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, 7107 W. FM 846, Knott Texas 79748 or Home Hospice, 1802 W. Wall St., Midland Texas 79701.

Santo Savittieri

"Speedy" Savittieri, 82, died Friday, March 10, in a local hospital.

Private graveside services for the family are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

He was born Sept. 11, 1917 in Chicago, Ill.

He was in the construction business, and was a truck driver for Scurlock Permian in Midland for years, until retiring.

Survivors include his wife, Vivian Savittieri of Midland; three daughters, Mary Wheeler of Wyoming, Ill., Dorothy Gavin of Chillicothe, Ill., and Corky Young of Midland; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be made to the Allison Cancer Center of Midland.

Jessie Allen

Jessie Allen died Sunday, March 12, at a local hospital.

Funeral services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

John Lawler

John Lawler, 74, died Saturday, March 11, at his residence.

Funeral services are pending at Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

Fred Harvey

Fred Harvey died Sunday, March 12 in a local care center.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

LOCAL BRIEFS

The Fuhrman Center Support Group of the Greater West Texas chapter, Alzheimer's Association, will meet Thursday at Community and Senior Services Center, 3301 Sinclair, beginning at 7 p.m. A short video on "Surviving Guilt" will be shown.

The Permian Basin chapter, Institute of Management Accountants will hold its March technical session Thursday at the Petroleum Club from noon to 1 p.m. Lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m. Lois Hale, associate professor of Kinesiology at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin, will speak on "Wellness in the Workplace." The technical session provides one hour continuing education credit. Cost is $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Reservations should be made by noon Wednesday by calling 699-0600 or 688-3946.

The Greater West Texas chapter, Alzheimer's Association, will hold its monthly caregiver series March 21 in the classroom at Westwood Medical Center from 7 to 9 p.m. Cindy Oglesby, benefits counselor at the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging will speak on "Trying to Get Help Can be Exhausting: How to Navigate Through the System."

A similar session will be held in Odessa March 23 at 707 Jefferson.

Medical Center Hospital Family Health Center and the Ector County Public Health Department offer free HIV testing from 1:30-5 p.m., the second Wednesday every month at the clinic, at 840 W. Clements, in Odessa.

HIV testing is conducted by the Ector County Health Department, and is anonymous and confidential.

For more information, call 333-3888.

POLICE REPORTS

Odessa slaying

The Ector County Sheriff's Department is investigating a shooting death that was reported at 9:52 p.m. Saturday.

Ricky Shane Palmer, 27, was found at his residence, 5702 McKnight, with a gunshot wound to the chest. He was transported to Medical Center Hospital where he died.

Car rollover

Department of Public Safety troopers were investigating a one-vehicle rollover that occurred around 2:30 p.m. at 5900 W. Highway 80 near Honda of West Texas.

The victim, a male, was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital, where a supervisor said he was undergoing evaluation.

Midland Police Department

Thursday

Burglary of a residence: At 10:30 a.m., someone reported that a wallet and money had been taken from 3000 N. Illinois.

Friday

Burglary of a vehicle: A pickup belonging to Service Experts was burglarized at 501 S. Brentwood. A report was made at 8 a.m.

Criminal mischief: Vandalism was reported at 3901 Avondale at 8 p.m.

Theft: A suspect was charged with taking nine CDs valued at $142 from CD Warehouse, 4706 N. Midkiff, at 12:45 p.m.

Theft: Toolboxes were taken from a pickup at 4513 Erie. A report was made at 5:30 a.m.

Saturday

Burglary of a vehicle: Five videotapes belonging to Hastings were taken from a car parked at Furr's Supermarket, 2208 N. Big Spring. Police took a report at 11 p.m.

Criminal mischief: E-Companies, 110 N. Marienfeld, reported at 1:30 p.m. that someone pushed metal pins through the coaxial cable providing cable for Internet service, which disabled service.

Criminal mischief: Reckless destruction of windows was reported by Whataburger, 3206 Midkiff, at 1:25 a.m.

Theft: A suspect was detained for taking $48 of merchandise from Mervyn's, 3001 W. Loop 250, at 12:36 p.m.

Sunday

Criminal mischief: Vandalism was reported at the Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer, at 12:30 a.m.

Midland County Sheriff's Office

Saturday

Assault: A Schwanq's Ice Cream truck driver was assaulted at 7900 W. Highway 80. It was reported at 12:57 a.m.

Burglary: A residence at 4909 S. County Road 1172 was burglarized. It was reported at 4:19 p.m.

Theft: Gasoline was reported stolen from Kent Kwik, 4101 E. State Highway 158, at 1:26 p.m.

Theft: Items were taken from a car trailer parked in front of 3718 S. County Road 1315, it was reported at 4:52 p.m.

Sunday

Vandalism: A pickup was vandalized at 2711 S. County Road 1060, it was reported at 12:16 p.m.

Anyone having information concerning any of these reports should contact the Midland Police Department at 685-7108 or Crime Stoppers at 692-TIPS.

Corpus school scandal goes to court this week

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — The latest development in the Corpus Christi Independent School District scandal unfolds Monday when a rare court of inquiry convenes to investigate allegations of misuse of district funds.

Last fall, a former school board member filed a complaint against two current members for allegedly not reimbursing the district for their family members' airline tickets. CCISD Superintendent Abelardo Saavedra asked the Texas Education Agency to audit the district and a review of records by the Corpus Christi Caller-Times turned up topless bar expenses among other questionable charges on district credit cards.

Nueces County District Attorney Carlos Valdez decided to take the matter before a court of inquiry, which functions much like an open trial, unlike a grand jury hearing, which is held in secret.

Valdez said he hoped a public forum would quell public anxiety over the matter. State District Judge Emil Karl Prohl of Kerrville will oversee the hearing.

"The ultimate goal is to assure the public that public funds are being spent properly," Valdez said of the investigation. "Trust is extremely important when dealing with governmental entities."

The expenses in question include:

- More than $5,000 charged at topless bars by former Assistant Superintendent Thomas W. "Buff" Marlin between October 1995 and May 1996. Marlin reimbursed the district, but the TEA auditors determined that "in most instances, the charges were clearly not appropriate uses of the district's credit cards."
- Several thousand dollars were spent on meals that several board members attended. Auditors determined that the dinners could potentially violate the Open Meetings Act since a quorum of members was sometimes present. Also, in instances where spouses of board members attended, the auditors said that could also be a violation of the Texas law dealing with the gift of public funds.
- The Caller-Times also found that since 1993, Saavedra had charged more than $15,000 for car maintenance expenses including gasoline, washes, detailing and mechanical repairs on at least three different vehicles. In addition to charging auto repairs and expenses on his district credit card, Saavedra was getting a yearly car allowance of $7,800.

Manuel Flores, one of the trustees included in the original complaint, said no one was out to misuse school money.

"For the most part, the mistakes were made because of lack of written policy and not because somebody was trying to defraud the district or taxpayers," Flores said.

In the wake of all the allegations, the board took action, canceling all credit cards and issuing a memo stating the district would not reimburse travel expenses for board trustees' family members. Since then it has reviewed its expense and travel policies.

Police find starving 7-year-old girl

GEORGETOWN (AP) — The father and stepmother of a 7-year-old whom investigators found hungry and covered with sores and scratches have been charged with endangering a child.

A grand injury indicted Joseph Heiser, 35, and Yvette Heiser, 31, of Liberty Hill on felony charges of injuring and endangering their child. Williamson County district attorney Ken Anderson said they are expected to surrender on Monday.

Investigators said they were called to the child's elementary school on Jan. 5 and found the girl malnourished and covered with sores and scratches. She weighed only 38 pounds, and her ribs and spine were easily visible and she was weak and disheveled, authorities told the Austin American-Statesman.

Court records indicate the neglect had been going on for at least six months. The child apparently suffered liver damage because of her malnourished state, the newspaper reported.

The same day investigators came to the school, the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services removed the girl and her 1-year-old sister from the Heisers' custody.

The younger girl, who is Yevette Heiser's biological daughter, showed no signs of hunger or bruises, according to court records.

Before calling investigators, school officials in Liberty Hill, about 30 miles northwest of Austin, had questioned the child's condition. She had begged for food from other students and had been seen rummaging through the cafeteria garbage, records said.

Heiser who works for a semiconductor company and earns $86,000 a year, was awarded temporary custody of his elder daughter from her mother in 1996. He gained full custody in February 1999.

Liberty Hill Elementary School assistant principal Lila West told authorities she talked to the Heisers in December about their daughter. They promised to get medical help, she said.

Days later, Mrs. Heiser, 31, called the school to say her stepdaughter's problems appeared to be psychological, West said.

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Texas Briefs

East Texas teen abducted, killed

TROUP — The son of a prominent East Texas businessman was found dead behind a rural residence Saturday afternoon, about 36 hours after his father got the first of several telephone calls saying he had been abducted and would be killed unless a "substantial" ransom was paid.

Kyle McElroy, 18, was apparently kidnapped sometime after midnight Thursday when he left McElroy Plastics in Troup, where he worked as a supervisor for the company owned by his father, Kevin McElroy.

The body was found about 5:30 p.m. Saturday behind a residence in New Summerfield, about 30 miles southeast of Tyler, said Steven Lester, a supervisory special agent for the FBI.

Troup is 18 miles southeast of Tyler and 12 miles north of New Summerfield.

Three men were in custody Saturday. The FBI said Daniel Rios, 26, was arrested at 11:30 p.m. Friday when he met McElroy's father at an arranged drop site. Two others, Ernesto Bailon and Alfredo Romero, were arrested Saturday.

Authorities prepare for Spring Break

McALLEN— South Texas law-enforcement authorities are gearing up to try to ensure a safe Spring Break by cracking down on speeders, drunken drivers and underage drinkers.

Several agencies, including the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Texas Alcoholic and Beverage Commission, have united with the transportation department to promote the annual Spring Break 2000 Safe & Sober Campaign.

The campaign, which began Friday and ends March 19, involves extra police for entertainment areas and focuses on taking precautions in popular Spring Break areas like South Padre Island.

The DPS will add 100 extra troopers to hot spots, officials said.

Nader promises 'more serious' campaign

AUSTIN — Consumer advocate and Green Party candidate for president Ralph Nader on Sunday promised a "more serious campaign" than four years ago with plans to raise at least $5 million and visit all 50 states.

"We'll build a political force. We're going to give people a choice," Nader said Sunday before appearing at a Green Party rally about two blocks from the Governor's Mansion of Republican candidate George W. Bush.

Nader ran on the Green Party ticket in 1996 and received less than 1 percent of the vote. He spent less than $5,000 personally financing his campaign. On Sunday, he pledged to work harder as a candidate and expects to be on the ballot in at least 45 states.

Voters want an alternative to the Democratic and Republican candidates, Nader said.

"We think the two parties are pretty rotten to the core," he said. "I didn't really campaign (in 1996). This time, it will be a serious campaign."

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Beefing up: American meat consumption ends long slump

CHICAGO (AP) — The line spills out into the street some Saturdays at the Paulina Market on the city's North Side, where steaks are the prized item in a butcher shop bursting with beef.

High-tech workers and graduate students mix with young mothers in front of glass displays showcasing prime beef cuts at E&M Foods in the Chicago suburb of Skokie.

Upscale steakhouses buzz with big dinner crowds in the downtown Loop and along Rush Street, a hub of Chicago nightlife, similar to scenes in other cities from Boston to Seattle.

After a decade of flat sales, beef is back.

For much of the '90s, a nation long known for its love of burgers and steaks seemed to have had its fill of red meat amid concerns it might not be so good for your health.

But now no one's asking where the beef is. U.S. beef consumption rose 2 percent in 1999 to 66.2 pounds per person, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, as the meat enjoyed its best year since the 1980s.

Factoring in higher prices, consumer spending on beef shot up 5 percent to $49.2 billion, according to Chicago-based marketing firm Technomic Inc.

"It has come back," says Ray Lekan, co-owner of the 51-year-old Paulina Market, which had one of its best years ever in 1999 thanks to beef. "It's slowly becoming more popular again.

"It's shaken off the cholesterol onus, the gray cloud that's been over it for so many years," he says.

Beef's glory days may not last. Production is forecast to fall 3 percent this year, driving prices still higher, due to the liquidation of breeding herds during down years. And marketing research shows chicken will surpass beef as Americans' meat of choice by 2005.

But last year's modest jump brought huge relief to an industry that has been standing in place while those pesky birds, chicken and turkey, fly up from behind.

"For the first time in 20 years, we're seeing beef demand stabilize," says Chuck Schroeder, chief executive officer of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

"It isn't a skyrocketing increase, but it says consumers have renewed interest and enthusiasm for beef."

Several factors explain the latest beefing up of America. Among them:

■ With the U.S. economy soaring, people are eating out more than ever and high-cost items such as steaks and other choice cuts of beef are more popular.

■ The nationwide craze for the low-carbohydrate, high-protein diet has made beef a diet staple for many.

■ Taking a page from the poultry industry's cookbook, the beef industry has been stressing convenience and speed. From rotisserie-style roasts to fully cooked ground beef and microwaveable pot roasts and stews, it has been flooding supermarkets since late 1998 with heat-and-serve products that can be prepared

' says Chuck Levitt, meats analyst for Alaron Trading Corp. in Chicago. "It knew it needed to prepare more quick-preparation products."

■ A $30 million yearlong marketing campaign launched last fall has what Schroeder calls an "aggressive nutrition component." In other words, it says beef is good for you. The campaign focuses on the nutrients beef provides — zinc, iron, protein and several B-vitamins. The beef industry even claims lean red meat can be part of a cholesterol-lowering diet.

The resurgence of beef has made the livestock industry a rare bright spot among U.S. farmers, many of whom are in the doldrums over low prices for agricultural commodities.

Recent computer break-ins expose credit card risks

NEW YORK (AP) — Stung by a string of credit card thefts online, card companies are trying to teach merchants better security.

Not doing so, they fear, could cause an erosion in consumer confidence, impeding e-commerce and the use of cards online.

Threat of credit thefts has long existed in unscrupulous waiters copying down cards, or store clerks mishandling carbons. Online, the difference is magnitude: A single Internet strike can net a thief thousands of numbers.

Two weeks ago, for instance, SalesGate.com of Buffalo, N.Y., joined the growing list of e-commerce victims when it discovered hackers had stolen thousands of numbers from a site it thought to be safe.

"If you don't take measures to protect yourselves, this can become a playground for organized crime," said Stephen Orfei, vice president of emerging technologies at MasterCard.

Late last year, a hacker stole 300,000 credit card numbers from CD Universe and released thousands of them on a Web site when the music retailer refused to pay a ransom.

In February, another hacker infiltrated RealNames, an Internet search service with as many as 20,000 card numbers on file. The company did not know for certain if numbers were stolen, so it asked card issuers to cancel accounts as a precaution.

The break-in coincided with three days of attacks that shut down Yahoo! and other prominent Web sites for hours. Although no card numbers were stolen, the rush of fake traffic drew attention to other potential security breaches.

"The industry as a whole needs to pull its socks up," said Alex van Someren, who heads security vendor nCipher in the United Kingdom. Merchants, he said, should maintain "high standards" if they want customers to return.

Security experts recommend merchants scramble credit card numbers once they complete transactions. They also should move such data to computers unattached to those running the Web sites.

At ProMobility.net, a Canadian company that sells wireless and Internet services, card numbers sat unscrambled on the same computer that runs its Web site. Last month, a hacker took advantage of a software security hole and stole almost 50,000 cards.

In hindsight, maybe the company shouldn't have handled its own security, said Eric Geiler, a Promobility executive. His advice to other merchants: "If you don't know what you're doing, hire somebody."

So far, no spending sprees have been reported. In most cases, card issuers canceled accounts in time. And, in general, liability for individual cardholders is capped at $50, with many banks waiving even that.

But inconvenience alone can cost customers.

Take Dale Kemery, a Web designer in Wheeling, Ill., who gave RealNames his card number. Now, he's reconsidering his reliance on magic plastic.

"I was quite startled, needless to say," he said. "That was followed by fear and loathing."

Erica Proto, a New York public relations executive, shopped online for the first time at Christmas only to wind up with more than $500 in fraudulent charges at other sites, some of them pornographic.

Although card issuers eventually canceled the charges, she plans to shop offline in the future.

"It was a major hassle for me waiting for new cards," Proto said. "I had to fight with them at first."

Even before recent attacks, many consumers cited security as their top concern about e-commerce. Customers are becoming more comfortable about credit card use, but the hacking attacks could wipe out the gains.

Most browsers, including those by Netscape and Microsoft, now come with scrambling features that make it virtually impossible to intercept a credit card number. And customers about to send card information can look for signs of security, such as the closed padlock symbol at the bottom of the browser window.

Beyond that, security is largely up to the merchant.

Many retailers take extra precautions, especially after they've been hit. But it's difficult for customers to tell which merchants do simply by looking at the site. Many sites, including Amazon.com and ProMobility, won't reveal their security measures.

And because retailers don't often publicize break-ins, it's unclear just how big the risk may be.

Credit cards dominate online transactions largely because no alternative is yet viable. Cash and checks take too long, and Internet currencies resembling gift certificates or prepaid phone cards are still obscure.

Study finds 1990s decline in federal drug sentences

WASHINGTON (AP) — Average sentences for federal drug offenders declined during the 1990s, a private research study reported Sunday, as Congress, judges and prosecutors took opportunities to soften the nation's tough drug sentences for certain types of defendants.

The findings by Syracuse University's Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse (Trac) are somewhat surprising. The 1990s saw tougher drug laws passed throughout the nation, federal drug-control spending rose by nearly two-thirds to $16 billion a year in 1998, and federal drug convictions climbed to an annual record of 21,571 in 1998.

Primary beneficiaries of the shorter sentences were nonviolent, first-time offenders and criminals who saved the government the cost of a trial and helped agents catch fellow lawbreakers in return for being allowed to plead guilty to lesser charges.

''There are a number of reasons for the decline,'' Justice Department spokesman John Russell said. ''Enactment of the 'safety valve' provision for first-time, nonviolent drug offenders; the trend among drug defendants toward more guilty pleas and fewer trials; and the increase in the number of drug defendants providing substantial assistance'' to investigators.

The decline in sentence length showed up in data collected by U.S. Courts, the Justice Department and the U.S. Sentencing Commission, each of which uses a slightly different definition to categorize drug crimes. The drop occurred in both average drug-sentence lengths and in median sentences, which are those for which half of all sentences are longer and half are shorter.

The most extensive data set, from the U.S. Court system, found the decline began in 1992, the final year of the Bush administration. A peak of 95.7 months occurred in 1991; from there, the average sentence dropped to 74.6 months in 1999, Trac found.

Justice Department data showed the average sentence declined from 86 months in 1992 to 67 in 1998, and the median declined from 48 months in 1992 to 46 months in 1998, Trac reported.

Sentencing Commission data showed the average dropped from 88.2 months in 1992 to 78 months in 1998, and the median from 60 months in 1991 to 56 in 1998, Trac reported.

Trac and federal officials cited a variety of reasons that might explain the sentence-length decline, including a decline in serious drug use; more effective police work that produced more guilty pleas and fewer trials; and a feeling that tough mandatory minimum sentences, which began emerging in the 1980s, had not left sufficient flexibility to deal with all defendants.

''Congress' changes in the law, combined with the key roles of federal prosecutors and federal judges, suggest a pretty wide consensus that previous sentences were too high for some defendants,'' Trac co-director David Burnham said.

The percentage of federal drug offenders sentenced to less prison time than recommended by U.S. Sentencing Guidelines rose from 33.7 percent in 1993 to 42.9 percent in 1998, Sentencing Commission figures showed.

Laser holes in heart relieve chest pain, but doctors don't know why

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Burning holes in the heart with a laser threaded into the main pumping chamber appears to dramatically relieve chest pain, although doctors cannot explain why it works.

Two studies presented Sunday show that the catheter-tipped lasers may offer relief for people with such bad heart disease that they often can barely walk. The question is why.

"We are absolutely sure that we don't know what the mechanism of action is," said Dr. Emerson Perin of the Texas Heart Institute.

Perin and others presented their latest findings at a conference of the American College of Cardiology. The laser is among several new kinds of technology intended to help the sickest heart patients.

Among other examples discussed at the meeting are gene therapy and radioactive probes to make angioplasty work better.

The only laser approach now in routine use requires an incision in the chest to expose the heart. The new method should make the treatment much less demanding by delivering the laser without an operation.

Instead, doctors thread the laser into an artery in the leg and up through the circulatory system to the left ventricle, the main pumping chamber. Inside the heart, the laser burns a dozen or more tiny holes into the muscle.

Perin reported experimental use of a laser developed by Eclipse Surgical Technologies of Sunnyvale, Calif. The study involved 325 patients who were randomly assigned to get the laser or dummy treatments. One of those receiving the laser died, and six others had significant side effects.

One year later, 55 percent of the patients getting the laser had substantially less chest pain, compared to 31 percent in the comparison group. The laser patients could also walk about 1 1/2 minutes longer on a treadmill, while the comparison group had a 16-second decline in treadmill time.

Dr. Ran Kornowski of Washington Hospital Center in Washington, D.C. reported encouraging results of a competing laser device, produced by Biosense-Webster of Diamond Bar, Calif. Doctors tested it on 77 patients, and although there was no comparison group, patients reported significant easing of pain.

People suffer chest pain because clogged arteries fail to deliver enough blood to their heart muscle. Doctors once speculated that the laser works by creating new blood vessels. But now they know that the holes quickly heal, leaving only scar.

Some think the holes may spur the body to sprout new blood vessels. However, a study by Dr. Robert Hendel of Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in New York City found no sign that blood flow to patients' heart muscle improves substantially after the treatment.

Others speculate that the treatment may kill nerves in the heart, reducing patients' sensation of pain without actually improving circulation.

Among other reports at the meeting:

—Dr. Jeffrey J. Popma of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston tested the use of radiation to improve the outcome balloon angioplasty, the widely used technique for squeezing open clogged heart arteries.

In about 40 percent of cases, the arteries fill up again after angioplasty. The radiation is intended to prevent this clogging regrowth. Poma experimented with a radiation probe developed by Novoste of Norcross, Ga. and found that it reduces failure by about one-third.

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U.S. computers, electronics reach record high exports

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States exported a record $181 billion worth of computer components and other high-tech electronic parts last year, but much of it came back as assembled products, resulting in a record $40 billion trade deficit for the industry, an industry study said Sunday.

The biggest markets for high-tech exports continue to be Canada, Mexico, Japan and the United Kingdom, although annual exports to Japan dropped by $2 billion over the last two years to $16 billion, according to the survey by the American Electronics Association and the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Sixty-seven nations each imported at least $50 million in American high-tech goods last year, compared to 60 countries in 1993, said the report.

In a sign of revived markets in some troubled economies, the fastest-growing big markets for U.S. high tech imports were in countries hit hardest by economic problems. The Philippines leads the pack, with four other Asian nations — South Korea, China, Malaysia and Taiwan — in the top 10 largely because more U.S. high-tech equipment is being manufactured or assembled there.

"High technology has become the driver of successful economies throughout the world," said William T. Archey, electronics association president.

Exports of computers, consumer electronics, communications equipment, semiconductors, electronic medical equipment and other high-tech equipment was up from $166 billion in 1998 to $181 billion last year, compared to $98 billion in 1993, the report said.

While these exports now represent more than one-quarter of all U.S. exports, up from 21 percent in 1993, the report said that U.S. high-tech imports from most of the hottest markets also have increased dramatically as American companies open more production plants abroad.

The value of high-tech products from the Philippines, for example, have increased fourfold in the 1990s to $7.9 billion. Imports of high-tech products also increased dramatically, particularly from Asia, adding to the big trade deficits with Japan, China, Taiwan, Malaysia and other nations.

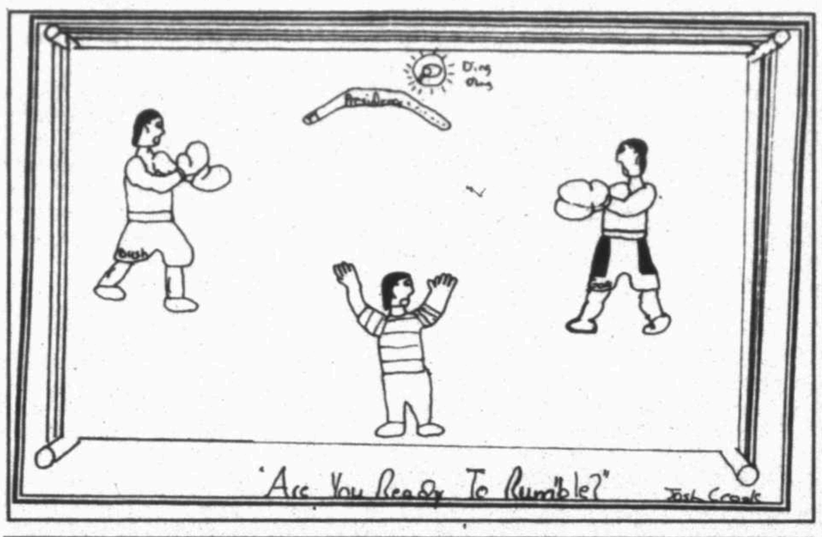
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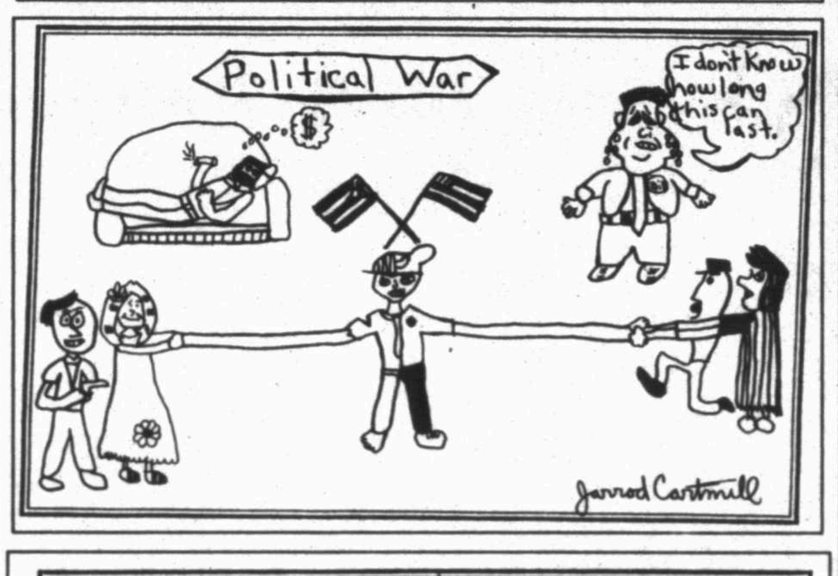
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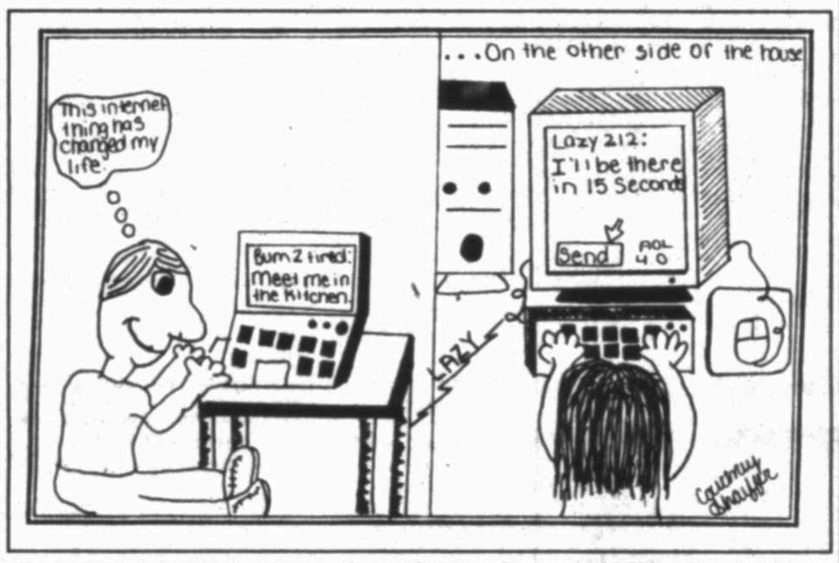
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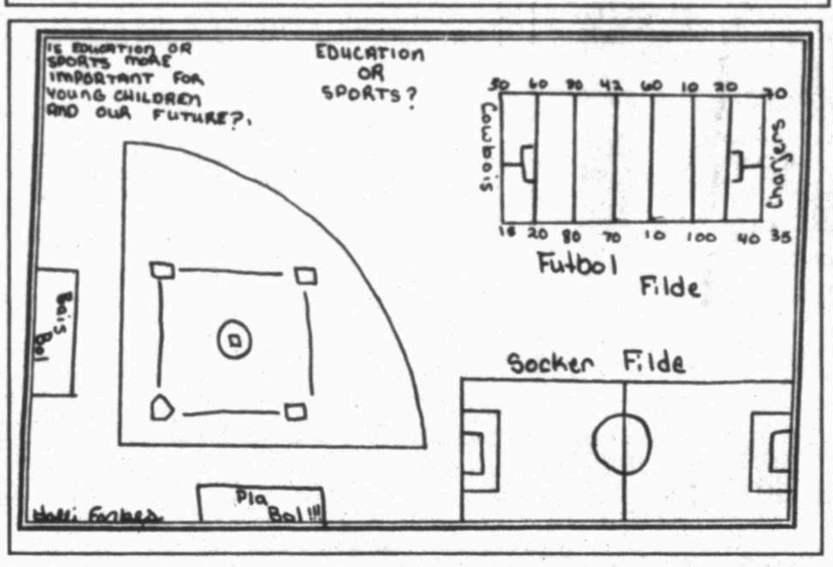
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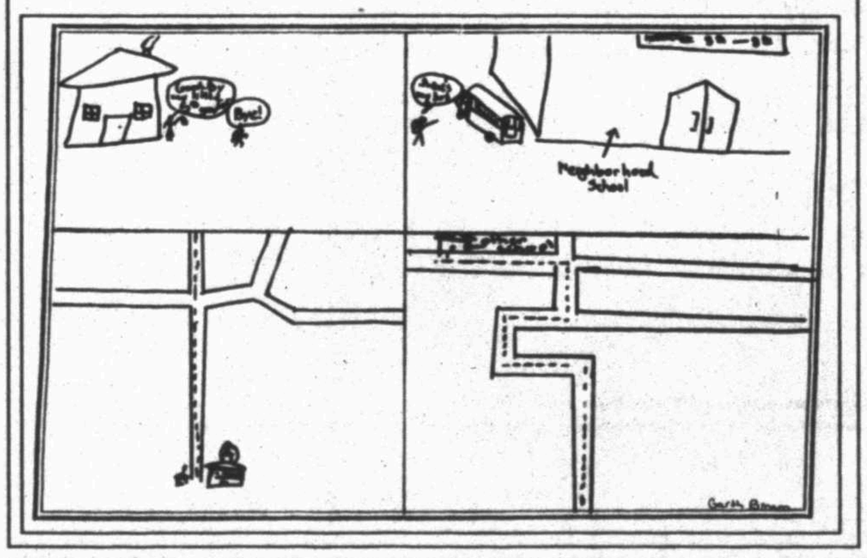
The following political cartoons were drawn by members of Kim Bolla's sixth-grade journalism class at the GEM program (Gifted Education of Midland). This is the third part of a series of cartoons drawn by these students.











Students nominated to academies

Staff Reports

Congressman Lamar Smith of the 21st Congressional District nominated five high school students from Midland County to attend the United States military service academies.

Students who wish to attend the Air Force Academy, the Naval Academy, Military Academy or the Merchant Marine Academy must first be nominated by a congressman; then they are eligible for final appointment to their respective academies.


Russell Webb


Robert Hahn


James Kennedy


Dustin Navarro


Robert Scheiern

Those students nominated are: Robert Hahn, James Kennedy, Dustin Navarro, Robert Scheiern and Russell Webb.

Hahn is the son of Mary Louise and Paul Hahn. A senior at Midland High School, he is a member of the marching and concert bands. Hahn was nominated to the U.S. Naval Academy.

Kennedy, the son of Leslie and John Kennedy, is a senior at Trinity School, where he is a member of the golf team and student council. Kennedy was nominated to the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. "I believe that being in any part of the United States service is an honor to myself and my country," Kennedy said. "To receive a nomination for a service academy, I would simply say would be receiving the chance of a lifetime."

Navarro is the son of Kathy and Michael Navarro. He is a senior at MHS, where he is a member of the varsity swim team and vice-president of the computer club. Navarro was nominated to the U.S .Military Academy. "It's a pretty big honor for the congressman to select me out of the state pool," Navarro said, adding that he chose West Point as the service academy he wishes to join because it offered more "superior leadership training" than the other service academies.

Scheiern is the grandson of Mary Beth and Howard Swanson. He is a senior at MHS, where he is a member of National Honor Society and intramural lacrosse team. Scheiern was nominated to the U.S. Military Academy. "I kind of feel that I have an obligation to serve my country and not take my freedoms for granted," Scheiern said, adding that he must be medically cleared by the military before appointed to West Point. Scheiern said he will find out if he is appointed in April.

Webb, son of Susan and Mark Webb, is a senior at Lee High School where he has been an academic letterman for four years. He is a member of the National Honor Society and was a National Merit Semi-Finalist. Webb was nominated to the U.S. Military Academy.

Students must apply with their congressmen to be considered for this nomination. Each year, congressmen from every district in each state choose up to 10 nominees for each academy.

These nominees are chosen according to their SAT scores, extra-curricular involvement in school, leadership and participation in their communities.

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The following are the Smith nominees' essays:

BY ROBERT T. HAHN

Service for one's country is a timeless honor, with loyalty and patriotism fueling the fire of that service.

I have, perhaps, an increased appreciation for the freedoms that Americans enjoy because I was born in Norway and lived there for eight years. As enjoyable as it was to live in Norway, my family and I were always delighted to get on a plane and fly home to America. The sense of pride in being an American citizen has always been stronger in me and in my family because of our years abroad. Any American living (or visiting) outside the United States will happily tell you about the sense of relief that is felt when stepping off the plane and walking on American soil again.

Even though I have lived in Texas for the past 10 years, the sense of patriotism I have has not diminished. More than most people, I feel I have a duty to serve my country. I would like to acknowledge the countless benefits I've received from America. Service in the armed forces is the best way to give back to my country. The leadership training that is offered at the American service academies is undeniably the best in the world. America will always need strong, competent and capable leaders. An American service academy will provide me with the opportunity to give back to my country in two ways: by being able to offer my time and talents to help defend this nation, and by being a leader in both the military and the civilian worlds.

I prefer a disciplined environment and lifestyle. Service academies offer that and more. The regimented no-nonsense approach taken by the military appeals to me. I like to know who I can depend on and trust my life with. On the flip-side, a service academy would train me to be just as dependable and trustworthy.

BY ROBERT SCHEIERN

The fact that there are five service academies in this country with the finest academic, physical and leadership programs is reason enough for why I wish to attend one of these schools. From the time I first heard of the advantages they offered, I knew the opportunity to attend could never be passed up.

In the past, my aspiration was to be a doctor and take that practice into the military, but soon I realized the medical field was not so appealing for me as was the chance to be an officer.

Serving in the United States military as an officer is something I've wanted to do, and the best way for me to reach this goal is through West Point, my first choice among the academies. If in fact medicine interests me after graduation from the USMA, the option to go into that field would still be available.

Going to New York would let me leave my surroundings and experience a new challenge, to say the least. Granted, the education in universities throughout Texas is not inferior to my needs, but leadership is not a concept that is regularly stressed just anywhere. Making myself a better person is a high priority, and the way for me to do so is by applying to the places that will make me question my character and find out how much I really want a commission.

Desire alone isn't going to get me what I want, and I plan on achieving new goals with a tuition that is being paid for at the taxpayers' expense, if in fact I do attend the academy.

People can serve their country in many ways, and I am choosing to fulfill that duty in the Army. By going to West Point and becoming an officer, I am acknowledging the sacrifices of those in the past who lost their lives for the preservation of our democracy, and when I look into the future, any accomplishments I have will be those what were truly earned.

BY DUSTIN MICHAEL NAVARRO

The American Heritage Dictionary defines ambition as "a strong desire to achieve something." This definition sums all of my reasons for wanting to attend West Point, but my ambition has many different goals. These range from wanting to attend this prestigious institution to becoming a superior army leader.

My first goal is to get into West Point, but that in and of itself is not incredibly ambitious. West Point's academic standards are on par with all other major universities, but its leadership training is what sets it apart. My principle goal is to take the leadership abilities and decisiveness that West Point works so hard to instill in its cadets with me to my future assignments and, in turn impart these qualities to my soldiers. When I ponder the camaraderie, experience and prestige associated with West Point, the desire to walk through that mighty stone gate only grows stronger.

Another of my goals is to learn and absorb the experiences of our American military, a challenge that few are offered and even fewer accept.

My final goal is to serve my country. While some would say that I could do this by enlisting, I believe West Point will give me the most and best peripheral benefits, such as an excellent job, decisiveness and the ability to keep a cool head. These aspects of West Point's education are what make "The Point" the number one choice for my collegiate education.

While each of these goals seem small, together they will combine to give me the ambition and determination necessary to thrive at West Point and in the army.

BY JAMES HUNTER KENNEDY

For centuries, a man has been judged not by where he has come from or what he is, but for what he has done. An old legend has it that "a knight is proven worthy by his deeds," and indeed that is so. A person cannot be perceived or categorized by what he is, but more so whom he has affected and whom he has changed. A man cannot change the world himself, but he can always try, and he will always serve as a significant factor.

I believe that in my heart I possess the characteristics necessary to qualify as such a person. I am convinced that all that is necessary to achieve happiness and success in this world and to positively affect other people, I now possess. The problem I face is finding those characteristics within myself. I have spent the better part of my life searching for these qualities, and one by one I do indeed find them. However, I believe that in order for me to find all of these characteristics and to be able to effectively use them to help change the world, I am in need of assistance.

I believe that a service academy provides me with the structure and discipline necessary to reach my goals and to achieve the success about which I have always dreamed. A service academy does not provide a mere college experience. More importantly, it provides a way of life. This way of life is not a restricted, confining one; but moreover, it is a haven for intellectual development and leadership expansion. A service academy, in my mind, is the true path to a successful and happy life. Teaching me the skills and characteristics necessary to serve a significant role in the world, a service academy provides me with all I really ask for — a chance.

MATT JOSEFY

Admittance to military academies more complicated than to other schools

By Matt Josefy

Advertisements, letters, and recruiters all actively patronize older teenagers, both male and female, to "be all they can be," letting Uncle Sam contribute thousands of dollars to their college education.

While the information is readily accessible, taking the mother country up on her offer is a bit more arduous of a process. Since the United States does not enforce a regular draft or required military service as do many other countries, the armed forces often avidly recruits the best, brightest, and/or strongest of America.

Here is a sample of what it takes to be accepted to one of the nation's military academies, one of the options for a government-financed education.

The Air Force Academy, one of the newest service academies, was established in 1954. Interested students are encouraged to find out early about the opportunities afforded by the university. Tours are available at the Colorado Springs location.

By the fall of the student's junior year, he (or she) is encouraged to contact his congressman, senator and the vice-president requesting a nomination packet. Meanwhile, he should also contact all academies being considered — military, air force, navy, coast guard or merchant marine — and begin filling out a pre-candidate registration card.

The nomination packets typically require an information sheet to be filled out and sent in, along with letters of recommendation, and a transcript.

Once the academy considers a candidate, he will be encouraged to take the DODMERB medical exam, which must be conducted on a base (possibly Dyess AFB for Midland residents). The exam includes dental, vision, hearing and general exams.

The student must also train for a physical fitness test, which for the Air Force is the Candidate Fitness Test or CFT. The test requires a certain number of pull-ups, push-ups, sit-ups, and a shuttle run to meet established criterions.

In addition, college entrance exams and high grades are required. A writing sample is required of each candidate.

An admissions liaison officer is assigned to each student, and each student must undergo an interview process. The academy, considering all of the above factors plus an activities record and personal data record, gives each student a rating, which is considered by the nomination committees of each possible source in determining the students to be interviewed and nominated. Nominations are limited, making the process quite competitive.

If accepted, the student can then boast of his accomplishment, in return for owing the government at least five years of military service. "The few and the proud" admitted to any academy are guaranteed positions of leadership upon graduation.

Air Force General Timeline:

Junior Year: Visit possible campuses or attend informational meetings Open admissions files and contact nomination sources.

July: Schedule and take DODMERB medical exam

Senior Year: Fall — Train for and take fitness exam; October — Deadline for Vice-Presidential nomination requests; February — Last chance to take College Admissions Tests; March 10 — Candidate File must be complete; June — Academy Class enters

Matt Josefy is a senior at Midland High School.

SPORTS & COMICS

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Pac-10 has two top seeds, but not Cincinnati

By Steve Herman
AP Sports Writer

■ NCAA Men's Basketball

INDIANAPOLIS — Duke and Michigan State were seeded No. 1 for the second straight year in the NCAA tournament and will be joined by the Pac-10's Stanford and Arizona as the top teams.

Cincinnati, which had been ranked No. 1 in the AP poll for 12 weeks but lost center Kenyon Martin to a broken leg last week, was seeded second as the 64-team field was announced Sunday. Bearcats coach Bob Huggins called the selection committee's decision "ridiculous."

Duke, a No. 1 for the third straight year and the national runner-up last season, was the top team in the East. The Blue Devils (27-4) will play 16th-seeded Lamar, the only team in the field with a .500 record, on Friday in Winston-Salem, N.C.

Michigan State (26-7), which reached the Final Four last season, was No. 1 in the Midwest and will play No. 16 Valparaiso on Thursday in Cleveland.

Pac-10 champion Arizona (26-6) was No. 1 in the West and will play No. 16 Jackson State on Thursday in Salt Lake City. Stanford (26-3), which lost twice to Arizona this season, was seeded No. 1 for the first time and will play in the South, opening against No. 16 South Carolina State on Friday in Birmingham, Ala.

Three schools — Central Connecticut State, North Carolina-Wilmington and Southeast Missouri State — are making their first appearances in the tournament.

The longest wait that ended Sunday belonged to Hofstra, which had not been in the field since 1977. The other waits of over 20 years that ended belonged to St. Bonaventure (1978) and Appalachian State and Indiana State, which made their last appearances in 1979.

That Appalachian State team was coached by Bobby Cremins, who retired earlier this season at Georgia Tech, while the Indiana State team was led by Larry Bird and lost in the championship game to Michigan State and Magic Johnson. Fresno State is in for the first time since 1984, and coach Jerry Tarkanian hasn't been in the tournament since leading UNLV to the Final Four in 1991 as the Runnin' Rebels tried to repeat as national champions.

"We're all very excited," Tarkanian said. "The university's been waiting a long time for the opportunity to get to the Big Dance."

For the first time in many years North Carolina was a team on the bubble. The Tar Heels' selection extended their record of consecutive tournament appearances to 26 years. The second longest streak also continued, with Arizona making its 16th consecutive appearance.

Three conferences had six teams selected — Big 10, Big 12 and Southeastern — and the Big East had five. Conference USA and the Pac-10 had four teams each, while the Atlantic Coast Conference had only three teams selected for the second straight year.

Temple, a team considered by many as a possible No. 1 seed, was No. 2 in the East and will play Lafayette on Friday in Buffalo, N.Y. The other teams seeded No. 2 were Cincinnati in the South, Iowa State in the Midwest and St. John's in the West.

As for Cincinnati, Huggins was shocked that his team didn't get a top spot after a 28-3 season. One of those losses came against St. Louis in the Conference USA tournament when Martin was injured at the beginning of the game.

"It's ridiculous, totally ridiculous," Huggins said. "We must be the first team in history to be No. 1 in the RPI and not get a No. 1 seed. That's a historical thing those guys just did. How do they know how good we'll be without Kenyon?"

Craig Thompson, chairman of the NCAA selection committee, said the Martin injury was the only reason the Bearcats were not seeded No. 1.

"They're clearly a different team without Kenyon Martin," said Thompson, also the commissioner

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Longhorns not thrilled over seed

By Jim Vertuno
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN — If Texas was excited about being a No. 5 seed in the NCAA tournament, the Longhorns didn't have any trouble concealing it.

After slugging it out in the Big 12 and outside the conference against the likes of Michigan State, Arizona and Connecticut this season, Longhorns players were a little disappointed Sunday with their position in the West Region.

Texas (23-8) will play No. 12 seed Indiana State (22-9) Thursday in Salt Lake City. It is Texas' highest seeding since the tournament expanded to 64 teams. The Longhorns also were a fifth seed in 1991.

"We played a top-notch schedule and we fared better than most teams probably would have fared and I think we deserved a little bit better," said senior guard Ivan Wagner. The Longhorns were No. 8 nationally in the RPI rating of season record and strength of schedule.

"Personally, I was a little disappointed with a fifth seed. Maybe if we won the Big 12 perhaps we're a three or a two, but our destiny is in our hands," Wagner said.

That's what two years under coach Rick Barnes has done for Texas. The Longhorns not only expect to make the tournament, but climb higher and higher toward the top.

Texas players gathered to watch the brackets announced on television. Unlike Indiana State, where the players cheered when their name was called for the first time since 1979, the Longhorns only cracked a few smiles. There were even a few chuckles when footage of the Indiana State celebration was on the screen.

A win over Oklahoma last week in the Big 12 tournament would have made a difference, said Texas center Chris Mihm.

Instead, the Longhorns were out-muscled and out-hustled by the Sooners, who took the No. 3 seed in the West Region. The loss caused Barnes to question his team's mental toughness afterward.

"I think overall that Oklahoma loss really hurt us," Mihm said. "If we would have won that, we could have had a three and they could have had a five.

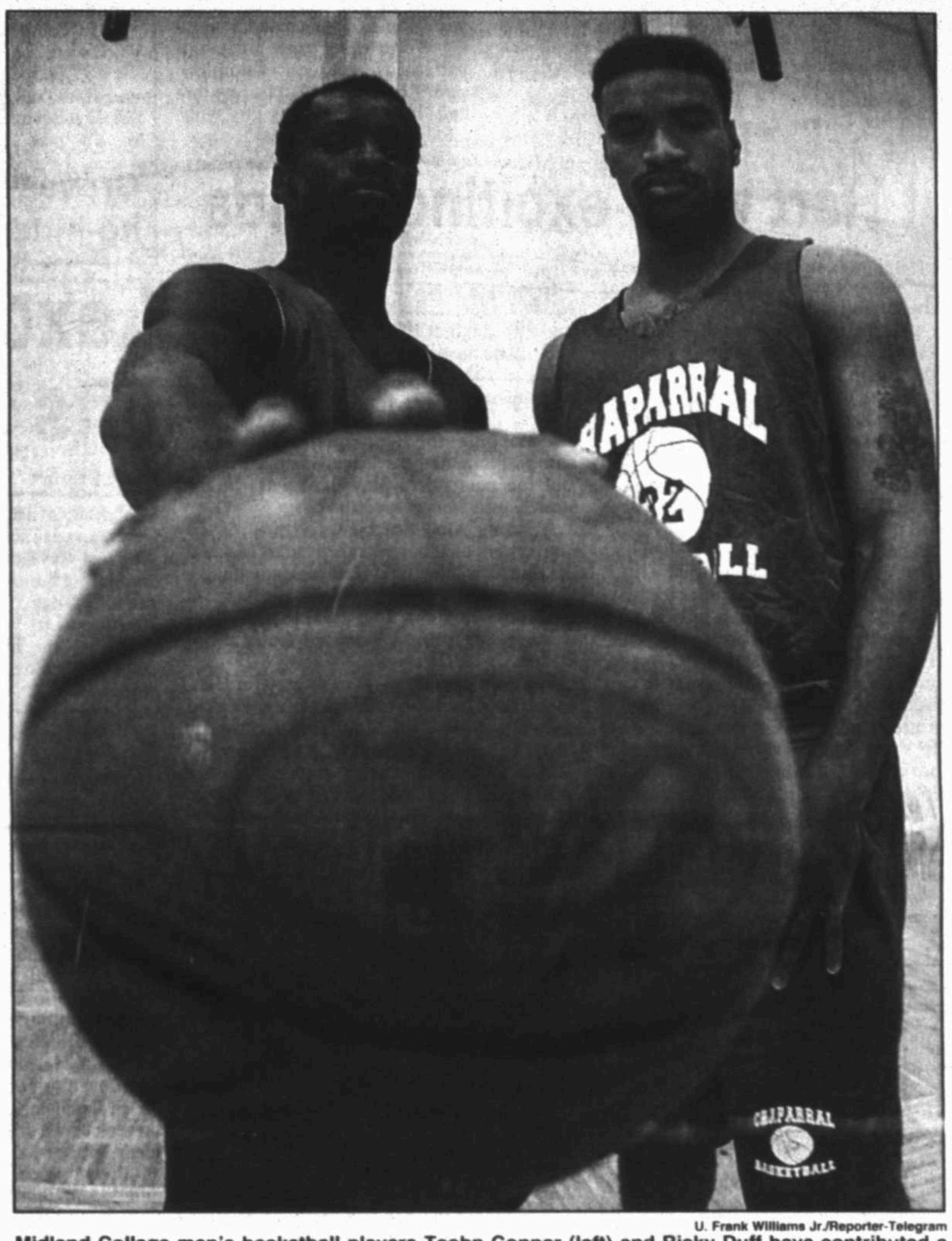
"This year we built a solid season all the way around and toward the end we were playing for seeding and we kind of let it slip a little bit," Mihm said. "But we're in the tournament now and we just have to take care of business. We have as good a shot as anybody."

The Longhorns have three days to prepare for an Indiana State team they know little about. The last time Indiana State was in the tournament, Larry Bird took the school to the NCAA championship game.

"If they're in this tournament, they're a good basketball team," Barnes said. "Every team that's in this tournament has played good basketball from start to finish. Every team is dangerous. I just know we've got to get excited

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MC Men In National Tournament



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Midland College men's basketball players Teohn Conner (left) and Ricky Duff have contributed a great deal of rebounding and defense for the Chaps, helping them teach the national tournament which starts Tuesday.

Doing the Dirty Work

■ Chap sophomores Conner and Duff proved much needed rebounding and defense as winning ingredients.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

When people think back to this year's version of the Midland College Chaparral basketball team, they are going to think of defending and rebounding.

Those two key ingredients to success were preached from the first day of practice by Chaps' first-year head coach Junsie Cotten. When Cotten looked to implement his keys to success he looked to his five returning sophomores for help. Two of those sophs who took Cotten's plan to heart are Teohn Conner and Ricky Duff.

Conner and Duff are the top two rebounding leaders for the Chaps as Conner averaged 5.1 boards, while Duff had 4.7. Duff is also the team leader in blocked shots with 11, while Conner has had five swats.

Their efforts along with their teammates have the No. 13 Chaps in the NJCAA National Tournament for the first time since 1994. Midland College begins tournament play at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday against Champlain College at the Hutchinson, Kan., Sports Arena.

"It's a great feeling to be in the tournament," said

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Women to have five from Texas

By Pam Easton
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — The Texas Tech Lady Raiders were pleased to learn Sunday they're the No. 3 seed in the NCAA Tournament's Mideast Region.

But they know they must start planning now for their first-round game against Tennessee Tech, which they'll host.

"We can't play like we played at the conference tournament," Tech's Aleah Johnson said after watching the tournament seeds with her teammates at the school's United Spirit Arena.

Tech won the Big 12 regular season title, but failed to defend its two-time conference title, losing to Texas 68-50 in the semifinals. During the game, Texas Tech (25-4), shot just 34 percent (17-for-50) from the floor and managed only one field goal in the final 12:30.

Coach Marsha Sharp thinks she can fine tune the Lady Raiders in time for their first-round game on Saturday.

"We're going to go over our offense and our defense and possibly add a few wrinkles," she said. "You have to rely on your strengths. I think we are a pretty good defensive team and we are healthy. In a tournament like this, you have to be ready for multiple defenses and not let anybody surprise you."

Sharp said she planned to go straight to her office and pull tapes on Tennessee Tech.

"Normally, people at this time of the year are pretty set in what they will do," she said. "But you have to be ready for anything and expect anything."

The Golden Eaglettes spent Sunday evening watching tapes, as well, and preparing their plan of attack after winning an automatic bid a week ago and taking a few days off. Tennessee Tech (24-8) is the Ohio Valley Conference champion for a league record 10th time.

In a bracket that includes teams such as No. 1 seed Tennessee, No. 5 seed Boston College and No. 4 Virgina, Sharp thinks her Lady Raiders can stand up to the test they failed at the Big 12 tournament.

"As much as you would like to be a conference champion, more than that you would like to be a national champion," she said. "There are some great teams. If you are going to try to get there, you might as well take a shot at them as they come."

Texas' shot at Tech during the Big 12 tournament paid off in a No. 7 seed in the West Regional. The Longhorns travel to play No. 12 St. Joseph's (24-5) at Rutgers on Friday.

"I know absolutely nothing about them," Texas Coach Jody Conradt said. "We're all scrambling around trying to find out. I think they have a reputation of being typical East Coast type team, good-shooting and hard nosed. I know with the NCAA tournament you'd better be ready to play. With as little as I know about St. Joe's we'll have to be ready to play."

After making it into the Big 12 final, Conradt said the Longhorns (21-12) are ready for battle.

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OSCAR LEROY

It's been a great ride for Chaps' first-year coach Cotten

Midland College's first-year coach Junsie Cotten says he's just happy to be along for the ride.

That ride he's talking about is to the NJCAA National Tournament in Hutchinson, Kan., this week. His 29-4 Chaps start tournament play at 9:30 p.m. Tuesday against Champlain (Vt.) College.



LeRoy

It's truly been a great ride to see the Chaps go from 17-14 last year to just four games away from a national title — the school's first in men's basketball since 1982 when the 5-foot-6 Spud Webb used to dunk basketballs like it was no big deal.

Maybe a big step in the Chaps' success this season came on June 10 when Cotten was hired to succeed Pat Rafferty, who took an assistant coaching job at Louisville, as the Chaps' head coach. Having been an assistant under Rafferty for two years, Cotten was the logical choice for the job as he helped coach and recruit the returning players, and had experienced the ups and downs of the Chap program.

To those unfamiliar with the Chaps, Cotten was an unknown when he was hired. Here was a 27-year-old with no coaching experience, who was hired without the school conducting a national search. Cotten has made believers out of the skeptics and has made the Midland College administrators look like geniuses because they hired him.

Cotten, though, has never wanted any attention. He wants to give credit where credit is due.

"Good players make good coaches," said Cotten, the Western Junior College Athletic Conference and Region V Coach of the Year. "I have two great assistants and 13 great players. All the accolades seem to come toward me. I'm a very minimal part. I let my coaches coach and let my players play. When you have that type of support from your family, and a basketball team is a family, I'm really fortunate. They deserve all the credit.

"I love the game, I love my coaches, I love my players and I love what I'm doing."

It is that blend of both his assistants (first-year assistant Scott Raines and second-year volunteer assistant J.R. Torrez) and the hard work of his players that has made this young coach, who is still learning, succeed.

"All I want to do is learn more about the game of basketball and listen to advice from other coaches in the profession," Cotten said. "I'm doing something I never thought I'd be doing. One of the things I learned is to be patient. I'm still in the infant stage of the profession."

The learning process for Cotten started back when he was a student assistant coach at Utah State, his alma mater, during the 1994-95 season under then-Aggie coach Larry Eustacy, who's led the Iowa State Cyclones this year to a great season.

Cotten also credited the guidance of Guy Beach, who was head coach at the College of Eastern Utah, another alma mater, during the 1996-97 season. Cotten was an assistant under Beach, who is now an assistant coach at UTEP and recruited Chap guard Eugene Costello.

But probably the tutelage which best prepared him for his current job was the two years under Rafferty.

"I really learned a lot being his assistant," Cotten said. "He let me have input in practices and that's where I learned a lot.

"All I've been doing is incorporating what I learned from each coach into my philosophy."

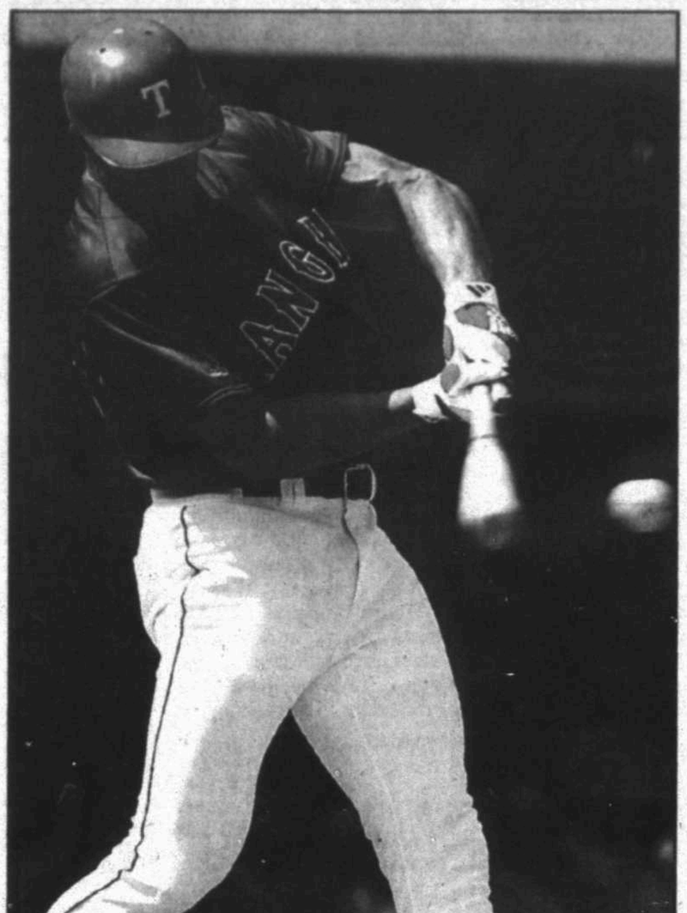
That philosophy has translated in the Chaps running an up-tempo offense and playing in-your-face defense. "Defending and rebounding" is the Chaps' battle cry.

"I just believe that's the way basketball should be played and our kids bought into that," Cotten said.

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Rangers hope Kapler can still muscle up



AP Photo

Texas Rangers new right fielder Gabe Kapler hits a double in the third inning against the Minnesota Twins Sunday in Port Charlotte, Fla.. Kapler replaces All-Star Juan Gonzalez.

By Michael A. Lutz
AP Sports Writer

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — He's muscular enough to have appeared on the covers of several bodybuilding magazines but that's not the reason the Texas Rangers chose Gabe Kapler to take Juan Gonzalez's spot in right field.

No one has the illusion Kapler will replace the two-time MVP Gonzalez, who was traded to the Detroit Tigers in the off-season. But, given time, the Rangers believe Kapler will do more than look good in his uniform.

Despite his high profile appearance with the Rangers, Kapler is keeping it low key — for now.

"There's nothing possibly good about talking about what I could do statistically," Kapler said. "If I reach it, I reach it. If I exceed, it I just exceeded it. If I don't reach it, somebody will say, well, I thought you said you could do this.

"I'll simplify it and sum it up and say I think I could do some special things."

Manager Johnny Oates and his teammates think Kapler will be special too, even if he doesn't reach Gonzalez's totals. The Rangers are hoping the combination of Kapler and rookie centerfielder Ruben Mateo will ease the loss of Gonzalez.

"Gabe has a chance to be a very nice player for us for a number of years," Oates said. "I think the fans are going to like Gabe. He's committed and very effervescent. He just wears on you."

Kapler made the leap from the Double-A Toledo Mud Hens to the Tigers last season. He hit .245 with 49 RBIs and 18 home runs in 130 games with the Tigers.

His all-out style has made him an immediate hit with his teammates.

"He's a gamer, he sticks out like a sore thumb," first baseman Rafael Palmeiro said. "His mind is so into it that he's going to be a great player, there's no way to keep him from it."

Kapler started lifting weights for baseball reasons and to boost self-esteem.

It must have worked. Kapler, who has appeared on the cover of several bodybuilding magazines, is one of the most powerfully muscled Rangers and more vocal presence in right field.

"I'm really not into that stuff (posing for magazines). It was just something I did at the time to help make ends meet, nothing else," he said. "I'm more in it to stay healthy."

Kapler and Rangers hitting coach Rudy Jaramillo have been putting in long hours tinkering with Kapler's stance and swing.

"We're trying to get him to go with a different feel," Jaramillo said. "He's used to muscling the ball. He's a big strong guy with a lot of hand quickness."

LOCAL SPORTS

Two Rangers state bound

SUNDOWN — Two members of the Greenwood powerlifting team are headed for the Class 3A state powerlifting meet on March 25 at Fort Hood in Killeen.

Seniors Justin Brooks and J.D. Smelser both qualified for the state meet here Saturday in the Region I-3A powerlifting meet. And both did it in record breaking style.

Brooks, competing in the 161-pound class, set a region record of 320 pounds in the bench press and won his class outright to earn the state berth. It will be Brooks' second consecutive trip to the state meet in powerlifting.

Smelser, competing in the 220-pound class, set a region record of 570 pounds in the dead lift. He finished second in his weight class. The top two in each weight class earn state berths.

Smelser went to state last year as an alternate, but will get to compete this year. Greenwood tied for third place in the team race with Eden. Floydada won the team title.

Also competing for Greenwood were John McSpadden in the 181-pound class where he was sixth, and Junior Montoya placed ninth in the super heavyweight class.

Groves hurls no-hitter

DALLAS — Midland Christian opened District 1-4A TAAPS play here Saturday with a two-game split with Dallas Lutheran, but the win was a no-hitter by Casey Groves.

MC blasted Dallas Lutheran, 10-0, in the first district contest as Groves had his no-hitter in the five inning run rule game. He struck out 11 batters. But he didn't stop there. He also hit a grand slam to aid his own cause.

Unfortunately, MC dropped the second game of the doubleheader, falling to Dallas Lutheran in a 12-9 slugfest. Groves had three hits in that game while Ryan Hellums had four. Chase Feeler hit two homers on the day.

MC is now 1-1 in district play and 5-6 overall. The Mustangs travel to Denver City for a 5 p.m. non-conference game on Tuesday.

Midland Christian 10, Dallas Lutheran 0.
W-Casey Groves (3-0). 5-inning no-hitter; 11 strikeouts, grand slam home run. Brandon Lucas, home run; Jamie Beeghley, home run; Chase Feeler, 2 hits, home run; Dustin Hull, 2 hits. grand slam.

Dallas Lutheran 12, Midland Christian 9.
L-Micah Brown (1-2); Groves, 3 hits, double; Beeghley, 2 hits; Feeler, 2 hits, homer; Ryan Hellums, 4 hits.

Bayley aces

Chad Bayley produced a hole-in-one at the Nueva Vista Golf Club Sunday, using a 6-iron to cover the 195 yards of the No. 7 hole.

He was playing with Eric Bayley, Paula Bayley, Bryan Bayley and Stacey Wetzel.

No big names, but Hart wins exciting Honda

By Steven Wine
AP Sports Writer

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. — The biggest names in golf skipped the Honda Classic, and they missed a wild finish Sunday.

There was a four-way tie with two holes to play, then a 30-foot putt that hung on the lip for 15 seconds before falling in, then a one-stroke penalty after the round ended. The most excitement was generated by Dudley Hart, who birdied the final four holes to overcome a three-shot deficit for his second PGA Tour title.

Hart, who lives 20 minutes from the Heron Bay course, pleased the gallery by playing the final 10 holes in 6-under-par. He shot 65 to finish at 19-under 269, one stroke ahead of Kevin Wentworth and J.P. Hayes.

"It's gratifying that I played well in front of all my family and friends," said Hart, who earned $522,000. "When you're trying to get tickets for everybody and show them a good time, there can be a lot of distractions. I'm glad I was able to put it all aside."

The round was over before Hart became aware of one potential distraction involving a putt by Brian Gay on No. 17.

Gay, bidding for his first tour title, appeared to tie Hart for the lead when his 30-foot putt from the fringe sat on the lip, then fell into the cup. But on the final hole Gay three-putted from 75 feet for his first bogey since Friday.

After the round ended, rules official Slugger White assessed Gay a one-stroke penalty at No. 17 because of the delay before the putt fell in. That left Gay tied with Jim Furyk in fourth place at 17 under.

The penalty resulted from rule 16-2, which states that when the ball overhangs the lip, it is considered at rest 10 seconds after the player reaches the hole. If the ball falls in after that, the player is assessed a one-stroke penalty.

White viewed television replays with Gay and determined that the ball fell into the cup at least 13 seconds after Gay walked up to the hole. He stood over the ball, waving his index finger as he coaxed it into the cup.

"Personally I think it's a huge gray area," Gay said. "There's a lot more leeway than three seconds, and it was a pretty important stroke for me. ... Both of the guys I was playing with thought I was fine."

Because the penalty dropped Gay from second place to fourth, it cost him $88,933 — more than he made all of last year.

With 24 of the world's 30 top-ranked players skipping the tournament, unfamiliar names dominated the leaderboard all week. But the contenders played well down the stretch, and Hart played the best.

A strong wind that blew for most of the tournament died down as the leaders reached the final few holes, and Hart took advantage. Playing in the next-to-last threesome, he made a 20-foot putt at No. 17 to tie Gay and Wentworth for the lead, then sank a 3-footer at No. 18.

The only other PGA Tour victory for Hart, 31, came in the 1996 Canadian Open. He said the win was especially gratifying because his father is recovering from recent surgery.

"Dad, I'm keeping this trophy," he said with a grin. "You got the first one."

Laxdal's late goal lifts Jacks to win

Staff Report

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Derek Laxdal scored on a 5-on-3 power play goal with 44 seconds left in the game Sunday afternoon to give the Odessa Jackalopes a 5-4 win over the New Mexico Scorpions.

The Scorpions are a team that has dealt misery to the Jacks this season, winning the first seven meetings between the two clubs, but Odessa has come back to win two in a row over the Scorpions when it really counts. This one broke a 13-game home winning streak by the Scorpions.

Also, the mind wars between the Jacks and Scorpion coach Tony Martino are growing into physical outbursts.

After the Jacks took the 5-4 lead with 44 seconds left, Martino threw a roll of tape at Odessa coach Don McKee. Then Martino took down some of the plexiglass, grabbed a stick and started after McKee again. Security guards stopped Martino.

The win gives the Jacks 66 points, which ties Tupelo in the search for a playoff berth and a three-point margin over Arkansas. This game was a little ugly with 117 penalty minutes (46 for the Jacks and 71 for New Mexico).

Still, Laxdall's goal off assists by Jacque Rodrigue and Jason Haywood was only the second power play goal of the night with New Mexico earning one in the first period to tie the game at 1-1.

The teams were tied at 1-1 at the end of the first period and 2-2 at the end of two. Both teams got two goals in the third to remain tied at 4-4 before Laxdal cut loose with the game winner in the last minute of play.

Laxdal, the No. 1 star of the game, scored Odessa's first goal in the first period. Adam Doyle had the Jacks' second goal while Paul Vincent and Ryan Equale added the first two goals of the third period for Odessa.

The Jacks return to the Jack Shack in Odessa on Tuesday against the Fort Worth Brahmas. The Jacks lost to Fort Worth 4-3 in the only other meeting between the two teams this year.

A crowd of 4,923 watched the Jacks and Scorpions play Sunday in an afternoon game.

Sorenstam wins playoff, LPGA Hall entry

By Mel Reisner
AP Sports Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. — Annika Sorenstam, who doesn't lose many playoffs, wasn't about to let it happen twice. Not with entrance into the LPGA Hall of Fame on the line.

The 29-year-old Swedish star, who left the University of Arizona for the LPGA Tour in 1994, won the Welch's-Circle K Championship on Sunday by beating Pat Hurst on the second hole of a playoff. The one-point win, Sorenstam's career 19th, put her at 27 points, the Hall's entry-level standard.

"I have to wait another 3 1/2 years anyway (to meet the career requirement), so it's not like right away," she said. "But I've achieved it now. I guess I could take a few years off and come back. But it's exciting to be a part of something, you know, an elite group."

Sorenstam, beaten by Karrie Webb last week in a playoff in Hawaii, shot a 5-under-par 67. Hurst closed with a 66 to finish 72 holes at a tournament-record 19-under 269. The previous best was Chris Johnson's 272 in 1984.

Sorenstam sank a 4-foot birdie putt on the second extra hole after Hurst parred it.

"I'm glad that I played so well," said Sorenstam, who skipped Tucson the three previous years. "That I kept my composure under the pressure and finished last week, and then to win this week. I mean, I love the feeling."

Earlier, Sorenstam defused the charge of defending champion Juli Inkster with an eagle and two of her three birdies in the last 10 holes. Inkster, who qualified for the Hall of Fame last year, when she won five times, matched the lowest finishing score ever in the tournament with a 64, and was third at 270 — her third top-three finish in as many events.

Sorenstam improved to 6-3 in playoffs, dropping Hurst, whose last championship was the 1998 Dinah Shore, to 0-2. The $105,000 first prize increased Sorenstam's earnings to $184,870 and boosted her from 13th to third on the money list, trailing only Webb and Laura Davies.

Dottie Pepper was alone in fourth at 271, one shot ahead of Johnson and Se Ri Pak, who also fired a 64. Davies, A.J. Eathorne, Michelle McGann, Brandie Burton and Moira Dunn, who shared the third-round lead with Sorenstam, tied for seventh at 273.

It turned out everyone except Hurst had too much ground to make up, especially when Sorenstam holed out from the fairway for an eagle-2 on the ninth hole.

Just before the shot sent Sorenstam to 17 under, Inkster sank a 60-foot putt for birdie on No. 12. She was in the 13th fairway waiting to hit her second shot when the crowd around the ninth green erupted in applause.

Hurst, who had one birdie through the first 12 holes, birdied five of the last six to catch up.

"She's tough," Hurst said. "Me, as a player, I have to step it up to a different level when she's ahead. You know, just like Karrie, the same thing."

Sorenstam and Hurst twice played No. 18, a 458-yard par-5, in the playoff. Each birdied it the first time, but on the second run-through, Hurst sliced her drive and wound up on the wrong side of the cart path and almost into a grove of trees.

She had enough room to swing, but her approach shot was short.

MC softball splits in conference openers

Staff Report

EL PASO — The Midland College Lady Chaparrals opened Western Junior College Athletic Conference softball play here Sunday with a doubleheader split with El Paso Community College.

Midland College softball splits

The Lady Chaps won the first game 5-4 in 10 innings and then dropped a 7-1 decision to EPCC in the second game. That leaves the Lady Chaps with a 1-1 WJCAC record and a 20-6 mark overall.

In the first game, MC scored two runs in the top of the 10th to take a 5-3 lead. Melissa Martinez, who had two hits in the game, drove in the first run and Nicole Martinez singled with what proved to be the game winning hit. El Paso came back and got one run in the bottom of the 10th for the final margin.

Andrea Rodriguez drove in two runs early to give the Lady Chaps a quick 2-0 lead.

Jennifer Chavira was the winning pitcher. She gave up seven hits, including a home run. She struck out six and walked four.

In the second game, it was all El Paso. MC's Tonya Thompson took the loss. She gave up six hits and three walks, but she was more a victim of four Lady Chap errors behind her.

MC scored its lone run in the second game on a single by Nicole Martinez that scored Julie Stanford.

The Lady Chaps and EPCC go at it again today at noon with another conference doubleheader. MC would like to pull off a sweep of this one and leave El Paso with a 3-1 conference record.

After today's doubleheader, the Lady Chaps will continue to move westward. They will travel to Tucson, Ariz., after today's games to compete in the Pima Classic softball tournament. But the games today count in conference play and that's where the Lady Chaps must keep focus.

Green shoots 62 to claim first Senior Tour event in Mexico

PUEBLA, Mexico (AP) — Hubert Green shot a 10-under-par 62 on Sunday for a five-stroke victory in the Audi Senior Classic, the first official Senior PGA Tour event in Mexico.

Green, the 1977 U.S. Open winner and 1985 PGA champion, birdied eight of the first 10 holes, playing the front nine in 7-under 29. He finished with 11 birdies — the last a 1-foot putt on No. 18 after a 7-iron approach — and had only one bogey.

"It was an awful lot of fun out there," Green said. "I hit the irons well, and made the putts. I'm striking the ball very solid. It was one of those fantastic days."

Green, who earned $225,000, had a 19-under 197 total on the La Vista course. The 19-time PGA Tour winner won the 1998 Bruno's Memorial Classic for his only other victory in three seasons on the 50-and-over tour.

Jim Colbert, who shared the second-round lead with Spain's Jose Maria Canizares, shot a 69 to tie for second with Dean Overturf (66) and Doug Tewell (67). Canizares shot a 70 to finish fifth.

Green matched the lowest score of his PGA Tour and Senior PGA Tour, an 8-under 62 in the PGA Tour's 1978 Texas Open.

"I changed by putting stroke a little yesterday. It worked today," Green said. "I think the golfing gods were here in Mexico, and they were good to me."

Green made a 15-foot birdie putt on No. 13 to open a three-stroke lead over Colbert.

MC: Conner, Duff learn from experience

(From 1C)

Conner, a 6-foot-3 swingman from Ferriday, La. "I've never been there before. I want to see what it's like and now we have to go there and take care of our business."

"I feel good about it," said Duff, a 6-4 forward from Los Angeles. "Last year, we didn't get the opportunity to get this far."

Both Conner and Duff feel they've improved all the way around as players. Going through an up-and-down season like they did last year, it couldn't help but make them better.

"I think I've improved both mentally and physically," Conner said. "I know how to handle adversity better.

"We were struggling last year and I guess because it was our freshman year and we had to adapt to college. It was hard. I'm glad we had that year last year because it made us better."

Making it to the NJCAA National Tournament is especially rewarding for Duff, who missed the second part of last season because of academics.

"I still think about last year a lot and that situation I was in the second semester," Duff said. "Because I messed up, I was thinking whether or not I should come back. Coach Cotten called me and gave me another chance. I came back and I'm glad I did."

The Chaps were glad to have a full season of Duff and his high-flying athleticism. Coming off the bench, Duff has provided a huge spark with 10.1 points per contest and several emphatic dunks.

"I could always jump," said Duff, a former nationally-ranked high jumper out of L.A.'s Manual Arts High School. "I could dunk since I was in the second grade.

"My role is just to play hard and provide a spark coming off the bench. I feel that one of my dunks or a blocked shot gets the team going."

Conner is one of those players who felt he had to step up this year in order for the Chaps to be successful. Conner became of the top offensive guns on the team by averaging 10.3 points per game, up from his 7.0 ppg average in 1998-99.

"I just knew coming in that whatever the team needed, I was just supposed to do it," said Conner, who was asked to add rebounding as one of his duties. "(Assistant coach Scott Raines) told me that he needed some rebounds from the guards. Last year, I wasn't the type to go rebound. I would shoot and that was it. But no, I wasn't the type to go rebound. We practice rebounding every day and it became a habit."

It's the ingredients of defending and rebounding that the Chaps feel will make them successful this week.

"I heard we're the only team that plays defense going up there," said Conner, whose team goes in as the top defensive team in the country. "I believe if we play defense, our offense will come. Defense and rebounds... we're going to use it to our advantage."

So far, the ingredients to the Chaps' success have worked.

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

Honda Classic

CORAL SPRINGS, Fla. (AP) — Final scores and earnings Sunday from the $2.9 million Honda Classic, played on the 7,268-yard, par—72 TPC at Heron Bay course (a-amateur):

Dudley Hart, $522,000	65 — 269
Kevin Wentworth, $255,200	65 — 270
J.P. Hayes, $255,200	70 — 270
Jim Furyk, $127,600	67 — 271
Brian Gay, $127,600	69 — 271
Jonathan Kaye, $104,400	70 — 272
Robert Damron, $84,390	66 — 273
Hal Sutton, $84,390	68 — 273
Mark Calcavecchia, $84,390	67 — 273
Rick Fehr, $84,390	68 — 273
Carlos Franco, $84,390	68 — 273
Mike Brisky, $58,725	66 — 274
Brian Henninger, $58,725	66 — 274
Stuart Appleby, $58,725	69 — 274
Robert Gamez, $58,725	70 — 274
Brad Elder, $46,400	67 — 275
Rory Sabbatini, $46,400	69 — 275
John Daly, $46,400	69 — 275
Jason Caron, $30,514	67 — 276
Skip Kendall, $30,514	69 — 276
Pete Jordan, $30,514	68 — 276
Mike Weir, $30,514	70 — 276
Steve Flesch, $30,514	70 — 276
Mike Hulbert, $30,514	70 — 276
David Sutherland, $30,514	71 — 276
Stephen Ames, $30,514	71 — 276
Davis Love III, $30,514	64 — 276
Harrison Frazar, $18,469	69 — 277
Chris Riley, $18,469	69 — 277
Matt Gogel, $18,469	68 — 277
Kenny Perry, $18,469	70 — 277
Bernhard Langer, $18,469	70 — 277
Gary Nicklaus, $18,469	70 — 277
Carl Paulson, $18,469	70 — 277
Tim Herron, $18,469	67 — 277
Steve Pate, $13,659	69 — 278
Jay Williamson, $13,659	69 — 278
Mark Brooks, $13,659	69 — 278
Paul Goydos, $13,659	70 — 278
Jerry Smith, $13,659	68 — 278
Ted Tryba, $9,615	70 — 279
Greg Kraft, $9,615	70 — 279
Steve Gotsche, $9,615	70 — 279
Len Mattiace, $9,615	70 — 279
Glen Hnatiuk, $9,615	69 — 279
John Cook, $9,615	69 — 279
Scott Dunlap, $9,615	69 — 279
Brandt Jobe, $9,615	69 — 279
Chris DiMarco, $9,615	68 — 279
Omar Uresti, $6,894	71 — 280
Vijay Singh, $6,894	72 — 280
Kelly Gibson, $6,894	72 — 280
Craig Barlow, $6,894	73 — 280
Joel Edwards, $6,894	70 — 280
Eric Booker, $6,894	69 — 280
Craig Perks, 66,894	69 — 280
David Peoples, $6,496	71 — 281
a-Aaron Baddeley	71 — 281
Greg Chalmers, $6,496	75 — 281
Brad Fabel, $6,496	70 — 281
Joe Ogilvie, $6,264	75 — 282
J.L. Lewis, $6,264	72 — 282
Jason Buha, $6,264	72 — 282
Bob Heintz, $6,264	72 — 282
Joe Durant, $6,264	71 — 282
Casey Martin, $6,003	75 — 283
Tom Byrum, $6,003	73 — 283
Sean Murphy, $6,003	70 — 283
Blaine McCallister, $6,003	69 — 283
Michael Clark II, $5,858	72 — 284
Jorge Benedetti, $5,771	71 — 285
Marco Dawson, $5,771	71 — 285
Tommy Tolles, $5,626	76 — 286
Grant Waite, $5,626	75 — 286
Emlyn Aubrey, $5,626	72 — 286
Ryan Howison, $5,510	76 — 287

Audi Seniors

PUEBLA, Mexico (AP) — Final scores and prize money Sunday from the $1.5 million Audi Senior Classic played on the par-72 (36-36), 7,091-yard La Vista Country Club course:

Hubert Green, $225,000	65-70-62 — 197
Dean Overturf, $110,000	70-66-66 — 202
Jim Colbert, $110,000	67-66-69 — 202
Doug Tewell, $110,000	69-65-68 — 202
J.M. Canizares, $72,000	70-63-70 — 203
Fred Gibson, $51,000	70-69-66 — 205
Hale Irwin, $51,000	71-68-66 — 205
Frank Conner, $51,000	68-69-68 — 205
Terry Dill, $51,000	68-68-69 — 205
Barry Jaeckel, $37,500	72-67-67 — 206
Walt Morgan, $37,500	70-66-70 — 206
Lon Hinkle, $30,500	74-69-64 — 207
M. McCullough, $30,500	70-68-69 — 207
Tom Jenkins, $30,500	68-69-70 — 207
L. Thompson, $25,500	70-71-67 — 208
Dana Quigley, $25,500	72-69-67 — 208
Bob Ralston, $25,500	70-69-69 — 208
Joe Inman, $19,890	73-70-66 — 209
Jerry McGee, $19,890	70-69-70 — 209
Jim Ahern, $19,890	65-72-72 — 209
Allen Doyle, $19,890	70-66-73 — 209
John Bland, $19,890	67-68-74 — 209
Jim Thorpe, $15,030	74-68-68 — 210
Kermit Zarley, $15,030	69-72-69 — 210
Dick Lotz, $15,030	69-72-69 — 210
Bob Eastwood, $15,030	70-71-69 — 210
Jesse Patino, $15,030	72-66-72 — 210
Ed Dougherty, $12,750	71-71-69 — 211
Bill Brask, $12,750	67-73-71 — 211
Bob Charles, $10,600	76-66-70 — 212
Gary Player, $10,600	72-71-69 — 212
Howard Twitty, $10,600	70-72-70 — 212
Steve Veriato, $10,600	70-73-69 — 212
John Jacobs, $10,600	70-70-72 — 212
Jay Sigel, $10,600	68-72-72 — 212
Walter Hall, $8,438	72-71-70 — 213
B. Summerhays, $8,438	72-70-71 — 213
David Lundstrom, $8,438	72-70-71 — 213
Rocky Thompson, $8,438	73-68-72 — 213
Dave Stockton, $7,200	68-75-71 — 214
Bob Dickson, $7,200	69-72-73 — 214
George Archer, $7,200	73-72-69 — 214
Ed Brooks, $7,200	74-71-69 — 214
Jim Albus, $6,450	70-72-73 — 215
Roy Vucinich, $5,700	69-75-72 — 216
Larry Laoretti, $5,700	74-67-75 — 216
Bob Lendzion, $5,700	71-74-71 — 216
Bob Wynn, $5,700	72-76-68 — 216
Larry Ziegler, $4,225	69-73-75 — 217
Kikuo Arai, $4,225	73-70-74 — 217
Rik Massengale, $4,225	71-74-72 — 217
Chuck Moran, $4,225	72-69-76 — 217
Walter Zembriski, $4,225	72-74-71 — 217
Tom McGinnis, $4,225	71-76-70 — 217
Jim Holtgrieve, $3,450	68-78-72 — 218
Al Kelley, $3,150	73-72-74 — 219
Buzz Thomas, $3,150	73-72-74 — 219
Ramon Cruz, $3,150	77-68-74 — 219
John D. Morgan, $2,775	74-73-73 — 220
Hugh Baiocchi, $2,775	75-73-72 — 220
George Burns, $2,475	73-75-73 — 221
Carlos Acosta, $2,475	71-78-72 — 221
Ernesto Acosta, $2,250	73-76-73 — 222
Bobby Mitchell, $2,025	77-70-76 — 223
Greg Edwards, $2,025	75-75-73 — 223
Gibby Gilbert, $1,725	76-69-79 — 224
H. Biancas, $1,725	79-72-73 — 224
Mike Malone, $1,455	73-77-75 — 225
Brian Barnes, $1,455	75-75-75 — 225
Ed Sneed, $1,320	78-75-73 — 226
Babe Hiskey, $1,230	77-74-77 — 228
Tom Shaw, $1,140	76-77-76 — 229
Jerry Heard, $1,020	74-78-78 — 230
Rod Curl, $1,020	77-81-72 — 230
Raphael Quiroz, $930	79-73-79 — 231
Butch Baird, $870	80-78-74 — 232
Russell Fischer, $810	79-79-79 — 237
Lee Elder, $750	84-76-81 — 241

LPGA-Tucson

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Final scores and earnings from the $700,000 LPGA Welch's-Circle K Championship, played on the 6,222-yard, par—72 Randolph Park Golf Course (a-denotes amateur):

Annika Sorenstam, $105,000	67 — 269
Pat Hurst, $65,165	66 — 269
Juli Inkster, $47,553	64 — 270
Dottie Pepper, $36,985	66 — 271
Se Ri Pak, $27,298	64 — 272
Chris Johnson, $27,298	67 — 272
A.J. Eathorne, $16,779	66 — 273
Laura Davies, $16,779	67 — 273
Michelle McGann, $16,779	68 — 273
Brandie Burton, $16,779	69 — 273
Moira Dunn, $16,779	71 — 273
Cristie Kerr, $12,392	70 — 274
Kelli Kuehne, $10,983	67 — 275
Kristi Albers, $10,983	67 — 275
Michele Redman, $10,983	68 — 275
Karen Weiss, $9,222	65 — 276
Akiko Fukushima, $9,222	68 — 276
Lorie Kane, $9,222	71 — 276
Trish Johnson, $7,665	66 — 277
Cindy Figg-Currier, $7,665	67 — 277
Kristal Parker, $7,665	67 — 277
Amy Fruhwirth, $7,665	68 — 277
Fiona Pike, $7,665	69 — 277
Mi Hyun Kim, $7,665	71 — 277
Becky Iverson, $6,263	67 — 278
Val Skinner, $6,263	69 — 278
Tina Barrett, $6,263	71 — 278
Alison Nicholas, $6,263	71 — 278
C. Johnston-Forbes, $6,263	74 — 278
Grace Park, $4,715	66 — 279
Donna Andrews, $4,715	67 — 279
Sherri Steinhauer, $4,715	68 — 279
Jen Hanna, $4,715	69 — 279
Liselotte Neumann, $4,715	69 — 279
Sophie Gustafson, $4,715	70 — 279
Maria Hjorth, $4,715	70 — 279
Charlotta Sorenstam, $4,715	71 — 279
Janice Moodie, $4,715	71 — 279
Marisa Baena, $4,715	72 — 279
Jill McGill, $4,715	73 — 279
Rachel Hetherington, $3,373	68 — 280
Marnie McGuire, $3,373	69 — 280
Pearl Sinn, $3,373	69 — 280
Rosie Jones, $3,373	70 — 280
Catriona Matthew, $3,373	71 — 280
Wendy Ward, $2,739	67 — 281
Yu Ping Lin, $2,739	69 — 281
Dina Ammaccapane, $2,739	72 — 281
Sara Sanders, $2,739	73 — 281
Patty Sheehan, $2,228	70 — 282
Tammie Green, $2,228	70 — 282
Mayumi Hirase, $2,228	70 — 282
Caroline McMillan, $2,228	71 — 282
a-Jenna Daniels	71 — 282

College Basketball

Men's Tourneys

TOURNAMENT
Atlantic Coast Conference Championship
Duke 81, Maryland 68
Big 12 Conference Championship
Iowa St. 70, Oklahoma 58
Big Ten Conference Championship
Michigan St. 76, Illinois 61
Southeastern Conference Championship
Arkansas 75, Auburn 67

Men's Top 25

No. 5 MICHIGAN STATE 76, No. 25 ILLINOIS 61

ILLINOIS (21-9): Johnson 2-8 1-2 6, McClain 1-3 3-3 5, Cook 3-5 1-2 7, Bradford 4-15 0-0 10, Williams 4-14 2-2 11, Mast 0-0 0-0 0, Chukwudebe 0-1 0-0 0, Cross 0-0 0-0 0, Archibald 0-0 0-0 0, Harrington 1-3 3-3 6, Brown 3-11 3-4 10, Krupalija 1-1 2-2 4, Griffin 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 19-61 17-20 61.

MICHIGAN STATE (26-7): Peterson 5-6 3-3 14, Granger 6-9 3-3 17, Hutson 4-7 6-8 14, Cleaves 5-13 0-0 12, Bell 3-9 2-2 8, Thomas 0-2 2-2 2, Chappell 1-4 0-0 2, Richards 2-3 1-1 5, Ballinger 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 27-54 17-19 76.

Halftime—Michigan State 35, Illinois 27. 3-Point goals—Illinois 6-29 (Bradford 2-11, Brown 1-3, Harrington 1-3, Johnson 1-5, Williams 1-5, Cook 0-2). Michigan State 5-17 (Granger 2-4, Cleaves 2-5, Peterson 1-2, Hutson 0-1, Chappell 0-2, Bell 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Illinois 32 (Johnson 7), Michigan State 39 (Granger, Bell 6). Assists—Illinois 13 (Bradford 4), Michigan State 21 (Cleaves, Bell 6). Total fouls—Illinois 19, Michigan State 19. A—19,663.

No. 7 IOWA ST. 70, No. 15 OKLAHOMA 58

OKLAHOMA (26-6): Johnson 1-3 0-0 2, Najera 7-16 5-6 19, Stone 1-3 2-2 4, Price 6-18 0-0 13, Raymond 0-5 0-0 0, Heskett 1-4 0-0 3, Newton 3-9 0-0 9, Avila 1-3 2-2 4, Heywood 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 22-63 9-10 58.

IOWA ST. (29-4): Fizer 8-14 6-8 22, Johnson 3-7 2-3 8, Horton 2-8 2-2 7, Tinsley 4-6 5-5 13, Nurse 4-10 4-4 14, Evans 0-0 0-0 0, Hawkins 1-3 2-3 4, Rancik 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 23-50 21-25 70.

Halftime—Iowa St. 35, Oklahoma 25. 3-Point goals—Oklahoma 5-20 (Najera 0-2, Price 1-6, Raymond 0-1, Heskett 1-4, Newton 3-7). Iowa St. 3-13 (Fizer 0-1, Horton 1-6, Tinsley 0-1, Nurse 2-5). Fouled out—Oklahoma, Johnson. Rebounds—Oklahoma 35 (Stone 10), Iowa St. 38 (Fizer 9). Assists—Oklahoma 14 (Price 7), Iowa St. 13 (Tinsley 6). Total fouls—Oklahoma 24, Iowa St. 12. A—19,100.

No. 3 DUKE 81, No. 20 MARYLAND 68

MARYLAND (24-9): Miller 1-5 0-0 2, Morris 6-16 0-0 14, Baxter 4-15 2-4 10, Dixon 8-15 2-2 19, Blake 3-8 0-0 7, Holden 3-3 2-2 9, Nicholas 1-6 0-0 3, Mardesich 2-3 0-0 4, Hahn 0-0 0-0 0, Badu 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-71 6-8 68.

DUKE (27-4): Carrawell 5-9 2-3 13, Battier 3-8 2-2 10, Boozer 8-14 5-5 21, James 2-5 2-2 6, Williams 8-15 3-3 23, Christensen 0-2 1-2 1, Dunleavy 2-5 1-2 5, Borman 0-0 0-0 0, Sanders 0-0 0-0 0, Buckner 0-0 2-2 2, Simpson 0-0 0-0 0, Horvath 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-58 18-21 81.

Halftime—Duke 37, Maryland 36. 3-Point goals—Maryland 6-19 (Morris 2-7, Dixon 1-2, Blake 1-2, Holden 1-1, Nicholas 1-4, Miller 0-3), Duke 7-20 (Williams 4-7, Battier 2-6, Carrawell 1-3, James 0-2, Dunleavy 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Maryland 38 (Morris 11), Duke 35 (Carrawell 7). Assists—Maryland 9 (Blake 3), Duke 18 (Williams 6). Total fouls—Maryland 16, Duke 15. A—23,895.

SEC Final

ARKANSAS 75, AUBURN 67

ARKANSAS (19-14): Johnson 4-9 4-4 12, Lane 1-5 0-0 2, Eddins 0-2 0-0 0, Gipson 5-7 4-4 14, Walker 1-3 4-4 6, Tatum 0-0 0-0 0, Cleveland 1-5 6-6 9, Dean 9-13 2-4 22, Davis 2-4 0-0 6, Gomez 0-0 0-0 0, Baker 0-2 2-6 2, Satchell 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 24-51 22-28 75.

AUBURN (23-9): McGadney 6-12 3-4 15, N'Diaye 3-7 0-0 6, Heard 5-9 1-2 15, Fishback 1-6 0-0 2, Robinson 5-12 4-4 15, Daniels 2-3 0-0 4, Pohlman 2-5 0-0 4, Sharp 2-4 0-0 6, Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-58 8-10 67.

Halftime—Auburn 32, Arkansas 27. 3-Point goals—Arkansas 5-17 (Davis 2-2, Dean 2-5, Cleveland 1-4, Bkaer 0-1, Eddins 0-2, Johnson 0-3). Auburn 7-20 (Heard 4-7, Sharp 2-4, Robinson 1-4, Pohlman 0-2, Fishback 0-3). Fouled out—Pohlman. Rebounds—Arkansas 20 (Johnson 6), Auburn 41 (McGadney 15). Assists—Arkansas 7 (Johnson 3, Cleveland 3), Auburn 8 (Robinson 3). Total fouls—Arkansas 14, Auburn 25. A—19,427.

NCAA Selections

NCAA Selections
By The Associated Press

Teams selected for the 2000 NCAA tournament with total years selected, overall record, last appearance, consecutive appearances, championships, national runnersup and total Final Fours:

	Yrs	W-	L	Last	Cons	CH	RU	FF
Appalachian State	2	0-	3	1979	-	-	-	-
Arizona	19	26-	17	1999	16	1	-	3
Arkansas	25	39-	24	1999	3	1	1	6
Auburn	7	9-	6	1999	2	-	-	-
Ball State	7	3-	6	1995	-	-	-	-
Butler	4	2-	3	1998	-	-	-	-
Cen. Conn. State	1	0-	0	——	-	-	-	-
Cincinnati	19	34-	17	1999	9	2	1	6
Connecticut	22	26-	21	1999	3	1	-	1
Creighton	11	8-	11	1999	2	-	-	-
Dayton	11	13-	12	1990	-	-	1	1
DePaul	21	20-	23	1992	-	-	-	2
Duke	24	65-	21	1999	5	2	6	12
Florida	7	9-	6	1999	2	-	-	1
Fresno State	4	1-	3	1984	-	-	-	-
Gonzaga	3	3-	2	1999	2	-	-	-
Hofstra	3	0-	2	1977	-	-	-	-
Illinois	20	23-	20	1998	-	-	-	4
Indiana	29	52-	23	1999	15	5	-	7
Indiana State	2	4-	1	1979	-	-	1	1
Iona	6	1-	5	1998	-	-	-	-
Iowa State	11	8-	10	1997	-	-	-	1
Jackson State	2	0-	1	1997	-	-	-	-
James Madison	29	58-	28	1999	11	2	4	10
Kentucky	42	86-	36	1999	9	7	3	13
Lafayette	3	0-	3	1999	2	-	-	-
Lamar	5	5-	4	1983	-	-	-	-
Louisiana-Lafayette	7	4-	7	1994	-	-	-	-
LSU	16	17-	18	1993	-	-	-	3
Louisville	29	48-	30	1999	2	2	-	6
Maryland	17	21-	16	1999	7	-	-	-
Miami	4	1-	3	1999	3	-	-	-
Michigan State	14	23-	13	1999	3	1	-	3
Missouri	18	13-	17	1999	2	-	-	-
North Carolina	34	76-	33	1999	26	3	4	14
N.C.-Wilmington	1	0-	0	——	-	-	-	-
Northern Arizona	2	0-	1	1998	-	-	-	-
Ohio State	20	35-1	8	1999	2	1	3	9
Oklahoma	19	22-	18	1999	6	-	2	3
Oklahoma State	17	27-	15	1999	3	2	1	5
Oregon	6	6-	4	1995	-	1	-	1
Pennsylvania	18	13-	19	1999	2	-	-	1
Pepperdine	12	4-	12	1994	-	-	-	-
Purdue	19	23-	18	1999	8	-	1	2
St. Bonaventure	5	6-	6	1978	-	-	-	1
St. John's	26	26-	27	1999	3	-	1	2
Saint Louis	6	3-	6	1998	-	-	-	-
Samford	2	0-	1	1999	2	-	-	-
Seton Hall	7	12-	6	1994	-	-	1	1
South Carolina State	4	0-	3	1998	-	-	-	-
S.E. Missouri State	1	0-	0	——	-	-	-	-
Stanford	9	12-	7	1999	6	1	-	2
Syracuse	26	37-	26	1999	3	-	2	3
Temple	24	27-	23	1999	11	-	-	2
Tennessee	12	6-	12	1999	3	-	-	-
Texas	18	16-	20	1999	2	-	-	2
Tulsa	12	7-	11	1999	2	-	-	-
UCLA	36	79-	28	1999	12	11	1	15
UNLV	14	30-	12	1998	-	1	-	4
Utah	22	31-	24	1999	6	1	1	4
Utah State	13	5-	14	1998	-	-	-	-
Valparaiso	5	2-	4	1999	5	-	-	-
Winthrop	2	0-	1	1999	2	-	-	-
Wisconsin	6	5-	4	1999	2	1	-	1

UIL All-Tournament

2000 UIL State Boys Basketball All-Tournament Team

AUSTIN (AP) — The 2000 University Interscholastic League All-Tournament Team:

CLASS 5A

Daniel Ewing, 6-3, Jr., Guard, Sugar Land Willowridge
Ivan McFarlin, 6-9, Sr., Center, Sugar Land Willowridge
Justin Harbert, 6-1, Sr., Guard, San Antonio Taft
Nile Murry, 6-3, Jr., Guard, Klein Forest
Jason Klotz, 6-10, Sr., Center, Klein Forest

CLASS 4A

Ellis Kidd, Jr., 6-5, Sr., Guard, Dallas Madison
Robert Hart, 5-10, Sr., Guard, Dallas Madison
Dupree Jones, 5-11, Jr., Guard, Denton Ryan
Roy McKinney, 6-5, Sr., Forward, Denton Ryan
Micah Mack, 6-3, Sr., Guard, Denton Ryan

CLASS 3A

Don Hooks, 5-10, Sr., Guard, Waco LaVega
Wesley Pendley, 6-5, Sr., Center, Waco LaVega
Mario Kensey, 6-2, Sr., Guard, Waco LaVega
B.J. Banks, 6-2, Sr., Guard, Gainesville
Brian Williams, 6-6, Sr., Forward, Gainesville

CLASS 2A

Neil Graves, 6-0, Jr., Guard, Peaster
A.J. Hill, 6-3, Jr., Forward, Peaster
Josh Harney, 5-9, Sr., Guard, Peaster
Danny Russell, 6-2, Sr., Guard, Nacogdoches Central Heights
Vonchass Griggs, 6-1, Sr., Guard, Van Vleck
Tripp Spivey, 6-5, Sr., Forward, Van Vleck

CLASS A

Ramon Williams, 5-10, Sr., Guard, Brookeland
Carl Johnson, 6-1, Sr., Forward, Brookeland
Anthony Weeaks, 6-0, Sr., Guard, Moulton
Robert Tovar, 6-4, Sr., Center, Moulton
Jack Moore, 6-1, So., Center, Graford

Australian GP

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Results Sunday from the Australian Grand Prix, with starting position in parentheses, driver, home country, make of car and laps completed over the 3.295-mile Albert Park circuit:

1. (3) Michael Schumacher, Germany, Ferrari, 58.
2. (4) Rubens Barrichello, Brazil, Ferrari, 58.
3. (11) Ralf Schumacher, Germany, Williams, 58.
4. (8) Jacques Villeneuve, Canada, BAR Honda, 58.
5. (9) Giancarlo Fisichella, Italy, Benetton, 58.
6. (16) Ricardo Zonta, Brazil, BAR Honda, 58.
7. (14) Alexander Wurz, Austria, Benetton, 58.
8. (18) Marc Gene, Spain, Minardi, 57.
9. (15) Nick Heidfeld, Germany, Prost, 56.

Not Classified

10. (21) Jenson Button, Britain, Williams, 46.
11. (19) Pedro Diniz, Brazil, Sauber, 41.
12. (22) Gaston Mazzacane, Argentina, Minardi, 40.
13. (5) Heinz-Harald Frentzen, Germany, Jordan, 39.
14. (6) Jarno Trulli, Italy, Jordan, 35.
15. (17) Jean Alesi, France, Prost, 27.
16. (1) Mika Hakkinen, Finland, McLaren 18.
17. (13) Jos Verstappen, Netherlands, Arrows, 16.
18. (2) David Coulthard, Britain, McLaren, 11.
19. (12) Pedro De La Rosa, Spain, Arrows, 6.
20. (7) Eddie Irvine, Britain, Jaguar, 6.
21. (20) Johnny Herbert, Britain, Jaguar, 1.

Disqualified (10) Mika Salo, Finland, Sauber, 58.

Time of race: 1 hour, 34 minutes, 1.987 seconds.

Margin of victory: 11.4 seconds.

Winner's average speed: 196.254 kph (121.947 mph).

Driver Point Standings: Michael Schumacher, Ferrari, 10; Rubens Barrichello, Ferrari, 6; Ralf Schumacher, Williams, 4; Jacques Villeneuve, BAR, 3; Giancarlo Fisichella, Benetton, 2; Ricardo Zonta, BAR, 1.

Constructor Point Standings: Ferrari 16, Williams 4, BAR 3, Benetton 2, Sauber 1.

Templeton Tennis

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Results Sunday of the $350,000 Franklin Templeton Tennis Classic:

Singles Championship

Lleyton Hewitt (6), Australia, def. Tim Henman (5), Britain, 6-4, 7-6 (2).

Doubles Championship

Jared Palmer and Richey Reneberg, United States, def. Patrick Galbraith, United States, and David Macpherson, Australia, 6-3, 7-5.

NHL Results

NHL Standings
By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	39	22	8	5	91	213	166
Philadelphia	36	21	11	2	85	197	155
Pittsburgh	28	32	8	6	70	195	200
N.Y. Rangers	28	32	10	3	69	194	196
N.Y. Islanders	20	41	8	1	49	161	228

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	39	23	7	3	88	213	180
Ottawa	34	23	11	2	81	202	172
Montreal	30	32	7	3	70	164	162
Buffalo	28	32	10	2	68	174	179
Boston	21	31	17	5	64	175	204

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	36	22	11	1	84	185	163
Florida	36	28	5	5	82	204	174
Carolina	30	30	9	0	69	185	190
Tampa Bay	15	45	7	7	44	167	253
Atlanta	12	49	6	4	34	141	256

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	43	17	9	0	95	210	140
Detroit	41	20	8	1	91	229	176
Chicago	26	36	7	2	61	204	217
Nashville	24	39	6	6	60	175	204

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	33	27	10	1	77	198	177
Edmonton	25	29	15	8	73	190	183
Calgary	28	33	8	5	69	182	214
Vancouver	23	32	14	7	67	179	203

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	37	25	7	4	85	173	153
Phoenix	35	26	7	1	78	202	184
Los Angeles	33	27	8	3	77	214	196
San Jose	28	32	9	7	72	187	179
Anaheim	28	30	11	2	69	181	190

Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.

Sunday's Games

Carolina 5, Atlanta 1
Buffalo 4, N.Y. Islanders 2
Dallas 4, St. Louis 2
Nashville 4, Edmonton 3
Chicago 4, Tampa Bay 1
Colorado 3, Philadelphia 1

Monday's Games

Dallas at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Vancouver at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.
Calgary at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Tampa Bay at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Nashville at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Anaheim at Colorado, 7 p.m.

Stars 4, Blues 2

St. Louis	1	1	0	— 2
Dallas	1	2	1	— 4

First Period—1, Dallas, Langenbrunner 12 (Morrow, Modano), 10:37. 2, St. Louis, Eastwood 18 (Mayers, Hecht), 17:32.

Second Period—10, Dallas, Morrow 14 (Modano, Hull), 2:57. 4, Dallas, Gavey 7 (Thornton, Zubov), 6:46. 5, St. Louis, Richer 14 (pp) (Reasoner, Elletti), 15:29 (pp).

Third Period—6, Dallas, Muller 5 (Zubov), 18:24.

Shots on goal—St. Louis 13-4-4—21. Dallas 7-8-6—21. Power-play Opportunities—St. Louis 1 of 4; Dallas 0 of 4. Goalies—St. Louis, McLennan 8-4-1 (21 shots-17 saves). Dallas, Fernandez 9-7-2 (21-19). A—17,001 (17,001).

Predators 4, Oilers 3

Edmonton	0	2	1	— 3
Nashville	1	2	1	— 4

First Period—1, Nashville, Yachmenev 14 (Johnson, Fitzgerald), 18:57.

Second Period—2, Nashville, Ronning 22 (Kjellberg, Legwand), 1:16. 3, Mashville, Robitaille 11 (Mowers, Valicevic), 2:19. 4, Edmonton, Smyth 22 (Hamrlik), 6:11. 5, Edmonton, Marchant 16 (Smith, Grier), 9:47.

Third Period—6, Edmonton, Grier 9 (Marchant), 6:17. 7, Nashville, Skrastins 4 (Peltonen, Walker), 7:15.

Shots on goal—Edmonton 12-6-17—35. Nashville 9-14-12—35. Power-play Opportunities—Edmonton 0 of 5. Nashville 0 of 4. Goalies—Edmonton, Ranford 4-6-3 (35 shots-31 saves). Nashville, Dunham 16-21-5 (35-32). A—17,113 (17,113).

Sabres 4, Islanders 2

N.Y. Islanders	1	0	1	— 2
Buffalo	1	1	2	— 4

First Period—1, Buffalo, McKee 2 (Brown, Gilmour), 4:38. 2, New York, Nabokov 4 (Scatchard, Cairns), 11:49.

Second Period—3, Buffalo, Woolley 7 (Gratton), 18:20.

Third Period—4, Buffalo, Patrick 4 (Brown, Gilmour), 1:46. 5, New York, Connolly 11 (Rivers, Lapointe), 5:14. 6, Buffalo, Gratton 15, 19:44 (en).

Shots on goal—N.Y. Islanders 4-4-8—16. Buffalo 16-9-8—33. Power-play Opportunities—N.Y. Islanders 0 of 1; Buffalo 0 of 2. Goalies—N.Y. Islanders, Weekes 15-19-7 (32 shots-29 saves). Buffalo, Hasek 8-8-5 (16-14). A—18,690 (18,690).

Hurricanes 5, Thrashers 1

Atlanta	1	0	0	— 1
Carolina	1

Knicks claim some revenge over Spurs

Associated Press

■ NBA Roundup

NEW YORK — The memory of the San Antonio Spurs celebrating on the floor of Madison Square Garden remains a bitter one for the New York Knicks, who played Sunday like they still had a beef to settle with last year's NBA champions.

The Knicks defended their home court with championship-caliber zeal, shutting down Tim Duncan and playing one of their best all-around games of the season as they beat San Antonio 93-80 Sunday in the Spurs' first visit to New York since last June.

"Not that they did anything wrong celebrating on our court, because they earned it, but watching them celebrate was disheartening," said Latrell Sprewell, who led the Knicks with 24 points. "Our ultimate goal is to be doing what they were doing last year."

Patrick Ewing added 21 points and Allan Houston had 20 as the Knicks dominated throughout, maintaining a double-digit lead for most of the second half to end San Antonio's three-game winning streak and stay one game behind Miami in the Atlantic Division. Perhaps the biggest factor was the way the Knicks contained Duncan, the MVP of last year's finals when multiple injuries limited the number of defenders New York had available against him.

Coming at Duncan with double-teams every time he got the ball, the Knicks held him to 15 points on 7-for-19 shooting and never let him get into a groove. David Robinson led San Antonio with 22 points, although just 10 came after the first quarter.

"We would have been fired up anyway, but they won the title and they won it on our court," Chris Childs said. "I got sick to my stomach watching them celebrate on our court."

Larry Johnson added 13 points, Ewing had 15 rebounds and moved into 14th place on the NBA career scoring list, and Sprewell had eight rebounds and seven assists. The Knicks outrebounded their fourth straight opponent after being outrebounded in seven straight games.

"They did a better job of being aggressive for 48 minutes," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said.

Ewing passed Robert Parish (23,334 career points) for 14th place on his second basket of the game, a corner jumper over Robinson midway through the first quarter for an 18-12 lead.

Sprewell had 14 points in the first quarter, scoring almost at will against defenders Antonio Daniels and Jaren Jackson. But the Knicks went into a slump when Sprewell took a rest early in the second quarter, watching a 34-22 lead shrink to 42-41.

After Robinson picked up his third foul and Popovich got a technical for arguing, the Knicks closed the quarter with a 12-6 run — including a 3-pointer by Childs at the buzzer — for a 54-47 halftime lead.

Ewing took over in the third quarter, scoring 11 points as the Knicks steadily built their advantage. Ewing started a 7-0 run with a jumper and ended it with a pass to Houston for a jumper that made it 71-55.

San Antonio got its deficit down to nine early in the fourth quarter, but John Wallace spun in for a layup and Johnson hit a 3-pointer on the fast break to restore a 14-point lead. The Spurs pulled to 89-80 with 2:06 left, but Robinson missed a jumper in the lane and Johnson wrestled the rebound away from Duncan to end the threat.

"We paid attention to detail and didn't make the mental mistakes we normally make on both ends," Johnson said.

Heat 105, Pacers 96

INDIANAPOLIS — Alonzo Mourning scored 35 points as the Heat defeated Indiana, snapping the Pacers' franchise-record 25-game home winning streak.

It was Mourning's 76th consecutive game in double figures and the seventh time this season he had 30 or more points. Mourning had four blocks, raising his team record to 927.

Jamal Mashburn scored 21 for the Heat, who snapped a three-game road losing streak. Reggie Miller led Indiana with 26, and Jalen Rose had 21 in his first outing since missing two games with the stomach flu.

Celtics 97, 76ers 77

BOSTON — Antoine Walker scored 25 points and grabbed 13 rebounds despite playing on an sore foot that sidelined him early in the game as Boston defeated Philadelphia.

Paul Pierce added 29 points and Tony Battie 11 points and 11 rebounds for the Celtics, who equaled their season high with their fourth straight win.

Allen Iverson's 21 points led the 76ers, who dropped their second straight after winning four in a row. Eric Snow tied his season high with 18 points, and Matt Geiger had 13 rebounds.

Bucks 103, Cavaliers 72

MILWAUKEE — Tim Thomas scored 22 points, and Ray Allen and Sam Cassell each added 18 as Milwaukee held Cleveland to a nine-point second quarter.

In a matchup of slumping teams, the Bucks returned to the fluid passing and accurate shooting that were their trademarks before a 3-12 skid knocked them from fourth place to ninth in the Eastern Conference. The Bucks, who were blown out at home by New Jersey on Friday, won at the Bradley Center for just the third time in 12 games.

Trail Blazers 102, Wizards 86

WASHINGTON — Arvydas Sabonis had 15 points and 13 rebounds as Portland finished with a 12-4 record in Eastern Conference arenas.

Portland's balanced attack meant it was one team not affected by away games on consecutive nights: The Blazers were 6-1 on the second nights of back-to-backs on the road in the East.

Damon Stoudamire had 16 points and six assists for Portland. Mitch Richmond led Washington with 18 points.

Nets 129, Magic 91

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Johnny Newman came off the bench to score a season-high 26 points as New Jersey won its third straight and moved within three games of Orlando and the Milwaukee Bucks for the final playoff spot in the East.

New Jersey, winner of nine of its last 12 at home, never let Orlando get within 10 points in the second half. Darrell Armstrong led the Magic with 15 points.

Raptors 99, SuperSonics 97

SEATTLE — Vince Carter scored 13 of his game-high 34 points in the first quarter as Toronto raced to a 17-point lead and won in Seattle for the first time.

Tracy McGrady added 19 points and Doug Christie 13 as the Raptors got back on track after seeing their franchise-high seven-game winning streak snapped Friday at Sacramento. The Sonics got 28 points from second-year forward Rashard Lewis and 22 from Gary Payton.

Clippers 112, Warriors 103

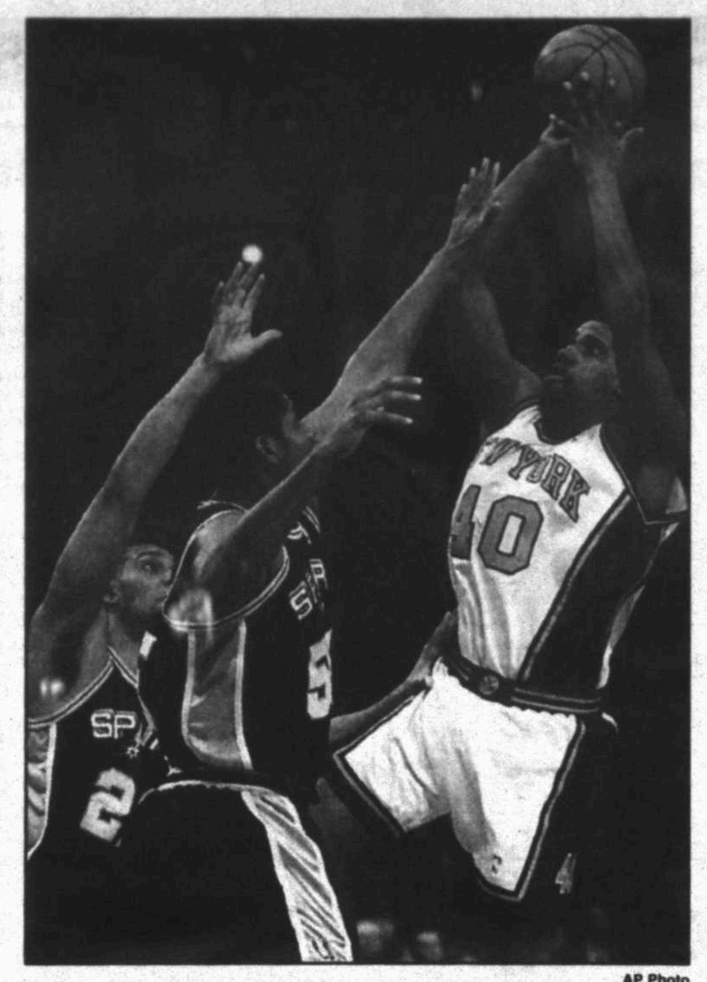
OAKLAND, Calif. — Lamar Odom scored 14 of his game-high 29 points during the fourth quarter as Los Angeles ended a 19-game road losing streak.

The Clippers, trailing after three quarters, broke an 83-83 tie by scoring seven straight points, capped by Odom's three-point play with 8:01 remaining, and never looked back. Neither team held a lead of more than four points in the game until that play.

Lakers 109, Kings 106

LOS ANGELES — Kobe Bryant had a career-high 40 points, plus 10 rebounds and eight assists, and Shaquille O'Neal added 39 points and 20 rebounds as the Lakers rallied for their 18th straight victory, equaling the third-longest run in league history.

The 1971-72 Lakers won an NBA-record 33 straight games a season after the Milwaukee Bucks won 20 in a row. Both teams went on to win championships.



AP Photo

New York Knicks forward Kurt Thomas puts up a shot over San Antonio Spurs Tim Duncan, left, and Samaki Walker in the first period at Madison Square Garden in New York Sunday.

Earnhardt nips Bobby Labonte by only 2 feet

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

HAMPTON, Ga. — Dale Earnhardt couldn't intimidate Bobby Labonte. But he did beat him — barely.

The seven-time Winston Cup champion, showing his re-emergence as a competitive force last year was no fluke, held off a determined effort by Labonte to win Sunday's Cracker Barrel 500 by 0.010 seconds — less than two feet.

Labonte, who had won four of the previous seven Winston Cup events at Atlanta Motor Speedway, trailed Earnhardt by about a car-length as the leaders began their final trip around the 1.54-mile oval at more than 184 mph. Practically feeling Labonte breathing on the back of his neck, the masterful Earnhardt using every bit of the racetrack, somehow kept his black No. 3 Chevrolet just ahead of Labonte's green No. 18 Pontiac to the finish.

"That was good racing," said the grinning 48-year-old, almost breathless as he climbed from his car. "That was fun."

Labonte, who leads the season standings after the first four races, was visibly disappointed after a strong showing.

Asked if he knew right away who won the close finish, the younger brother of two-time series champion Terry Labonte, shrugged and said, "I couldn't tell. I haven't seen a replay and I don't care to. I just came up a little short.

"I was flat out as hard as I could go just to keep up with him. That last eight laps were just flat out, no holding back."

Although it was the 1-2 finishers that hugged and congratulated each other in victory circle, neither Earnhardt nor Labonte would likely have been celebrating if Mike Skinner's engine hadn't blown just 20 laps from the end of the 325-lap race. Skinner, Earnhardt's Richard Childress Racing team, had led 191 laps up to that point and appeared strong enough to hold off the other two leaders as he went for his first career victory in his 114th start.

"It just went pow," Skinner said. "There was no warning whatsoever. I ran the car just as hard as it would go all day and you were fixing to see about an 85-foot wide Chevy in those last 20 laps.

"It's a shame. I don't know what I've done, but I'm sorry."

Through the first three races of the season, NASCAR's top division had been criticized for what some media and fans said was boring and uneven racing, with Fords and Pontiacs supposedly holding an aerodynamic advantage over the new Monte Carlos. A rule change earlier this week, allowing the Chevy teams to move their front air dams up to 2 inches in front of the bumper, appeared to do the trick Sunday, with 30 lead changes among 17 drivers and lots of action producing 10 caution flags.

Mark Martin's Ford wound up third, followed by the Monte Carlos of Steve Park — driving a car owned by Earnhardt — and Joe Nemechek, the Ford of Chad Little and the Chevy of Todd Bodine, the last driver on the lead lap.

"That was a boring race, wasn't it?" Earnhardt joked. "We showed this week in all three makes being competitive and running well. It was pretty competitive, I thought."

But the Ford camp was not as impressed.

"Those 2 inches have taken the Ford right out of it," said Ernie Elliott, who builds engines for his brother, Bill Elliott, and rookie Stacy Compton.

Jimmy Spencer, whose Ford finished 17th said, "The Chevrolets got what they wanted and they're the best car right now by a lot, by a real lot."

The victory was the 75th of Earnhardt's career and his ninth — extending his own record — at the Atlanta track. But it was his first here since March 1996, 19 months before the track was reconfigured.

He averaged 131.759 in the race slowed by 62 laps of caution, earning $123,100 from the total purse of $2.25 million.

Among the other drivers who ran into problems on Sunday was pole-winner Dale Jarrett, the defending series champion, who fell far off the pace after colliding with another car on pit road during his first pit stop and then went out of the race on lap 260 with a blown engine. The 36th-place finish ended a string of 36 consecutive races in which Jarrett was running at the finish.

Rookie Dale Earnhardt Jr., who started a career-best second, led laps 16-23 before breaking a brake line and banging the turn two wall on lap 29. It took 15 laps to get him back onto the track and the 25-year-old finished 29th.

Jeff Burton, who won the race a week earlier in Las Vegas, worked his way from 29th at the start to the lead and was out front on lap 69 when a cut tire sent him skidding backward into the turn three wall. Burton climbed from his car and banged his right fist onto the top of the Taurus in frustration. He finished last in the 43-car field.

Schumacher wins Australian GP

By John Pye
Associated Press Writer

MELBOURNE, Australia — Michael Schumacher's only regret was that he didn't have more time to show off his potent Ferrari in the season-opening Australian Grand Prix.

So he'll have to be content with winning the first round of the Ferrari-McLaren competition, expected to again be the story line this year on the Formula One circuit.

"I wanted the race to go to the end just to prove how good we are," Schumacher said Sunday. "I think this is a faster car than ever and it's reliable. I'm really delighted to drive this car."

If only the McLarens of two-time and defending series champion Mika Hakkinen and David Coulthard had been around long enough to make a race of it. They had the front row for the second straight year, but fell out early.

Schumacher, a two-time series champion, went to the front when Hakkinen, who had led by 2.6 seconds, left on the 18th of 58 laps with smoke billowing from the rear of his car.

"I was very happy with the car until I was forced to retire," said Hakkinen, who managed only six laps in practice Saturday because of a mechanical problem.

Stars, Modano keep rolling against Blues

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — With less than a month left, the Dallas Stars may finally be ready to defend their Stanley Cup.

Mike Modano extended his scoring streak to nine games with two assists Sunday as the Stars won 4-2 over St. Louis, beating the NHL's winningest team just two days after losing to the one of the worst, the New York Islanders.

"It was an ugly game the other night. We tend to sink into the game of our opponent," Modano said. "St. Louis is the best team in the league, so your level of play rises when you play a team of that caliber."

Modano's assists came on Dallas' first two goals, including Brenden Morrow's score just three minutes into the second period that broke a 1-1 tie and put the Stars ahead to stay. Modano has 16 goals and 19 assists the last 23 games.

Goalie Manny Fernandez, starting his third game for the Stars since Ed Belfour's arrest last week, held on after that. In the previous two games, Fernandez let leads slip away, including a 4-3 overtime loss Friday night to the New York Islanders.

"There was a little concern for the last few games," Fernandez said. "I was a little nervous, but I gave it all I had today."

Belfour is expected to rejoin the team Tuesday at New Jersey. NHL officials evaluated Belfour in accordance with the league's substance abuse policy after he was arrested last Wednesday for aggravated assault on a hotel security guard and resisting arrest.

Stars coach Ken Hitchcock's 200th victory came in his 358th game, making him the fifth-fastest to reach the milestone. All of the wins have been the last four years in Dallas, the latest being the only one during a four-game homestand.

St. Louis, which has a league-best 43 victories, had its 11-game road unbeaten streak snapped. The Blues had won a NHL record 10 straight road games before a 1-1 tie on March 4 at Florida.

"It was a great streak, but it couldn't go on forever," Blues coach Joel Quenneville said. "It's tough because we were playing back-to-back. We played hard, they got some breaks on their goals, on some deflections and some bounces. I don't really think we gave up a whole lot."

St. Louis was also playing without Chris Pronger, one of the league's top defensemen. He was scratched from the lineup because of back spasms.

The Blues were almost able to tie the game, with less than five minutes left, after a mistake by Fernandez. He went behind the net to retrieve a loose puck, but Blues defender Todd Reirden pushed it back toward the goal and off Modano's stick before Fernandez sprawled out for the save.

Kirk Muller iced the game when he scored with just 1:36 left.

St. Louis went on the attack early against Fernandez, with five shots in the first four minutes. The Blues took 13 first-period shots, the only one to get through was Mike Eastwood's at 17:32 that tied it 1-1.

Both teams finished with 21 shots, even though Dallas had just seven in the first period. Dallas scored first at 10:37 when Jamie Langenbrunner knocked in a puck, deflected by Modano, after Morrow's slap shot from beyond the left circle.

Belfour expected back Tuesday

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — Dallas goalie Ed Belfour is expected to rejoin the Stars on Tuesday, having been cleared by NHL officials who oversee the league's substance abuse policy.

Stars general manager Bob Gainey said Belfour will begin workouts with the team on Tuesday, but his next start will be determined by coach Ken Hitchcock.

"He'll be able to rejoin the team on Tuesday in New Jersey and be able to pick up and go into his normal training and work," Gainey said Sunday. "As soon as he's up to speed and feeling comfortable, I'm sure Ken will put him back in goal."

Belfour hasn't played since he was arrested last Wednesday for aggravated assault on a hotel security guard and resisting arrest. He spent six hours in police custody and has not been with the team since, though he was never suspended by the NHL or the Stars.

The Stars have played three games with Manny Fernandez in goal, winning their first in that span Sunday when Fernandez had 19 saves in a 4-2 victory over St. Louis, the NHL's winningest team.

Fernandez likely will be in goal again Monday night when the Stars open a three-game road trip at the New York Rangers. Belfour will be eligible to return to the ice for Wednesday night's game against the Devils.

"It's going to mean a lot for our confidence," Fernandez said. "We want him back as soon as possible. He'll be real pumped to come back. He'll be ready."

Known as "Eddie the Eagle," Belfour has averaged 2.08 goals-against in 53 games this season. He was one of the heroes for last season's Stanley Cup champions.

After his arrest, Belfour met for two days with an independent team of mental health and substance abuse counselors provided by the league and the NHL Players' Association. Gainey said confidentiality rules prevented him from commenting about the report issued by that group.

Belfour wasn't at Reunion Arena on Sunday.

"We'll try to handle it in the way that's smoothest for the player and the team to reunite," Gainey said. "To have him pick up the thread of an MVP season is important for us and for Eddie."





Arkansas salvages season by upsetting Auburn in SEC final

By Paul Newberry
AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA — Arkansas didn't want to remembered for a mediocre regular season. Not to worry.

Playing their fourth game in four days, the Razorbacks earned an improbable trip to the NCAA tournament by beating Auburn 75-67 Sunday, winning the Southeastern Conference tournament and the league's automatic bid. Brandon Dean scored 22 points and Arkansas closed the game with a 14-5 spurt, making the Tigers seem to be the tired team when it should have been the other way around.

"We didn't want to go down as one of the worst teams to come through Arkansas," said Dean, referring to a 15-14 record in the regular season. "We wanted to do something special."

This was special. Only one team, Auburn in 1985, had managed to win the SEC tournament with four wins in four days. Six other teams won their first three games but wilted in the finals.

Arkansas (19-14), knowing a loss would mean a trip to the NIT, seemed to conserve its energy in the first half against the Tigers; who led 32-27 at halftime. But the Razorbacks turned up the heat in the second half, turning the game into "20 minutes of hell" for Auburn.

"A couple of players had tired legs, including myself," said freshman Joe Johnson, who put the Razorbacks ahead to stay on a basket with 3:53 remaining. "But that's part of the game. You have to suck it up and go for it."

Arkansas became only the sixth NCAA team to win four tournament games in four days — and the second of the weekend. Saint Louis won the Conference USA title Saturday by completing a similar sweep.

Auburn (23-9) proved it could win without star Chris Porter. After the senior forward lost his final appeal to the NCAA for taking $2,500 from an agent's middleman, the Tigers upset No. 11 Florida in the quarterfinals and knocked off South Carolina in the semis.

"Confidence is the main thing," Auburn coach Cliff Ellis said. "Our team knew that we needed to change our chemistry coming into this tournament. I was proud of our team every time we played. This weekend was a great experience."

After the payment to Porter was discovered, Auburn lost three straight regular-season games and entered the tournament with a four-game losing streak overall. While assured of an NCAA bid all along, the Tigers undoubtedly helped their seeding with the performance in Atlanta.

Arkansas, with a lineup featuring three freshmen and a sophomore, upset No. 16 Kentucky in the quarterfinals, eliminating the team that had won the tournament seven of the last eight years. In the semifinals, the Razorbacks defeated No. 10 LSU, another of the four teams that shared the regular-season title.

"I don't think I've ever been as happy on the inside for a group of guys who are so young and have been through the trials and talk these guys have," said coach Nolan Richardson, whose school won its first SEC tournament since joining the league in 1991-92. "They put it all behind them."

The teams went back and forth in the second half, with three ties and nine lead changes before Arkansas went ahead for good, 63-62, when Johnson banked in a shot in the lane.

Dean, a 6-foot-1 sophomore, was named the tournament's MVP after going 9-of-13 from the field in the title game, including two of 3-pointers.

Cyclones lead half of Big 12 teams to NCAA Tournament

By Craig Horst
AP Sports Writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Iowa State, working on the biggest turnaround in school history, was made a second seed in the NCAA Tournament Sunday to lead six Big 12 teams into the tournament.

The seventh-ranked Cyclones, who added the Big 12 Tournament championship Sunday to their regular season title by beating Oklahoma, were the No. 2 seed in the Midwest Regional and will start play Thursday in Minneapolis against Central Connecticut State.

"I knew we were not going to get the number one seed," Cyclones coach Larry Eustachy said. "I think the number two seed caps off an unbelievable season."

The Big 12 had two No. 3 seeds — Oklahoma and Oklahoma State. Texas, beaten by the Sooners in the Big 12 semifinals Saturday, was a fifth seed. Kansas got an eighth seed and Missouri was a ninth seed.

On Thursday, Texas plays Indiana State and Oklahoma plays Winthrop — which dealt Missouri it's most surprising loss of the season — in the first-round of the West Regional. On Friday, Oklahoma State opens against Hofstra and Kansas plays DePaul in the East Regional while Missouri plays North Carolina in the South Regional.

Iowa State (29-4) has won 14 games more than it did last year in just Eustachy's second year.

"All the hard work and all of the things we have done are paying off," said forward Stevie Johnson.

Central Connecticut (25-5) won the Northeast Conference and was in the tournament for the first time since joining Division I in 1986. The Blue Devils finished 4-22 just two years ago.

Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said his team deserved its third seed.

"They earned it," Sampson said of the No. 15 Sooners. "When you earn something, you're not surprised by it."

In Winthrop, Oklahoma gets the Big South champion. Winthrop, led by Greg Lewis' 15.6 points a game and 6.6 rebounds a game, is making its second NCAA appearance after losing its first game last year.

"When you get to the tournament, you know you are playing a good team," Sampson said. "You're playing a great team, number one, and you are playing a conference champion. When you are your conference champion, you're a worthy opponent."

Oklahoma State gets a Hofstra team that finished the season by winning nine out of its last 10 games and taking the America East title. Hofstra, 0-2 after two appearances in the tournament, is led by Craig Claxton, who averages 22.9 points a game.

Texas could meet a Fresno State team that is making its first NCAA appearance since 1984. Fresno State, which got an at-large bid out of the Western Athletic Conference, is 1-3 in past NCAA appearances.

Kansas coach Roy Williams was upset about the Jayhawks position in the tournament.

"I'll admit I was surprised we were an eighth seed," Williams said. "They say they want you to play a difficult schedule. What they don't say is they want you to win."

Williams noted that seven of Kansas' nine losses were to teams seeded higher than than the Jayhawks.

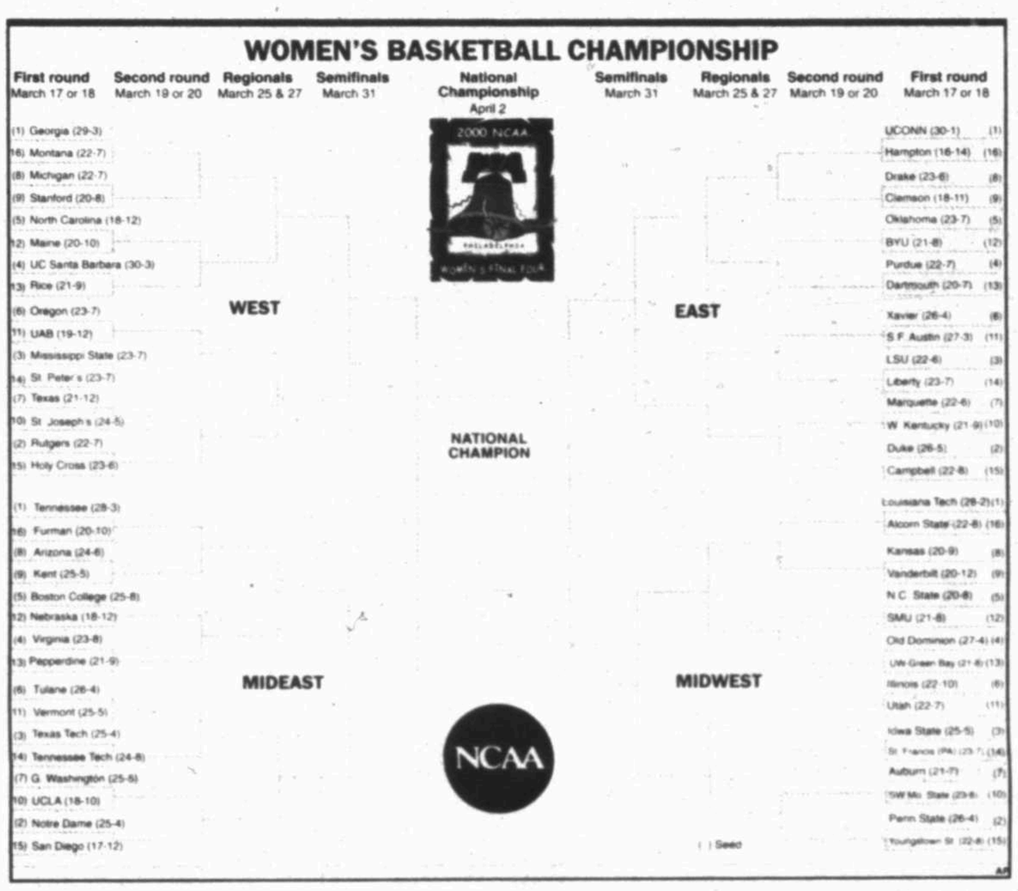
"Losing to Michigan State, Ohio State and Iowa State did not help us," Williams said.

Kansas is 5-0 alltime against DePaul, including a 74-66 win in Lawrence in December 1998.

Missouri probably came the closest to not making the field, but coach Quin Snyder said it was a deserved reward for the hard work of himself and his players in his first year since taking over for Norm Stewart.

"Rationally we should be in," Snyder said. "Everyone we lost to this year is in the tournament.

"When they announced we were in, our guys were so excited. They deserve it, frankly, they flat out deserve it."



UConn, Lady Vols headline as top seeds in women's tourney

By Chuck Schoffner
AP Sports Writer

Connecticut and Tennessee, the two glamour teams in women's basketball, were seeded No. 1 in the NCAA tournament Sunday and placed on opposite sides of the bracket, creating the possibility of a showdown in the national championship game.

The other No. 1 seeds went to Georgia and Louisiana Tech, both of whom have been high in the rankings all season and reached the Final Four last year. The tournament begins with first-round games at campus sites Friday and Saturday.

Connecticut, which has been ranked No. 1 all season, tops the bracket in the East Regional. The Huskies steam into the tournament with a star-laden lineup and a 30-1 record after winning the Big East regular-season and tournament championships.

It's the sixth time in the last seven years the Huskies have earned a No. 1 seed. But they have reached the Final Four only twice when seeded No. 1 — in 1995 and 1996. UConn was the national champion in 1995.

Second-ranked Tennessee (28-3), the Southeastern Conference tournament champion, is the top-seeded team in the Mideast Regional. The Lady Vols and Connecticut have played twice this season before national television audiences, each winning on the other's court.

Louisiana Tech (28-2) is seeded No. 1 in the Midwest. Although the Lady Techsters beat Tennessee and have not lost since a 90-63 setback to Connecticut on Jan. 2, there had been questions over whether the Lady Techsters' soft Sun Belt Conference schedule would hurt them in the seeding.

Bernadette McGlade, who chairs the selection committee, said Tech met the criteria for being seeded No. 1

"La Tech really had such a great, outstanding year," McGlade said. "They've been in the top four in the country most of the year, they statistically have held up their numbers. They won their regular-season conference championship as well as their tournament, and the teams that were vying for No. 1 had a slight distance.

"It's just one or two things that could make the difference in the No. 1 seeds. The committee unanimously felt last night that they were the fourth No. 1 seed."

Georgia coach Andy Landers had complained earlier about being sent to the West Regional so often, but that's where the Lady Bulldogs (29-3) ended up.

McGlade said that after Tennessee and Connecticut were placed in their regionals, the Midwest and West remained. Because Louisiana Tech was in the West Regional last year, the committee put the Lady Techsters in the Midwest this time, leaving the West for Georgia.

At the Final Four in Philadelphia, it will be the East against the Midwest and Mideast against the West in the national semifinals.

Penn State (26-4) had appeared to be headed for a No. 1 seed after sweeping through the Big Ten season with only one loss. But the Lady Lions lost to defending national champion Purdue in the finals of the Big Ten tournament and became the No. 2 seed in the Midwest.

The other No. 2s are Duke in the East, Notre Dame in the Mideast and Rutgers in the West. That gave the Big East three of the top eight seeds — Connecticut, Notre Dame and Rutgers.

After 17 years, Lamar 'earns' first round date against Duke

BEAUMONT (AP) — Lamar basketball fans are celebrating their team's capture of an NCAA tournament bid for the first time in 17 years.

And they continued celebrating Sunday, even after learning Lamar will face top-seeded Duke in the first round of the East Regional.

More than 100 fans at a Beaumont steakhouse cheered "L-U! L-U!" after seeing on the nationally televised selection program that Lamar will play Duke Friday in Winston-Salem, N.C.

The 15-15 Cardinals secured an automatic invitation Saturday by defeating Northwestern State 62-55, winning the Southland Conference tournament title in Shreveport, La. They haven't appeared in the tournament since 1983.

The Blue Devils (27-4), meanwhile, have been national champions twice, in 1991 and 1992.

"We were going to be a 16th seed and we were going to be in a very tough situation," first-year head coach Mike Deane said.

"The thing that concerns you is that they are so close to home, that they are the most formidable offensive team in the country, they are the deepest team, they are the most athletic team and they certainly are the best team in the country right now."

Point guard Malcolm McCreight said handling the pressure will be his main strategy.

"Duke likes to get up in you. They have great athletes, from the first five to the last five," said McCreight, a senior, "I just hope I can get some help back there in the backcourt as far as handling the ball."

On Saturday night, red-and-white clad fans welcomed their team home Saturday night with a rally in the Montagne Center. Harold LaFosse Sr., another avid Lamar hoops fan, told the Beaumont Enterprise it was important to greet the team when it returned with the Southland title.

"We have a good coach and a good bunch of kids," LaFosse said.

Players danced in triumph during the celebration, and Deane performed a few moves of his own while holding the championship trophy above his head. Lamar athletic director Dean Billick said he knew the Cardinals could return to the big tournament, but he didn't know it could happen in Deane's first season.

"This affects us all the way around," Billick said. "From recruiting to season ticket sales, this win automatically makes us a better program. This is why we play a Division I schedule. This kind of situation impacts us in huge ways."

TOURNEY: NCAAs begin Thursday

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of the Mountain West Conference. "The issue we had was, how different?"

However, Arizona was seeded No. 1 even though star Loren Woods might not play in the tournament because of a bad back. Thompson said there was a difference.

"We saw Arizona play Stanford without Loren Woods and beat them," he said. "There was a test there."

Tulsa and Iowa State, both 29-4, have the most victories of those in the field, while Lamar (15-15) and Jackson State (17-15) have the most losses.

The other games in Winston-Salem will be No. 4 Illinois against No. 13 Pennsylvania; No. 5 Florida against No. 12 Butler; and No. 8 Kansas against No. 9 DePaul.

The rest of the schedule in Buffalo will be: No. 3 Oklahoma State-No. 14 Hofstra; No. 6 Indiana-No. 11 Pepperdine; and No. 7 Oregon-No. 10 Seton Hall.

In addition to Stanford-South Carolina State, the rest of the games in Birmingham will be: No. 4 Tennessee-No. 13 Louisiana-Lafayette; No. 5 and defending champion Connecticut-No. 12 Utah State; and No. 8 North Carolina-No. 9 Missouri.

The other South bracket will be in Nashville, Tenn., where Cincinnati plays No. 15 North Carolina-Wilmington; No. 3 Ohio State faces No. 14 Appalachian State; No. 6 Miami goes against No. 11 Arkansas; and No. 7 Tulsa plays No. 10 UNLV.

In Salt Lake City, No. 4 LSU plays No. 13 Southeast Missouri State; No. 5 Texas faces No. 12 Indiana State; and No. 8 Wisconsin goes against No. 9 Fresno State.

The other West bracket, in Tucson, Ariz., features St. John's against No. 15 Northern Arizona; No. 3 Oklahoma-No. 14 Winthrop; No. 6 Purdue-No. 11 Dayton; and No. 7 Louisville-No. 10 Gonzaga.

In addition to the Michigan State-Valparaiso game in Cleveland, No. 4 Syracuse faces No. 13 Samford; No. 5 Kentucky goes against No. 12 St. Bonaventure; and No. 8 Utah plays No. 9 Saint Louis.

Iowa State plays No. 15 Central Connecticut State in Minneapolis; No. 3 Maryland faces No. 14 Iona; No. 6 UCLA goes against No. 11 Ball State; and No. 7 Auburn plays No. 10 Creighton.

UT: Texas men are seeded 5th

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about it."

A victory Thursday would pit the Longhorns against the winner of the first-round game between No. 4 Louisiana State and No. 13 Southeast Missouri State. Two wins could put them in a possible rematch of their Dec. 4 home loss to top-seeded Arizona.

STATE: SMU, Rice and S.F. Austin claim berths

(From 1C)

"We're a much better team and I've felt all along we were good enough to get in," she said. "The experience we had this weekend was a real confidence builder. We learned how to fight. I think basically we just flamed out with four games."

Also receiving a bid in the West Region was No. 13 Rice (21-9), who won their berth against SMU during the Western Athletic Conference championship. The Owls' first NCAA matchup will be Saturday against No. 4 UC-Santa Barbara (30-3), which will host the game.

The Mustangs (21-8) received a No. 12 seed in the Midwest Region. They face No. 5 North Carolina State (20-8) Saturday in Norfolk, Va.

In the East Regional, Stephen F. Austin (27-3) plays Xavier (26-4) in the first round Friday in Baton Rouge, La. The Ladyjacks defeated Northwestern State 79-68 Saturday to win the Southland Conference tournament title and their 12th straight NCAA tournament invitation.

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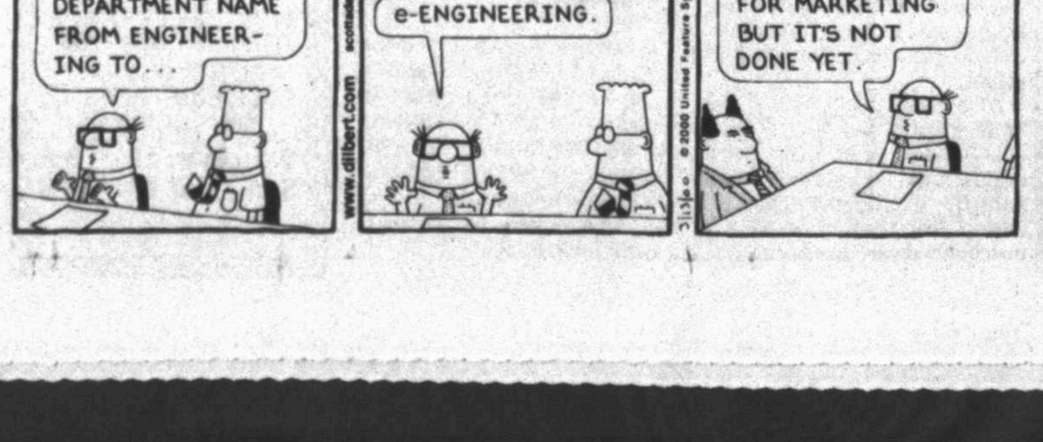
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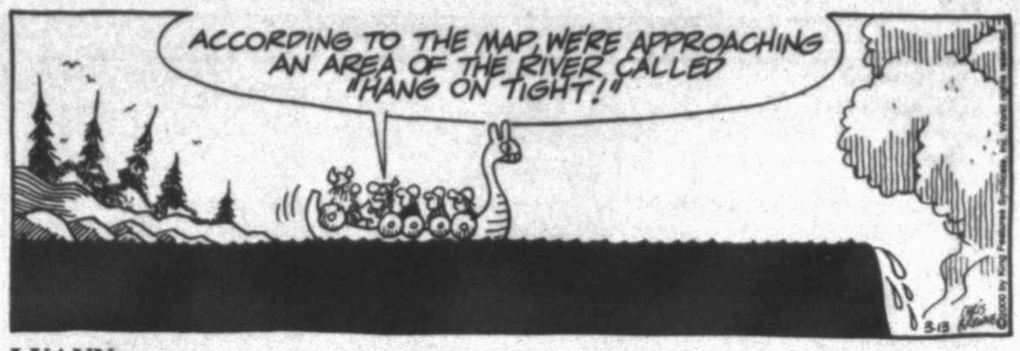
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, March 13, 2000:
You're a gifted communicator this year; others respond to your words and charm. Charisma draws much of what you want and feeds into your well-being. You could find yourself unusually happy and creative this year. Enjoy this upbeat cycle. If you are single, romance blows into your life, not once but several times, unless you decide the first one is it. Do not settle. Know what you want. If attached, your relationship takes a romantic turn, and you feel much more in touch with each other. Share feelings; plan good times together. Plan that special trip as a couple. CANCER triggers your imagination.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Build better relationships by getting to the bottom of issues within you. Your reactions could be more extreme than usual. You might be somewhat fragile. Remain in touch with what you want. You have what it takes to come to a money agreement. Tonight: Put your feet up.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Discussions reveal another point of view. Make calls and do research. Your empathy and understanding go a long way. Others respond to you with enthusiasm and vigor. Stay focused, and you'll get the results you want. Tonight: Where the gang is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Your instincts help you earn money, choose wise investments and make important professional decisions. Relieve tension by taking an overview. Make it a point to not rely solely on information given. Do your own research as well. Tonight: Shop.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Meetings and dealings with others occupy a lot of your time. Your vision of what is possible helps you stay focused. Caring goes out to a loved one at a distance. Seriously consider a trip; you might gain much more from it than you imagine. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★ Quickly get to the bottom of a problem. A discussion with a trusted friend or loved one is key to this process. A partner has two attributes that prove to be helpful — caring and perspective. Work could be demanding. Others expect a lot from you! Tonight: Chill out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Reach out for others. Take an opportunity to touch base with friends and those who are important to you professionally. You could be a social director while your interpersonal skills are so strong! Use them to your advantage right now. Start planning your summer vacation. Tonight: Where the gang is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Work demands your total attention. You are able to approach situations in a positive manner. Others respond to your efforts. Listen to a coworker, who has valuable feedback. Work as a team with partners. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Check out information. Office whisperings enhance your creativity. Others go out of their way to make another happy (including you). Be receptive to new ways of thinking. Sign up for a seminar or be willing to try something totally different. Tonight: Fulfill a request.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You get a lot done very easily. Listen to a partner or associate. What he shares is important. Together, you formulate an excellent way of approaching a problem. Trust your instincts. Follow through on what you know to be right. Tonight: Work as a team.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Others are happy to go along with your ideas. Your communication shines, and you are particularly effective with your audience. Listen to feedback, especially from a child. A loved one contributes to the moment and the day's events. Tonight: So what if it is Monday?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Get into work and start clearing away as much as possible. Your ability to read between the lines helps you with a family member. Express gentleness, not sassiness or whim. A money-making idea proves to be just that. Tonight: Off to the gym.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Keep your ear to the ground, especially when a loved one speaks. A child has a lot to share, and you could be very pleased by how he receives your inquiries as well. Seize the moment. Work with creativity. Others prove to be highly responsive. Tonight: Just ask!

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BORN TODAY
Musician Adam Clayton (1960), actress Glenne Headly (1957), actress Deborah Raffin (1953)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ A 3 ♡ K Q J 10 5 ◇ 8 ♣ A K 10 9 4
The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1◇	Pass	1♡	Pass
1♠	Pass	?	

What do you bid now?

A — You were correct to respond with a simple one heart on your powerful two-suiter, so the logical action now is to show your second suit by jumping to three clubs. If a jump in the fourth suit is not natural in your methods, it is almost impossible to describe this holding.

Q 2 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ J 10 9 5 4 2 ♡ A Q J 7 6 ◇ A ♣ 6
Partner opens the bidding with one club. What do you respond?

A — Always respond in your longer suit, regardless of the quality of the two suits, then introduce your second suit at whatever level the auction demands. Start by responding one spade.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ Q J 10 6 ♡ A Q J 5 3 ◇ 6 ♣ A K 5
The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	2◇	Pass
?			

What do you bid now?

A — Despite the possibility of a misfit, you have 17 high-card points and have to do something to display this power. The way to proceed is with a reverse bid of two spades.

Q 4 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ K Q 10 3 ♡ K 8 7 ◇ A Q 10 ♣ K Q 6
Partner opens the bidding with one club. What do you respond?

A — Your hand is too strong for a jump to three no-trump, which shows a maximum of 18 points. Since you do not know where you want to play the hand, all you can do for the moment is respond one spade to see how partner reacts.

Q 5 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ K ♡ Void ◇ K 9 8 6 5 4 2 ♣ 10 6 5 4 3
Partner opens the bidding with one spade. What do you respond?

A — What a horrible holding! With two kings, one in partner's suit, you have to act, but you do not have the values for a two-over-one response. All you can do is respond one no-trump and hope you can bail out at three diamonds unless partner happens to rebid two of a minor.

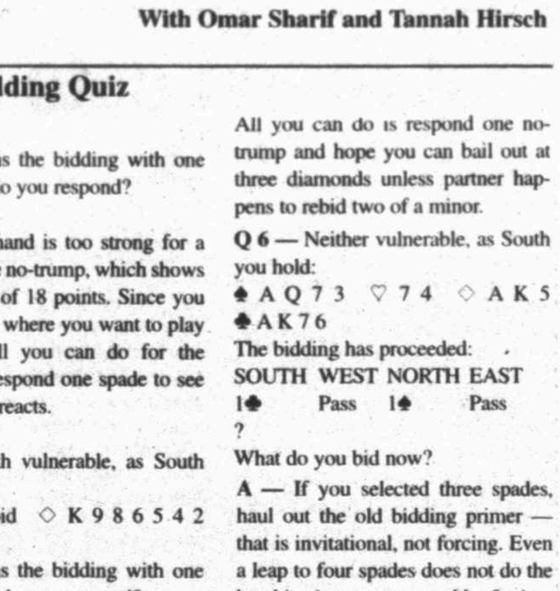
Q 6 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ A Q 7 3 ♡ 7 4 ◇ A K 5 ♣ A K 7 6
The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
?			

What do you bid now?

A — If you selected three spades, haul out the old bidding primer — that is invitational, not forcing. Even a leap to four spades does not do the hand justice — your wealth of prime cards make them worth more like 23 points than 20. Introduce diamonds at whatever level is forcing in your methods, then jump support spades later.

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TV TONIGHT

MONDAY EVENING — March 13, 2000

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Broadcast	O	C	B	6PM	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	2	News 357	Wheel of Fortune 329	Satan's School for Girls (Shannen Doherty, Kate Jackson) 47936				Once and Again: Strangers and Brothers 7226		News 3487416	Nightline (10:35)	Politically Incorrect	Maury (11:35) 4287868
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Home Improvement	Judge Judy 30058	That '70s Show 28936	Malcolm in the Middle	Ally McBeal: Angels and Blimps 39416		Mad About You 18481	The Nanny 43752	Jerry Springer 58139		NewsRadio 20226	Unhappily Ever After
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 6394	Entertainment Tonight	The King of Queens	Grapevine: David 9058	Everybody/Raymond	Becker 5400 (TVPG-L)	Family Law: Damages 39868 (TV14)		News 2635145	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35) 1479023		Late With Craig Kilborn
(9) KWES	9	9		News 2892	Seinfeld 7232 (TVPG)	Freaks and Geeks: The Garage Door 77042 (TVPG)		Twenty One 59690 (TVG)		Third Watch: Impulse 73226 (TV14)		News 4233961	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:35) 7222597		Late Night With Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	News 62706	John Hagee Today	The Light of the Southwest 13690				Richard Roberts 20752		News 94936	Joyce Meyer 15464	Duane Sheriff Ministries	Rebecca Baker 81503
(13) KOCV	36	13		The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 526597		Antiques Roadshow: Cincinnati 808058		Project Censored: Is the Press Really Free? 817706		Behind Lab Doors 724042		Telecourse 750333			
(8) CNBC		8	27	Business Center (5:30)	Upfront Tonight	Hardball With Chris Matthews 4050077		Rivers Live 4963597		The News With Brian Williams 4049961		Hardball With Chris Matthews 4059348		Rivers Live 5886400	
(10) WGN		10		Full House 983226	Full House 283526	Prefontaine (PG-13, '97) ** (Jared Leto, R. Lee Ermey) 498348				News 411684		MacGyver: Collision Course 414771 (TVPG)		In the Heat of the Night 487232 (TVPG-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Detroit Pistons 127077					Inside the NBA 885232	Back to the Future (PG, '85) *** (Michael J. Fox, Christopher Lloyd) 76213469			
(14) FAM		14		Who's Boss?	Who's Boss?	Solomon's Choice ('82) ** (Joanna Kerns) 148868				Famous Families: Nelsons		The 700 Club 986955		Who's Boss?	Partridge
(20) DISC		20	26	Venomous Snakes 242503		Carriers 444874 (TVG)		Sci-Trek 357394 (TVG)		On Mars 440058 (TVG)		Carriers 443145 (TVG)		Sci-Trek 953752 (TVG)	
(21) AMC		21	26	The Flim-Flam Man (5:05)		Fashion	Ocean's Eleven ('60) ** (Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin) 9684110					Blue Hawaii (9:45) (PG, '61) ** 76153955			Fashion
(22) TNN		22	31	Matt Houston 312329		Dallas: The Early Years ('86) *** (David Grant, Dale Midkiff) 813023						Matt Houston 706139		Bill Dance	In-Fisherman
(23) TNT		23	35	ER 232139 (TV14-D)		WCW Monday Nitro Live! 858706 (TV14-DLS)				American Ninja 4: The Annihilation (R, '91) * 702313				WCW Monday Nitro Live!	
(24) BRAV		24		Moonlighting 958145		Agnes of God (PG-13, '85) *** (Jane Fonda) 398394				The Ringling Brothers		Agnes of God (PG-13, '85) *** (Jane Fonda) 788868			
(26) BET		26	33	Hits From the Street		Sparks	Amen	Comicview 665446		Live From L.A. 137690		Tonight With Tavis Smiley		Midnight Love 934110	
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(28) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today 879972		Larry King Live 991752		CNN NewsStand 479936		Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 597110	
(29) ESPN		29	30	Preview	NHL Hockey: Dallas Stars at New York Rangers 991874						Baseball	SportsCenter 805961		Baseball	March
(39) USA		30	38	JAG: Webb of Lies 888329 (TVPG)		Walker, Texas Ranger: Days Past 900400 (TV14-V)		WWF RAW 774508 (TV14-DLV)		WWF War Zone 8770077 (TV14-DLV)		Farmclub.com (10:05) 9209313		Silk Stalkings (11:05) 6881446 (TV14-S)	
(31) FX		31		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	NYPD Blue 4105139		The X-Files 4287787		Married ...	Married ...	The X Show 4197110		The X-Files 6900787	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order: Performance 164771 (TVPG)		Biography 366042 (TVG)		Investigative Reports 448690		City Confidential 362226 (TVPG)		Law & Order: Mother Love 365313 (TVPG)		Biography 576508 (TVG)	
(33) TLC		33		Trauma: Life in the ER 234597 (TVPG)		Paramedics: The Wild West 792936 (TVPG)		Extreme Land Speed: The Ultimate Race 701684		Extreme Land Speed: The Ultimate Race 894348		Paramedics: The Wild West 897435 (TVPG)		Extreme Land Speed: The Ultimate Race 856348	
(34) NICK		34	37	Hey Arnold! 645416	Rugrats 563868	The Wild Thornberrys	The Wild Thornberrys	Brady Bunch 918874	Beverly Hillbillies	All in the Family	The Jeffersons 245690	I Love Lucy 432684	Bewitched 514232	Happy Days 715874	Laverne and Shirley
(36) LIFE		36	40	Intimate Portrait: Patricia Richardson 422787 (TVG)		Beyond Chance 120918		A Case for Life ('96) ** (Valerie Bertinelli, Mel Harris) 970364				Golden Girls 614226	Golden Girls 796874	Oh Baby 336416	Unsolved Mysteries
(39) OUTDR		39		Hunting With Hank	Days of a Sportsman	World Yachting	Summer Down Under	Canoe & Kayak Mag	Sport Diver Magazine	Surfer's Journal	Surfer Magazine	World Yachting	Summer Down Under	Canoe & Kayak Mag	Sport Diver Magazine
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(44) COM		44		Daily Show/ Stewart	Win Ben Stein's Money	She's the One (R, '96) *** (Jennifer Aniston, Maxine Bahns) 1616413				Strangers With Candy	Upn't Citizens Brigade	Daily Show/ Stewart	Win Ben Stein's Money	Saturday Night Live 5216477 (TVPG)	
(46) ANIM		46		Fun. Animals	Lie Like Dog	Dolphin: Born to Be Wild		Legends	Twisted Tale	Emer. Vets	Wild Rescue	Dolphin: Born to Be Wild		Legends	Twisted Tale
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(50) HGTV		50	42	Old House	Workshop	At Auction	Collectibles	Bartholomew	Country	If Walls Talk	Dream H'se	At Auction	Collectibles	Bartholomew	Country
(51) MSNBC		51		Hardball: Chris Matthews		MSNBC Crime Files		News With Brian Williams		Legends With Matt Lauer		MSNBC Crime Files		News With Brian Williams	
(52) TELE		52		Muneca Brava 870313		La Vida en el Espejo		Chiquina 595690		Xica 419226		Noticiero	Ocurrio Asi 516023		Buscando
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PEOPLE TODAY

Christopher Reeve shares message of hope

VAIL, Colo. — **Christopher Reeve** shared a message of hope with three survivors of the Columbine High School massacre: "Nothing is impossible, whether it's a moon mission or repairing the spinal cord."

"The more (money) we raise, the sooner we will be able to say goodbye to these chairs," the paralyzed actor said Saturday, with **Richard Castaldo**, **Anne Marie Hochhalter** and **Sean Graves** sitting at his side at an American Ski Classic fund-raiser.

All three Columbine survivors suffered disabling injuries in the April 20 shooting at their Littleton high school.



Christopher Reeve told Columbine High shooting survivors, "Nothing is impossible ... ."

Reeve, who has participated in the celebrity ski races before his injury, now attends the event to raise money for spinal cord research.

In the past year, the Christopher Reeve Paralysis Foundation raised $9 million.

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NEW YORK — **Kirk Douglas's** youngest son, **Eric**, says shared suffering is bringing the two closer together.

The legendary actor and his 41-year-old son both slur their speech because of health problems, and Eric Douglas says their problems have helped mend a strained relationship.

"We're talking," Eric Douglas told the Daily News. "We're much better. My father says, 'You don't have a speech impediment. I do.'"

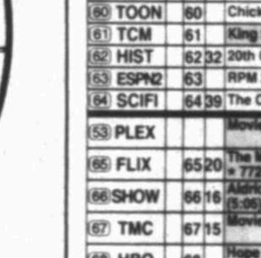
Kirk Douglas has struggled to bring his speech skills back to speed since a 1996 stroke. Eric Douglas overdosed on pills last year and was in a coma for eight days because of a shortage of oxygen, he said.

The younger Douglas is now living at a "recovery home" in Southern California and trying to shake a troubled history of cocaine and alcohol.

"I think he blames himself for a lot of what has happened to me," Eric Douglas said.

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SANFORD, Fla. — When screen legend **Hedy Lamarr** died, she left her stamp collection to her 11-year-old grandson, her estate to her children, and $83,000 to a police officer who occasionally ran errands for her.



Hedy Lamarr's will contained a few surprises for her personal secretary, a California engineer she had never met and Altamonte Springs Police Lt. Chuck Stansel.

Lamarr, who starred in films including "Tortilla Flat" and "Samson and Delilah" and was once billed as the world's most beautiful woman, died Jan. 19 at age 86.

Her will was filed Friday in Seminole County Circuit Court, and it contained a few surprises.

In addition to Lamarr's son and daughter, the list of those she picked to share her wealth included her personal secretary, a California engineer she had never met and Altamonte Springs Police **Lt. Chuck Stansel**.

Stansel met Lamarr late in her life while delivering a message and befriended her after she called him to request an errand. His family eventually became regular guests at Lamarr's home, helping her shop for groceries and visiting the Austrian-born actress at least twice a week.

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BRENTWOOD, Tenn. — The Singing Plowboy, **Eddy Arnold**, has donated $300,000 to build a roof over his home city's summer amphitheater.

Arnold, who grew up in nearby Henderson but lives in Brentwood and has an office there, was among the first 10 people inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame back in 1966.

His recent donation is the city's largest single cash donation, officials said, and it will be matched by the city to cover the cost of the $600,000 roof. The building will be designed to look like the Sydney, Australia, opera house and the Baltimore pavilion.

In his honor, the Crockett Park Amphitheater will be renamed the Eddy Arnold Amphitheater.

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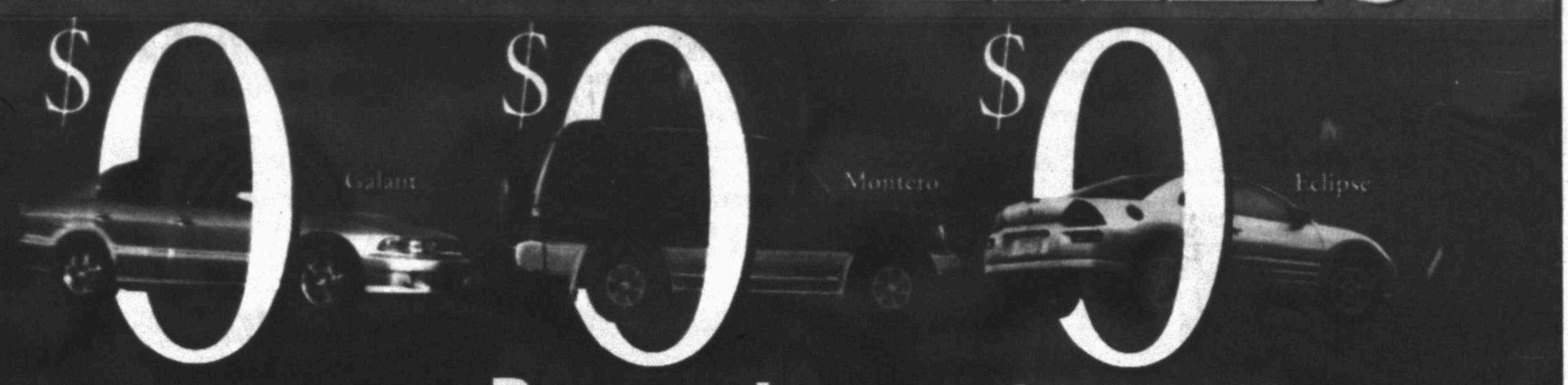
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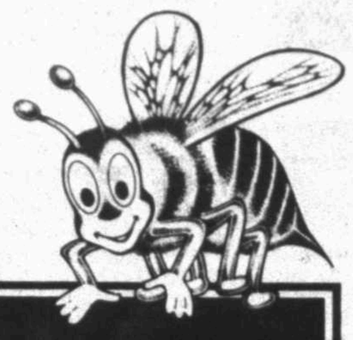

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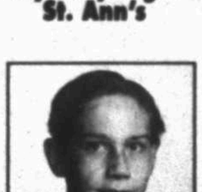
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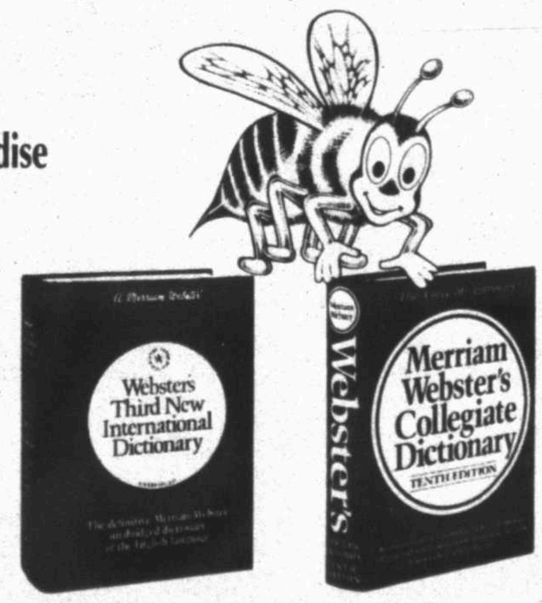
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until 2:00 p.m., April 6, 2000 at Region 20, Conference Center Building, 1314 Hines Avenue, San Antonio, TX 78208, at which time bids will be publicly opened.

Proposal forms can be obtained by calling Susan Kotzur at (210) 370-5205.

LEGAL NOTICE

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board is preparing to submit to the Texas Workforce Commission for review, comment, and approval for funding the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Plan Modification of 2000. WIA represents a national consensus on the need to restructure a multitude of workforce development programs into an integrated workforce investment system that can better respond to the employment needs of its customers - current workers, unemployed workers, workers laid-off due to restructuring or downsizing, and new entrants to the labor force, as well as employers.

The Act incorporates several key principles:

•Streamlining services through the integration of multiple employment and training programs;
•Empowering individuals with the information and resources they need to manage their own careers;
•Universal access for all job seekers to a core set of career decision making and job search tools; and
•Improved youth programs that strengthen linkages between academic and occupational learning and other youth development activities.

Persons served by these programs must live in one of the following Permian Basin counties: Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, or Winkler.

The Plan is available for review at the Permian Basin Workforce Development Board, 2910 La Force Blvd., Suite 311, Midland, Texas 79711, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Questions or comments may be directed to Mr. Willie Taylor, Executive Director, Permian Basin Workforce Development Board (915-563-5239.).

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2019 Trade Dr.- 689-7003
Reg. Meeting. 3rd. Thurs.
Hosp. 6:30 pm, dine 7 pm., Bus. meeting. 8 pm.
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Acacia Masonic Lodge#1414
1000 Upland
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.
Mike Pipes, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

Midland Chapter #253
Order of Eastern Star-
1600 W. Wall, 3/28- Supper 6 PM, meeting 7:30- Program by Joyce Ball
WM/WP Betty & Bill Stark

Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
Reg. meeting, 1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 am.
Breakfast 7:30 am
Tom Burns, W/M,
Bob Ellwood, Sec.

110 Lodge Notices

Midland Masonic Lodge #623
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7:30 pm
John P. Cox, W/M
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130 Personals

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140 Card of Thanks

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IF your pet is lost- even if you live in the county, please check with MIDLAND ANIMAL CONTROL (on Fairgrounds Road) every three days.

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BMW 1994 318i. 4 Door, red, power windows/ locks, good condition. $16,000 or best offer. Call 694-6321.

★ BMW 1988 325is. Red, 5 speed manual, moonroof, leather, rebuilt transmission. 158K Good condition. $3,750. 570-8965, leave message.

HONDA 1999 Accord. Black/ greay cloth interior, tinted windows, 12,000 miles, excellent condition. Need bigger vehicle. Asking $17,500. 694-1783.

MAZDA 1998 Protegé. 4 Door, under warranty. CD player, air, automatic, loaded. 683-8922.

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NISSAN 1996 MAXIMA. Best buy in town!! Pearl white, 55,000 miles, loaded. $14,800. Call 520-0789 leave message or 425-9004.

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HONDA 1995 Accord LX, 95K, four door, automatic, electric locks/ windows, new tires, AM/ FM cassette. Call 520-2831 $10,900.

LEXUS 1993 GS300- V6, automatic, 4 door, leather seats, sunroof, more! 51K, Wife got new car asking $15,575. 697-6447/ 683-6432.

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JEEP 1997 WRANGLER, V-6, automatic, Sahara, $16,988. Call 498-0200.

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JEEP 1998 GRAND Cherokee- Laredo Package, tilt/ cruise, tinted windows, CD/ Cassette, premium sound, keyless entry, white exterior, gray interior, low miles, must sell! $21,500 915-557-0008 or 915-557-0019.

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CNA'S NEEDED for all shifts. Must be caring, dependable and flexible. Pleasant working conditions. Also needed an experienced Late night LVN Charge Nurse. Apply in person or fax resume to: Candy Wilson, Saddleridge Lodge Assisted Living, 1808 West Loop 250 North, Midland, Texas 79705, fax 915-687-0355, EOE. License #323.

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LEGAL ASSISTANT/ SECRETARY: seeking person who has Civil Litigation experience, primarily in the area of personal injury, who can handle a heavy workload for fast growing firm.. Computer skills, organized, bilingual and communication skills a must. Nonsmoking environment. Salary DOE. Send resumes to 2403 N. Big Spring St., Suite C, Midland, TX 79705.

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Midland, TX 79702.

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320 Skilled Trades

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SMALL COMPANY seeking experienced, licensed, commercial electrician. Call 563-2209.

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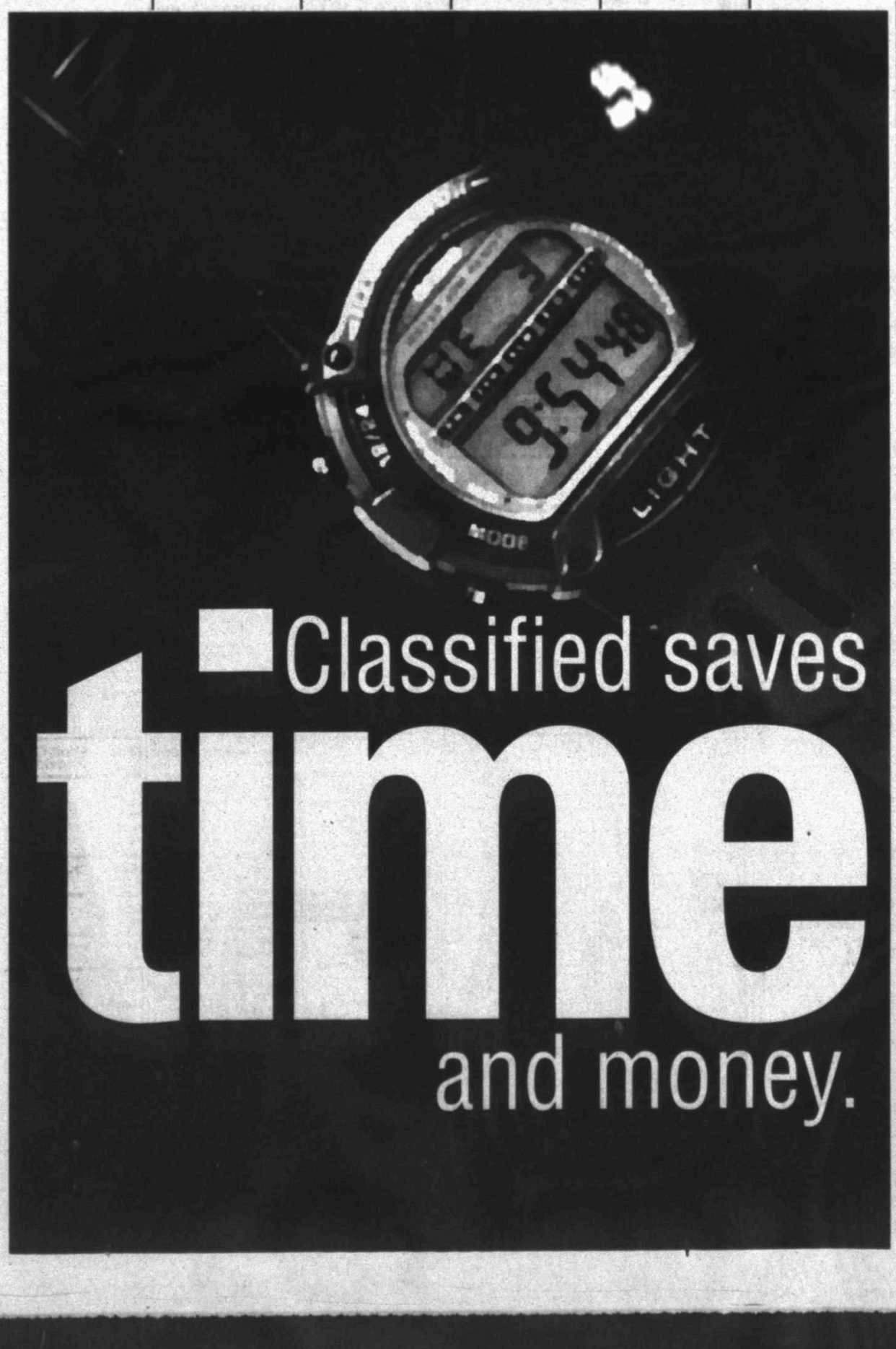
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