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A.M. BRIEFING

TODAY
Mostly sunny with high in low 60s.
Weather on 4A



'Nutcracker' ballet

Morgan Warrick dances the role of an angel in Midland Festival Ballet's "Nutcracker," on stage at Lee High School at 8 p.m. Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Dec. 13. Tchaikovsky's now well-known score will be performed by the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale, conducted by Rob Hunt.

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Clinton inquiry

WASHINGTON — The House Judiciary Committee, dominated by Republicans determined to punish President Clinton, is racing toward a likely recommendation to remove the president from office, as the nation's third presidential impeachment inquiry enters its final climactic stages.

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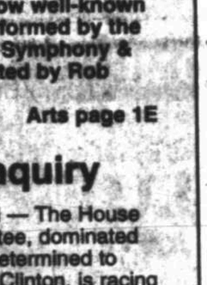
Coming Monday

The beauty of Pearl Harbor turned into a billowing inferno of death and destruction on Dec. 7, 1941, a date that lives in infamy, when Japanese warplanes attacked United States naval, land, and air forces there. It was a surprise and an awakening to most Americans, including Dr. Henry Page, a Navy physician, and Philip Grimes, an Army artillery officer. They were there. The United States was catapulted into World War II. Read about their recollections in Monday's Reporter-Telegram.

Gary Ott:

Football game: A special bonding moment between father and son.

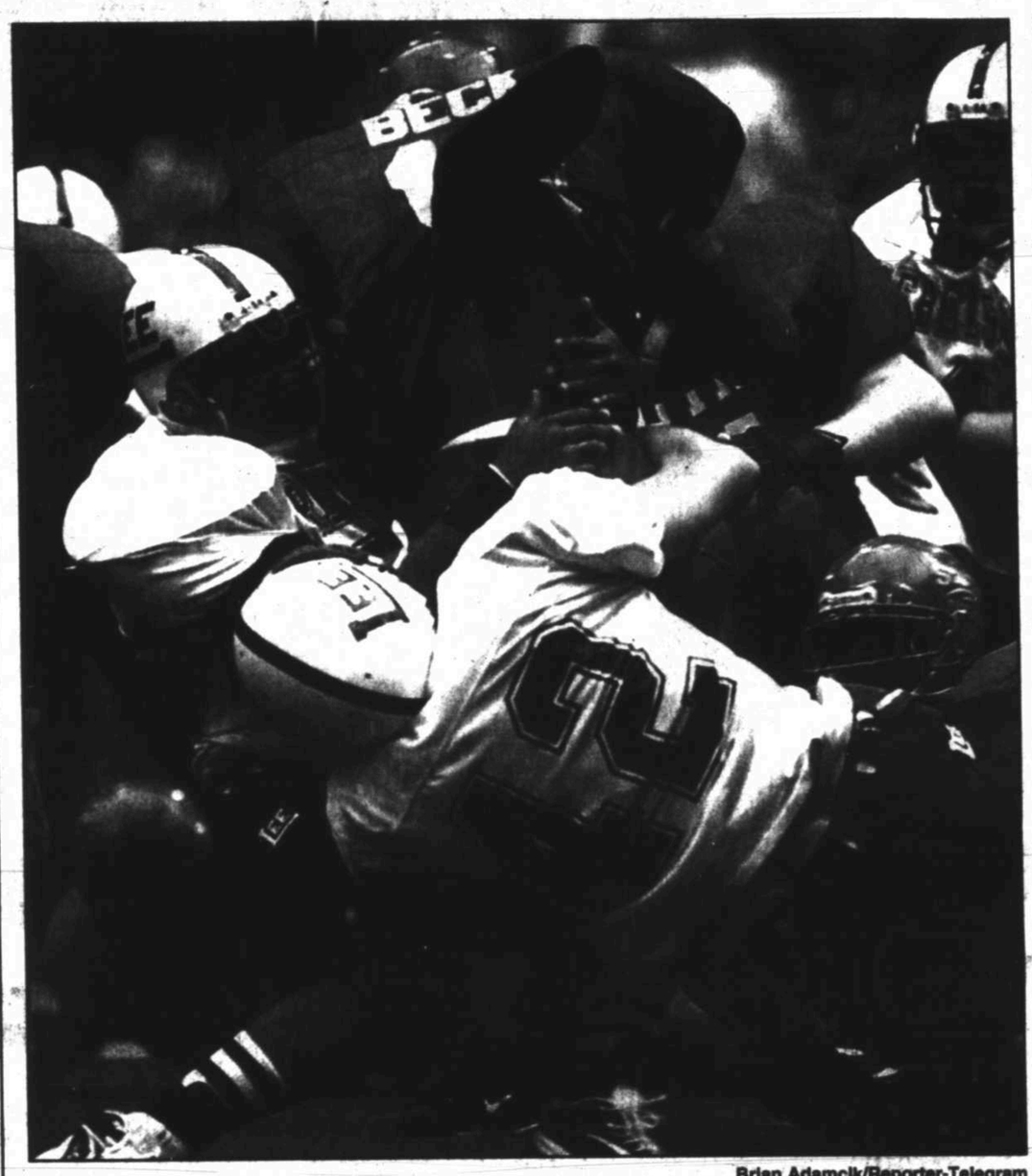
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Rebels advance to semifinals



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Rebel defenders led by linebacker Trey Atwater (42) stop South Grand Prairie's Brandon Beck during the first quarter of their Class 5A Small School quarterfinal game. Lee beat South Grand Prairie 20-7 to advance to the state semifinals.

Talk of jinx fades as Lee wins quarterfinal

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

IRVING — Ask any former or present Midland Lee football coach about Texas Stadium and you won't get rave reviews.

In fact, Lee coaches make no secret that they would just as soon stay off its plush carpet and never see the Ring of Honor.

Lee was zero-for-three at the Hole in the Sky. That "jinx" was eliminated by the Rebels Saturday with a 20-7 Class 5A Small School quarterfinal victory over the South Grand Prairie Warriors.

This is heady stuff. Suddenly a stadium with a half-built roof doesn't seem so bad. And there is no more talk of a jinx.

Of course, Lee coach John Parchman never felt there was a jinx. He simply prefers to play on natural grass.

"How can there be a jinx?" Parchman asks. "None of the kids on this team have ever even played in this stadium before. Those were other Lee teams in other times that lost in Texas Stadium. This team just keeps doing amazing things."

■ **Game coverage/1C**

Still, it's a first, a refreshing first. And even if the Lee coaches don't like pointing the bus east, the Lee players seem to love this place. Maybe the Lee kids are watching the Cowboys when the coaches are watching next week's game film.

Take wingback Eric Clodfelter for instance.

Please see LEE/4A

Despite low price of oil, charity still high priority

■ Many area oil companies surpassed last year's donations to United Way fund-raiser.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

The United Way of Midland officials knew it was going to be a long climb when they set the 1998 fund-raising goal at just over $3 million.

As Executive Director Carl Zapora noted, "We had lost 90 percent of the employee base at Pioneer Natural Resources, Texas Instruments had closed, Exxon had closed."

Still, when the campaign was over at the end of October, United Way fell just short of its goal, raising $2.9 million.

Despite oil prices that have fallen to lows not seen in 12 years, oil companies continued to be generous, with employee giving rising anywhere from .01 percent at Henry Petroleum to 29 percent at Burlington Resources.

Independent producers also have been affected by low oil prices, but managed to be generous, according to the United Way of Midland.

Tom Brown Inc. increased donations 15 percent to $29,042 from $25,260 in 1997, a per employee average of $460.99.

Jack Harper, investor relations manager for the company, said that the company had added personnel over the last year and also saw the number of contributing employees increase over last year.

Still, he said, employees saw the tough times as an opportunity to step up and be extra generous.

"I headed up the campaign and it was surprising to me to exceed last year," he said. "My goal was to equal last year. We have been hurt by low oil prices, but we want to be a good corporate citizen."

Tom Brown supports United Way, he said, because it is viewed as one of the best ways to reach out to more people than individual charities. The company's Denver office also supports United Way, he said.

Henry Petroleum employees donated $6 more this year than last year, $44,631 over $44,625 in 1997, averaging $1,144.38 per employee.

Company President Jim Henry noted that in 1996, employees — excluding his and his company's matching donations — donated $6,500. In 1997, a year the company had great financial success and distributed some significant bonuses, employees donated just over $14,000 and this year, when there were virtually no bonuses, again employees donated just over $14,000, he said.

Those donations are equally matched by Henry's personal donation and from the company, despite the low oil prices.

"From a corporate standpoint, we have little debt and a good cash position," he said. "From a psychological standpoint, I paid the $14,000 and the company paid the $14,000 cheerfully and willingly because I'm so proud of what the employees have done."

Henry said he doesn't know why his employees increased their contributions other than their giving spirit.

"Even in hard times, they decided they wanted to contribute to people who have less, especially in these hard times, because needs increase. I don't know why they did it, I only know I'm very proud of them."

Major oil producers, also hard-hit by oil prices, were also

Please see CHARITY/4A

Former board member's widow gives $1 million to build MC dorm

By Daniel Arp
Staff Writer

Midland College got a $1 million boost this week for construction of a much-needed residence hall.

Barbara O'Shaugnessy donated the money through the I.A. O'Shaugnessy Foundation in honor of her late husband, Don, who served on the college's board of trustees from 1977 until his death in 1995. Today marks the anniversary of O'Shaugnessy's death.

"Since my husband passed away I've been trying to carry out the work I think he would have wanted done," Mrs. O'Shaugnessy said.

She said that though she and her husband had never talked about this project in particular, she believes he would have wanted it.

"He was extremely interested in education, for one thing," she said. "He was very interested in watching it (Midland College) grow."

And grow it has. Enrollment has been up by 10 percent each semester for the past two years and stood at about 4,600 this past fall, said Gay Hickman, vice president of administrative services for the college.

"Midland College is growing fast and running out of room," Mrs. O'Shaugnessy said. "They are very desperate for a residence hall."

The new dorm will house 96 occupants in 48 rooms. The college only has 44 rooms now, for use exclusively by athletes. The dorm has been housing primarily males on the basketball team. Female basketball players have had to live off campus.

"Probably about half the dorm will be for women's athletics," Hickman said. "The other half will be opened for the general population."

'Since my husband passed away I've been trying to carry out the work I think he would have wanted done.'
— Barbara O'Shaugnessy

Construction of the new dormitory was announced in October. Ground was broken Nov. 1 for the 96-bed women's residence hall on the north side of campus.

The school had been planning to pay for the new residence hall out of its own funds when Mrs. O'Shaugnessy approached them.

The I.A. O'Shaugnessy Foundation has given to Midland College and various other institutions in the past. Mrs. O'Shaugnessy estimates the foundation gives about 30 "very substantial" gifts per year to educational entities alone.

The foundation was named after O'Shaughnessy's father, who like his son was in the oil business. O'Shaughnessy carried on his father's foundation, and now his five children and Mrs. O'Shaugnessy continue to operate it in his absence.

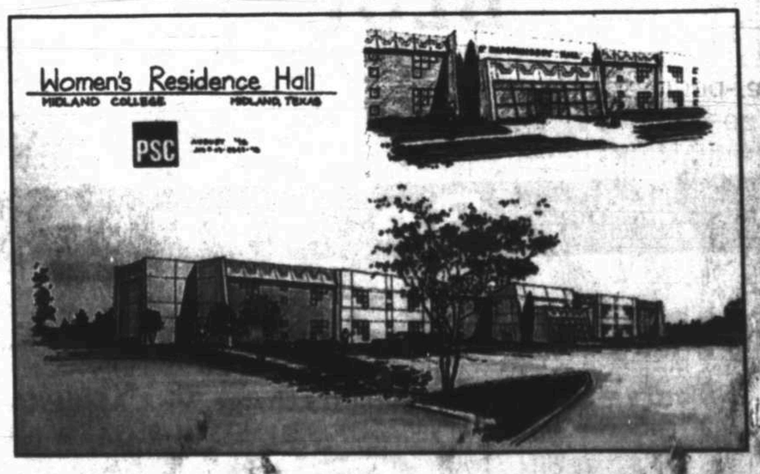
Though the new dorm will bear his name, Mrs. O'Shaugnessy said such recognition was never what motivated her husband.

"He was always very private, very quiet about his gifts. He didn't want any flags raised," she said. "He just wanted to help anyone he could."



AT RIGHT: Barbara O'Shaugnessy, through the I.A. O'Shaugnessy Foundation, donated $1 million toward construction of a residence hall at Midland College. She made the donation in honor of her late husband, Don, with whom she is seen in this photo.

BELOW: Ground was broken in November for the 96-bed women's residence hall pictured in this artist's rendering.



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Replica of biblical Nazareth aims to bring Jesus' times alive

By Karin Laub
Associated Press

NAZARETH, Israel — Kneeling on a slope in Jesus' hometown, volunteers from an American church gently fitted rock on limestone rock and filled in cracks with a mortar of mud.

The result of a day's labor was a ragged, knee-high wall lining an agricultural terrace — a common sight in the Middle East, where farmers since biblical times have had to plant on rocky hills.

But this wall was special.

It marked the start of a $64 million project, largely financed by American donations, to build a replica of a biblical-era village and farm in the heart of Nazareth, where tradition says Christ spent much of his life.

In time for the millennium, visitors will be able to stroll along donkey paths into an ancient village of one-room stone houses and courtyards, and mingle with actors playing 1st-century housewives and farmers.

Or they can follow a "parable walk," accompanied by storytellers in period costume who will relay news of Jesus as a contemporary. For the devout, there will be a holy communion, a foot washing or a reading from the Bible.

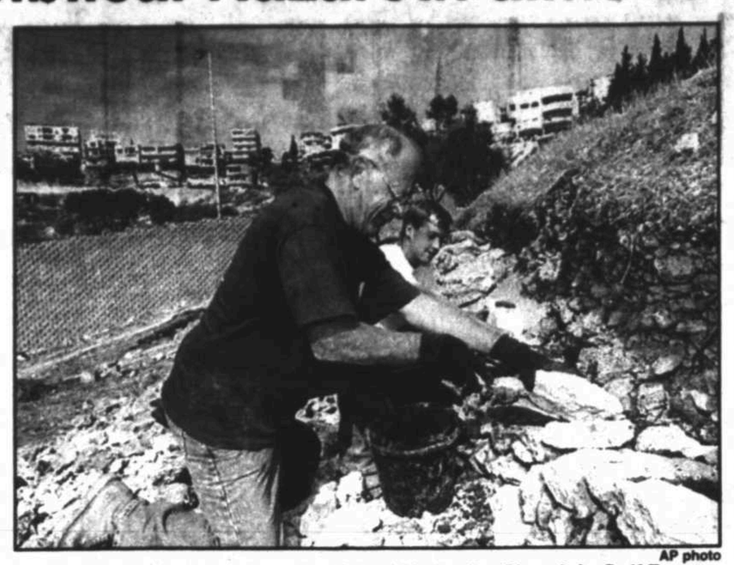
Project organizers say they want to bring Jesus and his teachings to life in historical context, something a standard tour of the Holy Land often fails to deliver.

"You can see only so many archaeological sites before you don't know anymore what you are seeing and are not moved by it," said Joel Kauffmann, program director of Nazareth Village, a not-for-profit association of professionals and business people whose honorary chairman is former U.S. President Jimmy Carter.

In modern Nazareth — a noisy, congested city of 60,000 whose main attraction is the 1950s Church of the Annunciation — that connection to the biblical past is especially difficult to make.

Jackhammers are tearing up the city center as $80 million is being spent on widening streets and building 1,000 hotel rooms in preparation for an expected 4 million tourists in 2000.

But the work is behind schedule and ambitious plans for a large stadium, a civic auditorium and an additional 1,500 hotel rooms have been dropped.



AP photo

Unidentified volunteers from the United Methodist Church in Gulf Breeze, Fla., build a wall in what will be a replica of a biblical-era village and farm in the heart of Nazareth, to be called the "Jesus Village," Nov. 26. The $64 million project, largely financed by American donations, will build the "Jesus Village" in time for millennium celebrations.

A new snag arose after November municipal elections. In the mainly Arab town that is 70 percent Muslim and 30 percent Christian, the Islamic movement for the first time won a majority on the city council. The Christian mayor, Ramez Jeraisi, was barely re-elected.

Topping the Islamists' agenda is the construction of a mosque right next to the Church of the Annunciation, on a spot where city planners had hoped to build a Venetian-style plaza for tourists. The dispute is in court and the plaza is on hold.

The election outcome worries some Nazarenes, who fear a new emphasis on religious alignment is emerging in a town that has long prided itself on tolerance.

Mindful of the tensions, the planners of Nazareth Village decided to get the community involved from the start.

On a recent Saturday, 360 local volunteers launched the project by clearing thorny bushes covering the 12-acre plot that is part of the grounds of a hospital run by the Edinburgh Medical Missionary Society of Scotland.

Muslim girls wearing traditional headscarves worked alongside Christian teen-agers in jeans and T-shirts and a dozen volunteers from the United Methodist Church in Gulf Breeze, Fla. Local grocers donated food for a picnic lunch.

By the end of the day, the brush was cleared, laying bare the terraces of a 1st-century farm. Later will come orchards of olive, fig and plum trees.

Frieda Brothers, a 67-year-old retired nurse from Gulf Breeze, Fla., who was dusty from hauling underbrush, said the work helped strengthen her faith.

"It was a joy to get something started that the rest of the world will see someday and know this is where Jesus walked and lived," she said.

It is believed that biblical Nazareth, where Jesus spent much of his life, consisted of only about 35 homes spread over six acres.

By 2000, Hostetler hopes to have the first six or seven homes built and open the site to visitors. The work will then become part of the attraction, with builders in biblical dress transporting materials — all strictly 1st-century — using donkeys.

The "parable walk" will weave through the village and the farm and use existing sites to illustrate New Testament stories.

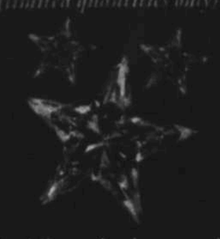
For example, visitors might pause at a terrace and hear the parable of the farmer who saw some of his seeds go to waste because they fell on rocky ground.

The story might make little sense to visitors used to vast stretches of fertile land in other parts of the world, Hostetler said.

"But when you come here, you see the narrow terraces, and it's not a stretch of the imagination that some of the seeds would naturally fall on rocks," he said.

In the later stages, there will be a multimedia exhibit detailing Jesus' life. At night, visitors might don period dress themselves and participate in a village celebration.

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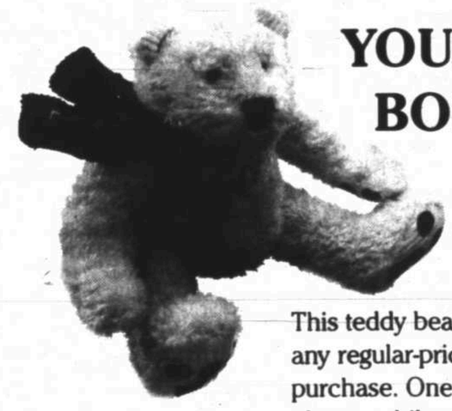
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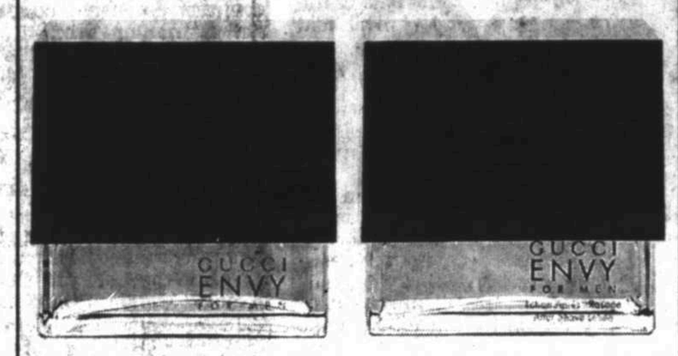
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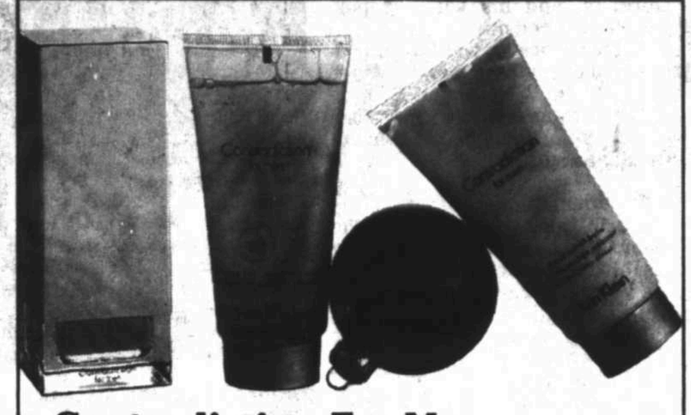
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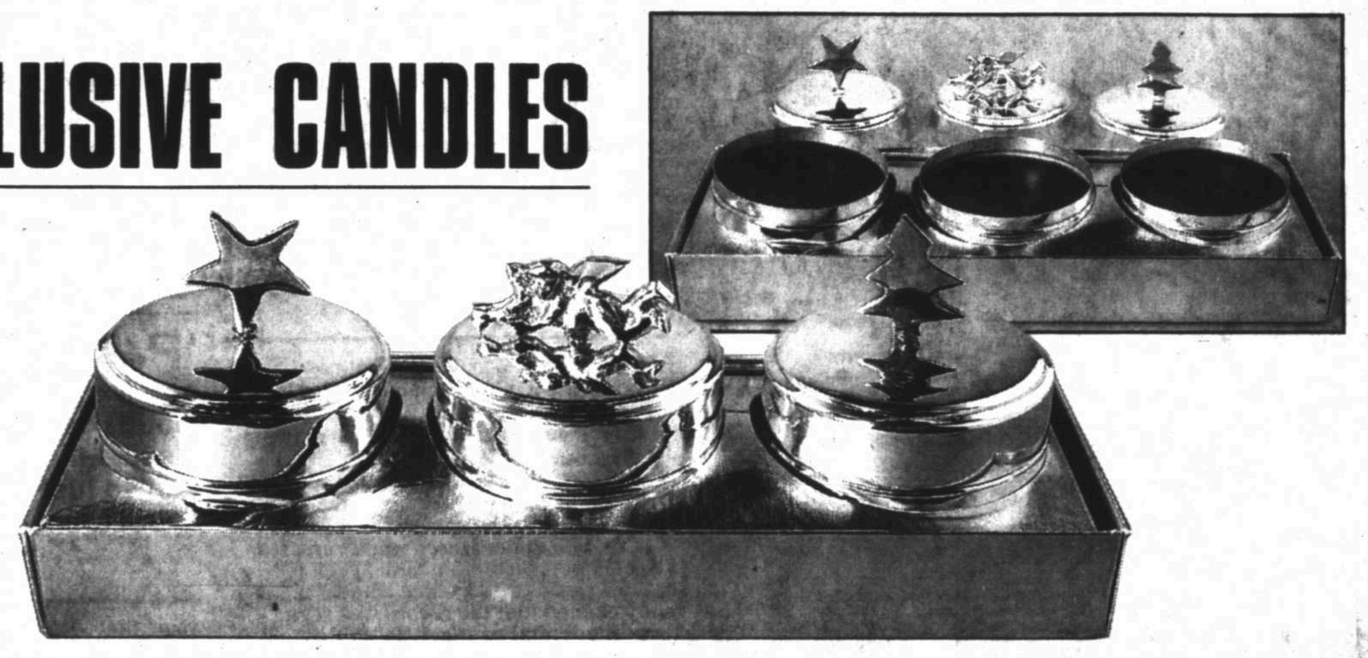
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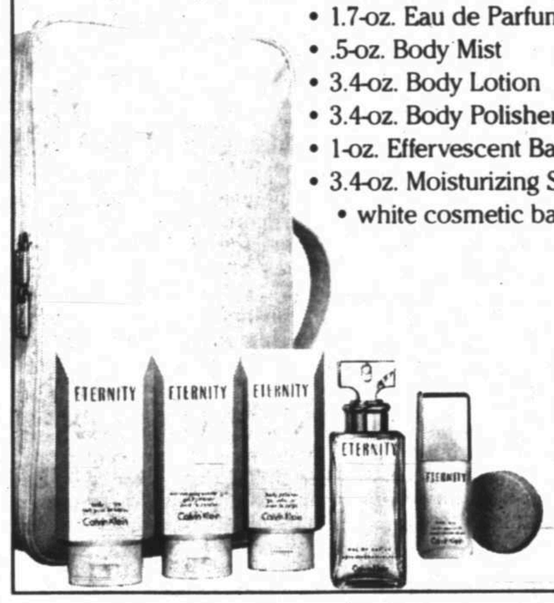
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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today
Mostly sunny
High 64
Low 30

Monday
Partly cloudy
High 53
Low 27

Tuesday
Sunny
High 57
Low 19

Today's forecast calls for mostly sunny skies and cooler temperatures with a high of 60-65 and gusty winds blowing from the northwest at 15-25 mph.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a low near 30.

Monday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the lower 50s.

After an overnight low of 44, Saturday's high reached 77, compared to the record high for that date of 79 set in 1951. The record low was 18 set in 1950.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Friday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	14.38 in.

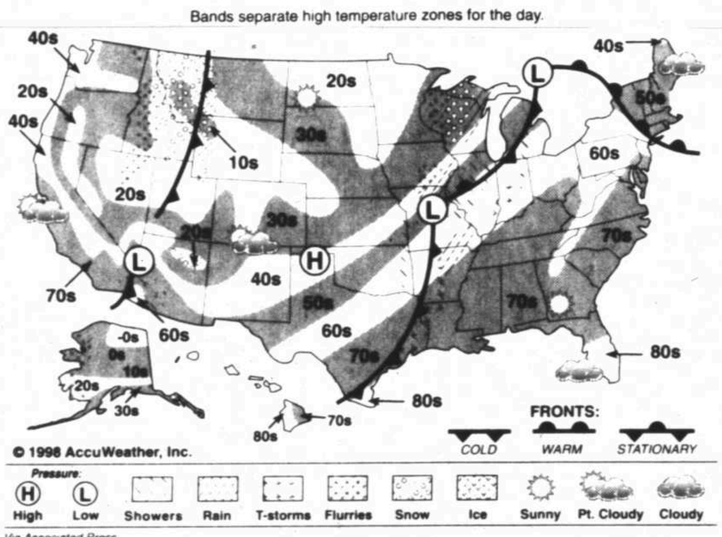
Yesterday's temperatures

High	77
low	44
Normal high	60
Normal low	33

Sunrise ... 7:35 a.m. **Sunset** ... 5:44 p.m.

National forecast

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, Dec. 6.



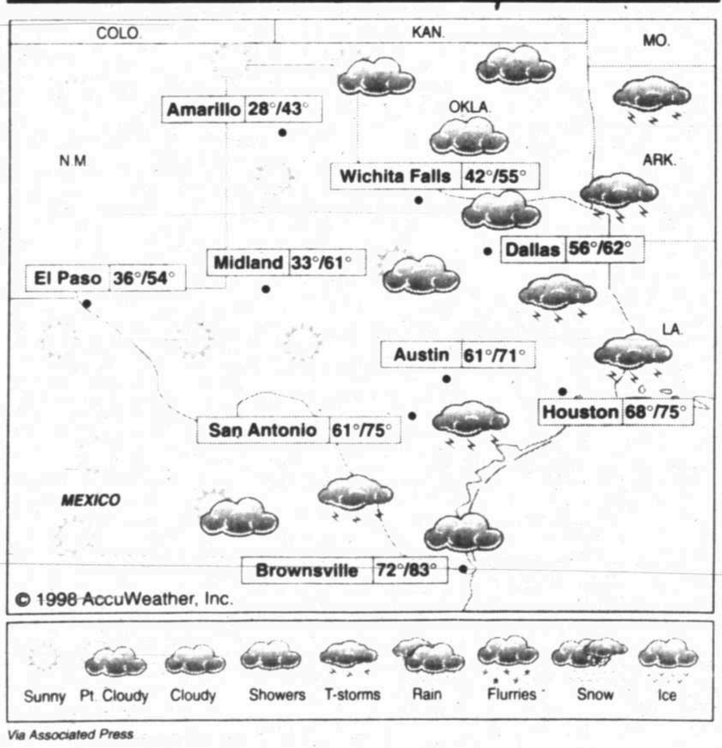
Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:00 p.m. EST

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y	43	32	cdy	
Albuquerque	58	40	cdy	
Anchorage	28	27	.57	cdy
Asheville	72	40	cdy	
Atlanta	75	60	cdy	
Atlantic City	61	52	cdy	
Baltimore	71	57	05	cdy
Billings	26	24	.10	cdy
Birmingham	79	65	cdy	
Bismarck	31	24	.01	clr
Boise	36	26	sn	
Boston	48	41	cdy	
Buffalo	51	44	.09	cdy
Burlington,Vt	39	26	cdy	
Casper	30	25	cdy	
Charleston,S.C	80	53	cdy	
Charleston,W.Va	66	47	.10	cdy
Charlotte,N.C	75	47	cdy	
Cheyenne	38	25	cdy	
Chicago	62	55	rn	
Cincinnati	64	57	.08	cdy
Cleveland	64	54	clr	
Columbia,S.C	81	47	cdy	
Columbus,Ohio	65	52	.01	cdy
Concord,N.H	49	30	cdy	
Dayton	65	55	.02	cdy
Denver	40	27	cdy	
Des Moines	58	47	.03	sn
Detroit	65	50	.03	rn
Duluth	37	34	.55	cdy
Evansville	68	53	.15	rn
Fairbanks	12	9	.20	clr
Fargo	28	28	clr	
Flagstaff	32	31	.27	sn
Grand Rapids	60	49	rn	
Great Falls	32	18	clr	
Greensboro,N.C	72	46	cdy	
Hartford Spgfld	50	34	cdy	
Helena	29	15	.02	cdy
Honolulu	81	73	clr	
Indianapolis	62	57	rn	
Jackson,Miss	80	67	cdy	
Jacksonville	80	59	cdy	
Juneau	35	33	.43	cdy
Kansas City	66	49	rn	
Las Vegas	51	46	cdy	
Little Rock	79	61	rn	
Los Angeles	62	48	.10	cdy
Louisville	68	57	.13	cdy
Memphis	75	58	.18	cdy
Miami Beach	82	71	.03	cdy
Milwaukee	61	45	rn	
Mpls-St Paul	54	45	.21	cdy
Nashville	70	60	.82	cdy
New Orleans	81	69	cdy	
New York City	56	52	.01	cdy
Norfolk,Va	75	53	cdy	
North Platte	46	37	cdy	
Oklahoma City	73	51	cdy	
Omaha	52	44	sn	
Orlando	84	62	.01	cdy
Philadelphia	66	56	cdy	
Phoenix	59	51	cdy	
Pittsburgh	64	54	cdy	
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Portland,Ore	41	33	.13	rn
Providence	52	36	cdy	
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Rapid City	37	30	clr	
Reno	36	18	sn	
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Sacramento	46	36	clr	
St Louis	72	52	.02	rn
Salt Lake City	27	17	.03	sn
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San Francisco	52	41	cdy	
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Santa Fe	52	33	cdy	
St Ste Marie	38	33	.46	sn
Seattle	42	36	.06	rn
Shreveport	80	68	rn	
Sioux Falls	46	44	.06	cdy
Spokane	33	26	cdy	
Syracuse	45	29	cdy	
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	83	64	cdy	
Topeka	67	49	sn	
Tucson	59	47	.16	cdy
Tulsa	75	54	rn	
Washington,D.C	73	57	cdy	
Wichita	60	50	rn	
Wilkes-Barre	60	50	.13	cdy
Wilmington,Del	65	56	cdy	

State forecast



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

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Abilene	74	56	
Alice	85	68	
Amarillo	72	48	
Arlington	77	63	
Austin Bergstrom	82	71	
Austin Mueller	80	72	
Beaumont	81	68	0.01
Brownsville	84	68	0.01
Burnet	76	60	
Childress	77	48	
College Station	82	71	
Conroe	82	70	
Corpus Christi	82	68	
Corsicana	80	68	
Cotulla	83	69	
Dalhart	67	36	
Dallas Love Field	77	65	
Del Rio	76	54	
Denton	76	60	
DFW Airport	77	62	
El Paso	66	42	
Fort Stockton	81	50	
Fort Worth Alliance	77	63	
Fort Worth Meacham	77	64	
Galveston	78	71	
Harlingen	84	64	
Hondo	77	60	
Houston Hobby	81	68	
Houston Intrctnl	83	68	
Huntsville	80	70	
Junction	75	51	
Kingsville	84	70	
Laredo	82	70	
Longview	79	69	
Lubbock	73	40	
Lufkin	82	70	

Vice President Gore's father dead at 90

CARTHAGE, Tenn. (AP) — Former Sen. Albert Gore Sr., father of the vice president and a Southern liberal whose opposition to the Vietnam War ended his 32 years in Congress, died Saturday. He was 90.

Gore died of natural causes at his home, a statement from the vice president's office said. Al Gore Jr. and his wife, Tipper, were at his bedside.

"Albert Gore Sr. was the embodiment of everything public service ought to be," President Clinton said. "He was a teacher, he was a progressive, he helped to connect the South with the rest of America."

A leader among liberals in his years in the Senate, 1953-71, the elder Gore became known during his third term for his opposition to the Vietnam War. His son, meanwhile, served as an Army journalist in Vietnam.

Gore was defeated by Republican Bill Brock in 1970.

"You know, he might have been himself in national office if he hadn't been just a little too far ahead of his time," Clinton said, praising Gore's pro-integration stance on race and opposition to the war.

Gore retired from public life after his defeat, vowing, "The truth shall rise again."

Six years later, his son and namesake was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and then to the Senate in 1984. After a failed presidential try in 1988, the younger Gore was elected vice president as Clinton's running mate in 1992.

Commenting on his son's nomination, Gore said proudly: "I would never want to deny any man, when he holds his baby son for the first time, the right to look at him and think he might grow up to be president of the United States."



AP photo

Former Sen. Albert Gore Sr., father of the vice president, takes particular pleasure in watching his son make a campaign appearance with President Clinton at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in October 1996. The vice president's daughter Karenna laughs at left. Former Sen. Albert Gore Sr. died Saturday, three weeks short of his 91st birthday, the White House said.

Gore himself was briefly a vice presidential candidate during the 1956 Democratic national convention. He withdrew in favor of fellow Tennessee Sen. Estes Kefauver, who won the nomination and lost as running mate to Adlai Stevenson.

When Gore was first elected to the Senate, in 1952, he had already served 14 years in the U.S. House, taking time out for Army service during World War II.

In the 1950s, the elder Gore introduced legislation to create the interstate highway system, promoting it as a national defense network modeled on the German Autobahn that he had seen during World War II service. The bill was passed in 1956.

"The multiplication of automobiles and trucks made our narrow, free-access highways completely out of date," Gore said. The interstate system now totals 44,000 miles.

One of Gore's biggest battles in Congress was to limit access to the interstates with cloverleaves and similar on-off ramps that "allow you to drive from one coast to the other without encountering a stop light," he recalled.

"Many of the towns thought they would be ruined economically if the main highway failed to go down Main Street," he said.

One of the towns that was bypassed by the interstate system was Gore's own hometown of Carthage, in the Cumberland foothills about 50 miles east of Nashville.

Following his defeat in the Senate, the one-time school teacher-farmer became a vice president of Island Home Coal Co., a subsidiary of Occidental Petroleum Co. Gore's farm at Carthage also contains extensive copper, zinc and germanium ore.

The former senator's life was not always so comfortable. Born Dec. 26, 1907, in the mountain community of Granville, Gore moved with his family to the Carthage area when he was 2.

He received his early education in the one-room Possum Hollow school and later became a teacher in one-room schools himself. That gave him the money to put himself through Middle Tennessee State College, where he graduated in 1932.

His first elective office was Smith County school superintendent. While serving in that job, he studied law at Nashville's YMCA Law School and operated a tobacco-grading barn.

He met his wife, Pauline LaFon Gore, while she was working as a waitress in Nashville to pay her way through Vanderbilt University law school. They were married in 1937 and for a time operated a joint practice at Carthage. She also ran his Washington office when he was serving in the war.

Gore and his wife also had a daughter, Nancy, who died of lung cancer at age 45 in 1984.

A memorial service will be held for Gore at noon Tuesday at the War Memorial Auditorium in Nashville, said Chris Lehane, a spokesman for the vice president. Clinton is expected to attend the event.

LEE: Rebels play Richardson Lake Highlands in semifinals

(From 1A)

He got Lee off to a good start with a 44-yard touchdown reception from quarterback Jon Rogers on the fourth play of the game. Lee has scored on its first possession in all four playoff games.

Clodfelter loved this experience. He set a school single season record with the TD catch, his 10th of the season.

"I knew I had the record when I crossed the goal line," Clodfelter said. "I can tell you that this was a dream come true for me. I'm really excited that the record was set in Texas Stadium. For me, it doesn't get any better than that."

It was only the second quarterfinal football game that Lee has won in 17 playoff trips in the school's playoff history. The last time Lee won a quarterfinal match was in 1983 in Lubbock's Jones Stadium, 20-0 against Odessa Permian. That year Lee lost in the state finals in — where else but Texas Stadium — 25-21 to Converse Judson. Lee has never won a state title.

Lee now carries a 13-1 overall record, tying that 1983 team for the most wins in a single season.

'Personally, there will be nothing better than winning state. I've seen the ring you get. It's like the Christmas present you've just gotta have. No substitute will do.'
— Rebels defensive tackle Kevin Borrego

Lee now moves to the state semifinals against Richardson Lake Highlands (9-5). The Wildcats defeated Lufkin 17-14 with a field goal in the last seconds of a quarterfinal game played in Nacogdoches Saturday afternoon.

Lee will meet Lake Highlands at 6 p.m. Saturday in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium. And, of course, here's another jinx to contend with since Lee lost its only game of the year at Shotwell, 21-14, to Abilene Cooper, which almost jeopardized any playoff run for Lee. The Rebels had to defeat Odessa Permian and Midland High in the final two weeks of the season just to make the playoffs.

But after busting the Texas Stadium Jinx here Saturday, Lee is starting to smell the roses. Winning in the fourth of six rounds will do that to any team.

"You never know," said Lee linebacker Drew Anderson, "If we keep clicking, we can win it all. I know I'm going to do everything in my power to see that it happens. It's getting close now."

Defensive end Trey Atwater is already counting chickens, saying, "We're going all the way."

Defensive tackle Kevin Borrego is more in the holiday mood.

"Every day through off-season, and before practice, we talk about winning a state championship," Borrego said. "Personally, there will be nothing better than winning state. I've seen the ring you get. It's like the Christmas present you've just gotta have. No substitute will do."

CHARITY: Many surpassed last year's donations

(From 1A)

generous.

Conoco employees increased their contributions 4 percent to $161,200 from $155,141 in 1997 for an employee average of $644.80.

John Sutey, manager of asset services for Conoco, said that "this year's campaign, we felt, was similar to last year's campaign. Our goals are set so high, I felt that just to get to where we were last year would have been an achievement."

He credits the success to the company's philosophy of contributing to the communities in which it operates. He stressed that Conoco does not force employees to donate money or time, but does ask employees to find a niche they enjoy, whether it's United Way, a school, their church or Junior Achievement.

"From the company's perspective, it puts up a significant amount of money in matching funds, and is friendly in giving its employees time off to participate in events," Sutey said. "The employees, when they see the company willing to make that effort, they get involved. The bulk of our staff is generous and giving."

Burlington Resources employees increased their donations 29 percent, to $89,046 from $68,955 in 1997, for an average of $371.02 per employee.

Donations from Texaco actually decreased 3 percent from last year. But Rich Schneider, Permian Business Unit manager, said that "there was one event we weren't able to have due to circumstances beyond our control. If we had held that, we would have exceeded last year."

He said Texaco views being an active part of the community as important, "even more so in difficult times and in a place like Midland that is hard hit by low oil prices. The volunteerism and community spirit I've seen in Midland is unsurpassed. People here step up to the plate and make sacrifices in both donations and their time."

Tom Holland, vice president of commercial and external affairs for Arco Permian, said that the company's donations were not affected by the difficult economic climate. Employees gave $166,454, a 7 percent increase over the $155,081 given last year for an employee average of $782.27.

"Arco Permian is viewed as a successful company with good margins even in a low price environment," Holland said. "The employees were confident this is a strong company even in the price environment and didn't feel the need to cut back over concerns about their job situation."

Two other big oil companies, Chevron, and Mobil, also increased donations. Chevron gave $77,459, up 10 percent from $70,274 in 1997 while Mobil gave $83,537, a 36 percent jump over last year's amount, $61,372.

Zapora said that another highlight of this year's campaign was the generosity of the employees of the City of Midland. City employees gave more than $20,000 this year, compared with $7,000 the previous year.

Weak Latin American economy hurting Port of Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Port of Houston, the nation's leader in foreign tonnage, is struggling under the weight of a weak Latin American economy that is causing some ships to leave harbor half full.

"I've been dealing with South America for 17 years, and this is the worst I've ever seen it," said John Wallace, executive vice president for Associated Transport Line, a Houston shipping firm. "Latin America is bad."

Political instability, falling oil prices and decreasing foreign investment have plagued economies throughout Latin America, but especially in petroleum-rich Venezuela, hurting U.S. trade.

U.S. trade exports to Venezuela plunged 30.7 percent to $422 million between September 1997 and September 1998. Imports fell 45.4 percent to $687 million.

About a quarter of the Port of Houston's trade relies on Central and South America and Caribbean nations. Shippers like Wallace told the Houston Chronicle that Houston's trade with the region has fallen off by 40 percent in the past three months.

Exports from Texas and U.S. ports to Latin America have increased slightly, falling off a robust pace set a year ago, according to government figures.

"We're sending half of what we were sending," said Nimia Rodriguez, owner of Humble-based Tejas Freight Forwarding, which trades with Venezuela. Venezuela's future as a trading partner could hinge on Sunday's presidential elections.

There is concern that favorite Hugo Chavez Frias, a former coup leader, could disrupt the country's vital oil industry. However, analyst Pablo Ariel Goldberg of ABN Amro in New York doesn't think Chavez will take such a risk.

Now that tonnage is slipping, shippers also bemoan the large number of vessels vying for business in Houston and other ports.

"There's just a lot of players," said Rick Couch, Sea-Land Services port manager at the Barbours Cut Container Terminal. "You still want to play, but there's not enough freight for all the shipping lines. Now it's going to be a real tale of who's here for the long haul."

Pick 3 Texas

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

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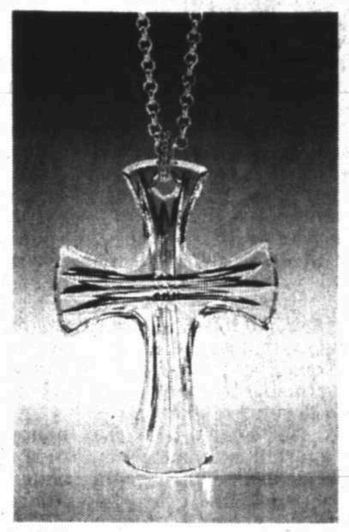
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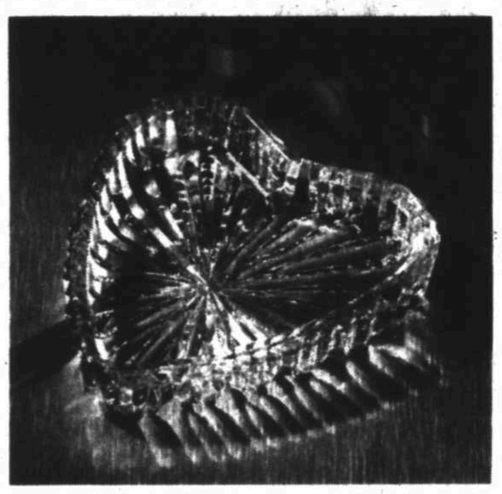
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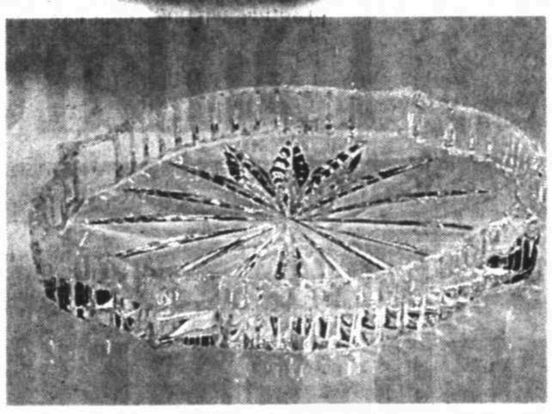
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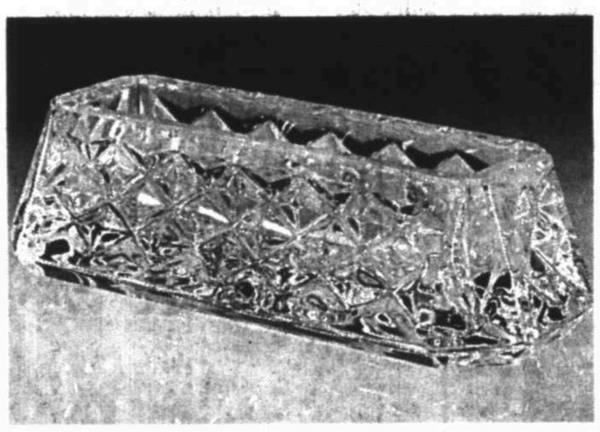
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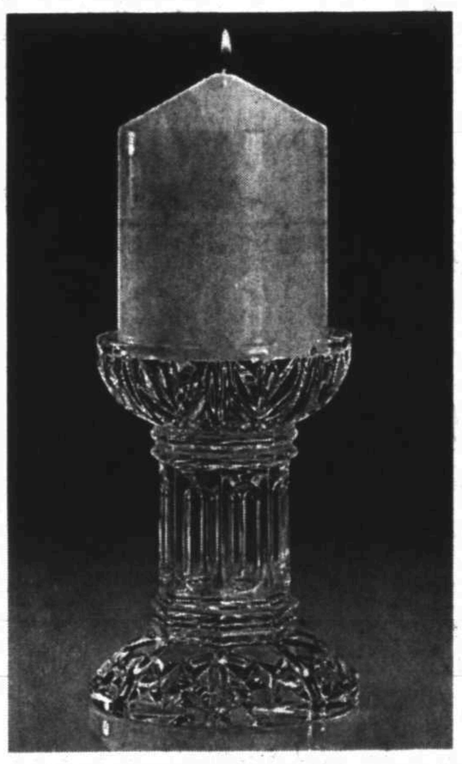
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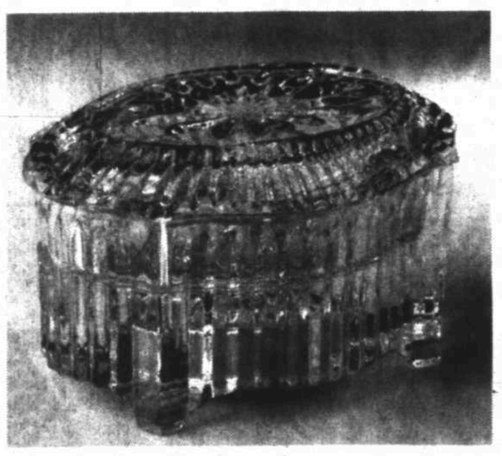
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Last Khmer Rouge fighting force surrenders to Cambodian government

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP) —, The last main fighting force of a steadily crumbling Khmer Rouge formally has surrendered to the government, laying down arms after three decades of civil war and a catastrophic stint in power that left nearly 2 million Cambodians dead.

Khem Nuon, chief of staff of the remaining band of radical Marxist guerrillas, negotiated the deal with representatives of the Phnom Penh government on Friday at Preah Vihear temple near the border with Thailand.

"We ask for permission from the Royal Government of Cambodia to rejoin society and the Royal Cambodian Armed Forces," Khem Nuon said in the surrender statement, broadcast Saturday on national television.

The surrender deal does not include the fighters' three top surviving leaders — Ta Mok, known as "The Butcher" for his revolutionary brutality, Khieu Samphan and Nuon Chea. Although the three no longer command any troops, their former followers apparently did not want to give them up.

Still, the Khmer Rouge has been breaking up over the past two years and without the fighters reportedly involved in Friday's surrender deal, it is unlikely that any tiny bands that may still roam the jungle could revive the group. Disarming the fighters would end more than 30 years of civil war in Cambodia that began with the Marxist guerrillas' insurgency against the government in Phnom Penh in the late 1960s.

The surrender comes less than a month after Cambodian strongman Hun Sen and Prince Norodom Ranariddh, whom he ousted as co-prime minister in a bloody 1997 coup, struck a deal to end the country's political deadlock.

Tensions remain between the two, but they have succeeded in forming a working government recognized by the United Nations and the international community for the first time in more than a year and a half. Cambodia still faces many problems, but it appears poised to begin perhaps its most stable period in decades.

The Cambodian government and the United States have expressed a desire to capture the three surviving leaders and make them stand trial for genocide and crimes against humanity. Khem Nuon, who served as their chief of staff, indicated the rank and file had broken with the three.

"All of us are committed to not believing and following Ta Mok, Khieu Samphan and Nuon Chea, the criminals, anymore," he said.

In a telephone interview with Nate Thayer of the Far Eastern Economic Review, who first broke the news of the surrender, Khem Nuon said the three were "retired" and refused to give more details.

Khem Nuon claimed he was negotiating on behalf of 5,000 remaining ragtag troops and 15,000 civilians living under Khmer Rouge control.

Thayer said, however, that he believed the estimate of fighting men was inflated, and that many of the civilians are living in the Phu Noi refugee camp in Thailand.

Thayer, who in 1997 became the first journalist to interview the late Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot, is one of few outsiders trusted by the guerrillas. Pol Pot hadn't been seen in public in nearly two decades until Thayer's interview. Pol Pot, whose men had turned against him, was 73 when he died in his sleep in April in a jungle hut.

The Khmer Rouge came to power in April 1975 by overthrowing the U.S.-backed Lon Nol government. Under Pol Pot's leadership, they emptied out the cities and attempted to turn the country into an agrarian utopia by herding the population on to collective farms.

The experiment was a disaster economically and in human terms. Famine soon affected many parts of the country. Those suspected of harboring opposing views, or merely of being educated, were put to death.

Nearly two million people died of execution, overwork, starvation or disease under the Khmer Rouge until they were ousted from power by a Vietnamese invasion in 1979.

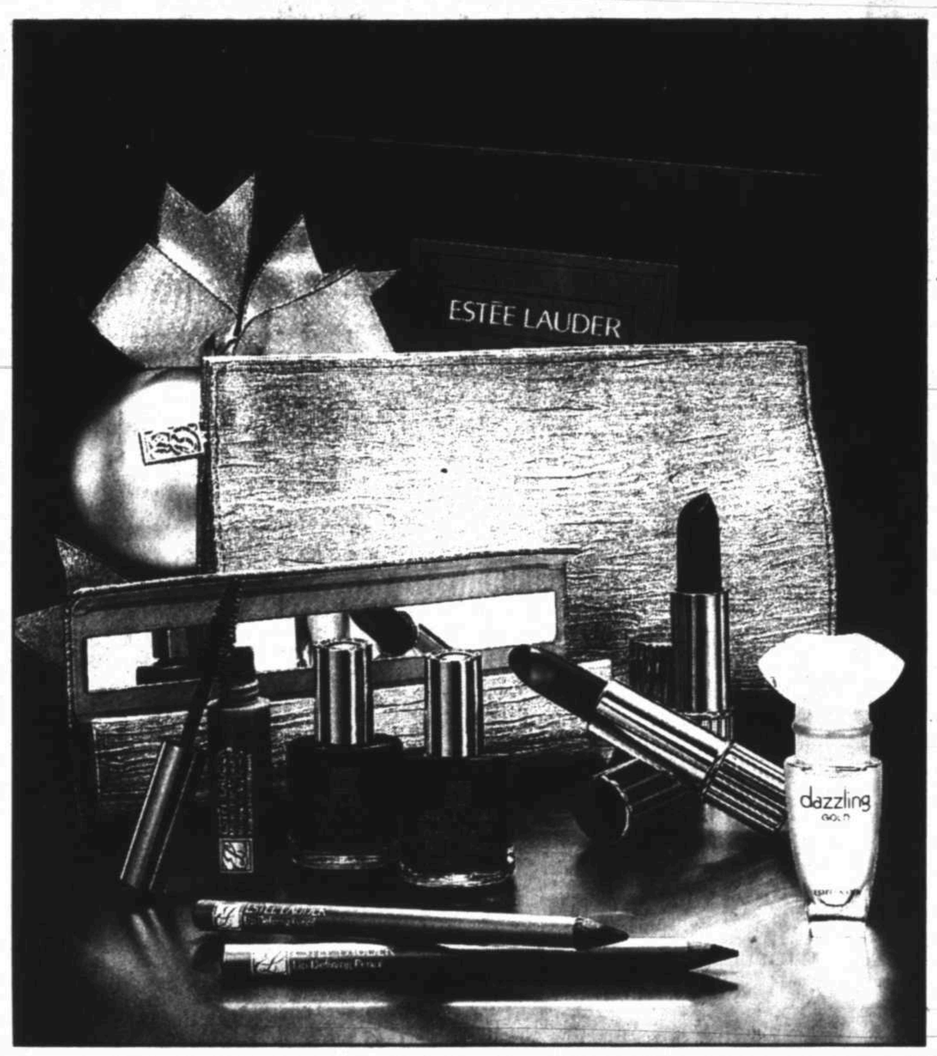
They have fought a guerrilla war against successive governments ever since, but wings of their movement began defecting to the government in 1996.

Under Friday's agreement, the remaining guerrillas will join the government army and the civilians will return to Anlong Veng, the guerrillas' former stronghold in the north.

The government was represented at the surrender negotiations by Meas Sopheas, deputy chief of staff of the Cambodian military.

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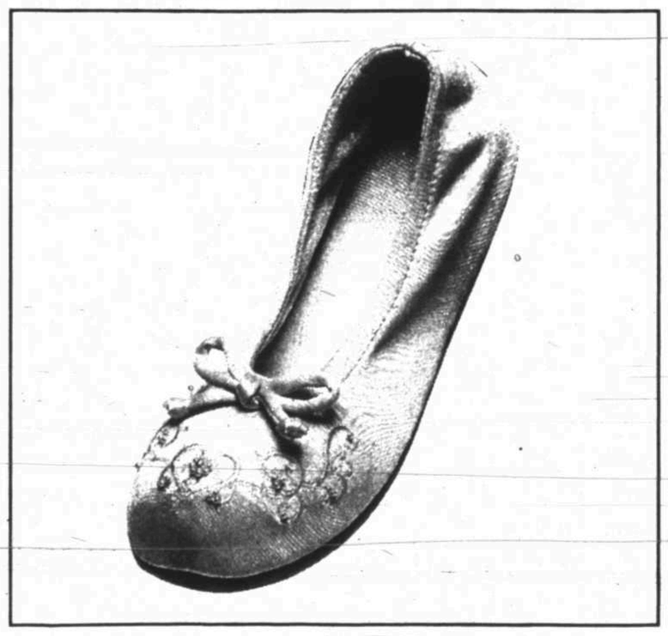
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Annan fails to reach agreement on Lockerbie suspects

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan failed to reach agreement Saturday on bringing two Libyans to trial for the 1988 Pan Am airliner bombing despite what he called "fruitful and positive" talks with Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi.

Annan said, however, he believed an arrangement for trying the two Libyan suspects could be secured in "not an inordinate" amount of time.

The secretary-general talked to reporters after meeting Gadhafi at an undisclosed location in the Libyan desert. Libyan TV showed Gadhafi, in a brown robe and cap, shaking hands with Annan.

It was a long day of diplomacy for 60-year-old Annan. He left Jerba, Tunisia, in the morning for Tripoli, held talks with Libyan officials in the coastal city of Sirte, 250 miles east of Tripoli, then took what was said to be a two-hour journey to his desert meeting with Gadhafi. He headed back to Tripoli before returning to Jerba early Sunday morning.

Annan is trying to get Libya to go along with a U.S.-British plan to try Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi and Lamen Khalifa Fhimah before a panel of Scottish judges in the Netherlands for the Dec. 21, 1988, bombing over Lockerbie, Scotland, that left 270 people dead.

"The talks have been fruitful and positive," Annan said after his meeting with Gadhafi. "Libya has confirmed its seriousness and readiness to find a solution to the Lockerbie problem.

"Libya has also agreed to a trial in a third country and believes that it ought to be possible to find answers to all other outstanding issues," he said. "It will require some time but not an inordinate amount."

Libyan Foreign Minister Omar al-Muntasser confirmed Annan's assessment of the time frame. Some procedural and legal matters remain, but would not take long, he said, standing alongside the secretary-general in Tripoli.

The United Nations and Libya have "agreed to work seriously in order to solve the Lockerbie case and guarantee a fair trial" for the suspects, Egypt's Middle East News Agency quoted al-Muntasser as saying.

In Washington, deputy State Department spokesman James Foley said the United States is awaiting a briefing from Annan, but is "disappointed" that Libya has not complied with U.N. Security Council resolutions.

"Compliance means turnover of the two suspects for trial," Foley said. "It's been almost 10 years since the Pan Am 103 tragedy, this has gone on for far too long."

The meeting with Gadhafi took place after Libya's official news agency, JANA, reported Annan might not be able to meet with the Libyan leader because Gadhafi was "in the desert."

Libyan media also suggested Gadhafi had no authority to hand over the suspects — an indication he was giving himself room in case he decides against giving up the two men wanted by the United States and Britain.

JANA indicated a decision on handing over al-Megrahi and Fhimah would have to be approved by some 500 grassroots national committees before being decided by the parliament.

Libyan radio reported that the parliament had been called to meet Tuesday in Sirte. But the report, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corp., did not say whether the Lockerbie issue would be discussed.

While Libyan media gave few reports about the visit, ordinary Libyans were aware of the developments and many said they oppose handing over the suspects.

"We should never surrender our children no matter what the price is," Tripoli fisherman Ahmed Abdel-Salam said.

Nasser Bouaicha, a shopkeeper in a bustling downtown market, said the men should be tried in Libya. "We have judges and we have law," he said.

Annan flew into Libya aboard a special plane from the Tunisian resort island of Jerba after receiving clearance from the U.N. Sanctions Committee. Libya has been under U.N. sanctions since 1992 for its refusal to hand over the two suspects, allegedly Libyan intelligence agents.

A Libyan legal team has been meeting regularly with Annan's legal counsel to discuss a U.S.-British proposal to try the suspects in the Netherlands under Scottish law and using Scottish judges.

The Netherlands was chosen as a venue after Libya proposed that the trial be held in a neutral country. Since then, a new hurdle has cropped up over the imprisonment of the suspects, if convicted. Libya wants them jailed in the Netherlands or Libya, but the United States and Britain say they should be imprisoned in Scotland and refuse to negotiate the issue.

Triple bus crash kills 7, injures 50

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A bus driver apparently fell asleep at the wheel and plowed into two other buses Saturday, killing seven people and leaving 50 others hurt in northern Mexico, the government news agency Notimex reported.

Police said driver Jose Luis Reyes Macias was speeding when he drove his bus into the other two buses, which had stopped on Highway 45 in Chihuahua state to help victims of a car accident.

The force of the crash dragged the parked buses 50 feet (15 meters), Notimex said.

Two women and five men, including one of the other bus drivers, were killed. Thirty-two of the injured were in delicate condition.

It was unclear whether passengers who were injured in the initial car accident were among the number of victims reported.

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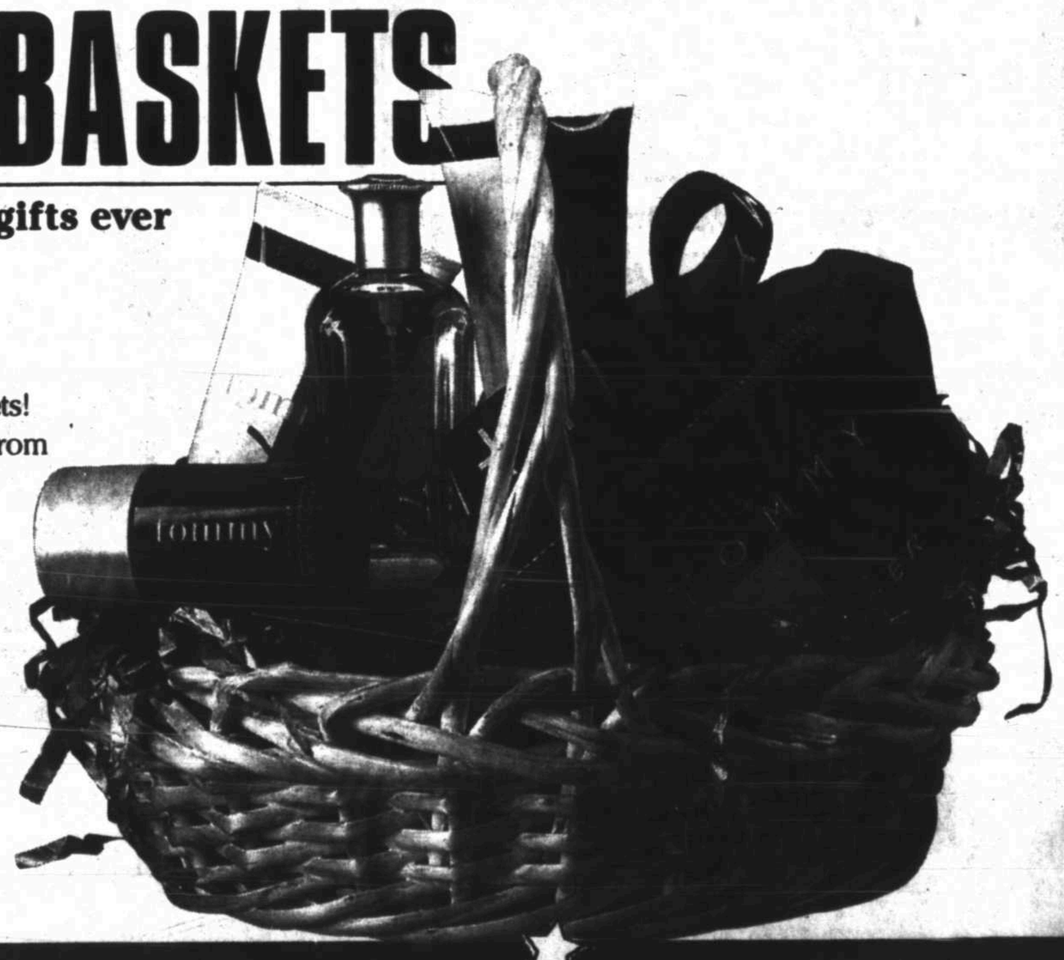
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U.S. military helping Colombia as rebel threat grows

TUMACO, Colombia (AP) — Chided by his Green Beret instructor, a Colombian corporal returns to the firing range after putting a Band-Aid on a thumb worn raw by clicking the safety of his M-16 rifle on and off.

"Are we OK, little girl?" asks Staff Sgt. Juan Estay..

Estay, a 34-year-old from Miami, is one of eight U.S. Army Special Forces soldiers running a six-week training course in this Pacific jungle port. Such exercises are key instruments of U.S. policy to bolster Colombia's armed forces in their uphill struggle against highly effective, well-disciplined rebels.

The U.S. trainers are highly esteemed by their 30 Colombian pupils — six marine officers and 24 senior enlisted marines. After a run-and-shoot competition that culminates marksmanship practice, the Colombian contingent's chief, Capt. Eduardo Chavez, shows his appreciation by hugging Master Sgt. Mike Wood, 34, of St. Louis.

Such training is central to a gradually intensifying U.S. military involvement in Colombia encouraged by the government of President Andres Pastrana, who took office in August.

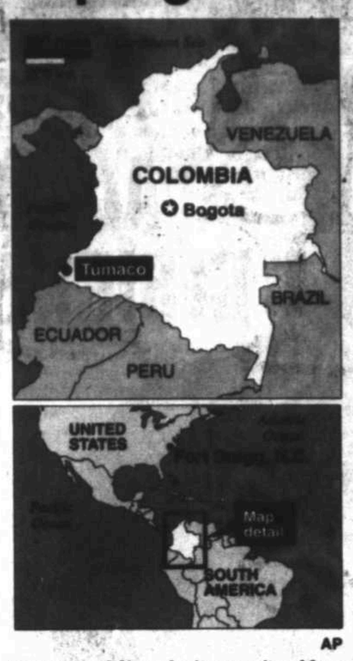
During a visit to Colombia this past week, U.S. Defense Secretary William Cohen signed an accord pledging to increase intelligence support and provide more training.

Officially, Washington classifies the military instructor missions as counternarcotics training, one ingredient in a decade-old U.S. effort to combat drug trafficking in Colombia, the world's No. 1 cocaine-producing nation.

In practice, the Green Berets from the 7th Special Forces group at Fort Bragg, N.C., are teaching skills the Colombian military needs to fight its main foe: the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia. The rebel movement, the hemisphere's oldest and largest leftist insurgency, has for the past three years been pummeling an army comprised largely of ill-prepared conscripts.

The six-week course in Tumaco focuses on basic light-infantry skills, including helicopter-borne operations, riverine infiltration, explosives use and ambush techniques. U.S. trainers provided 60,000 rounds of ammunition, three Zodiac inflatable boats and, for one week, two Blackhawk helicopters.

"It's counterguerrilla training," said Col. Juan Diego Rendon, deputy commander of the Colombian army's 12th Brigade, whose counterinsurgency battalion now has 150 soldiers being trained by a second team of Green Berets in the rebel-dominated southern state of Caqueta.



AP

Nowadays in Colombia, it's hard to fight narcotics without taking on the rebels, who finance themselves largely by taxing the drug trade and protecting cocaine laboratories and airstrips.

The Pentagon put on a dozen Special Forces training courses in Colombia this year and officials say 14 are scheduled for 1999, roughly half the overall U.S. "counterdrug" training missions in the country.

Over the past two years, U.S. assistance to the Colombian military has included hundreds of M-16 rifles and M-60 machine guns, flak jackets, ammunition, night-vision goggles and trucks.

The United States is also working on establishing a high-tech joint intelligence center in southern Colombia, where U.S. specialists would provide the Colombian military almost immediately with information from satellites and spy planes, officials say.

In addition, Washington has offered to help train and equip an anti-narcotics battalion, expected to be formed by mid-1999 and composed of 1,000 soldiers and police officers. Currently, no Colombian military unit is devoted exclusively, or even primarily, to drug enforcement.

"Our assistance is provided to combat narcotics production and trafficking and may be used to counter all those who are actively involved in the drug trade," State Department spokesman James Rubin said Tuesday.

The American involvement remains a far cry, though, from its multibillion-dollar help for Central American nations fighting leftist insurgencies during the 1980s, and it operates within strict limits.

"We have neither the money nor the appetite to do any great ramp-up," Brian Sheridan, a U.S. Defense Department official involved in special operations and low intensity conflict, said in an interview.

The number of American military personnel in Colombia never exceeds 200, U.S. officials say, and American soldiers are not permitted to accompany Colombian troops into combat.

The Colombian government knows that if it is to be successful in peace talks it is trying to launch with the rebels, it needs a few battlefield victories, and increased U.S. military aid could be a decisive factor.

"We are hoping for more help. We need it. Definitely, we do need it," Defense Minister Rodrigo Lloreda said in an interview.

A bigger U.S. role faces considerable obstacles, however.

Colombia's military has a poor human rights record and two U.S. laws sponsored by Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., and enacted since 1996 allow U.S. military aid and training only for Colombian units whose human rights records are clean. So far, only three units of the army, the service most engaged in fighting rebels, have cleared the screening process.

Senior army officers have been accused of promoting right-wing paramilitary groups that kill civilians suspected of supporting the guerrillas. The military's main intelligence brigade, dissolved in May, was implicated in a series of death-squad killings and its former commander, now a fugitive, is wanted for allegedly organizing the 1995 assassination of Colombia's main opposition leader.

Largely because of human rights concerns, Colombia's military annually receives less than one-tenth of the more than $100 million in anti-narcotics assistance provided by Washington. The bulk goes to Colombia's police, which the U.S. Congress just voted to give an additional $200 million over the next three years.

The constraints are not discouraging Marine Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, chief of the U.S. Southern Command responsible for Latin America, who has visited what he calls the hemisphere's "most threatened country" just about every other month this year.

"Frustration is not a course of action for the military," the veteran of two Vietnam tours said of the restrictions in an interview.

At a U.S. congressional hearing last March, Wilhelm listed the deficiencies of Colombia's military as primarily in "mobility, direct attack capabilities, night operations, communications systems, intelligence systems, the ability to operate in rivers and coastal regions and the ability to sustain their forces once committed."


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Judiciary Committee readies for week of high drama

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee, dominated by Republicans determined to punish President Clinton, is racing toward a likely recommendation to remove the president from office, as the nation's third presidential impeachment inquiry enters its final climactic stages.

Clinton's lawyers, demanding three or four days to call panels of witnesses, will attack the inquiry's fairness beginning Tuesday in the room where three articles of impeachment were approved against Richard Nixon.

Right after the Clinton team will come summations by two veteran lawyer-investigators, certain to clash over perjury, obstruction of justice and abuse of power evidence submitted by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

David Schippers, a one-time prosecutor who made his reputation fighting organized crime in Chicago, is speaking for the Republican majority. Abbe Lowell, an ex-prosecutor who specializes in government ethics, represents the Democrats.

Committee Republicans, who have shunned polls and calls for censure, want a vote on impeachment articles Friday or Saturday. They are virtually certain to recommend that Clinton's efforts to conceal his sexual affair in the White House with former intern Monica Lewinsky, a woman half his age, is misconduct serious enough for removal from office.

When the issue comes before the full House, the public could see a much different political dynamic. Lawmakers not on the committee "have to look at the polls, at the next election" and face constituents who ask, 'What are you turkeys doing?'" said retired Rep. William Clinger, a Republican who investigated Clinton as chairman of the Government Reform and Oversight Committee.

Nobody knows the outcome of an impeachment vote in the full House, but a liberal Judiciary Committee member, Rep. Charles Schumer of New York, said, "I am afraid it's a neck-and-neck vote. ... The simple arithmetic is this will be decided by one or two votes, and that's frightening to me."

Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., retiring after 34 years in Congress, said, "The politicians on the Judiciary Committee have very visible hard-core backers, and contributors and activists in their campaigns want them to support or oppose impeachment. Politics is driving them very strongly as well as conviction."

But once impeachment leaves the committee, Hamilton said, "Everybody recognizes the dynamics. The president will not be convicted in the Senate (where a two-thirds vote is needed). It's not quite as rigid as it might appear from just sitting in on committee hearings. There are a lot of back-room, back-channel negotiations going forward with a variety of people, most of whom are trying to be constructive and find an exit strategy."

For many Democrats and White House officials, that strategy might be a censure that could include a financial penalty for Clinton. But a censure would have to clear considerable parliamentary hurdles to even be considered in the full House the same day as impeachment.

In their appearance this week, Clinton's legal team of private attorney David Kendall and White House lawyers Charles Ruff and Gregory Craig will certainly try to make Starr the villain. Their audience won't really be the 21 Republican conservatives and 16 liberal Democrats in the committee room but millions of Americans watching on television.

In this gravest of constitutionally mandated inquiries, there is no expectation that this politically polarized committee, led by Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., will suddenly become a forum for lofty constitutional debate.

To the contrary, the sight of lawmakers constantly interrupting each other at hearings has left the discourse "at the gutter level, and both parties are responsible," said senior U.S. Circuit Judge Charles Wiggins, a Republican member of the Judiciary Committee during the Nixon Watergate investigation.

Julian Epstein, chief counsel for committee Democrats, looked at the coming momentous week this way: "The stakes are higher. The adrenaline will be flowing. It's show time."

The Republican staff of the Judiciary Committee has been drafting articles of impeachment that would accuse Clinton of lying in his Jan. 17 deposition in the Paula Jones case, lying again in his Aug. 17 grand jury testimony, obstructing justice and abusing his power.

The staff also may consider whether Clinton lied again under oath last Friday when he submitted written answers to 81 questions from committee chairman Hyde. Those responses were similar to the president's previous testimony.

Clinton wants new waiting period for handgun purchasers

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton said he will ask Congress for a law to require a "cooling-off period" of several days before a prospective handgun sale, even though a new FBI system has made background checking quicker.

"We must do even more to support the people and the laws that protect our children and families," Clinton said Saturday in his weekly radio address.

A new FBI instant-check system, which took effect last Monday and governs the purchase of handguns, shotguns and rifles, replaced a five-day waiting period for handgun purchases only. The waiting period was to allow local and state law enforcement authorities time to do background checks on buyers.

The new system uses a toll-free telephone number that gun dealers must call to relay information about prospective gun buyers to the FBI for computer records checks, often completed within minutes.

Clinton said during the first four days, 100,000 prospective guns sales were reviewed and 400 felons, fugitives, stalkers and other prohibited purchasers were stopped.

"That's more than 100 illegal gun sales blocked each day. Who knows how many lives were saved?" Clinton said.

However, the president still wants handgun purchasers to face waiting periods of three to five days, partly so law enforcement officials can check additional, non-computerized records.

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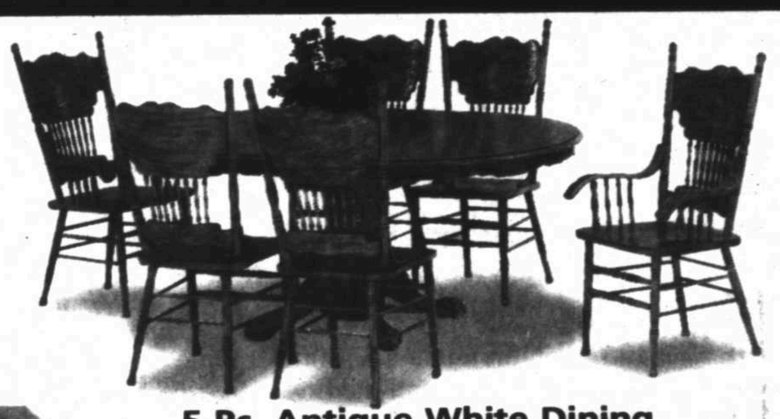


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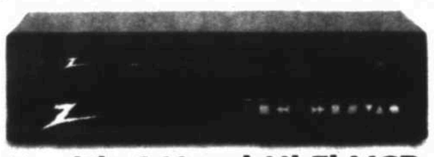
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Security team finds frustration in Congress over Clinton's suspension of raids

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's national security team hasn't had to strain to rally congressional support for military action against Iraq. The hard work has been explaining why an attack hasn't happened already.

At a private briefing for senators, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Defense Secretary William Cohen, National Security Adviser Sandy Berger and Joint Chiefs Chairman Gen. Henry Shelton found widespread frustration over Clinton's suspension of bombing raids last month.

"The questions were along the line of why didn't we go ahead and bomb," said one Democratic participant, who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

The meeting last week marked the first time since airstrikes were ordered, then aborted, that the administration had a chance to make its case directly to Congress. The president's security team got a stark political lesson in return: About Iraq, there are not hawks and doves in Congress, only hawks and greater hawks.

"America must not talk loudly and carry a small stick," said Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas. "If we say we're going to bomb, we should bomb."

Fifty senators showed up for the two-hour-plus session. Republicans called it contentious. Democrats said the team made a good presentation but agreed the atmosphere was at times frosty.

In any event, Albright and her colleagues — not normally shrinking violets — left the Capitol by a hidden back stairwell rather than face waiting cameras and reporters.

The briefing, along with one by lower-ranking officials for House members, was an attempt to update the recessed Congress on "what led to our decision to launch an attack, and then call it back," plus subsequent developments, Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said.

The officials spelled out that Iraq "won't have the type of notice next time" it had before and should "allow the inspectors to do their job," Bacon said.

"They still didn't answer the questions we had in February: Once you bomb, then what?" said Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan., chairman of the Foreign Relations subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian affairs.

Still, Brownback applauded the administration's move to build ties with Iraqi opposition groups seeking to depose Iraq's president, Saddam Hussein. He also credited the officials for being persuasive in asserting that the Iraqi strongman won't be given another chance to outmaneuver Washington.

"We set a condition, and they met it. We shouldn't have set the condition," Brownback said.

Clinton stepped back from the brink of war after Saddam promised to restore access to suspected weapons sites for U.N. inspectors.

"There may be some in Congress who oppose force. I just don't know any off hand," said Rep. Lee Hamilton of Indiana, retiring senior Democrat on the House International Relations Committee.

But Hamilton added: "Most of the people who want to see us get rid of Saddam Hussein also don't want to send in the troops that might be needed. Even if you got him, there's no guarantee the successor would be any better."

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., has been outspoken in favor of force. Incoming House Speaker Robert Livingston, R-La., has been less vocal but has voted for measures to overthrow Saddam's government.

Such rampant hawkishness seems peculiar to Iraq and Saddam, suggested Tom Mann, director of governmental studies at the Brookings Institution. "I don't see great interest in a military campaign in North Korea or elsewhere," Mann said.

"We were so close to launch that I think all of these members psychologically were committed to that and felt the ground shifting on them at the last moment."

Activists stake out positions for Social Security talks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Influential interest groups are bringing tough demands to talks with lawmakers and Clinton administration officials this week at a closed-door White House conference on the future of Social Security.

So far, President Clinton and Republican leaders have left the negotiations wide open. Neither has ruled out options for fixing the nation's retirement program.

But interest groups that lawmakers rely on for financial and grass-roots support are swiftly choosing up sides.

"It's clearly difficult when your major supporters are saying 'This is our line in the sand, and we don't budge from it,'" said John Rother, public policy director for the American Association of Retired Persons.

"If they listen to those messages too long, we're not going to have legislation. We're going to have a stalemate."

Allies of congressional Republicans, business and conservative groups from the National Association of Manufacturers to the Center for New Black Leadership, promise to demand changes that would divert Social Security taxes into personal accounts Americans could invest in the stock market. Some government benefits would remain as a safety net.

"We think that educating employees as to the benefits of privatization is going to be one of the centerpieces of our campaign to see these reforms adopted," said NAM vice president Paul Huard.

On the other side, civil rights, women's and labor groups traditionally friendly to Democrats — including Jesse Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, the National Organization for Women and the AFL-CIO — promised to use their grass-roots power to fight privatization and attempts to raise the retirement age.

"Privatization is pro-market but anti-family," civil rights leader Jackson said. "It turns a program of shared security into one of individual risks."

Some of the competing advocates are open to compromise, but others say they'd rather see no changes to Social Security next year than accept ones they don't like.

Rep. Bob Livingston, R-La., in line to be the next House speaker, and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., have refused to participate personally in the Social Security talks planned by the Clinton administration for Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Republican leaders have pledged to work toward compromise on action that could be taken to avert the Social Security cash shortage looming as the huge baby boom generation ages.

But they are sending powerful GOP committee chairmen, including Rep. Clay Shaw, R-Fla., who will take the helm of the House subcommittee overseeing Social Security next year, to demand that Clinton make the first move by giving Congress a blueprint for Social Security reform.

It remains to be seen how seriously lawmakers will take the pressure from interest groups, but both Democrats and Republicans have reason to feel beholden to their allies.

Democrats owe much of their gain of five House seats in this fall's elections to high voter turnout among minorities. The party also took 90 percent of campaign contributions made by labor unions and benefited from rallies and advertising by the AFL-CIO.

Republicans got 84 percent of the campaign contributions made by business associations.

While campaign contributions are difficult to tie directly to individual issues like Social Security, "it establishes a pattern of clout," said Jennifer Shecter, who tracks political spending for the Center for Responsive Politics.

Retirees will be the biggest wild card in the Social Security debate. After lawyers and law firms, retirees were the second-largest campaign contributors during the 1998 election cycle.

Some older people's groups favor privatization or raising Social Security taxes on higher-paid workers, but the largest — AARP — so far has avoided demands that are too specific.

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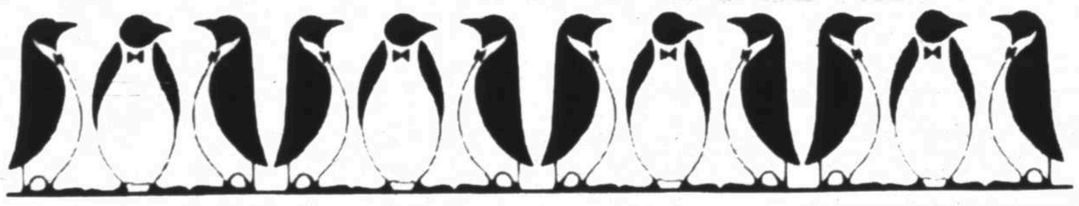
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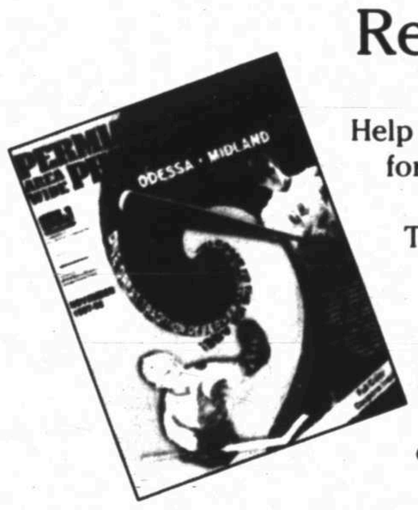
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For snake handlers' orphans, custody battle pits faith vs. welfare

By Allen Breed
Associated Press



AP photo
John "Punkin" Brown holds a rattlesnake during a service at the True Tabernacle of Jesus Christ in Middlesboro, Ky., in July 1997.

MACEDONIA, Ala. — Punkin Brown stalks around the altar of the Old Rockhouse Holiness Church, his head bobbing, his voice a stream of guttural barks from the depths of his chest. He is "in the Word," and the congregation is clapping and shouting.

Then, nonchalantly, he bends over and plucks a 3-foot yellow timber rattlesnake from a wooden box on the altar.

The rattler stiffens in a "V" shape in Brown's right hand as he hops across the stage on one leg like rocker Chuck Berry. He sets the snake on the altar and strokes its upstretched head. Members of the congregation cool themselves with funeral home paper fans as a guitar player picks out a blues riff.

"They say it won't bite," the beefy 34-year-old evangelist shouts. "If it won't bite, there ain't no sense in being scared. ... I seen that big copperhead in there bite, but I know one thing: That the Lord told me it was all right. The Lord said it would be all right."

Brown knows they can bite. The preacher from Parrottsville, Tenn., has been bitten 22 times since he began handling serpents 18 years ago.

And he knows how serious the bites can be. His 28-year-old wife, Melinda, mother of their five children, died of a bite three years ago at a revival in Kentucky.

That was a rattlesnake, like this one.

And on this October day on Sand Mountain in northeast Alabama, the family's sad history repeats itself.

Brown doesn't even flinch when the rattler sinks one fang into the base of his left middle finger. If he is scared, it doesn't show.

"God don't ever change," he says, his voice ever so slightly less forceful than before. "God don't ever fail, and He never will."

Brown hands the snake to another man and walks behind the altar. A man in a striped shirt follows behind, stroking Brown's head and neck, his own head jerking violently up and down.

"God's still God, no matter what comes," Brown says, his voice relaxed and reassuring, the fire and brimstone completely gone from it. "No matter what else, God's still God."

These are his last words of preaching.

Brown starts to fail. He walks in front of the altar, then back up and paces a little. He braces himself, his left hand on the pulpit, his right on Pastor Billy Summerford's shoulder. His head is down and he swallows hard.

Brown raises both hands in the air. His friends hold him up for a few seconds, then lower him to the floor.

A video camera rolls, taking in the alarming scene and the incongruous, sweetly smiling face of an oblivious little girl. Someone asks Brown if he wants a doctor. He shakes his head and points to the sky.

"JEEEEEsus, have your way, JEEEEEsus," the congregation shouts in warbling voices.

After about 10 minutes, the simple green and white church goes silent, except for some muffled sobs. The little girl in the video still smiles, uncomprehending.

Brown is dead.

The New Testament's book of Mark calls serpent handling one of the "signs" that true believers must follow.

And John Wayne "Punkin" Brown Jr., a rising star in the Pentecostal faith, was a true believer.

Brown felt he was following God's law when he defied a judge's order following the death of his wife in August 1995. The order restored to him custody of his children from his in-laws, but with conditions: No poisonous snakes around the house and no more snake-handling services for the children.

Now, the orphaned children are the objects of a new custody fight, pitting Appalachian tradition against child welfare law, faith against science, grandparent against grandparent.

Punkin Brown's parents, Peggy and John Brown Sr., who have their own snake-handling church in Marshall, N.C., are seeking custody of Jonathan, 12; Jacob and Jeremiah, 7; Sarah, 5; and Daniel, 4.

But on Oct. 7, as their son's body was laid out for viewing at a funeral home, a juvenile court judge in Cocke County, Tenn., told the Browns that he needed to determine if the children they had helped raise would be safe with them. They, too, have admitted violating the order.

In a preliminary decision, Judge John Bell gave temporary custody to the children's maternal grandmother, Mary Goswick of Plainville, Ga. She is a former serpent handler herself, though she says that's all in the past.

The custody case has forced believers to explain their faith once again to a world they wish would just leave them alone.

Cynthia Porter, a serpent handler from Kingston, Ga., and a friend of the Browns, says the practice is misunderstood. "I have a college education. I work in the medical field. I'm not stupid. I'm not occult. I'm not uneducated," she says. "I know exactly what I'm doing."

But Melinda Brown's father, Lewis Duvall, says his grandchildren don't — and says they are much better off away from all that.

During the earlier custody dispute, Brown's in-laws testified that the children woke in cold sweats from nightmares about snakes. Now, nightmare and reality blend.

"All we want to do is get them comfortable in school and to where they won't be raised up in such an atmosphere of wondering whether their granddaddy or their grandmother or their uncle will come home ... in a box or they'll get snake-bitten," says Duvall, who is divorced from Mrs. Goswick.

"The father evidently did not have enough love in his heart to want to live and take care of his children."

But Punkin Brown's friends say it was all about love. He even said so himself in an interview a year after his wife's death.

"I never lost my faith in God. But I felt panic because she was my wife. I loved her," Brown told Scott Schwartz, a Smithsonian Institution archivist and author of a book, "Faith, Serpents and Fire," due out in February.

Sitting under a tent at the True Tabernacle of Jesus Christ in Middlesboro, Ky., the church where Melinda was bitten, he also reflected on his children.

Jonathan, the oldest, watched as the timber rattler "dog-bit" his mother, grabbing the soft flesh of her left arm in its fangs and shaking, refusing to let go as the blood flowed. She languished for two days before succumbing.

"Jonathan is terrified of snakes," Brown acknowledged. But he said he had done what he could to prepare the children.

"The kids knew what to expect if the Lord didn't move," he told Schwartz. "I told the kids Melinda had died, and they ain't said nothing to me that would indicate that they held me responsible for her death."

Brown found himself facing a decision between loving God and loving his family. In the end, he decided they were one and the same.

"I let people talk me out of my handling of serpents, and I felt that I had let Melinda down for this," he said. "I only hope the Lord doesn't hold it against me. That's maybe why I suffered more, because I didn't listen to the Lord. I can't change that, but I hope I do better next time."

Brown told a friend he dreamed that he would die if he went back to Alabama to preach. But could he have ever dreamed of the turmoil his family would face?

"My son gave his life for what he believed," John Brown Sr. shouted after Judge Bell made his ruling. "Is this the freedom that we are guaranteed by the Constitution?"

Yes, but it has limits, says Ron Flowers, professor of religion at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth.

Courts have ordered Jehovah's Witness children to receive blood transfusions despite their parents' religious objections, he said. Sick children have been removed from the homes of parents who rely on faith healing.

"The free-exercise clause (of the Constitution) is not absolute," Flowers says. "The courts have ruled as early as over 100 years ago that if the government perceives that something is being done in the name of religion that, in fact, is harmful to an individual or even to society, that the government may step in and prohibit that behavior or curtail it in some way."

Ralph Hood, a psychology professor at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga and friend of the Browns, says snake handlers forbid their children to touch serpents and often keep the kids at the back of the church. He says he has never heard of a child being killed or even injured at a snake-handling service.

Removing the Brown children from a loving home and from the church their parents died for is not in their best interests, he says.

Mrs. Porter says she has talked

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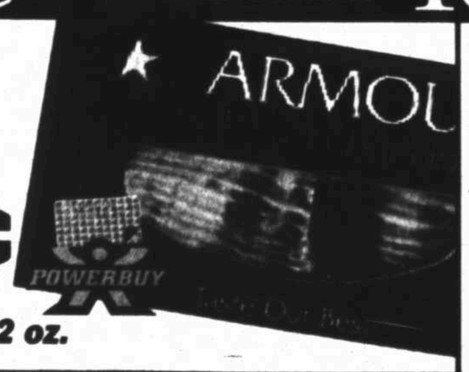
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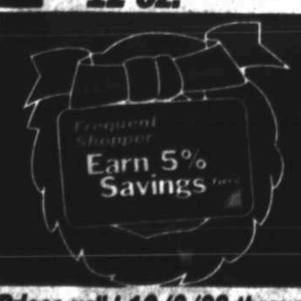


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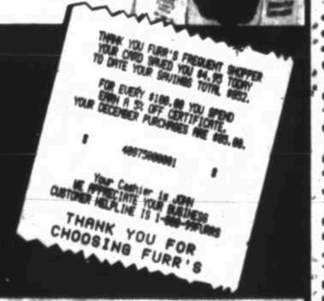




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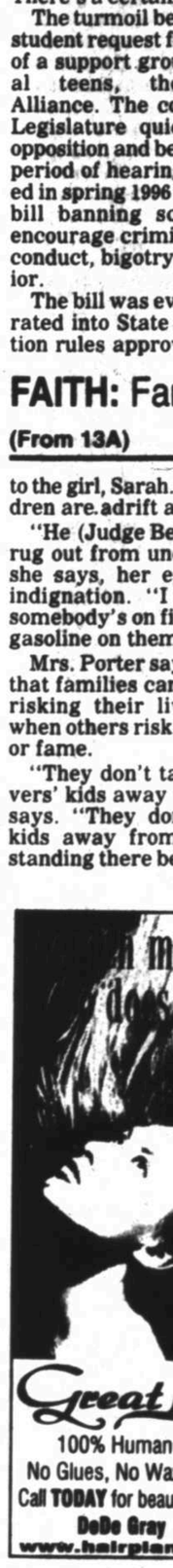
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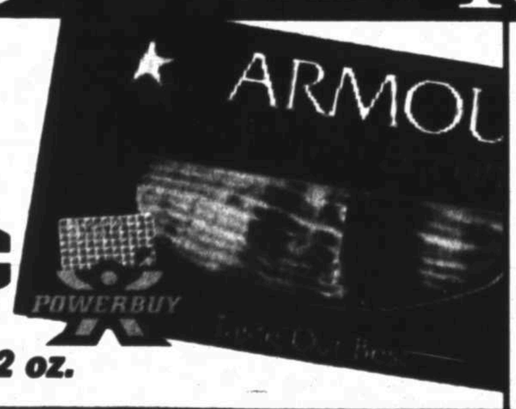
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Ban on clubs, aimed at gays, hurting student body



AP photo

East High students from left, Andrew Perkins, president of the Computer Club; Ivy Fox, a member of the Gay-Straight Alliance; Ann Lynch, a member of the Humanities Club and Chris Trindel, a cheerleader, pose outside their school in Salt Lake City, Thursday. Advised that federal law prohibits schools from discriminating against clubs on the basis of unpopular ideas they espouse, but unwilling to stomach the Gay-Straight Alliance, the board in February 1996 banished all clubs not linked to academic studies in the city's four high schools.

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Three years after the school board axed extracurricular clubs to get rid of a gay students group, the target of the ban is thriving and East High School, where the Gay-Straight Alliance so unsettled assorted officials, is hurting.

Dozens of clubs disbanded, including Students Against Drunk Driving, the Crazy E pep club, Young Republicans and Young Democrats, and several that promoted ethnic awareness, as well as groups that celebrated Bart Simpson, UFOs and the joys of eating beef.

School spirit has evaporated, students socialize less and class and racial rifts are deeper than before, say students and teachers.

"People don't care about school anymore," said cheerleader Chris Trindel.

"It's been a disaster," said Scott Nelson, a social studies and history teacher. "There's more to education than just the curriculum. ... There's a certain social element."

The turmoil began in 1995 with a student request for school sanction of a support group for homosexual teens, the Gay-Straight Alliance. The conservative state Legislature quickly lined up in opposition and began a contentious period of hearings that culminated in spring 1996 with passage of a bill banning school clubs that encourage criminal or delinquent conduct, bigotry or sexual behavior.

The bill was eventually incorporated into State Board of Education rules approved the following winter.

But the Salt Lake School Board wasn't waiting for state guidance. Advised that federal law prohibits schools from discriminating against clubs on the basis of unpopular ideas they espouse, but unwilling to stomach the Gay-Straight Alliance, the board in February 1996 banished all clubs not linked to academic studies in the city's four high schools.

Civil libertarians and hundreds of high school students — only a few of them gay — marched on the Statehouse in a doomed attempt to save their extracurricular clubs.

The Gay-Straight Alliance survived because it had the guidance and support of the politically savvy Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network, a national gay rights group.

Now, under sponsorship of GLSEN, the alliance meets as a community group and pays $6 an hour to rent an East High classroom one afternoon a week.

The Key Club, a civic-service group sponsored by the adult Kiwanis Club organization, is the only other extracurricular club to have gone the "community group" route and rented meeting space at East High.

Clubs like Polynesian Pride and the Aztec Club for Latinos used to be a big part of ethnic students' school lives. "Now they're part of nothing," Lee said.

"A lot of the education in this school has been lost," she said. Without the public evidence of support for minorities that the ethnic groups helped provide, she said, "the kids get the message that it's OK to discriminate."

Ivy Fox, an alliance member and instigator of a petition campaign this fall that failed to persuade the school board to reconsider its ban, said clubs used to be a way for loners to make friends.

"You see a lot of students roaming through the halls alone. They have nobody to sit with at lunch," said Fox, a junior and one of three alliance members who have filed a federal civil rights lawsuit against the district.

The president of the school board, Karen Derrick, said she favored reconsideration of the club ban in light of the state policy instituted last January. But she was voted down in October, partly because board members wanted to wait until the lawsuit is resolved.

FAITH: Family friend says kids are miserable

(From 13A)

to the girl, Sarah. She says the children are adrift and miserable.

"He (Judge Bell) just pulled the rug out from underneath them," she says, her eyes flaring with indignation. "I mean, it's like somebody's on fire and you throw gasoline on them."

Mrs. Porter says it is an outrage that families can be punished for risking their lives for religion when others risk theirs for money or fame.

"They don't take race car drivers' kids away from them," she says. "They don't take boxers' kids away from them. They're standing there beating each other to death, literally. ... They're committing suicide.

Mrs. Goswick thinks God has delivered her grandchildren to her.

Bell says he hopes to schedule a permanent custody hearing before Christmas. Meanwhile, the children are enrolled in their new schools in Georgia.

"They're getting attended to the way I think little children ought to be," she says. "By the helping grace of God they'll be here the rest of their life, I hope. Because the little children, they need an opportunity to grow up and make up their own minds. They don't need it made up for them."

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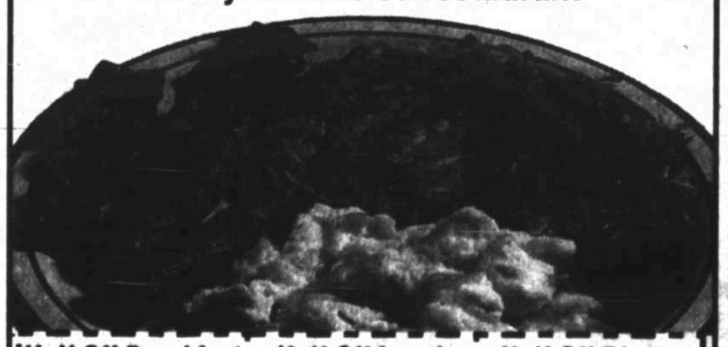


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Motorists should be expecting traffic changes

If Midland motorists have not yet realized that some of the one-way streets they are driving on in the city are no longer one-way, they had better wake up before they are jarred into awareness of the change.

City traffic crews worked through the weekend Nov. 14-15 to have portions of Loraine and Colorado streets ready for two-way traffic the following Monday, and even though city officials attempted to notify the Midland public so that drivers would not be surprised by the change, a number of drivers still were shocked in the early days by the change. As Lt. Damon Shupp of the Midland Police Department noted, "We had a few complaints about people driving the wrong way, but we really did not have a significant increase in traffic accidents."

That is good because such significant changes as the flow of traffic on a street from one-way to two-way can result in major accidents if drivers do not quickly recognize the change and adjust to compensate for the different traffic flow pattern.

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Motorists need to be aware of the impending change and drive more cautiously. They should also plan to take other arterial streets during the first few days of the change.

These traffic changes are expected to make the traffic flow better for residents and businesses along the streets affected and to work better with the larger population of Midland today. But initially, there will be more confusion and danger as Midland motorists confront the changes.

Midland drivers can reduce the risks they will face by being aware that these changes are taking place.

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Dec. 6, the 340th day of 1998. There are 25 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 6, 1923, a presidential address was broadcast on radio for the first time as President Coolidge spoke to a joint session of Congress.

On this date:

In 1790, Congress moved from New York to Philadelphia.

In 1884, Army engineers completed construction of the Washington Monument.

In 1889, Jefferson Davis, the first and only president of the Confederate States of America, died in New Orleans.

In 1947, Everglades National Park in Florida was dedicated by President Truman.

In 1957, America's first attempt at putting a satellite into orbit blew up on the launch pad at Cape Canaveral.

In 1957, AFL-CIO members voted to expel the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. (The Teamsters were readmitted in 1987.)

In 1973, House minority leader Gerald R. Ford was sworn in as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew.

In 1982, 11 soldiers and six civilians were killed when a bomb planted by the Irish National Liberation Army exploded in a pub in Ballykelly, Northern Ireland.

In 1989, 14 women were shot to death at the University of Montreal's school of engineering by a man who then took his own life.

Ten years ago: Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev arrived for his second U.S. visit to address the United Nations and meet with President Reagan and President-elect Bush. The space shuttle Atlantis landed in California. Rock-and-roll pioneer Roy Orbison died near Nashville, Tenn., at age 52.

Five years ago: A judge in New Bedford, Mass., sentenced former priest James R. Porter, who'd admitted molesting 28 children in the 1960s, to 18 to 20 years in prison for sexual assault.

JACK ANDERSON

Friend and mentor, Joseph Spear will be missed

WASHINGTON — It hasn't been a pretty year in the world of journalism: Stephen Glass of the New Republic was defrocked as a serial fabricator; The Cincinnati Enquirer was slapped around by banana baron Carl Lindner; and the D.C. media elite fell into further disrepute as we gorged on the details of Bill Clinton's sex life.

None of these hits compare to the void left by the passing of Joseph Spear, felled by a heart attack at 57 in his beloved Dewey Beach, Del.



Anderson

For two decades he was a reporter, editor and co-author of this column, the glue and conscience of the Washington Merry-Go-Round, friend and mentor to countless young reporters who passed through our office en route to prestigious bylines elsewhere. For the past decade, he continued that mentoring role as a journalist in residence at The American University, where he spun anecdotes and imparted wisdom to a new generation of reporters.

He also found time to pen his own, twice-a-week syndicated column, an acerbic, funny and brutally honest take on the nation and the world.

Joe loved his wife, Linda, more than anyone or anything. In close second was his love affair with something most people, harried reporters included, often take for granted: the First Amendment. He cherished exposing the fools and hypocrites who populate political Washington. He was a sworn enemy of arrogance and a passionate defender of the helpless, be it a government whistleblower or a South African nationalist imprisoned for speaking out against apartheid.

Nothing ignited his insolence more than the self-appointed puritans who take it upon themselves to decide what information is appropriate for the unwashed masses. This was a constant theme, expressed most succinctly in the preface to his 1984 book, "Presidents and the Press: The Nixon Legacy" (MIT Press):

"I know it sounds naive, probably even mawkish, but I love the First Amendment and all that it stands for. I have a congenital compulsion to resist any effort to restrict what I can read, hear, say or write — and this is especially true of information that concerns government and politics.... They (government officials) have no right — except in instances where the collective security is genuinely in jeopardy — to restrict or withhold information.

"It is this principle that the First Amendment embodies and protects, and I consider it the bedrock upon which our participative system rests."

He was, in many ways, the very antithesis of the modern-day celebrity reporter. In our "Crossfire" culture, where pundits put partisanship before genuine judgment, Joe was a self-described "flaming moderate" — as likely to castigate Ken Starr as he was to support conservative crusades like a simpler tax system. He understood that journalists don't inhabit the mountaintop, even though we sometimes mingle with those who do. He believed a reporter should keep on the same footing with the people he's supposed to inform, and look up with skepticism on the politicians in charge.

Says Michael Binstein, a close friend of Joe's and former co-author of this column: "The thread that ran through every conversation, column or thought, was an antipathy for arrogance and a distrust of power and an absolutely religious fervor when it came to the First Amendment. Unyielding, uncompromising, unqualified and unapologetic. He went out every day and found excuses to write about those three things."

So it was until the end. His last column was a characteristically blunt message to Ken Starr: "Hear me, fanaticos: It is time to shut it down, draw the shades, clear the premises. Get a grip and give us some peace."

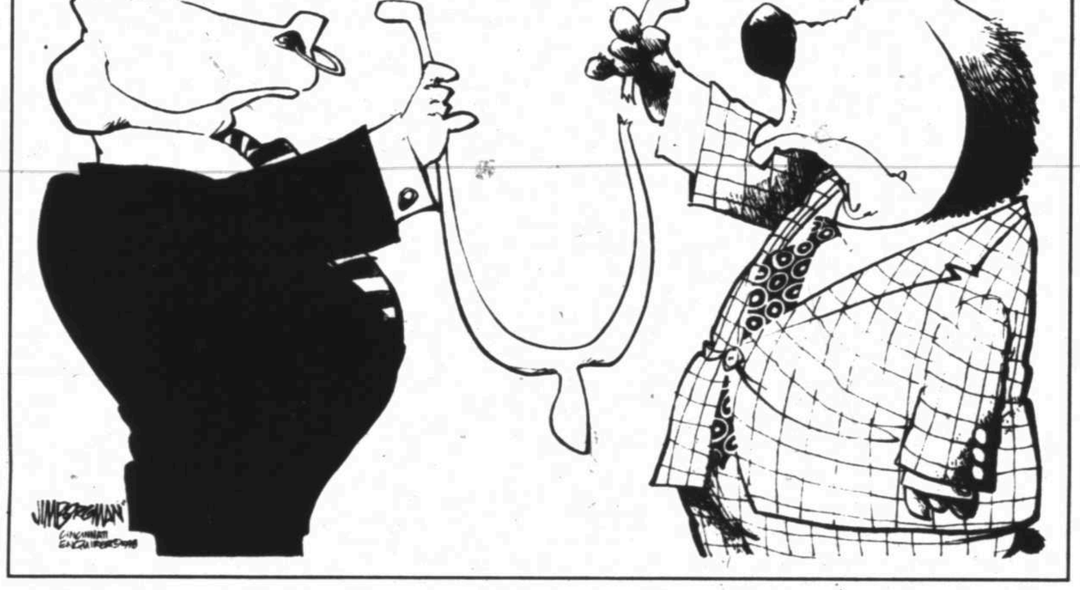
The column before that commemorated the 200th anniversary of the Alien and Sedition Acts, our government's first stab at official censorship. He cleverly lampooned a law under which "15 were indicted, and 10 were convicted — including a New Jersey man who was fined $100 for saying he was disappointed that the wadding of a canon fired in (President John) Adams' honor had not struck the presidential derriere."

Joe wasn't especially big or exceptionally graceful, though he's remembered as the best third-baseman ever to play for the office softball team. A generous manner often disguised his smoldering convictions. But he was tough as a prizefighter. For the last six months, he battled cancer, never losing his resolve and never missing a deadline through grueling chemotherapy and radiation.

Joe had finally beaten the cancer when his heart gave out on an unseasonably warm Sunday evening in late November. He had gone for a stroll on the beach, no doubt composing a column in his mind that followed the first commandment he implored on all new reporters: Comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable.

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RUSSELL BAKER

World without teeth is world without bite

If God had truly made man in His own image, as widely alleged, there would be no dentists. No designer in his right mind, much less a perfect and omnipotent God, would have settled for teeth at the top of the human eating mechanism.



Baker

Had some draftsman shown Him blueprints featuring a tooth-equipped jaw, God would surely have said, "Pshaw! I can do better than that," and that would have been the end of teeth.

Instead, I spent two hours the other day with a mouth full of cotton, metal, slowly hardening plastics, rubber gloves and a variety of other people's fingers. After the usual moment of self-pity, I tried lifting a sinking spirit the good old-fashioned way; to wit, by looking on the bright side.

Suppose man had no teeth. Would politics be possible without teeth flashing to mask faces terrifying with insincerity? What would have become of the Kennedys, of Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Carter, Nelson Rockefeller, Teddy Roosevelt?

Think of George Washington with his famous false teeth and painfully clamped lips. Father of our country he may have been, but he lacked teeth that dazzle. Isn't this why Americans have always felt uneasy toward him, never comfortable as they feel toward toothy rascals we constantly vote for while blinded by the glare of their teeth?

A world without teeth? It would mean lovers on tube and screen preparing to kiss with no sparkling incisors and canines to bare to the camera.

Today's entertainment lovers go at each other with widely parted jaws and dripping teeth, like those lions on PBS that are always chewing on poor, helpless wildebeests.

A world without teeth? We'd be denied Dracula movies and the radio wit of the great Fred Allen sponsored by Ipana for the smile of beauty and Sal Hepatica for the smile of health.

With no toothpicks pouring off the factory line, how could we tell when the cake is done?

Yes, it is thin stuff, and two hours is long. The dental chamber, however, offered another distraction: television.

The set, mounted at ceiling height with its greedy salesman's eye staring down, was tuned to one of those perpetual news channels. This day there was no perpetual news, just perpetual olds:

Two Congressmen spoke of their respect for the Constitution. Children had murdered their parents. Parents had murdered their children. President Clinton had let photographers show him exuding the look of leadership. Movie stars were having children out of wedlock. Extravagantly paid athletes said they were being "disrespected."

Forced to watch this for two hours, I was astonished by the intense concentration on money. Commercial after commercial urged viewers to turn over money to this or that bank, this or that brokerage house, the implied promise being that the money would be miraculously multiplied by financial wizards.

Did banks and brokers advertise constantly — or at all — on TV before the present Golden Age of Money? Beer, cars, soda pop, aspirin tablets were TV's lifeblood in my youth.

It was as depressing as a Novocaine needle to sit there awash in all this appalling evidence that so many lives are now consecrated to the money game. All those brokerage-house commercials! There must now be millions and millions of people willing to let Wall Street desperadoes handle their money.

Money, money, money, money was apparently the perpetual news. There were minute-by-minute bulletins from Wall Street. The Dow was up, the Dow was down, the Dow was steadying. The Nasdaq was down, up, down, up, down ...

Actors posing as bankers and brokers were pleading for money and promising happiness, which apparently would ensue once you were chin deep in money. Was it for this that Americans died at the Alamo? And won the battle of Midway? And heroically suffer the consequences of faulty jaw design?

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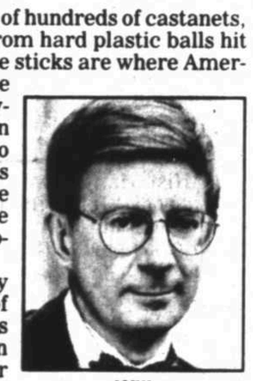


GEORGE WILL

Young women play on where young men would pout

WELLINGTON, Fla.—It is 7:15 a.m. and even the sun seems sluggish as it struggles to rise. However, the day already resounds with the sound of swarms of people living the strenuous life, a sound that suggests the shape of America's future.

Like the clackety-clack of hundreds of castanets, the sound reverberates from hard plastic balls hit hard by curved sticks. The sticks are where America soon will be — in the hands of field hockey players. These young women will use those sticks to smash to smithereens whatever remains of the "glass ceiling" limiting the rise of women in the professions.



Will

The annual field hockey festival drew 165 teams of 16 players, 127 of the teams composed of young women under age 19. So for four days this town had the world's highest concentration of ponytails and a maddeningly incessant use of the word "like." As in this ecstatic exclamation overheard in a vendor's tent: "Oh like wow here's a pair of like shorts from Ireland, which is like my favorite place!"

Young women outgrow that inexplicable, insufferable verbal tic, but they forever have what field hockey gives: confidence, discipline, controlled aggression. Which are all they need to consolidate their supremacy.

High school games of 25-minute halves are played by teams of 11 (wearing mouth and shin guards; this is not for shrinking violets) on fields 100 yards long and 60 yards wide. The object is to hit the ball into a net.

The rules are enforced by referees who brook no demurrals, and hence receive none. Besides, young women—this is a gender difference—have a sense of honor and proportion, so they play on where young men would protest or pout.

In the 1972-73 school year, 3,770,621 boys and 817,073 girls participated in interscholastic sports. In 1996-97: boys, 3,706,225; girls, 2,472,043. Women now are 37 percent of college athletes and women's participation in intercollegiate sports is increasing much faster than men's. It is difficult to prove but as difficult to doubt a connection between those numbers and this fact: More than half the students in law and medical schools may soon be women.

Washington, which thinks it hung the moon and causes social as well as oceanic tides, believes it authored women's athletic progress—that Title IX (1972) did it. That rule, forbidding sex discrimination by federally assisted educational institutions, did indeed help ignite the explosive growth of women's sports opportunities. However, Title IX reflected as well as influenced the emancipation of women.

The book that got Western philosophy going is basically about education, and in "The Republic" Plato had much to say about athletics ("gymnastics") as a means of stimulating the spirited side of human nature while bringing it under the sway of reason in the form of rules. He was not altogether sound on the question of the equality of women, but he got right the social utility of sports.

Team sports are not quite (as many Pattonesque football coaches imagine) the moral equivalent of war. However, they are artfully contrived challenges that administer stress, demand both collective efforts and individual strivings for distinction, and reward grace under pressure. Add those social virtues to women's intrinsic superiority (a big topic; suffice it to say they have a higher ratio of philosophical inclinations to animal propensities) and men will live at the mercy of women's magnanimity.

After a game when Victoria Will, now 18, was 15, she clattered into the house like Achilles in cleats. To the question "How did the game go?" she replied jauntily, "We kicked butt." Such spiritedness, which presumably will undergo refinement, gives some older women the vapors. But where the vapors are concerned, Victoria's stick-wielding generation believes it is better to give than receive.

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LETTERS

Sixth graders lucky to have teacher

This year I had my first experience with the Junior Achievement program. It has been very rewarding for me. I worked with a sixth-grade class at Pease Elementary School, and their teacher is Marilyn Cunningham. She is my reason for writing.

These 25 boys and girls are richly blessed each day because they are in Ms. Cunningham's class. She has complete control of the class at all times, which makes for a wonderful learning environment. We could be laughing and having a great time — maybe playing a game — and when it was time to be serious, she could bring the students back to being attentive listeners with a word. I told the students and I want to tell Midland that because of her and others like her, our city is a much better place to live. These are the type of kids who will grow up to be our leaders.

This most fortunate sixth-grade class is not only learning from the textbook but learning how to live. Ms. Cunningham is a remarkable example, and I am grateful for having had the opportunity to be associated with her and with her extraordinary class.

Dell Hoover

Rebels should win state title in football

As a Copperas Cove fan I have been to all but one game and seeing Midland Lee play reminds me of college-level performance. Only Killeen Ellison beat Cove that bad and Cove was not playing on the same level as they did against Lee. They were playing better against Lee. I see the Rebels taking the state title. Hands down.

I see unequalled strength, speed, and effectiveness from the 1998 Lee team. I have not seen any team play as well as the Rebels this season. I do not expect any team to beat this year's Rebel team unless the Rebs make big mistakes. Cove did make poor passing choices against the secondary, and the quarterback was not on target many times. Cove's errors gave extra scoring opportunities, however, and most will agree with that.

Cove almost beat Waco (loss) 7-12. We scored on Waco when no one else did at about mid-season. Again, Cove mistakes kept them from winning. South Grand Prairie has an effective defense, equal to Cove, but fewer mistakes on offense. Waco was not consistent and did not adjust to the changes Cove made on defense.

Expect a Rebel win against South Grand Prairie. The Rebel offense is too good to be denied scoring and is capable of negating or limiting the South Grand Prairie offense in the air or on the ground. I believe this is their year and they have earned the opportunity. Well done, Rebels!

Stephen Spees
Copperas Cove

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Soccer association owes thanks

Over the weekends of Nov. 6-8 and Nov. 13-15, the Midland Soccer Association held its 15th annual Midland Turkey Shoot-out Tournament. We had approximately 276 teams participating in our tournament from Southeast New Mexico, West Texas and the Dallas and El Paso metroplexes, with players ranging from 6 to 18 years of age.

Midland Soccer Association would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who helped organize this successful event by spending many of their personal free hours scheduling games, arranging for vendors and food, and organizing the event as a whole. We would like to also thank Chuck Swallow, Stewart Gerhart and the employees of the City of Midland Parks and Recreation Department.

The employees of the Parks and Recreation Department made sure our soccer complexes were in the best possible condition for play and, most importantly, the safety of the players. We received many commendations from our visiting coaches, parents and referees on the great condition of our complexes. The Parks and Recreation employees also stayed within radio reach both weekends to handle any problems we incurred with our facilities. They also made trash pick-up runs several times each day.

We also would like to thank Tall City Communications and Nancy Swallow and the Midland Chamber of Commerce for their contributions, and a special thanks to all of the eating establishments in Midland who gave us discount rates which allowed us to feed our many volunteers over the two weekends.

And last, but not least, a very special "thank you" to all of our MSA volunteers who lined fields, put up and took down nets, monitored fields, recorded scores and did all the other tasks it took to make our 15th annual tournament another very successful event.

Mike Marshall
Tournament Co-Director

Clinton could have prevented weapons

Great publicity surrounds the Clinton administration's supposed efforts to contain the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

Yet, the same administration has enabled China to receive technology associated with nuclear weaponry and missile launching.

When Pakistan tested its own nuclear weapons in early 1998, Prime Minister Sharif thanked "our nuclear neighbor, China, for all its help." Because of Pakistan's entry into the field of nuclear weaponry, India followed with its own nuclear weapon testing.

The Clinton administration could have prevented this latest nuclear proliferation by refusing to grant China access to our own technology and equipment. Far from containing the spread of mass destruction, Clinton and his aides are guilty of the very nuclear proliferation that has made the world a far more dangerous place.

Elinore Chase

Theater can't cater to every view

I would like to take this opportunity to voice my support for The Midland Community Theatre. I wonder how many of the people of Midland realize how lucky we are to have such an outstanding amateur theater. There is no other group comparable in West Texas. MCT is one of the top community theaters in the nation. We should all be very proud. When I visit other community theaters in other cities, I am reminded of our good fortune.

The recent critics of our theater would be better served to attempt to try to understand community theater. A community theater is not just a building, or an excellent professional staff. These things are important, but they are not the core of a volunteer theater. The heart and soul of MCT is the people who give their time, money and many talents to try to better Midland. I personally feel that when someone bad-mouths MCT that he is bad-mouthing all the supporters of our wonderful theater. If someone thinks there is a better way to do things, let him volunteer his time and talents. Then if that person has a legitimate complaint he can rest assured that he will be listened to.

I would like to emphasize the correct name of our group. It is Midland Community Theatre. The word "community" is there for a reason. All plays cannot please all people. I do not just love every play the theater does. But, I do not expect the theater to cater to my narrow wishes. The professional staff at MCT works long and hard to tell the public what each play is about. And grades them, G, PG, etc..

So please, Midland, support your your local theater. Buy a membership, tell executive director Tim Jebsen that he is doing an excellent job. He is!

Harry Harrison
MCT volunteer since 1948

KBAT sold out in more ways than one

I enjoy listening to great sounding rock music, but the changed format on KBAT 93.3 is not my type of music. I like hard classics and alternative rock music, and the changed format of KBAT is not worth listening to. It's like now we have two Power 106 stations on different frequencies. The people who bought 93.3 made a big mistake in changing its format. They should have left it as it's been the last ten or more years. Why do people change something that for years had a following and has been successful? Yes, now I listen to another rock station.

Mark Buttery

HISTORICAL MARKER

Legendary killer 'loved his wife and children with depth, tenderness'

Editor's Note: Information for this article came from the Midland County Historical Museum, Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library, the books "Jeff Milton, A Good Man With a Gun," "George Scarborough, The Life and Death of a Lawman on the Closing Frontier," "The Handbook of Texas," and early-day newspaper accounts.

By Bill Modisett

Historian J. Evetts Haley wrote in one chapter of his book "Jeff Milton, A Good Man with a Gun" that mothers in South Texas once "warned their children to good behavior with a modified, but currently blood-curdling version of 'Little Orphan Annie's' goblin threat:

"Wes Hardin will git-chi if you don't watch out."

John Wesley Hardin, who was fondly known in El Paso as Uncle John, was reputed to have killed more than 40 men by the time his own life was snuffed out by a bounty-hunter who shot Hardin in the back of the head.

Hardin's death did not bring out throngs of mourners. In fact, it was decades before someone even saw fit to erect a monument over his grave.

In a 1970 newpaper article by Associated Press writer Robert E. Ford, the headstone at Hardin's grave was recognized. Ford wrote:

"It seemed like Wes would go through eternity without a monument. It took three-quarters of a century to get the bit of grey granite put there."

But, then, the State National Bank of El Paso had been marking "historical sites in their historical city" — and John Wesley Hardin was definitely a part of El Paso's colorful history.

Even then, the El Paso Chamber of Commerce was cautious about recognizing the outlaw too openly. Ford noted in his article that "so powerful is the name of John Wesley Hardin that the El Paso Chamber of Commerce felt compelled to write that, 'As you can readily realize, the greatest care had to be taken to avoid any inference or suggestion that the State National Bank was memorializing or in any way celebrating a murderous outlaw.'"

John Wesley Hardin had the notches on his sixshooters to prove what he had done.

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Hardin's nature was that of a killer. In fact, the introduction to the "Life of John Wesley Hardin," published in "Frontier Times" in 1925, stated that, "Hardin was a born leader of men, whether for good or evil, and had it not been for the unfortunate surroundings of his boyhood days, would undoubtedly have made a mark in civil life. His determination, often amounting to the most daring and unreasonable obstinacy, may be traced through this self-told story of his life and can be even detected in the bold lines of his handwriting."



Photo courtesy Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library

John Wesley Hardin, most notorious of the Texas gunfighters, is pictured here at about 18 years of age in Abilene. He reputedly killed more than 40 men in all, using the Colt revolvers shown in the inset. This photo was originally published by Kustom Quality of El Paso.

The introduction continued, "Brave, reckless and daring he certainly was, and he loved his wife and children with depth and tenderness. He was a daring character in daring times, born with an utter contempt for the consequence of yielding to a high and fierce temper."

Hardin was born in Bonham on May 26, 1853, the son of J.G. Hardin, a Methodist circuit riding preacher, and his wife, Elizabeth. John Wesley's father "combined law, preaching, and teaching."

The elder Hardin "organized and established an academy, to which institution he sent my elder brother, Joe G. Hardin, and myself."

The assassination of Abraham Lincoln and the War Between the States had a dramatic effect on young Hardin. He wrote, "I had seen Abraham Lincoln burned and shot to pieces in effigy so often that I looked upon him as a very demon incarnate, who was waging a relentless and cruel war on the South to rob her of her most sacred rights. So you can see that the justice of the Southern cause was taught to me in my youth and I never relinquished these teachings in after years, surely I was but true to my early training."

He observed, "The way you bend a twig, that is the way it will grow, is an old saying, and a true one. So I grew up a rebel."

From his parents, Hardin learned "to be honest, truthful and brave." He also learned "that no brave boy would let another call him a liar with inpunity, consequently we had lots of battles with other boys at school."

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When young Wes Hardin was 14 years old, one of those frequent fights at school turned bloody and indicated something of Hardin's fierce temper.

A classmate of Hardin's named Charles Sloter "publicly accused me of writing some doggeral on the wall about one 'Sal,' a girl scholar. It commenced, 'I love Sal, and Sal loves mutton,' and ended in some reflection on Sal's personal attractions. I knew that he was the author of the poetry, and when he accused me of writing it I at once denied it and proved it up on him. He came over to my seat in the school room, struck me and drew his knife. I stabbed him twice almost fatally in the breast and back. A howl at once went up to expel me from the school, some even wanting to hang me. The trustees, however, heard the true facts in the case and instead of expelling me, completely exonerated me and the courts acquitted me."

A year later in Polk County, Hardin became involved in a confrontation with a young black man named Mage who "began to curse and abuse me...

"I told him that I was but playing with him when I scratched him and did not intend to hurt him. He answered by saying that if he could get hold of me he would kill me and throw me in the creek; that he believed he could outrun old 'Paint,' (the horse I was riding, and a very poor one), and catch me anyway. I told him to go his way and let me go mine, and whipped old Paint into a trot. Mage, seeing this, ran along the path to where it again met the main road and cut me off. He cursed me again and threatened me with death.

"I stopped in the road and he came at me with his big stick. He struck me, and as he did it I pulled out a Colt's 44 sixshooter and told him to get back. By this time he had my horse by the bridle, but I shot him loose. He kept coming back and every time he would start I would shoot him again and again, until I shot him down."

Mage, Hardin's first victim, died and he wrote "it nearly distracted my father and mother when I told them. All the courts were then conducted by bureau agents and renegades, who were the inveterate enemies of the South and administered a code of justice to suit every case that came before them and which invariably ended in gross injustice to Southern people, especially to those who still openly held on to the principles of the South."

Then he added, "To be tried at that time for killing a negro meant certain death at the hands of a court, backed by Northern bayonets; hence my father told me to keep in hiding until that good time when the Yankee bayonet should cease to govern. Thus, unwillingly, I became a fugitive, not from justice be it known, but from the injustice and misrule of the people who had subjugated the South."

John Wesley Hardin had set a pattern early in life. He would follow it to the grave.

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Next: John Wesley Hardin's bloody career and death.

OTHER VIEWS

Woman's death may wake giant

They have sent one woman to her final rest, but they may have awakened a slumbering giant.

The slaying of Galina Starovoitova, an outspoken liberal member of the Russian Parliament, obviously was intended to frighten other advocates of democracy and reform into submission. But those who ordered the atrocity in St. Petersburg may have miscalculated greatly.

Those who gunned Starovoitova down on the staircase to her apartment transformed her into an instant martyr who may serve the cause of Russian freedom better in death than she did as a living advocate of it.

Already that staircase has blossomed into an impromptu shrine. Hundreds of mourners have visited it, probed with their fingers the bullet holes left in the concrete walls by the assassins' rifles, and obscured the bloodstains with flowers and candle wax.

Because of Russia's economic woes and the leadership vacuum caused by President Boris Yeltsin's declining health, the liberal and reform forces have fallen into feckless disarray, leaving the field to the gangsters, communists and authoritarian nationalists.

— Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Helping victims calls for action first

It has been a month since floodwaters began disrupting the lives of thousands of South Texans. For most, life is back to normal, more or less, but the hardest-hit among them still face seemingly insurmountable problems.

At present, no one knows exactly how many people in Victoria and Cuero, the communities with the largest number of displaced persons, not only have no permanent place to live, but are having difficulty in finding affordable temporary housing. It is not enough for the rest of us to simply declare that this is unacceptable — we must make sure that everything that can be done to correct this deplorable situation is being done. ...

The time for some unconventional thinking may have arrived. Instead of waiting for displaced persons and other flood victims to come to them, perhaps the private agencies and government representatives alike need to redouble their outreach efforts. Instead of insisting on getting all the forms filled out, perhaps it's time to get people what they need, and worry about completing the forms later.

—The Victoria Advocate

Watergate hearings transformed Jordan

They looked like an uninspiring group of partisan politicians when the tough-minded "gentle-lady from Texas" first encountered her colleagues of the House Judiciary Committee in 1974.

But they rose to the occasion, and she rose even higher — finding a defining moment and creating a national sensation with her role in the Watergate impeachment hearings.

Memories of Barbara Jordan, who adopted Austin as her home and died here in January 1996 at the age of 59, have been rekindled in recent days as a new committee begins new impeachment hearings.

Jordan's experiences at the hearings, and her studies of the Constitution during that time, not only made her a national hero, they transformed her personally, according to one of her biographers.

— Austin American-Statesman



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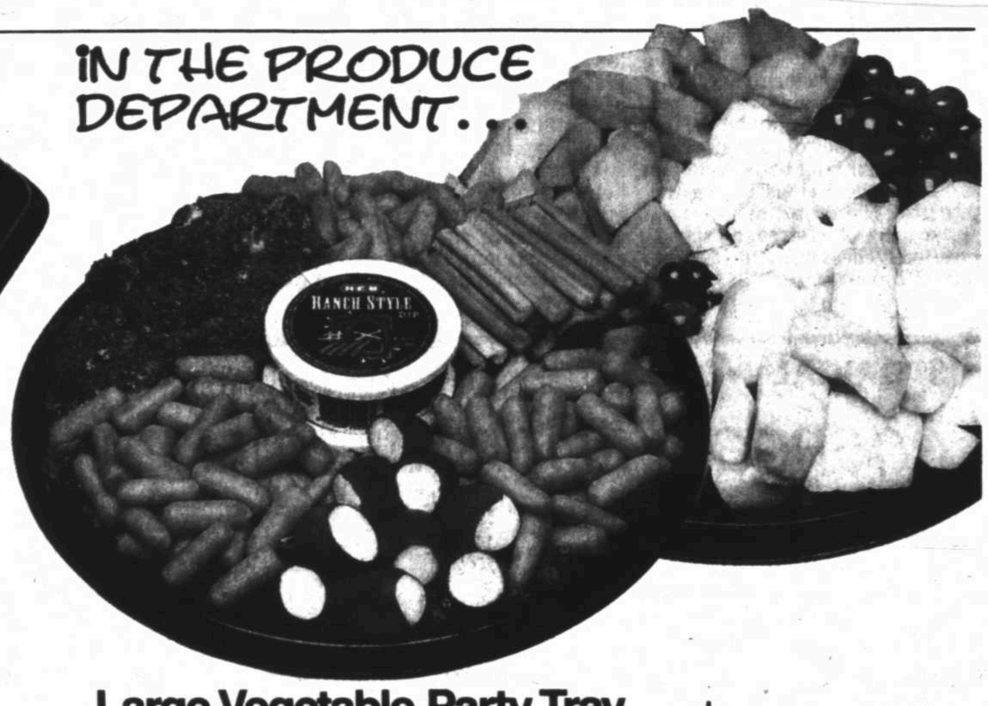
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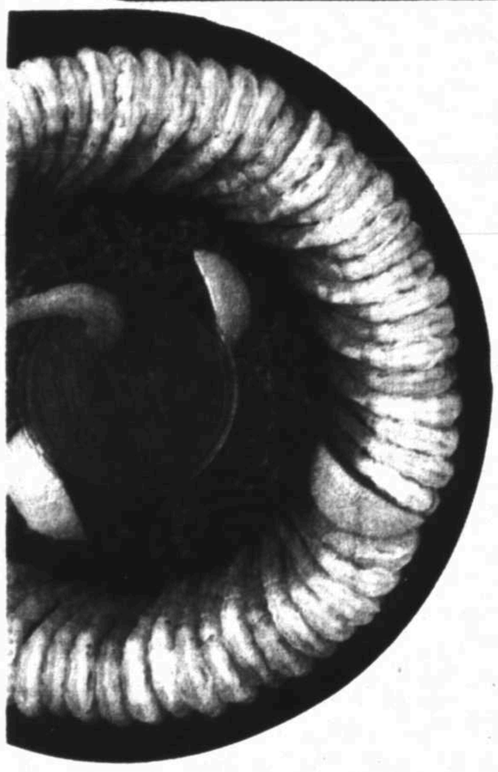
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Judge volunteers for lifestyle change



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Martin County Judge Bob Deavenport, 70, is retiring at the end of the year. He has been judge since 1981.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

STANTON — Bob Deavenport, who has been hailed as "a good friend to everybody" and a workhorse of a judge, at 70 is passing on his gavel as Martin County judge.

Out of the courthouse, he will be taking on more volunteer work, which suits his character.

"I like the people," said Deavenport, who figures that the average person that we deal with in criminal court is a pretty good person when you get past the facade. Some, charged with driving while intoxicated, for example, "just had one too many."

Perfunctorily, he checks on his old friends and acquaintances at Evergreen Cemetery, which the county helps maintain because of Deavenport and the jail's trusties.

"I take care of my voters," he said. "You water and you rake and you hoe."

Deavenport, who, it seems, has always got to be doing something, is retiring from the judgeship that he has held since 1981. Out of office, as a volunteer he will be heading up the Martin County Community Fund, a component fund of the Midland-based Permian Basin Area Foundation, in funneling food and other help to Martin County's needy people.

"I'm real excited," he said of his new job, which really isn't new to him.

"We've been doing behind-the-scenes work for years," he said. "Now, we can go public" without fear of being deemed political and "deliver the food myself. I am able to do it because I have some very generous friends" in this rural agricultural community of about 2,700 people and a county of about 5,530 folks. The West Texas Food Bank is working with the community fund in the effort.

The "we" in Deavenport's talk takes in his wife of 48 years.

"Dorothy has been the best thing that ever happened to me," he said. "She's a good gal. She is very loyal to her principles."

They have two children: Dr. Pug Deavenport Parris of Abilene and Tommy Deavenport of Austin.

"I've just known him always," Mrs. Deavenport said. "He believes in work. He believes in everybody working. I work, too."

Deavenport — whose volunteer work includes scoutmaster to Christmas Cheer (toys for children) founder and chairman — and his wife are being honored Tuesday beginning with a reception at 5:30, followed by a formal presentation, at the Martin County Community Center. A.L. "Bud" Lindsey will the be event's master of ceremonies, and Jimmy Stallings will put on a "This Is Your Life" program.

"He's a guy that's got extreme energy," said Stallings, who has known Deavenport for 58 years. "He's got to always be doing something for someone else. He's always doing for others; that's been his life's story."

Stallings said that his friend "is really respected as a judge on the bench." The most amazing thing that Deavenport has done, Stallings said, was turning the ceme-

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BASIN BRIEFING

Commencement

ODESSA — Fall commencement ceremonies at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin are scheduled for Saturday in the school gymnasium. Two ceremonies are planned to accomodate the more than 200 graduating students and their guests. Behavioral science, math and sciences, and business students graduate at the 10:30 a.m. ceremony. Commencement for students earning degrees in humanities/fine arts and education will be held at 2 p.m. A reception in the student lounge will follow each ceremony. The public is invited. For more information, call the registrar's office at 552-2635.

Holliday Drive

Community Partners, an advocacy service for abused and neglected children, is sponsoring a Holiday Drive through Dec. 14. The goal is to "collect toys, food and other necessary items for all the abused and neglected child abuse and family cases pending with Child Protective Services, or CPS, in Midland," said Community Partner member, Sharon Ryan. The items collected in the drive will be available 24 hours to assist CPS caseworkers in providing services to children and families.

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Storytellers

Elise Hilgemeier and Roslyn Grandy were two of several MISD students who attended a storytelling workshop Saturday at First United Methodist Church, and they walked away from the experience with a better understanding of how to make their characters more believeable. Elise and Roslyn were among 50 local 4th, 5th and 6th graders who are members of the Tumbleweed Tellers, an after-school storytelling program at Carver Cultural Center that is currently offered to only GEM students.

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Immigrant dream

DALLAS — An immigrant who dreamed of building a new life for his family in Texas was gunned down last month next to land he had bought, and authorities are still searching for a motive. "It's one of those cases that's difficult to investigate," Kaufman County Sheriff Robert Harris told The Dallas Morning News. "We didn't know a lot about the individual." Ashfaqcq M. Mian liked North Texas because the climate reminded him of his native Pakistan. So when his father left him a large inheritance, Mian moved from New Jersey a few months ago and began developing some land near Terrell.

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Hearing Health

INGLESIDE — Paula Bonillas is keeping hearing-impaired people on the cutting edge. Ms. Bonillas publishes Hearing Health, a magazine that aims to keep deaf and hearing-impaired people up to date on the latest devices available to them. She lost her hearing in 1992, but today can hear with the help of a cochlear implant. "It's pretty amazing," she said. "I can drive down the street talking on the cell phone because of technology."

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TODAY'S AGENDA

For information on checking out books, library hours and how to get a library card, call the Midland County Library at 686-8991.

Permian Basin Road Runners Club, business meeting, 697-1066.

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

Overeaters Anonymous, 4 p.m., 408 S. G Street. 694-4166, 580-7545, 684-8726 or 699-5583.

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

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary Bingo, 7 p.m., 1904 Rankin Highway.

(lic.: 1-51-0171588-4).

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

Study group, "A Search for God," 6:30 p.m., 689-9331.

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Oh, the weather outside ISN'T frightful...
But the fire (truck carrying Santa) was so delightful





Andy Love portrays a CowSanta in Midland's Holiday in the City Christmas Parade Saturday afternoon. Upper right: Ashlee Thurman, left, and Christy Kuykendall portray the 'Gift Girls' in the Goddard Junior High School marching band. Right: Cassie the dog portrays Comet the reindeer with her master Robin Bradshaw. They were with the Dog Club.

Warm weather draws many first-timers to annual parade

Midlanders were treated to comfortable temperatures and colorful floats at Midland's Holiday in the City Christmas Parade Saturday afternoon as large numbers of local residents gathered downtown to usher in the Christmas season.

It was especially festive for the youngsters.

Marcie Deffenbaugh, Midland Christian eighth grader, said she enjoyed the time she gets to spend with her family at the parade.

"My parents decided they were going to go so I thought it would be fun," Marcie said. "I think the parade helps bring he community together. A lot of families come out and have fun together."

The parade was made up of 80 floats representing groups as diverse as radio stations, schools, and young people's organizations. City vehicles — like fire trucks — were also a part of the scene.

For some Midlanders, Saturday's parade was a first.

Mike Guillen said one reason he made his first outing to the holiday parade was because of the unseasonably warm weather.

"This is our first time to come out to the parade," he said. "And one reason is this warm weather. I can't remember a December being this warm."



But for some the warm weather seems a bit out of place.

Lee Wilson, for example, said the warm Texas weather has definitely been a change for her.

"This is my first time to come out here," Ms. Wilson said. "I have only lived in Midland for two years. I am from Washington state and I think it is way too hot for December."

Others had more personal reasons for attending Saturday's festivities. Bob Paredez wanted a chance to share time with his son Justin, who is 12.

"This is my first year to come out to the parade," Paredez said. "Every year I plan on making it out, but something always comes up. This year I

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❄ Story by Richard Acosta ❄Photos by Curt Wilcott

GARY OTT

College football game provides special moment for father and son

It was one of those special bonding moments between a father and a son that just sort of happens.

It was a week ago Friday, the day after Thanksgiving. I was home visiting the parents. At precisely 10 o'clock that morning, my dad and I, after consuming a hearty breakfast of sausage, eggs and buttered toast, parked ourselves in front of the television set to watch the Texas-Texas A&M football game.



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We mumbled some polite small talk back and forth, but mostly we just watched and kept to ourselves.

Then something strange happened.

We started communicating, openly expressing our opinions on a host of subjects.

We determined, for example, that we were both pulling for Texas to win the game.

We decided Ricky Williams, despite his peculiar-looking hairstyle, must be an awfully nice guy.

We agreed it was good to see Longhorn football back in the national spotlight, just like it had been when Darrell Royal was roaming the sidelines.

And on a related matter, we concurred that Mack Brown, UT's new head coach, was a perfect fit for the school, bringing some of that folksy, down-home humor to the job just like Royal had done back in the 1960s.

Then we took it a step further. We started reminiscing. I commented that my all-time favorite Texas team was the one that won the national championship back in 1969, featuring the likes of James Street, Steve Worster and Cotton Speyrer.

My dad nodded knowingly. But then he went back several more years and mentioned his favorite player, a ghost from the past named Bobby Layne. And I nodded knowingly. I had read all about him, and was pleased that my dad would be such a big fan of a man known as much for being a late-night carouser as he was for being a terrific quarterback. Maybe the old man had a wild side to him, after all.

But then it was back to the present. The Longhorns had opened up an impressive lead in the third quarter and both of us were feeling rather confident. I grabbed another piece of peanut brittle and passed the bowl to him. He accepted.

Life was good.

For awhile.

Then the Aggies, led by its talent-laden defensive crew, began to mount a comeback. They were quickly closing the gap.

"We just might blow this game," I said with disgust. "How could a guy miss a 28-yard field goal?"

"It doesn't look good," my dad concurred. "They have the momentum."

So we watched in silence, occasionally letting out a groan when an official's call didn't go our way.

As is usually the case when my team begins to let a lead slip away, I left the room, childishly hoping that my absence might somehow serve as a good-luck charm.

It didn't.

A&M crept even closer. My stomach began to churn. For some odd reason this game had become important to me. And I'm not sure why. I didn't go to school there. I have no direct ties to the campus. And other than Ricky Williams, I could not tell you the name of any of the players.

Still, I was rooting for Texas.

So was my dad.

But it didn't look good. You couldn't help but feel that the Aggies were the better team and, in the end, would eventually prevail. And with less than three minutes to play, they grabbed their first lead of the game.

I groaned, rolled my eyes and left the room.

My dad laughed. "You still can't stand to watch, can you?" he said.

I had to agree.

But this time my disappearing act worked. The Longhorns mounted a comeback of their own. They won on a last-second field goal.

From the hallway, I let out a cheer.

So did my dad.

Then we slapped hands, just like two kids.

It was some 24 hours later that my parents and I gathered at the front door, preparing for my departure. After telling them how much I had enjoyed my visit, I hugged my mother and gave her a quick peck on the cheek. Then I shook hands with my dad and said, "By the way, I really enjoyed watching the football game with you yesterday."

He grinned and said, "Yeah, I did too."

And you know what? I think we both meant it.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

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DEATH NOTICES

Michael White

GATESVILLE — Michael E. White, 41, died Thursday, Dec. 3, in Midland.

Graveside services were Saturday, Dec. 5, at Restland Cemetery with the Rev. Steven Bogan officiating under the direction of Scott's Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 26, 1957 in Fort Polk, La. He worked in the oil field supply industry. He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Earl White.

Survivors include his mother, Juanita Trantham of Gatesville; three brothers, Robert D. White of Houston, Randall White of Garland, and Stephen White of Austin.

Memorials may be made to the Calvary Baptist Church in Gatesville.

Moody Jetton

Moody Jetton, 75, of Midland, died Friday, Dec. 4, in a Midland hospital.

Graveside services will be 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at Miles Cemetery under the direction of Johnson Funeral Home in San Angelo.

He was born June 13, 1923 in Lone Oak. He was a truck driver.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Jetton of Midland and Barbara Jetton of San Angelo; one son, Billy R. Jetton of San Angelo; three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; one brother, Audie Jetton of San Angelo; and one sister, Dorothy McKinney of San Angelo.

Russell Peek

Russell Peek died Friday, Dec. 4, in a Midland retirement home.

Graveside services are scheduled for 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Bob Porterfield officiating under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born Feb. 8, 1932 in Ross City. He lived in Big Spring, Odessa, Fort Stockton, Hobbs, Deer Park and Wharton. He was a police officerand highway patrol officer.

Survivors include his son, Gary Peek of Odessa; two daughters, Trudie E. Lucas of Houston and Tammy Lindenmuth of Midland; two brothers, Loyd Peek of Midland and Roy Peek of Clyde; one sister, Bobbie Jean Jones of Addison; and seven grandchildren.

Ellie Pearce

BIG SPRING — Ellie Pearce, 86, died Friday, Dec. 4 at Comanche Trail Nursing Home following a lengthy illness.

Graveside services will be 11:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at Burkett Cemetery in Coleman County under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

She was born Oct. 5, 1912 in Holder. She lived in Lake Brownwood, Big Spring, Abilene, Coleman and Canterbury. She was an LVN working in Abilene and Coleman. She was a member of the Baptist church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee B. Pearce.

Survivors include two daughters, Bobbie Alexander and Bonita Lyght, both of Big Spring; one son, Harold W. Pearce of Dayton; two brothers, George Tabor of Fort Worth and Leslie Tabor of Aransas Pass; three sisters, Hattie L. Woodard of Texas City, Beulah A. Williamson of Louisiana and Jean Rowden of Coleman; five grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

Hunter Spears

BIG SPRING — Hunter Bryce Spears, infant son of Terry and Amanda Spears, died Friday, Dec. 4, in an Odessa hospital.

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

Enrique Rangel

LAMESA — Enrique Rangel, 78, died Friday, Dec. 4, in a Lubbock hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Jeremiah McCarthy officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Rosary will be 7 p.m. today, Dec. 6, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

He was born on Feb. 29, 1920 in Seguin. He farmed in Lenorah and Coahoma areas and Lamesa. He was a member of the Catholic church.

His former wives, Maurica Yberra, Guadalupe Vidales and Delia Aguilar, all preceded him in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Rosa Roberts of Big Spring and Julia Mata of Modesta, Calif.; six sons, Angel Rangel, Antonio Rangel, Vincente Rangel and Fabian Rangel, all of Midland, Freddie Rangel of Lamesa, and Natavidad Guerro of Rosenberg; four step-sons; one step-daughter; 59 grandchildren; 81 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great grandchildren.

Enrique Garcia

STANTON — Enrique Garcia died Friday, Dec. 4, at a Martin County hospital.

Services will be 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 7, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church with the Rev. Fr. Arturo Pestin officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Big Spring under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home. Rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. today.

He was born Jan. 23, 1941 in Berriozabel, Zacatecas, Mexico. He was a farmer, and a member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Louisa Badillo of Aguas Calientes, Mexico; five daughters, Graciela Garcia, Rosio Garcia, Emelda Garcia, and Manuela Garcia, all of Aguas Calientes, and Marisela Garcia of Milwaukee, Wis.; two brothers, Vicente Garcia and Roberto Garcia of Aguas Calientes; two sisters, Maria Garcia and Hermina Garcia of Aguas Calientes; and 10 grandchildren.

Vivian Moore

BIG SPRING — Vivian Moore, 86, died Saturday, Dec. 5, at a local nursing center.

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

OBITUARIES



Thelma Kelly

Thelma Lavinia Kelly, 93, of Midland, died Thursday, December 3, 1998, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

A Rosary and Vigil service conducted by the Marienfeld Lay Carmelite Community will be held at Ellis Funeral Home at 7 p.m. Sunday evening, December 6. The funeral service will be at 11 a.m. Monday, December 7, at St. Ann's Catholic Church with the Rev. Monsignor T. J. Murphy, Father Thomas Kelley, Father James Bridges, and Arturo Pestin, O.P. officiating. Serving as pallbearers are her grandsons, Sean and Eric Montgomery, Tim, Terry, Chris, Ronald, and Patrick Repman.

Thelma was born October 19, 1905 in Denver, Colorado to Clifford C. and Violet (Macy) Metcalf. She was reared in Denver and attended Barnes Business College. On March 27, 1928 she married Joseph Kelly. After living a short time in Bonanza, Colorado, they moved to Midland in March of 1930 with Honolulu Oil Company. She was one of the oldest members of St. Ann's Parish. She sang in the choir at St. George's Church and then later at St. Ann's. She participated in nearly every Parish organization, including Altar Society, CCD Programs, St. Jude's, Parent Teacher's Association, and Lay Carmelite Community. This participation was a very important part of her life. "It is impossible to even count the many friendships and spiritual treasures that have enriched my life." (in her words)

Thelma was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph, in 1980; her brother, Walter Metcalf; and her sister, Pearl Metcalf. She is survived by six children, Donna Repman, Dr. Donald J. Kelly, and Janis Hermann, all of Midland, Sharon Montgomery and Gerald Kelly of Santa Fe, and Ann Barr of Philadelphia; one brother, Clarence Metcalf of Colorado; one sister, Minnie Seibert of California; 14 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; one great-great granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

"Gammy" was very much loved by her family and friends. Her sweet disposition and love of helping others endeared her to all.

The family requests memorial contributions be made to: Mount Carmel Hermitage, P. O. Box 337, Christoval, Texas 76935-0337.



Eddie Houston

Services for Eddie Houston will be 2 p.m. Monday, December 7, at the Alexander Temple Church of God in Christ, 211 N. Tyler with Bishop W. H. Watson and Supt. K. W. Weathespoon officiating, and the Rev. Ronnie Brown as conductor. Final resting place will be at Fairview Cemetery, burial will be under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.

Eddie Houston was born April 9, 1941 in Big Spring, Texas, where he grew up and attended school. He moved to Midland in 1968. He was a long time employee of Yale E. Key. He was a member of Alexander's Temple COGIC where he served as a Deacon. He departed this life on Wednesday, December 2, 1998.

He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife Drucillar; two daughters, Carlon Ranson and Cathy Anthony of Clovis, New Mexico; a son, Frank Houston of Clovis, New Mexico; four stepsons, Hosie, Billy, Jimmy, and Albert Reed, all of Midland; three step-daughters, Gloria Robinson and Shirley Burgess, both of Midland, and Audrey Taylor of San Antonio; two brothers, Leon Houston Jr. of Dallas, and Clarence Houston of Austin; one sister, Willie Jean Forston of Richardson, Texas; five grandchildren, Clinton, Clifton, Frank Jr., Curtis, and Chris Houston; two great grandchildren, C. J. and Cyia Houston; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers will be Alvin Carter, Willie Swindell, Leodis Henderson, Carl Dickens, George Dickens, and Clifton Ransom. Honorary pallbearers will be Jimmy Reed, Clarence Houston, Clinton Ransom, Leon Houston, Jr., Chris Ransom, and Billy Reed.

Jack Veazey

Gaston J. "Jack" Veazey was born July 25, 1918 in Berlin, Oklahoma to James Gaston and Minnie Pearl (Harrington) Veazey. He grew up in Elk City, Oklahoma and graduated from high school in Shamrock, Texas. On September 2, 1939, he married Josephine Elizabeth Mitchell in Guthrie, Oklahoma. During World War II he served in the Army. Following his discharge from the Army, they made their home in Shamrock before coming to Midland in 1953. Mr. Veazey was employed with Mobil Oil for 30 years, retiring in 1983. He was active in helping his family, friends, and Christmas in April, as well as other charities. He was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge #929 in Shamrock and was Past Master.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a son, Jackie Lee Veazey. He is survived by his wife, Josephine Veazey of Midland; a son, James Gary Veazey, and his wife, Frances, of Houston; his daughters, Karen Jo Veazey King, and her husband, Ron J., of Midland, and Elizabeth Ann Veazey of Midland; his brother, Edward Joe Veazey of Tulsa, Oklahoma; his sisters, Willie Mae Veazey Updike of Borger, and Betty Jean Hughes Bell of Sayre, Oklahoma; three grandchildren, Gary Benjamin Veazey and his wife, Kellie, Jennifer Claire Rigamont and her husband, Tom, and Christina Mitchell Veazey, all of Houston; two great-grandchildren, Mitchell Thomas Rigamont and Abigale Frances Rigamont, both of Houston; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Mr. Veazey died at his home Friday, December 4, 1998.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 11 a.m. Monday, December 7, at Resthaven Memorial Park with Dr. Cletus Beights officiating. Ellis Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Serving as pallbearers will be David Griffin, Frank Powell, Ben Veazey, Tom Rigamont, Herb Jones, and Guy Blanchard. Honorary pallbearers will be James B. Davis, Leon Thompson, John Crosby, Bill Peyton, Mobil Retirees, and members of the Mobil Retiree Club.

The family requests memorials be directed to: Allison Cancer Center, 2304 Wadley, Midland, Tx. 79705; Hospice Of Midland, P. O. Box 2621, Midland, Tx. 79702; High Sky Children's Ranch, HC 31, Box 21A, Midland, Tx. 79707-9509; or Christmas In April, P. O. Box 3744, Midland, Tx. 79702.

Man sentenced for paralyzing police officer

HOUSTON (AP) — Prosecutors will seek another conviction of a drug dealer who was sentenced this week to 24 years in prison for shooting and partially paralyzing a police officer.

Robert Demond Lavern, 17, was convicted of aggravated assault on a public servant, but his sentence disappointed prosecutors, who had asked for a life sentence. Lavern will be eligible for parole in 12 years.

Prosecutor Chuck Rosenthal said Friday that he will seek a conviction against Lavern on a charge of attempted capital murder of a second police officer, who was not hit during the Feb. 14 shootout that followed a drug buy.

A trial date has been set for March 22.

Undercover Officer Vonda Higgins was hit in the neck and partially paralyzed. She testified this week that the shooting occurred after her partner, Ralph Chaison, bought drugs from Lavern at a Houston apartment complex.

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• Protein 2 - 3 servings daily
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Man says he killed wife over child support

MARSHALL (AP) — A man turned himself in to authorities on Friday, saying he had shot and killed his estranged wife following a dispute over child support payments.

Troy Morgan, 36, went to the Harrison County Sheriff's Department about 3 p.m. Friday. He told Capt. Ronnie Moore that he shot his wife Loretta Morgan, 29, at their home off U.S. Highway 59 south of Marshall.

"He came into my office and sat down," Moore said. "I said, 'What can I do for you?' And he said, 'I just killed my wife.'

Investigators discovered Mrs. Morgan, a former employee at Merritt Plaza Rehabilitation and Living Center, dead with an apparent gunshot wound to the head, Moore said.

Authorities said Morgan was apparently upset after learning that he would have to pay an additional $25 each month in child support payments for the couple's 4-year-old son and 18-month-old daughter.

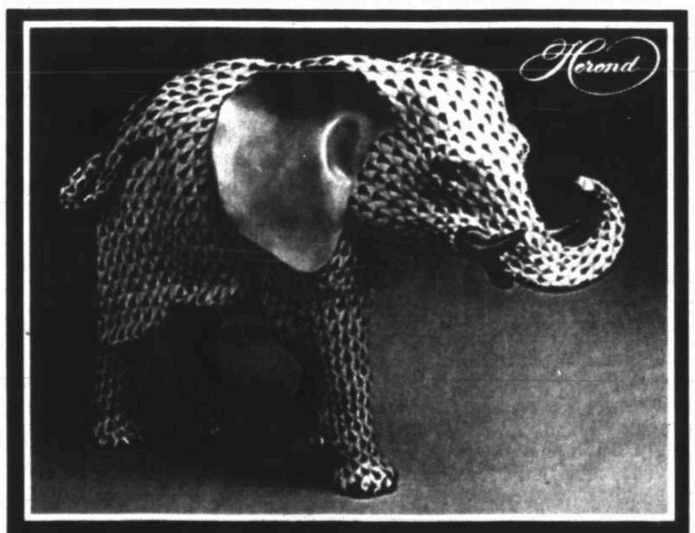
POLICE REPORTS

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Theft: Two 18-packs of beer were reported stolen at Friends Convenience Store at 13220 W. U.S. 80. It was reported at 2:03 a.m.

Theft: Tools were reported stolen at 3014 S. County Road 1225. It was reported at 9:18 a.m.

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



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GRIEF PHASES (4) —LIGHT AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL
Questions derived from concerns expressed by grieving people — Mark Mercer, M.S., L.P.C., SWA
A year or so into the grief process there comes a point when you can clearly see light at the end of the long, dark tunnel through which you've been traveling. This tends to happen suddenly and may last for only a few moments. During this brief but critical period you will feel hope return to your life in a powerful way. You may all at once come to realize that you have now survived the worst. Life for you, while it can never be the same, is going to be good again.
Sometimes when people have just begun to grieve, the pain is so great that they try to make a premature (and unworkable) decision to "get over it," get happy, and get on with life. But they don't decide this based on seeing light at the end of the tunnel—they haven't traveled through the tunnel yet. Real hope will come once you have actually done most of the hard work of grief. The fruits of your labor will be a new life with new sources of joy, fulfillment, and purpose. It will be worth the effort.
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JUDGE: Deavenport chose not to seek re-election

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tery work into a community-service project for Martin County Jail trusties.

"He uses these trusties to great benefit of the community in keeping up Evergreen Cemetery," Stallings said. "You can tell that they respect Bob. And I think that they come away from paying their debt to society better people ... just having a chance to know Bob better."

Deavenport landed in Martin County in 1938.

"We were on our way to California (from Oklahoma), and we had our third blowout here."

His father, Brown Deavenport, was a farmer and a cotton ginner. And his mother, Sybil, started the family's downtown dry-goods store, Deavenport's Dry Goods, which Bob operated between 1946 (after his service in the U.S. Army Air Forces) until the business closed in 1974.

"I liked to sell," said Deavenport, who briefly studied pre-law at Texas Tech University.

Out of the dry-goods business, he managed the Martin County Farm Bureau Insurance Co. until his appointment to the judgeship in 1981.

Deavenport, who is a 1944 graduate of the old Courtney High School, grew up picking cotton, selling watermelons, sacking groceries, schooling and playing sports.

"I wasn't worth a durn at picking cotton," he confessed. "I would have starved to death picking cotton."

The ever-active Deavenport is a habitual gum-chewer now that he has set aside tobacco after 52 years of smoking. "I didn't say 'I quit,'" Deavenport said. "I just haven't smoked. I bought stock in Wrigley's."

Peggy Sue Garner, former Upton County judge and a former member of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Austin, knows Deavenport as "the hardest working, most sincere county judge that I have ever known.

"I mean it," said Mrs. Garner, who lives in McCamey. "He is totally all-business. And he is totally committed to serving the people of Martin County and trying to save them money but yet trying to have them be progressive."

When she served on the TNRCC under Gov. Ann Richards, Mrs. Garner appointed Deavenport to chair the Sparsely Populated Entities Coalition in trying to get the Environmental Protection Agency to make "flexible regulations" for sanitary landfills in West Texas and other arid parts of the country.

"There was never a question whom I would ask to take over the running of it," Mrs. Garner said. "And it was Bob, because he had the been the best supporter and had worked hard and had probably contacted more people in Congress."

While Deavenport noted that he is proud of Martin County roads, he said that likely his "greatest accomplishment as county judge would be working with other West Texas cities and counties in getting arid exemptions for the small landfills ... trying to get some common sense into our landfill rules.

"Frankly, I consider myself somewhat of an environmentalist." He toils and expects others able to do likewise.

"I like to work. I think we all need to put something back into our community," Deavenport said. "All the years we ran the store, the people of Martin County have been good to us. They have been good to me while I have been county judge. I've been fortunate enough to see a lot of improvement in our community."

June Reid, who was a force behind the founding of the Martin County Historical Museum, said that Deavenport "has been a great county judge because he has seen after the county and the county's business. And he has been a wonderful help to us at the museum in more ways than one. He is just a good friend to everybody. We hate to see him go, but I think Corky (Blocker) is going to be a good one, too."

Charles "Corky" Blocker, a farmer and rancher, is the Martin County judge-elect.

"I'll put it like this," Deavenport said of his not seeking re-election. "If I had been running this year, with the opponents I had, I would have voted for one of them. I think he (Blocker) will be a good one; he knows the community."

Martin County Treasurer Butch Howard, who farms near the Tarzan community, said that he has had "the pleasure of working with three or four real dedicated public servants, and Bob is one of those very dedicated public servants. He has always been willing to give above and beyond what his duties were."

Deavenport reckoned that his community will survive the drought of the 1990s just like it survived the hard times the 1930s and the drought of the 1950s.

"... It was rough. Martin County survived the 1930s (the Great Depression and the Dust Bowl years) and came out of it real strong. I figure our people are tough. The whole declining commodity prices concern me. Cotton, if it is a dollar a pound, doesn't mean anything if you didn't make any. It's tough.

"Martin County people are hard-working, conservative, but they can be very generous," Deavenport said. "We just have good people."

Student program enlists professional help to mold storytelling techniques

By Shay Templeton

Elise Hilgemeier and Roslyn Grandy were two of several MISD students who attended a storytelling workshop Saturday at First United Methodist Church, and they walked away from the experience with a better understanding of how to make their characters more believeable.

Elise and Rosyln were among 50 local 4th, 5th and 6th graders who are members of the Tumbleweed Tellers, an after-school storytelling program at Carver Cultural Center that is currently offered to only GEM students.

Elsie, a 6th grader at Ben Milam, enrolled in the class because, "It sounded fun and I thought it would be a good babysitting technique. I had a babysitter that told us stories," she said.

"This is our first year and I didn't think I would have that many people apply, but I have a waiting list," said Annalon Gilbreath, co-program instructor and GEM teacher at Carver.

"We wanted to teach storytelling because it is such a vital way to pull all academic and character traits together," said Ms. Gilbreath. "Oral language is important because it teaches the students to communicate clearly."

The workshop featured storytellers Rex Ellis, Barbara McBride-Smith and Donald Davis. Ellis, author and storyteller from the Smithsonian Institute, told a story based on the characters from his book, "Beneath the Blazing Sun," as teachers watched and learned.

Patti Smith, MISD Director of Social Studies, has established methods for teachers to use storytelling in the classroom by allowing students to analyze the stories using different qualifications.

Students can analyze a story from the basic setting, character, problem and solution. Another way for students to analyze stories is to discuss the presence or absence of the nine character traits that MISD emphasizes: citizenship, compassion, courage, diligence, fairness, honesty, integrity, respect and responsibility.

Finally, students and teachers can evaluate a story based on values that enhance social studies such as geography, history, economics and government.

The Tumbleweed Tellers are currently practicing their techniques on each other and younger students on their home campuses; but, according to Ms. Gilbreath, the students may be presenting stories to different audiences in the spring semester.

PARADE: Warm weather draws crowd

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made an effort to come out with my son Justin, so we can spend some quality time together."

Despite the 70 degree plus weather, those at the parade thought it was a good way to get into the spirit of the season.

"This definitely gets people in the Christmas spirit," Ms. Wilson said. "The music and the decorations are great."

Paredez said although he enjoyed the parade he would still like to have a white Christmas.

"I wish it were cold," Paredez said. "To me that's what puts me in the Christmas spirit. It just doesn't feel right without it."

Ms. Wilson was there to watch her son, Nicholas, sing in the St. Ann's choir and Guillen was on hand to see his daughter, Rebecca, march in the Abell band.

However, other parade onlookers came out for a different reasons.

Emily Graff, 5, watched the parade along with her sister, Natalie Graff, 3. And Emily had no doubts about what why she was out at the parade.

"I like it because they throw out candy," she said, with a grin, "and because Santa is coming on the fire truck at the end."

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A native of West Texas, Bill grew up on a farm and ranch and graduated from Goodlett High School in 1940. He married Jean Sullivan, his high school sweetheart, in 1942. They have two daughters and three grandchildren. During WW II Bill served with the Eighth Air Force as a B-17 gunner. He started his banking career in 1957 at Citizens State Bank in Earth, Texas as a Vice President of Lending and came to Midland in 1967 with Elcor Chemical. He later was a partner in a group which merged with Bell Petroleum Services where he served as Vice President of Marketing until 1984.

Bill joined Community National Bank in April, 1984 as Vice President of Marketing. He also served as an Advisory Director from 1986 until 1996. Bill is a Deacon at Fairmont Church of Christ and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and the Suburban Lions Club.

Leon was born in Milford, Texas and has been in banking here in Midland since 1959. He graduated from North Texas Agricultural College (now UT Arlington) in 1941 and served with the US Army 160th Regimental Combat team for 36 months in the South Pacific. Following his discharge in 1945, Leon worked for C.I.T. for several years before joining Midland National Bank in 1959.

He joined First National Bank in 1980 as a commercial and consumer loan officer and served with several other local banks before beginning his association with Community National Bank as Vice President of Marketing in 1995. He and his wife, Ruth have been married for 52 years and are long-time members of First Baptist Church. They have one son, Newton of Midland. Leon has been a member of the Downtown Lions Club for the past 10 years.

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Holiday Drive geared toward helping abused, neglected children

From Staff Reports

Community Partners, an advocacy service for abused and neglected children, is sponsoring a Holiday Drive through Dec. 14.

The goal is to "collect toys, food and other necessary items for all the abused and neglected child abuse and family cases pending with Child Protective Services, or CPS, in Midland," said Community Partner member, Sharon Ryan.

The items collected in the drive will be available 24 hours to assist CPS caseworkers in providing services to children and families.

In 1997, 17 Midland County CPS caseworkers investigated 600 cases of child abuse and neglect.

Community Partners is a partnership between Child Protective Services and communities across the state that was established in order to raise awareness of child abuse and neglect.

"Community partnering allows the public to form a partnership with a state agency," said first lady Laura Bush, who serves as an ex-officio member of the Texas Community Partners Executive Committee.

"It gives Texans the opportunity to be informed about what caseworkers do, and it allows us to help support caseworkers in their important mission of protecting our children. Partnering is a way to get involved and help caseworkers meet specific needs of their clients, such as medical supplies, clothing, food and toys."

Since a statewide launch in April 1996, Texas Community Partners has established boards in 26 cities. There are 40 such groups, whose primary duty is to assist the caseworkers in their efforts to help abused and neglected children.

The success of Midland's Community Partners has led to two new programs that will further aid CPS caseworkers. The Rainbow Room is a store-like setting where caseworkers can get emergency resources for children who have been victims of abuse. The Adopt-a-Caseworker program pairs caseworkers with other community groups such as churches or civic groups.

Donations of toys, baby items, household items, school supplies, canned goods, clothes or blankets can be dropped off at, KMID-TV studios at Midland International Airport; Wall Towers, 201 W. Wall St.; First National Bank of Midland, 123 N. Colorado St., Desert Springs Medical Center, 3300 S. FM 1788; First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.; Dr. C. Robert Henry, 2000 W. Cuthbert Ave.; and St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1908 W. Texas Ave.

MAKING THE GRADE

The Midland Morning Lions Club named **Laura Brinker** and **Tyra Marie Lindquist** as its students of the week.



Brinker



Lindquist

Miss Brinker, daughter of of Douglas and Helen Brinker, attends Midland High School.

Her activities include National Honor Society, academic letterman, Symphony Belle, Texas Scholar, Student Council Letterman, D-FY-IT, varsity cheerleader captain, and Varsity Track.

Miss Lindquist, daughter of Terry and Judi Linquist of Midland, attends Lee High School.

Her activities include National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Texas Scholars, Senior Girls, Symphony Belle, and Princess of the Midland Morning Lions Club.

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MISENHEIMER, N.C. — Pfeiffer University announced that Midlander **Kristopher James Crawford** was awarded a Presidential Scholarship for fall 1999.

This scholarship is awarded to incoming freshmen based on the student's academic record.

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Wednesday — Breakfast: Sausage and biscuit, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Nacho grande or chicken enchiladas, refried beans, lettuce and tomato, Spanish rice, fruit drink, milk.

Thursday —Breakfast: Cinnamon roll, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Corn dog, hamburger or cheeseburger, tator rounds, lettuce and tomato, apricots, fruit drink, milk.

Friday — Breakfast: Scrambled and eggs or cereal and toast, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Bean and cheese chalupas or crisp tacos, pinto beans, lettuce and tomato, orange wedges, fruit drink, milk.

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Wednesday — Breakfast: Waffles, sausage, juice, milk. **Lunch:** Taco burrito, Spanish rice, garden salad with dressing, blueberry cobbler, milk.

Thursday — Breakfast: Bacon and eggs, biscuits with jelly, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, green beans with new potatoes, cookies, peaches, milk.

Friday — Breakfast: Pop tarts, cereal, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Cheese burgers, French fries, hamburger salad with pickles, ranger cake, milk.

EDUCATION IN BRIEF

Kayla Schwisow, daughter of Jay and Kristi Schwisow of Midland, was selected to participate in the "Distinguished Youth of Texas Scholarship and Recognition Program," in November.

During the weekend event, two Texas students were selected to receive $1,000 U.S. Savings Bonds and the right to serve as state program titleholder for one year.

In addition, both winners will receive $250 to present to their respective schools from the Distinguished Youth of America Program.

The Distinguished Youth Program is designed to recognize girls who rank high academically and who are leaders in their schools and communities.

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The bands from Lee High and Freshman high schools are to present "Tis the Season, a Holiday Classic," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the auditorium.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Immigrant's dreams of a new life end in violence

DALLAS (AP) — An immigrant who dreamed of building a new life for his family in Texas was gunned down last month next to land he had bought, and authorities are still searching for a motive.

"It's one of those cases that's difficult to investigate," Kaufman County Sheriff Robert Harris told The Dallas Morning News. "We didn't know a lot about the individual."

Ashfaqcq M. Mian liked North Texas because the climate reminded him of his native Pakistan. So when his father left him a large inheritance, Mian moved from New Jersey a few months ago and began developing some land near Terrell. His family stayed behind, but Mian hoped to move them to Texas soon, his wife said.

Mian's dreams ended the afternoon before Thanksgiving, when the 51-year-old man was shot several times along Interstate 20 in front of his new property. He still had cash in his pocket, according to deputies, leading them to discount robbery as a motive.

The sheriff said witnesses reported seeing a suspect confront Mian near his mobile home and chase him to the highway before shooting him and running into the woods.

Harris said deputies believe the killer knew Mian. They have questioned one acquaintance and expect him to take a lie-detector test next week, Harris said, but no arrest has been made.

Mian's widow, who asked the newspaper not to identify her, said she didn't know any enemies of her husband.

"He was a good person. He never drank, he never smoked," she said.

Mian, a pharmacist, had lived in northern New Jersey since 1976, his wife said. When his father died a few months ago in Pakistan, Mian began working toward moving to the Dallas area.

Mian's wife stayed behind with their 15-year-old son, planning to sell their home there after the boy graduated from high school. The couple also had children ages 20 and 21.

"My children are really, really devastated," Mian's widow said. "Nobody knew anything like this was going to happen. It's really sad. I just want to know what happened."

Prosecutor believes fair trial is possible in Jasper

HOUSTON (AP) — A prosecutor about to try the first of three white men accused of dragging a black Jasper man to death says he believes 12 impartial jurors can be found without moving the case.

A week ago, the lawyer for John William King asked state District Judge Bob Golden to consider moving his client's Jan. 25 trial to another Texas city because of pretrial publicity.

King and two other men are charged in the gruesome June 6 attack on James Byrd Jr.

Byrd was beaten, chained to a pickup and dragged to his death along a rural road near Jasper. Prosecutors believe the three killed the 49-year-old because he was black.

In his reponse to the defendant's motion, Jasper County District Attorney Guy James Jr. said he believed the trial can take place in Jasper.

"I think we'd like to pick a jury here if we can," Gray said. "With the amount of publicity all over the state, it's going to be difficult but no more difficult here than somewhere else."

The jury pool for King's trial is to be drawn chiefly from five separate Jasper County towns: Brookeland, Jasper, Kirbyville, Buna and Evadale.

"Potential jurors in Jasper County have heard about the same things as potential jurors anywhere else in the state," Jasper County Judge Harold Kennedy said in an affadavit supporting James' plea to keep the trial from moving. "Im my opinion, there is not such a degree of bias and prejudice against the defendant to preclude the selection of a fair jury in this county."

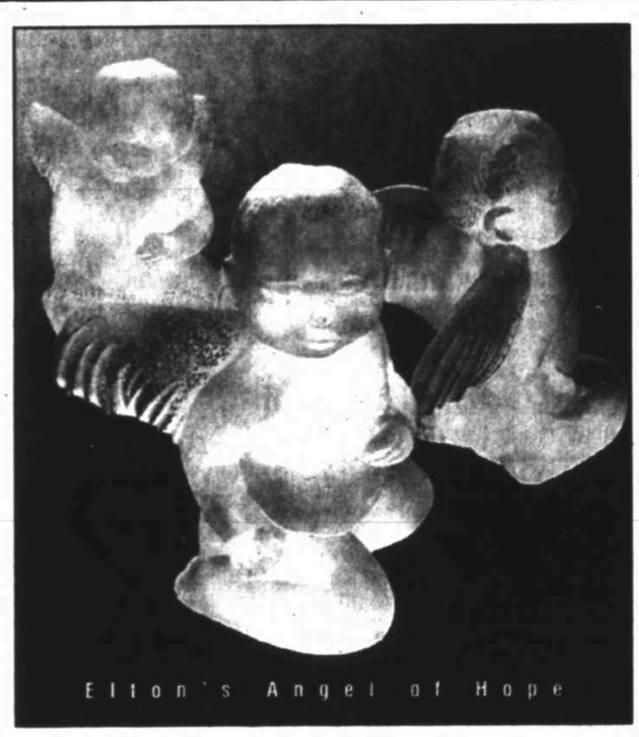
A hearing on the change of venue request as well as a motion to severely restrict media coverage is scheduled for Dec. 14.

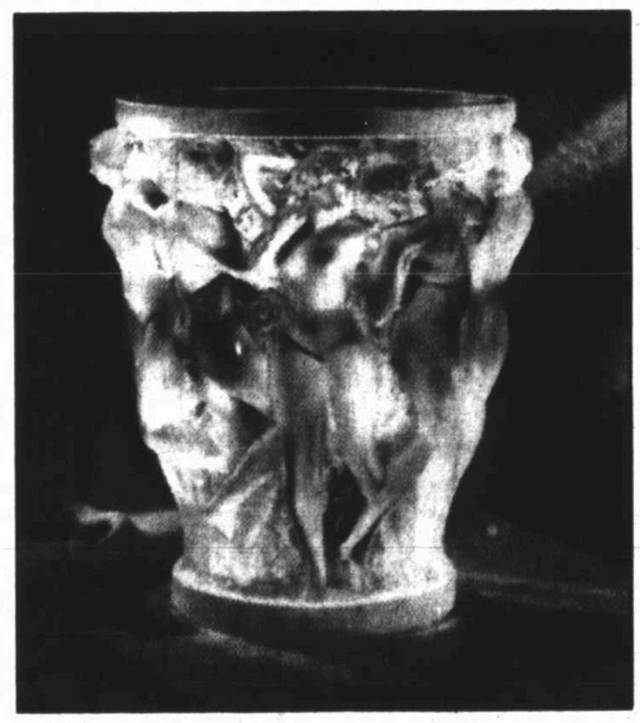
Trial dates for 23-year-old Shawn Berry of Jasper and 31-year-old Russell Brewer of Sulphur Springs have not been set.

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Ingleside magazine aims at deaf and hard-of-hearing

By Madeline Baro
Associated Press

INGLESIDE — Paula Bonillas is keeping hearing-impaired people on the cutting edge.

Ms. Bonillas publishes Hearing Health, a magazine that aims to keep deaf and hearing-impaired people up to date on the latest devices available to them. She lost her hearing in 1992, but today can hear with the help of a cochlear implant.

"It's pretty amazing," she said. "I can drive down the street talking on the cell phone because of technology."

Ms. Bonillas, a wife and mother of two, also gets help from captioning on television programs, a telephone adapter and flashing alerts, but says "I have a family, so if something rings, I'll know.

"There's a wealth of devices, but a lot of people will leave the (hearing) professional's office with new hearing aids knowing nothing about the support they can get from these other devices," she said.

The Stamford native has been hard of hearing her whole life — a condition that worsened with time. Her hearing loss began interfering with her job 15 years ago when she was teaching junior high school math in Irving.

"The difficulties had escalated to the point where I needed a lot more than just hearing aids," Ms. Bonillas said.

She couldn't make phone calls to parents while she was in school because she needed an amplifier for the phone. At the time, employers were not required to accommodate employees with disabilities, so Ms. Bonillas found herself going home to make phone calls.

Finally, someone told her about a portable amplifier she could use. It changed her life. She was surprised to learn about the number of devices that exist to help the hearing-impaired.

"I quit my job and started the magazine," Ms. Bonillas said. "I decided it would be my mission to get the information out to others like myself who needed more than hearing aids."

Although she'd decided on a mission, she didn't realize what she'd gotten herself into and didn't know the first thing about running a magazine.

"I was very optimistic," she said.

At first, she wrote articles for the magazine herself, using her name in a variety of ways. She said although the magazine has survived for 15 years through jumps and starts, she was fortunate to have the right people come along to help her.

At one point, she couldn't pay her printer and was going to close up shop, but an advertiser bailed her out.

The magazine, which comes out six times a year and sells for $2.75 apiece and $18 for a one-year subscription, prints 20,000 copies per issue. Reader surveys show, however, about 50,000 people actually read each issue, Ms. Bonillas said.

The magazine is available at newsstands and is shipped to professionals who work with the deaf and hearing-impaired. Ms. Bonillas said she's received letters from readers as far away as Bangkok.

Although her magazine's been through tough times, Ms. Bonillas believes the service it provides is invaluable.

"If I'd continued in teaching I'd be much wealthier, even in Texas," she said. "I just feel that Hearing Health fills a need. It can make a real difference in one little article for some people."

Topics range from legislation to humorous anecdotes. The July/August issue included articles on coping with a post-lingual hearing loss and treatments for chronic tinnitus, a ringing, roaring or hissing sound in the ears.

"I am very pleased with your educational magazine," one reader gushed in a letter to the publication. "Where have you been all my life?"

A reader from England who suffers from tinnitus wrote that an article on the ailment was useful. The mother of a 10-year-old girl with an inner ear disorder known as Meniere's disease praised the magazine for including information on the condition.

The products advertised in the magazine include an infrared listening system to amplify television sound and a device that dries and sanitizes kids' hearing aids which sweat or a dip in a swimming pool could damage.

AVR Communications, an Israel-based company that markets hearing aids and other hearing assistive devices, is one of Hearing Health's advertisers.

Endeavor astronauts face first hurdle

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Endeavour's astronauts faced their first hurdle Saturday in building the international space station: hoisting the 25,000-pound Unity chamber from the shuttle cargo bay, with only an inch of clearance on either side.

An even tougher job awaits them Sunday, when they pluck a much larger Russian station component from orbit and attach it to the U.S. piece without a direct line of sight.

The six shuttle astronauts have been chasing the component named Zarya (Russian for Sunrise) since they rocketed into orbit Friday. As of midday Saturday, they trailed the giant cylinder by 7,000 miles.

Astronaut Nancy Currie flexed Endeavour's 50-foot robot arm in preparation for all the lifting; the arm has never wielded such massive objects before. She and her crewmates also checked the computerized vision system she'll use to line up the two station components; they're so big she won't be able to see where they meet by looking out the window.

"It's not so much a case of how difficult it is," Currie explained before the flight, "just how careful we have to be and how time-consuming it is."

Unity, the first American-made piece of the space station, will serve as a connecting passageway once more modules arrive over the next few years. It's 36 feet long and 15 feet in diameter, and is composed of 50,000 mechanical parts, 216 fluid and gas lines, and 121 electrical cables containing a mind-boggling six miles of wiring.

It barely fit in Endeavour's cargo bay, widthwise; there was only an inch to spare on either side, making Currie's job especially difficult. The last thing she wanted to do was bump Unity against the shuttle while lifting it from its horizontal position and setting it upright in preparation for Sunday's coupling with Zarya.

The 41-foot, 44,000-pound Zarya, launched Nov. 20 from Kazakstan, contains all the power and propulsion systems needed for the fledgling space station. Without Zarya, Unity would be a useless, empty can in orbit.

"I think Sunrise is very appropriate and I think Unity is very appropriate for the new station because it's a new beginning and we're all bound together," shuttle commander Robert Cabana said from orbit.

Unity cost $300 million, Zarya $240 million. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration paid for both.

NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin wondered aloud after Friday's launch whether the astronauts would pull everything off.

"We've practiced with robots. We've practiced with the shuttle," Goldin said. "But now we're doing the real thing with hardware that cost a quarter of a billion dollars. Will we pull it off? I'm going to worry every day."

Woman, 76, charged with stabbing spouse

GRAPEVINE (AP) — An argument over a shopping trip led a 76-year-old woman to stab her 74-year-old husband with an ice pick, police said.

Laura Jane Griffin was arraigned Friday on a charge of attempted murder. She posted $10,000 bond and was released.

According to police, Don Griffin became upset that his wife didn't tell him she had returned from shopping. The couple argued and, police said, Mrs. Griffin walked into the kitchen, got an ice pick and stabbed her husband twice.

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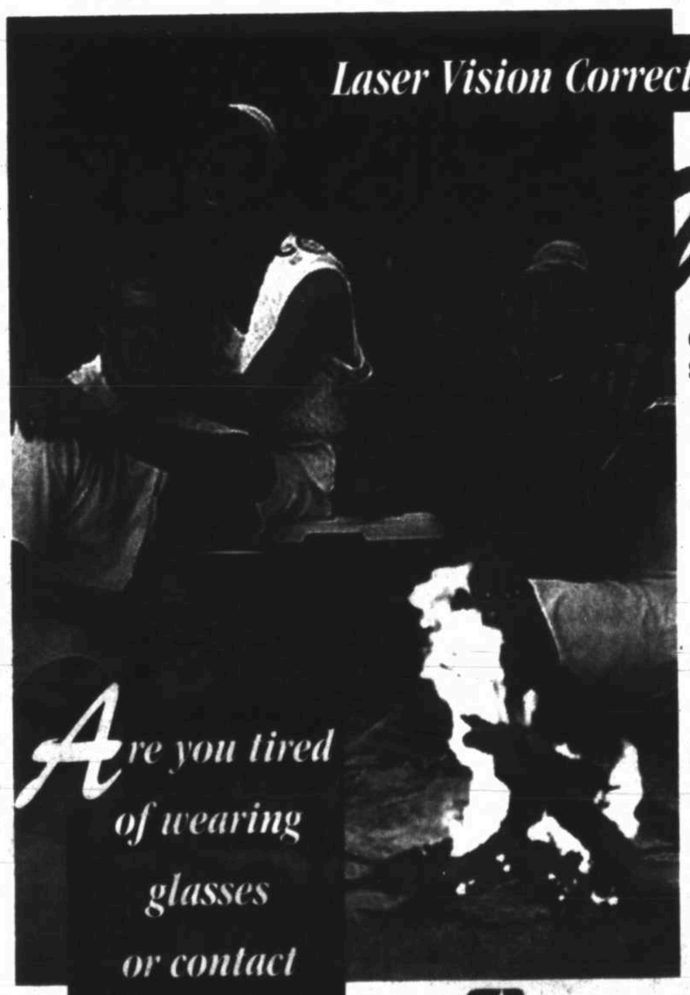
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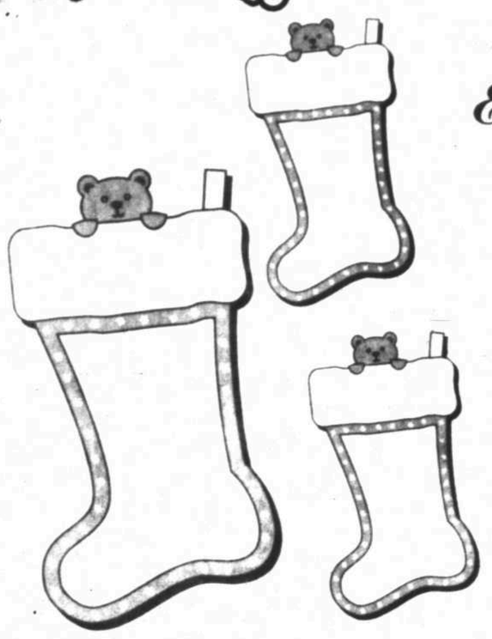
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Book recounts shenanigans of publisher Amon Carter

"He had the glibness of a snake oil peddler, the dogmatism of a saved-again evangelist and the sincerity of a first-term congressman."
— Author Jerry Flemmons on newspaper publisher Amon Carter.

By Mike Cochran
Associated Press Writer

FORT WORTH — They snickered at his whoopin' and hollerin', his big hats, his outrageous purple and white boots with the little purple horned frogs on the heels.

They joked about his scorn for Dallas, the Evil Empire to the east, and scrambled for invitations to his parties at Shady Oak Farm: "A millionaire and celebrity trap," the Saturday Evening Post called it.

They gasped when, in a snit, he grabbed a six-shooter and shot out the glass elevator doors at the 1928 Democratic National Convention in Houston.

But they went absolutely wild when Amon G. Carter winged into New York, commandeered a stagecoach and six white horses and rumbled down Wall Street surrounded by 30 cowboys on horseback.

That was 1938, and the Texas newspaper publisher was invading Manhattan.

Waving his hat and shouting "Hooray for Fort Worth and West Texas," the irascible Carter was simply escorting TCU All American Davey O'Brien to town to accept the Heisman Trophy.

Even by Carter's wacky standards, the 1938 East Coast caper was bizarre.

"Thousands of usually blase New Yorkers gawked that day at the sight of cowboys and stagecoach in lower Manhattan," recounts author Jerry Flemmons in his book, "Amon: The Texan Who Played Cowboy for America."

At Carter's side atop the Knickerbocker coach that day, writes Flemmons, was a decidedly embarrassed O'Brien, TCU's pint-sized quarterback.

"The convoy halted at city hall, where Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia presented keys to the city to every Texan and posed for photographers with O'Brien and Amon. Then Amon drove the coach on to '21' restaurant, where he hosted a luncheon."

Flemmons went on to recount how, years later, City Editor John Ellis sat in a hotel coffee shop adjacent to Carter's Fort Worth Star-Telegram, awaiting breakfast. Outside, a Shrine Circus parade passed by with marching bands, clowns and elephants, roaring motorcycle teams and high-stepping majorettes.

Hearing the noise, a waitress wondered, "What's that?"

Without looking up, Ellis muttered, "Just Amon comin' to work."

FIRST PUBLISHED IN 1978 as "Amon: The Life of Amon G. Carter of Texas," Flemmons' latest work is a revised and updated edition that includes changes in the Carter communications empire and a fresh look at Amon's army of wives, family members, writers and reporters.

Although he never met Carter, who died in 1955, Flemmons spent 33 years in his formidable and lingering shadow as reporter, columnist, feature writer and travel editor at the Star-Telegram.

Currently writer-in-residence at Tarleton State University, Flemmons' "Amon" and a second book, "O dammit!", about the iconoclast William Cowper Brann, have been jointly released by Texas Tech University Press.

A pseudo cowboy and blatant huckster, Carter was a relentless cheerleader not only for his newspaper and his city but all of West Texas. And as Flemmons so vividly demonstrates, he was the foremost exponent of the best in Texas: "The joyous, expansive, unrestrained celebration of life, the genuine unfettered friendliness, the sure and certain western independence and individualism."

And the worst: The doctrine that everything in Texas is bigger and better, the loud, boisterous, public displays, the practiced pretense of uncultured ignorance.

"Those who disliked Amon said he was an embarrassment, that he played a role no longer true of Texas," Flemmons writes. "His supporters said he behaved as outsiders believed Texans were, so what was the harm?"

It mattered little to Amon. As always, he did as he pleased.

"He did not originate Texas exaggeration," Flemmons says, "but he practiced it with a style and vitality never seen before or since."

FLEMMONS' UPDATE ALSO INCLUDES new information from the previously sealed papers of acerbic columnist H.L. Mencken, who was not much taken by some of Amon's shenanigans.

Although longtime crony Will Rogers lauded Amon as the ultimate host, Mencken was unimpressed with his Texas hospitality, describing it as "more of a nuisance than a joy."

In fact, Mencken wasn't much smitten by Texans in general. He remembered that Amon visited his room too often at the Houston political convention and usually was accompanied by the sheriff of Fort Worth, "a gigantic fellow, always drunk, and carrying in a holster a huge pistol studded with rubies — a present from his admirers among the Fort Worth bootleggers."

Mencken did confirm that it was a disgruntled Amon, irked over the woeful elevator service at the Rice Hotel, who fired shots through the glass doors and was in fact seized by "city cops."

But they let Amon go, Mencken said, "on the ground that no one had been hurt, and that firing a pistol was a natural sign of discontent in Texas."

AMON CARTER LOVED CROWDS like a pickpocket, wrote Alva Johnston in the Saturday Evening Post, and he glowed and gloried among mobs.

"People were Amon's fanciest doodads," Flemmons insists. "His guest books at Shady Oak Farm and Suite 10G in the Fort Worth Club read like Fortune's 500 list, like society's blue-blooded roster, like a political roll call:

Duponts and Mellons and Roosevelts, the Eisenhowers, Babe Ruth and the Whitneys, Amelia Earhart and Prince Bernhardt of the Netherlands, Ken Maynard and Lady Duff Cooper, Doolittle and Rickenbacker and Firestone, Durante, Nimitz and Luce.

"From Charlie McCarthy to Buzz Aldrin ... no one could escape," Flemmons wrote.

"He was a grand host, gracious and thoughtful and generous, or as the unbridled cowboy, wildly comic and uninhibited — whichever personality was needed."

Nor did Flemmons overlook the obvious: A man with a newspaper, radio stations, access to wire services and a brilliance for warm conviviality "was a real blessing to those with large egos."

Fugitive from drug charges believed doing odd jobs

BEAUMONT (AP) — A man who fled before sentencing on a drug conviction is believed to be living in the backwoods of Southeast Texas and doing odd jobs such as hauling watermelons and timber.

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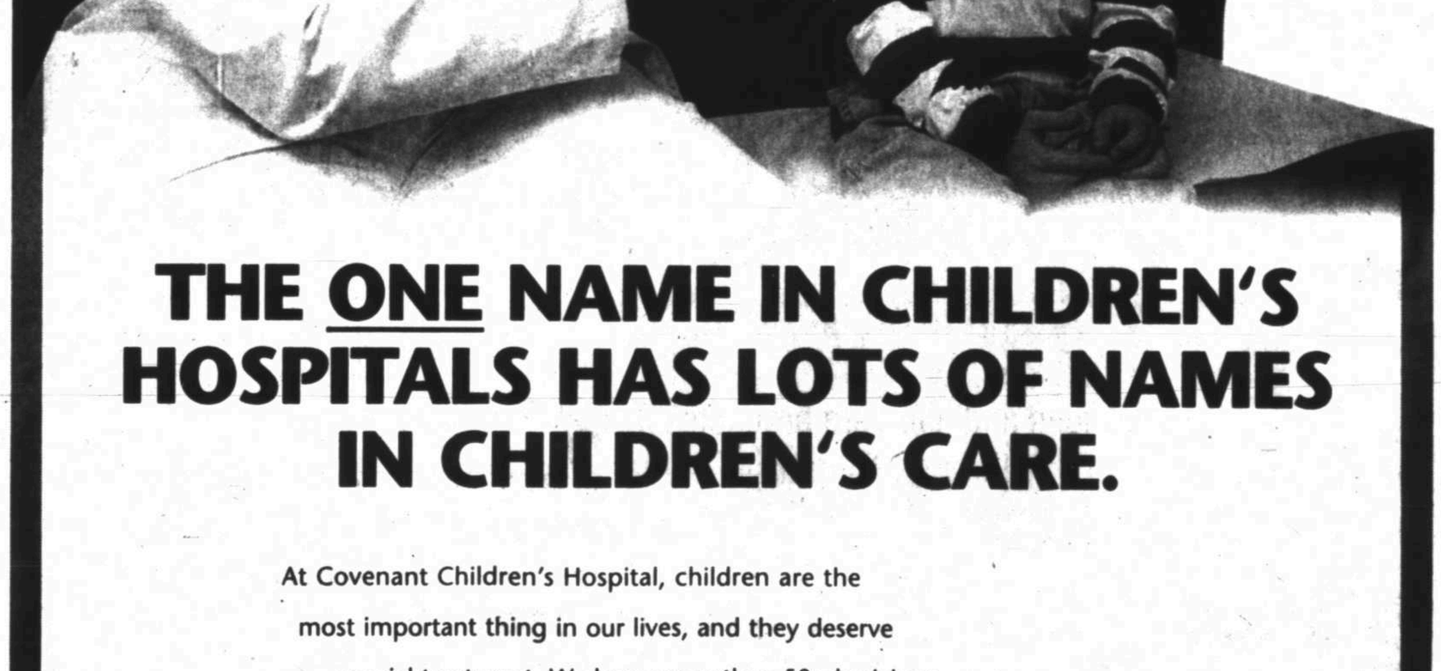

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Secret Society inquires: Are you happier than you admit you are?

By Robert G. Weiland
Associated Press

DALLAS — If you're happy and you know it — shhh!

There's a spot for you in the Secret Society of Happy People.

"If you're happy but don't admit it because other people don't want to hear it, then we're the society for you," says founder Pam Johnson.

The society, founded in August in the Dallas suburb of Irving, promotes the idea that it's OK to be happy, despite the lack of positive response from others.

That's especially true at Christmas, Ms. Johnson says, challenging advice columnist Ann Landers on the subject of family news letters enclosed with holiday cards.

"Spare us the details of the Ivy League schools your children are attending and the honors and awards they have received during the year ... Just let us know in a handwritten note that your family is well and doing something useful," said a recent letter signed "Your Cousins in Illinois."

Ann Landers responded: "Dear Cousins: Thank you for expressing sentiments that are sure to be shared (and appreciated) by millions of readers. Including me."

In a letter to Ms. Landers, Ms. Johnson demanded an apology "to the millions of people you made feel bad for wanting to share their happy news."

Happiness is about recognizing the happy moments of your life, not about competing with others, Ms. Johnson wrote.



AP Photo

Pam Johnson, founder of the Secret Society of Happy People, holds a shirt with the society's logo on it at an office building in Dallas Wednesday. The society promotes the idea that it's okay to be happy, despite the lack of positive response from others.

"Happy moments are good things that need to be shared more — not less," she said.

Ms. Landers' editor in Los Angeles, Katherine Searcy, said she would pass along Ms. Johnson's letter and request a reply from the columnist.

Ms. Johnson said Americans waste a lot of time discussing topics like: "My girlfriend/boyfriend is a jerk," "I don't like my job," "I need to lose 30 pounds," "If I only had more money," and "I need to buy something."

The society does not suggest that people should pretend they are content or ignore real problems, but urges people to stop grousing and answer the question: "Are you happier than you admit you are?"

"Most people think about it for a moment and they reply, 'You know, I am,'" Ms. Johnson said.

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The Broyhill Showcase Gallery will occupy more than 7,500 square feet of display space with furniture displayed in correlated, fully-accessorized room settings. According to Carter, Broyhill is one of the largest, most recognized and trusted manufacturers of home furnishings. "We are both pleased and excited," Carter said, "with the addition of a Broyhill Showcase Gallery to our store. Our customers will be overwhelmed by the choices we offer in decorating styles and will glean fabulous ideas from various room settings and vignettes."

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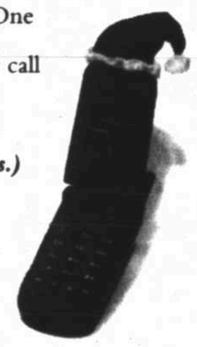
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Salmon Ruins: Former residents left rich legacy in New Mexico

By Debra Weaver
Associated Press

BLOOMFIELD, N.M. — Who were these people in northwest New Mexico whose knowledge of architecture and engineering was so advanced it included buttresses almost 100 years before construction began on the Cathedral of Notre Dame in Paris?

Radiocarbon dating determined that between 1088 and 1090, the first inhabitants of what is now called Salmon Ruins began building an apartment complex that grew to about 150 rooms.

The ancestral pueblo people established the community near the San Juan River, about 2 miles west of Bloomfield, less than a quarter of a century after the Norman Conquest of England and more than 450 years before Coronado began exploring New Mexico.

These first residents "were truly colonists" from Chaco Canyon, said Larry Baker, executive director of the San Juan Archeological Research Center and Library at Salmon Ruins.

The archaeologist, who in 1970 first set foot on what was "a large rubble mound," knows Salmon Ruins. He has spent years mapping, excavating and studying the site. It's Baker's contention Salmon and nearby Aztec ruins were true Chacoan colonies.

Baker and others mapped the site in 1970 under the direction of the late Cynthia Irwin-Williams, an archaeologist at Eastern New Mexico University.

Baker, who returned in 1972 when excavation began, said the first task was to remove the build-up of almost seven centuries of dirt. Ceilings had fallen in, but because roofs were "cultural zones," where activities took place, archaeologists had to sift for artifacts:

When the work began, the entire site was littered with shards, Baker said. This surface pottery was of the Mesa Verde style, yet the architecture was Chacoan, Baker said. So even before excavation, archaeologists had some insight the site had two distinct occupations.

As work progressed, archaeologists found intact items even at the Chacoan level, Baker said. There were vessels, food stuff, waste from the manufacture of knives and scrapers, even some textiles. They also found burial sites, including a man buried in a turkey feather robe.

Research at Salmon Ruins has shown the residents, like those 36 miles south at Chaco Canyon, studied and used the sun and the moon.

"Things are more than coincidence," Baker said. For example, he said, the center of the Tower Kiva and the center of the Great Kiva, across the expansive plaza, are exactly north-south from each other.

The Tower Kiva is the most complex of the original Chacoan structures. It has the widest wall and was designed for multi-story construction, Baker said.

Chacoan architecture is distinctive because of core-veneer design — a core of stone and adobe faced with an intricate veneer of banded sandstone on either side. On some walls, the rock has been so carefully cut as to resemble brick. Bands of thin stone separate courses of thicker stone. On some walls, courses are chinked with a carefully placed row of small stones.

The stonemasonry is very time-consuming, labor-intensive work, but because Chacoans were masters at agriculture, Baker said, they could support people who were specialists in other areas.

The Tower Kiva, technically "an elevated blocked-in kiva," was engineered with massive rock buttresses and log buttresses to carry the stress of the roof, Baker said.



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In the late 1800s, George Salmon homesteaded the property on which Salmon Ruins rests. The Salmon homestead is preserved today at Salmon Ruins' Heritage Park.

The Great Kiva also was designed to carry the great weight of a massive roof. Just as the stone for the structures was quarried and carried from some miles away, so too were the supports and vigas.

Primarily of Douglas fir and ponderosa pine, the logs had to be hauled quite a distance. Baker said some believe the timber came from around Chimney Rock near Pagosa Springs, Colo., and was floated down the San Juan River. His theory is the logs were brought from the Manzanares Mesa southeast of Blanco.

Baker said as resources were depleted, the residents had to go as far as the Chuska slope. To bring a single log back would have taken four or five people six days over very rough terrain, Baker said. The only other beast of burden in those pre-horse days would have been dogs.

The Primary Occupation, when the E-shaped complex was built, was during the height of Chacoan culture. Baker estimated there were 250 people at the peak of occupation.

The inhabitants were primarily farmers who grew corn, squash and beans, as well as harvesting wild food. They grew cotton which they wove into textiles on stand-up looms, made sandals of yucca and moccasins of the same hides they used for winter clothing. They also raised turkeys, primarily for feathers, and hunted game.

Excavations unearthed skeletal remains of macaws and shells, which points to long-distance trading.

The complex had numerous storage rooms in which as much as a three-year supply of parched corn was stacked like cordwood, Baker said.

Archaeologists believe depletion of resources, degradation of the arable land, soil salinity and climatic changes contributed to the first abandonment. There was minimal occupation from 1130 to 1185, by which time the Chaco system had collapsed, Baker said.

The Secondary Occupation began around 1185. These inhabitants had close ties with Mesa Verde, 46 miles northwest. There are ceramics as well as architectural modifications with a distinctive Mesa Verde style.

The new occupants made a number of changes to the complex. Baker said they took stones from the west wing and built small round kivas inside larger Chacoan rooms.

The site was again abandoned around 1285. There was a long drought between 1276 and 1299, and Baker thinks lack of resources may have again been a factor.

"At any site, how far do you have to go for a stick of firewood?" he said.

But where did they go?

Baker thinks primary movement of the ancestral pueblo people was into the Jemez Mountains, where huge pueblos have been uncovered, then along the Rio Grande, where pueblos exist today.

For centuries, the abandoned villages in the Four Corners were forgotten.

When the Peter Milton Salmon and his family moved from Indiana in 1877, they homesteaded the land by the ford in the San Juan River. For more than 90 years, the family protected the site from vandals and treasure hunters.

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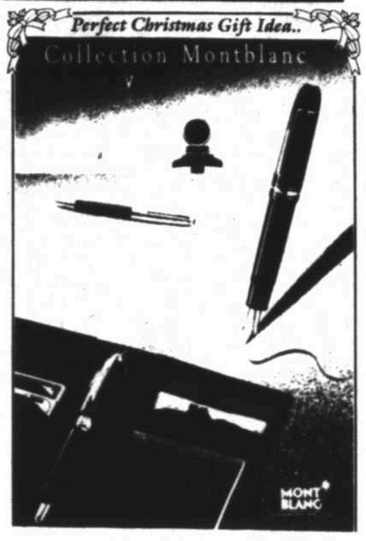
Sakata Seed of America Co. in Morgan Hill, Calif., spent 10 years developing broccolini. Mann Packing, the nation's largest broccoli grower based in Salinas, Calif., and Sanbon Inc. of El Centro, Calif., hold the distribution rights to broccolini in North America.

Sanbon has grown and marketed the crop from Mexicali, Mexico, for the past five years, said Sanbon owner Bruce Sanbonmatsu. Sanbon markets the vegetable in supermarkets under the name Asparation.

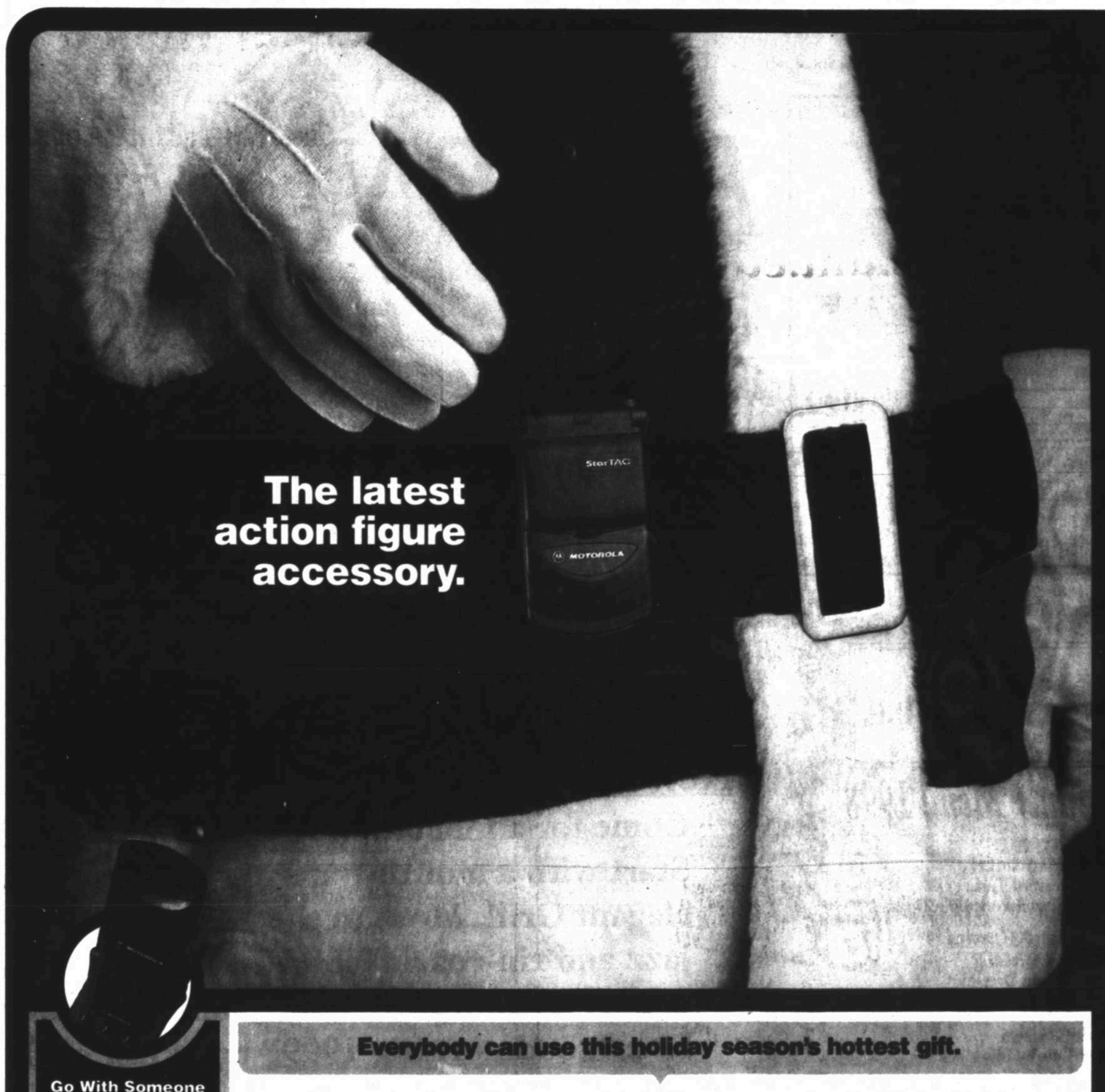
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Pacers, Gremlins, Pintos: Some love those much-maligned cars of the '70s

By Michael Stetz
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — It's only a short drive, but you still feel like popping more than a couple of Tums.

You're on the freeway, after all.

And the car rattles some.

And it's impossible not to remember the news clips from the 1970s showing this particular tiny automobile getting hit from behind, crinkling like cheap paper and then going: KABOOM!!!!

You're in a Pinto.

YOU'RE IN A PINTO AND YOU'RE DODGING TRAFFIC ON INTERSTATE 805.

"It's a good little car," says owner Debbie McManus, gunning the long-discontinued and rarely seen Ford product, this one painted in its original color — lime green.

She's not certain whether the gas tank flaw — which caused Ford to recall thousands of the vehicles after they started blowing up from rear-end collisions, incinerating drivers and passengers — is fixed.

The Oak Park resident doesn't much care.

The 1976 car goes from Point A to Point B. She's owned it for six years and has had few problems with it.

"You'd be amazed, it runs like a champ," she says.

Like Jason — the nightmarish character in those slasher, blood-squirting "Friday the 13th" movies — American cars from the '70s still live.

(Though the heaters still don't work in 82 percent of them.)

People in the 1970s had cars such as Gremlins, Vegas, Torinos, Pintos, Novas and Pacers to choose from.

Paul Gable, who lives in Lakeside, is one of the few, the proud, the stout. He owns a Gremlin.

It wasn't long ago that he was routinely laughed at when cruising in his 1974 model, which was built by the American Motors Co., which is no more. One can point to the Gremlin as a possible reason why.

The automaker, which was gobbled up by Chrysler, also made the Pacer.

The Pacer was a bubble car. It seemingly boasted more glass than sheet metal. It was nearly as wide as it was long.

It was weird.

"A lot of funky cars," says Andres Capetanakis, curator of the San Diego Automotive Museum in Balboa Park, which — big surprise — sports no cars from the mid-1970s.

It was a time of great transition for the American auto industry, Capetanakis says. Emissions standards and safety standards were getting stricter. Japanese automakers were making inroads into the U.S market. And the gas crunch was on the horizon.

So American manufacturers tried to react to the changes.

And, whoa.

Please welcome the Oldsmobile Omega.

Gable, a student at San Diego State University, has owned his Gremlin since 1991, when he felt the "urge" to buy it, he says. He found this one for $500. Asked why he likes it, he stares at the car for a few seconds, pondering.

Believe it or not, it's dependable, Gable says.

It has 240,000 miles and still starts every morning.

And it, well, just has a look about it, he says, which is tough to pin down, tough to define.

Young people come up to it, he says, having no clue, no idea, what the heck it is. And they like it, he says.

Could it be? Cars from the '70s are actually pulling heartstrings?

No way.

Can't be.

Well . . .

Some of the odder cars from that era, such as the Gremlin and the Pacer, have devoted followers because of those vehicles' uniqueness, collectors say.

For instance, you can find a number of owners of such cars sporting Internet sites.

But Dick Porter, who collects cars for a hobby, doubts that such cars will ever be considered classics.

"Collectible American cars from the 1970s is an oxymoron," jokes Porter, who runs a San Marcos company that supplies parts for convertibles.



AP Photo

Paul Gable sits in his American Motors-produced 1974 Gremlin Nov. 6 in Lakeside, Calif. Gable, a student at San Diego State University, purchased the car for $500 in 1991 and says "it's dependable." The Gremlin has 240,000 miles on it.

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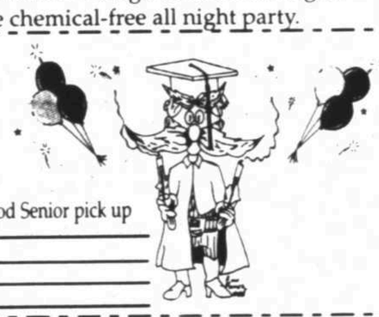
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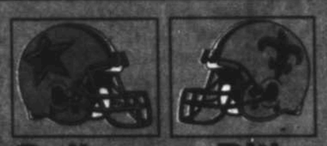
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Dallas vs. Ditka

■ WHAT/WHEN: Dallas Cowboys at New Orleans Saints, noon.
■ TV/RADIO: Fox/KODM (FM 97.9).
■ RECORDS: Cowboys are 8-4, Saints are 5-7.

Cowboys inside

■ NEW ORLEANS — New Orleans (5-7) is trying to take comfort in the Cowboys' problems. But even with cornerbacks Deion Sanders and Kevin Smith sidelined, the NFC East-leaders don't appear to be patsies for the Saints' struggling offense.

See BOYS/2C

Stanton's opponent

The Stanton Buffaloes (13-1) will meet Celina (12-2) at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Stephenville in the Class 2A Division II Semifinals. The Buffs lost the coin flip for a chance to play the game in Abilene.

The Buffs advanced with a 27-18 win over Spearman for the Region I championship, while Celina held off Italy, 17-10 in Region II.

Clark to Baltimore

BALTIMORE — Five years later, Will Clark finally joined the Baltimore Orioles — and only because Rafael Palmeiro is back with the Texas Rangers.



Clark

Clark replaced the man he once displaced in Texas, agreeing Saturday to an $11 million, two-year contract with Baltimore.

"Five years ago, if you'd have written a script it would have had Rafael going to Texas and I'd have gone to Baltimore," Clark said. "But the roles got reversed and five years later we're back to the same roles."

See CLARK/4C

TV Sports

FOOTBALL — Dallas Cowboys at New Orleans Saints, noon, Fox. **RADIO:** KODM (FM 97.9).
New England Patriots at Pittsburgh Steelers, noon, CBS.
Kansas City Chiefs at Denver Broncos, CBS, 3 p.m., CBS.
Chicago Bears at Minnesota Vikings, 7:15 p.m., ESPN. RADIO: KCRS (AM 550).
SOCCER — NCAA Women's Division I final, noon, ESPN.
GOLF — Sun City Million Dollar Tournament, noon, FSN.
JCPenney Classic, 3 p.m., ABC.
Office Depot Father-Son Challenge, 3 p.m., NBC.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Maryland vs. Stanford, noon, ABC.
HOCKEY — Dallas Stars at Edmonton Oilers, 7 p.m., FSN.

Texas Scores

PREP FOOTBALL — Class 5A Small School quarterfinal, Midland Lee 20, South Grand Prairie 7.
COLLEGE FOOTBALL — No. 10 Texas A&M 36, No. 2 Kansas State 33.
NCAA Division II semifinals, Northwest Missouri State 49, A&M-Kingsville 34.
PREP BASKETBALL – Boys, Midland Lee 82, Del Rio 50.
COLLEGE BASKETBALL — TCU 86, UTEP 79.
Houston 63, Sacramento St. 61.
Baylor 70, Nevada 56.
San Diego 61, Texas 57.
Stephen F. Austin 75, Texas Tech 74.
Alcorn St. 75, SMU 74
Women, No. 14 Texas Tech 84, Wisconsin 70.
JUCO BASKETBALL — WJCAC Classic, Midland College 84, Frank Phillips College 72.
WPHL – Odessa Jackalopes 6, Amarillo Rattlers 3.

Jacks win

ODESSA — After Friday's frustrating 3-2 loss to San Angelo, Odessa Jackalopes coach Joe Clark was looking for a "finisher," someone who could put the puck in the net.

Against Amarillo's Rattlers Saturday, Clark had more volunteers for the job than he could keep up with. The Jacks posted a 6-3 win over their WPHL Western Division rival before 4,022 at the Ector Coliseum.

See JACKS/7C

Chaps roll

BIG SPRING — The Midland College Chaparrals are sending an early message to the rest of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

See CHAPS/2C

Rebels get Grand win

Lee's defense makes stand; Rebs advance

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

IRVING — Just when you thought the old Texas Stadium jinx was about to step up and bite the Midland Lee Rebels once again, defensive end Ryan Wright smiled.

The Rebels defeated South Grand Prairie's Warriors 20-7 in a Class 5A Small School quarterfinal playoff game at the Hole in the Sky Saturday afternoon before 15,000 fans, advancing to the state semifinals for only the second time in school history.

And this place was supposed to be a complete jinx to Lee. The Rebels came in with an 0-3 mark at Texas Stadium, making one almost wish they had never heard of the Dallas Cowboys.

But this time Lee found a way to win and no one play could produce a greater effect on jinx busting than what Lee came up with late in the fourth quarter.

Leading 13-0 against the explosive Warriors, South Grand Prairie marched to the one-yard line threatening to turn the momentum and the Texas Stadium jinx back on Lee.

But Ryan Wright crashed through the Warrior line and nailed 220-pound tailback Gideon Leonard for a yard loss.

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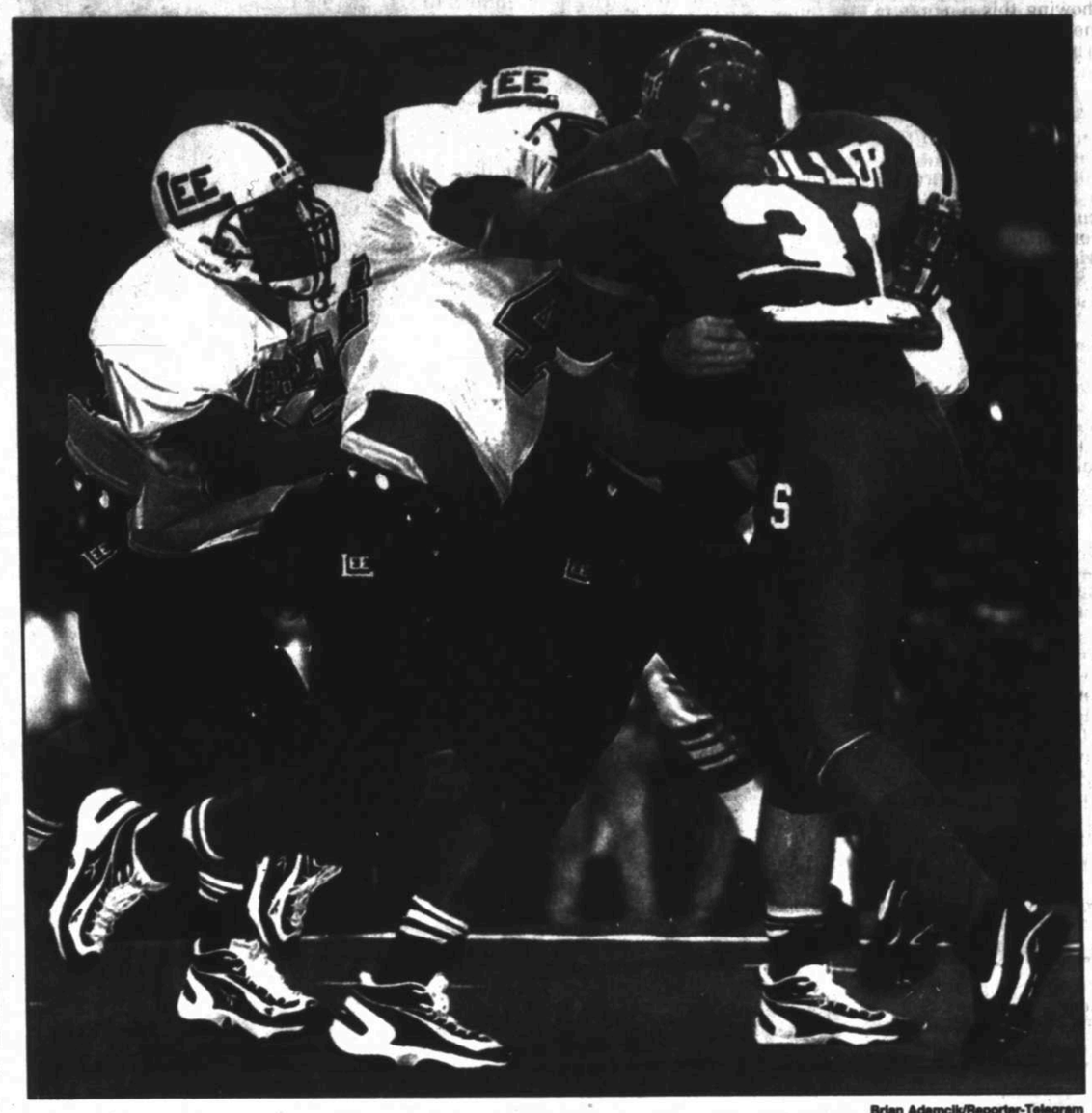
Who's Next

■ Who: Richardson Lake Highlands Wildcats.
■ When: Saturday at 6 p.m.
■ Where: Abilene's Shotwell Stadium.
■ Round: 5A Semifinals
■ Records: Lee is 13-1, Lake Highlands is 9-5.
■ Previous Meeting: None.
■ Road to the Semis

For Lee
— def. Lub. Coronado, 34-7.
— def. EP Andress, 55-14.
— def. Cop. Cove, 43-17.
— def. S.G. Prairie, 20-7.

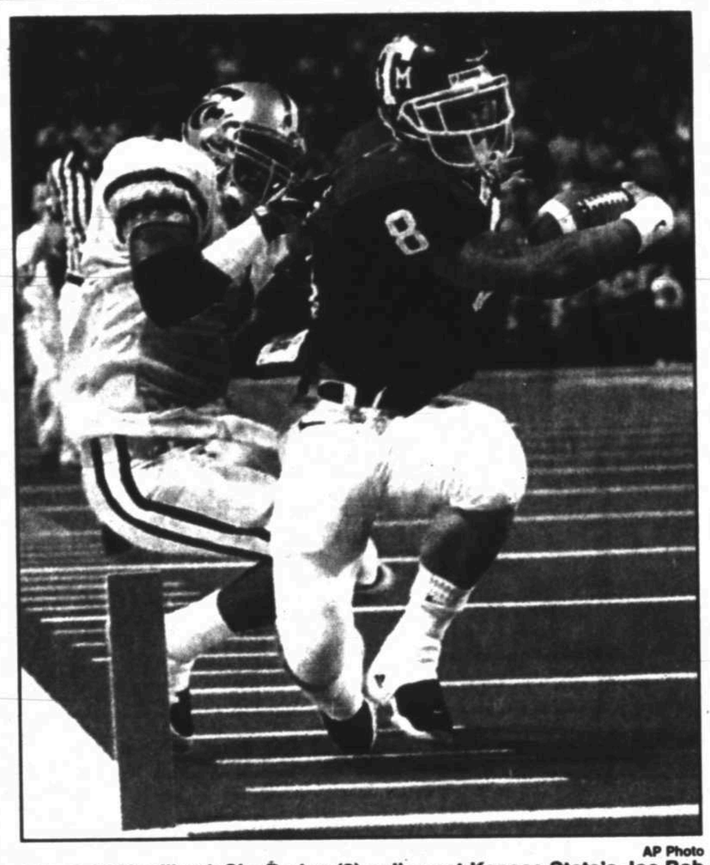
For Lake Highlands
— def. Garland, 40-14.
— def. T. John Tyler, 14-10.
— def. A. Westlake, 24-23.
— def. Lufkin, 17-14.

Also
See PAIRINGS/3C
See WILDCATS/8C



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
The Midland Lee defense comes up huge for the Rebels gang-tackling a South Grand Prairie runner Saturday at Texas Stadium. Lee allowed 254 yards in total offense and only seven points in the SGP 20-7 win.

DRAMATIC FINALE TO COLLEGE FOOTBALL'S REGULAR SEASON



AP Photo
Texas A&M tailback Sirr Parker (8) pulls past Kansas State's Joe Bob Clements, left, to score the game-winning touchdown in the second overtime of the Big 12 Championship game Saturday.

A&M shocks K-St.

By R.B. Fallstrom
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS — Given a clear path to the national championship game, Kansas State blew it.

Texas A&M spoiled the second-ranked Wildcats' bid for a perfect season and a sure invitation to the Fiesta Bowl, winning 36-33 in double overtime Saturday in the Big 12 title game.

"It's a sick feeling," said quarterback Michael Bishop, whose late fumble led to the score that forced overtime. "It's a terrible situation."

Sirr Parker caught a 32-yard touchdown pass as the No. 10 Aggies, who trailed by 15 points entering the fourth quarter, exploited a suspect secondary and rallied for the upset.

"I just really think this is great," A&M coach R.C. Slocum said.

Parker was one of the smallest players on the field at 5-foot-7.

"But I was 6 feet tall on that play," Parker said. "I didn't know if I was in or not. I looked up, I saw the ref and went and celebrated with the Corps."

Kansas State began the day in third place in the Bowl Championship Series standings, and needed either Tennessee or UCLA to lose. The Wildcats got what they wanted earlier in the afternoon when UCLA lost 49-45 to

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Shakeup in Bowl Championship Series

Team, Record	AP Poll	Coaches Poll	Point Total	Saturday's Game
1. Tennessee (12-0)	1	2	4.99	beat Mississippi State
2. UCLA (10-1)	3	3	5.03	lost to Miami
3. Kansas St. (12-0)	2	1	6.31	Lost to Texas A&M
4. Florida State (11-1)	4	4	8.20	Did not play
5. Ohio State (10-1)	5	5	12.33	Did not play

Hurricanes destroy UCLA's championship game hopes

By Richard Rosenblatt
AP Football Writer

MIAMI — So long, UCLA.

Edgerrin James scored from one yard out with 50 seconds left on Saturday, giving Miami a wild 49-45 upset over the third-ranked Bruins and ending UCLA's bid for a national championship.

The Bruins (10-1), who staged several comebacks this season to keep their perfect season going, ran out of miracles in the Orange Bowl.

After James, who had a record-setting day with 39 carries for 299 yards and three touchdowns, gave the Hurricanes (8-3) the lead, Cade McNown has one last chance to pull out the win.

The left-hander came close, moving UCLA to the Miami 29 with four seconds left. McNown, who threw for five touchdowns and a school-record 515 yards, lofted a pass into the end zone, but it fell incomplete in a group of receivers and defenders.

And just like that, the Bruins' national title hopes were over and so was their 20-game

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Lee hoopsters pound Del Rio

By Jay Peden
Sports Writer

A basketball team isn't going to go very far if it only has one player who can score, and Ken Meyers of the Midland Lee Rebels knows that.

LEE
Del Rio 50
Midland Lee . . 82

So with leading-scorer Matt Winston in foul trouble and scoreless in the first three quarters Saturday against Del Rio, Meyers filled in with the hot hand. The senior led all scorers with 27 points, including 23 in the first half as the Rebels pulled away for an 82-50 win in the Lee High School Gym.

Meyers was hot from the outside. He had back-to-back three-pointers in the first quarter to give Lee a 14-6 lead. Early in the second quarter, he hit a layup, stole the inbounds pass and hit a three to put Lee up 28-16, and the rout was on.

"I just went out there and played my game," Meyers said. "I wanted to do what I know I can do. Like Matt has said, he can't be the only one scoring."

Winston, who had averaged 17.6 points in the Rebels' first seven games, picked up two fouls in the first quarter, then drew his fourth foul with 5:45 left in the third quarter. He didn't score until he hit a trey in the fourth quarter, but the Rebels didn't need him much Saturday.

"We really don't have any stars on this team," Lee coach Jon House said. "We like to spread (the scoring) out. We don't want to depend on one guy. Ken stepped up and took what the defense gave him."

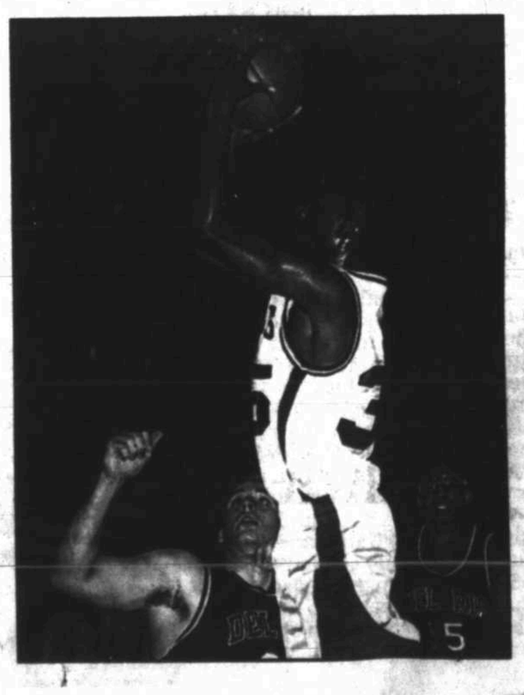
Chris Packer, with 16 points, and Blake Hinsley with 15 also picked up the scoring slack as the Rebels improved to 5-3. For Del Rio, Jesse Garcia (12 points) was the only player in double figures.

Del Rio seemed a little ragged, playing an early game (11:30 a.m. start) after getting drilled by Midland High, 90-58, on Friday night. The Rams drove 250 miles both ways just to get handed a pair of 32-point losses, and they fell to 1-7 for the season.

House wasn't entirely happy with his Rebels' performance.

"Offensively, we got sloppy

Please see HOOPS/4C



Lee junior Chris Packer takes the shot Saturday at the Lee Gym as the Rebs defeated Del Rio in non-district action.
Curt Wilcott/Reporter-Telegram

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Dallas arrives with chance to end any Saint playoff hopes

By Mary Foster
AP Sports Writer

NEW ORLEANS — Sunday may be the last day this season those few remaining die-hard New Orleans Saints fans still whispering of playoff hopes have anything to talk about.

New Orleans (5-7) is trying to take comfort in the Cowboys' problems. But even with cornerbacks Deion Sanders and Kevin Smith sidelined, the NFC East-leaders don't appear to be patsies for the Saints' struggling offense.

"We're still in the playoff picture," coach Mike Ditka said. "But it's silly to talk about it until we play better."

The Cowboys (8-4) aren't the best team to recoup against.

The Saints won their first three games, beating St. Louis, Carolina and Indianapolis, then lost seven of the next nine. New Orleans ranks 28th in the league in offense, 27th in defense and dead last in defending the pass.

Particularly irritating for Ditka is the lack of a running game. For the three games he's started, quarterback Kerry Collins has been the leading rusher.

A variety of running backs have started. This week it will be Troy Davis and Aaron Craver.

Davis has averaged under three yards a carry, but he offers some other qualities Ditka doesn't see in his other backs.

"He's pretty reliable," Ditka said. "He doesn't make many mistakes and he's good in pass protection. If you give him a hole, he runs through it pretty well."

Davis replaces Lamar Smith, the leading rusher with 412 yards on 120 carries and the best runner the Saints have, Ditka said. Smith gained only 3 yards on seven carries in New Orleans 30-10 loss to Miami, however.

Ray Zellars, the second leading rusher with 162 yards on 56 carries, was inactive against the Dolphins. Both backs have drawn Ditka's wrath for not blocking the way he wants them to.

Although Ditka would like to see New Orleans pound out yardage with the run, offensive coordinator Danny Abramowicz sees some hope in the Cowboys' secondary.

The Cowboys will have Kevin Mathis, who wears a soft cast to protect a fractured right arm, at left cornerback. Charlie Williams, a converted safety who started his first NFL game at corner against Minnesota on Thanksgiving Day, will start at right cornerback.

The other cornerbacks are Terry Billups, a rookie brought up from the practice squad Nov. 24, and Larry Brown, the Cowboys' MVP in the Super Bowl three years ago.

"Any team in the NFL — when they perceive weakness on the other team — tries to exploit somebody else's weakness," Dallas coach Chan Gailey said.

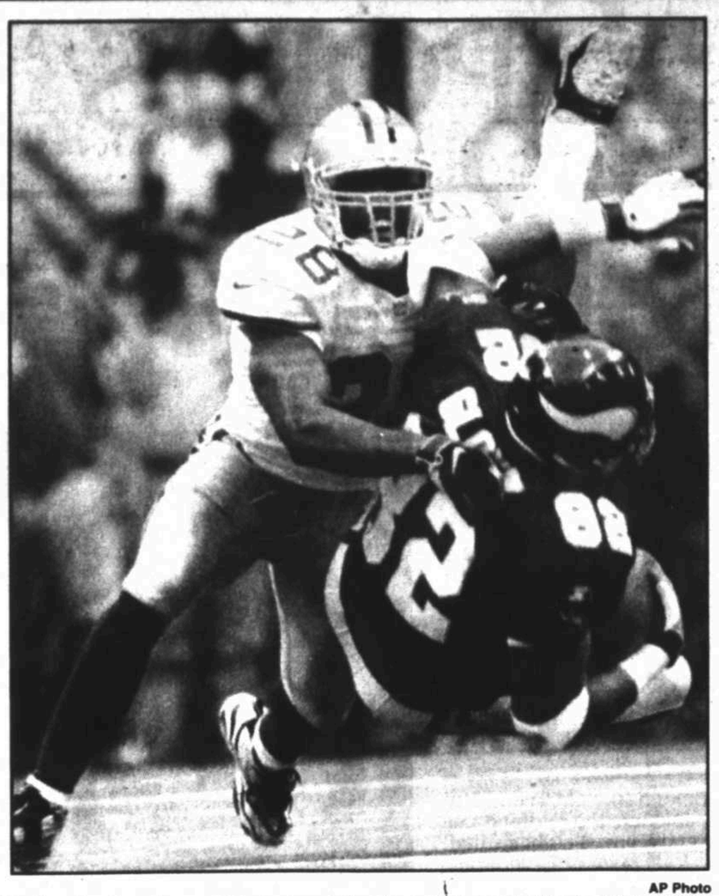
New Orleans is coming off its worst passing game under Ditka. They had a net 70 yards against Miami last week.

The Dolphins also sacked Collins six times, another reason Ditka wants Davis in the game.

"The Cowboys blitz a lot, and we've got to have somebody to pick up their blitzes," Ditka said. "And he'll do it."

Changing backfields and riding his receivers are two pregame strategies for Ditka. For Abramowicz, however, preparing for the Cowboys is only slightly more important than cleaning up the Saints' act.

"We've got more things to concern ourselves with than their corners," Abramowicz said. "We've done more damage to ourselves on offense the last tree weeks than we have all year, so we have our own problems."



AP Photo
Dallas Cowboy free safety Darren Woodson (28) makes the tackle on Minnesota tight end Andrew Glover (82) in last Thursday's loss to the Vikings. Today, Dallas tries to rebound against the New Orleans.

Dallas expects Sanders to be absent with injury

By Clarence E. Hill Jr.
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

IRVING — Cowboys cornerback Deion Sanders did not practice yesterday, all but assuring he will not play against the New Orleans Saints tomorrow.

Cowboys coach Chan Gailey, who earlier in the week said Sanders would not play if he couldn't practice on the sprained toe by yesterday, said he intends to follow through with his plans to hold Sanders out a second consecutive game.

"Never say never, but it looks like he's not going to play," Gailey said.

Although Sanders has shown improvement and walks without a limp, Gailey said the Cowboys would rather play it conservatively and let the injury heal fully, rather than chance a recurring problem.

"It's a gray area," Gailey said. "There are several factors. Do we want him to get closer to 100 percent? Yes, we do. Can he play? Probably, but will he be set back again?"

With Kevin Smith also sidelined with a strained back, the Cowboys will go with Charlie Williams and Kevin Mathis as starting cornerbacks. Larry Brown, signed Wednesday, will be the primary backup and serve as a nickel cornerback.

Mathis, who has missed the past three games with a fractured right forearm, said he's excited to get back on the field and doesn't anticipate having any problems playing with a cast on his right arm.

Offense to lend a hand

Gailey understands his defensive patchwork will be a weakness against the Saints, but he'd rather concentrate on the Cowboys' strength — their offense.

The Cowboys' offense is ranked fourth in the league and has scored at least 30 points in four of the past five games. The Saints' defense ranks 27th.

"Our offense has been playing well," Gailey said. "If we can continue the things we are doing, we can help the defense." Briefly Recently signed Tyrone Hughes is expected to return kickoffs and punts against the Saints.

Running back Chris Warren will miss tomorrow's game with a strained groin. Sherman Williams will step in as the third-down running back.

■ Injury Update

Cowboy trio — Aikman, Smith, Irvin — have place in history

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — Several years ago, when the Dallas Cowboys were winning Super Bowl after Super Bowl, fans often argued about which player was the most important to the team's success.

Troy Aikman? Emmitt Smith? Michael Irvin? A good case could have been made for each.

But the real reason the Cowboys succeeded was they had all three. Smith's running made things easier for Aikman and Irvin, and vice versa. Defenses couldn't key on one without being hurt by the other.

That's still true today, although holes at other positions have brought the team back to the pack. Dallas is no longer dominant, even with a handful of superstars.

No matter what happens this season or the next few, Aikman, Smith and Irvin have captured their place in football history, individually and as a trio.

They also stand together in the Cowboys record book.

When Smith broke Tony Dorsett's team rushing record a few weeks ago, he completed a unique sweep for the "Triplets." Each is now the franchise's best in his respective categories.

Aikman has been the passing yardage leader since 1996, topping Roger Staubach. Aikman holds another 40-plus team marks, including the career bests for attempts and completions. The biggest title he lacks is touchdowns passes (Danny White holds it at 155), and Aikman should get that next season.

Irvin passed Drew Pearson for most catches and Tony Hill for most receiving yards in 1995. He's second to Bob Hayes on the team's career list of touchdown catches.

Smith had the farthest to go because he was chasing Dorsett, one of only seven players in league history to rush for more than 12,000 yards. On Nov. 8, Smith became both the eighth member of the 12,000 club and the team's all-time rushing leader. He's since moved into the top five in NFL history and he'll soon be the league leader in career rushing touchdowns.

It's rare for any team to have the franchise's best performers at three positions playing at the same time. It's even more infrequent for them to stay together as long as this trio has.

Irvin arrived first, in 1988. Aikman came the next year and Smith the year after that. As they've blossomed, so has the team.

All three were in their prime in 1992-95. In that span, Dallas won three Super Bowls and reached the NFC championship the other year.

Contrast that to the careers of their record-setting predecessors.

Staubach arrived in 1969, Pearson in '73 and Hill and Dorsett in '77. Staubach was the first to go, after the 1979 season, meaning they were together just three seasons.

But in that time, Dallas went to two Super Bowls, winning one and losing one.

The Cowboys didn't return to the big game until led there by Aikman, Smith and Irvin.

When Smith broke Dorsett's record, he made it clear that he was chasing team goals, not statistical ones. The big numbers he put up came because he was successful in chasing the bigger prize.

It's easy to roll your eyes at a cliche like that until you consider it comes from someone with three Super Bowl rings.

The statistical milestones reached by Smith, Aikman and Irvin truly have been a byproduct of helping the team win.

So the next time anyone tries to pick one over the other, remind them that what the three have done together is far more significant than their individual accomplishments.

Chap men send message with third victory over WJCAC foe

Staff Report

BIG SPRING — The Midland College Chaparrals are sending an early message to the rest of the Western Junior College Athletic Conference.

"The message out there is that we're as good as anybody in the league," said MC coach Pat Rafferty after his team posted an 84-72 win over Frank Phillips College Saturday at the WJCAC Classic.

The night before, the Chaps, now 8-4 for the season, beat South Plains 77-70.

Against FPC, the Chaps were down by as many as 15 in the first half, until MC decided to step up its play against the Plainsmen and go into the locker room tied at 40-40.

"We came out flat," Rafferty said. "They (Plainsmen) shot the ball real well and we didn't come out ready to go out to the shooters. But give our guys credit, at about the 10-minute mark our guys stepped it up. From there on we were solid. We kind of stood around and watched them shoot it. After we gave them the respect they deserved, we got after it."

Mike Cummings led five Chaps in double figures with 23, Alvin Brooks added 17, and Eugene Costello, Ivan Gatto and Thyai Dunn each had 10 apiece.

Still early in the season, the Chaps are continuing to mold into a better team and learn about the competition.

■ JUCO Basketball

"I hope they learned that they've got to come out ready to play," Rafferty said. "I hope they learn that we're capable of being a good team, and that we're one of the top contenders in this league. On the other hand we also learned that we have to be ready to play every night."

The Chaps take the Christmas break off before returning to action Jan 1-3 at the Mesa Rotary Shoot-Out.

In other scores from the WJCAC Classic, South Plains beat Odessa College 75-71, and Howard romped New Mexico Military Institute 75-56 to improve to 8-2 on the season. Howard next plays on Dec. 31-Jan. 2 in the Las Vegas Shootout.

Midland College 84, Frank Phillips College 72

Midland College (8-4): Alvin Brooks 3 9-12 17, Eugene Costello 1 8-8 10, Armon Whitaker 1 2-2 4, Teohn Conner 2 2-2 6, Ivan Gatto 2 4-4 10, Ricky Duff 2 0-1 4, Thyai Dunn 2 0-1 4, Mike Cummings 10 3-5 23, Mike Stewart 0 0-0 0. Totals 25 29-36 84.

Frank Phillips: Samuel Kimani 1 0-2 2, Nick Orr 2 1-2 5, Patrick Averil 2 1-4 5, Adam Coulibaly 4 4-7 12, Neil Harewood 0 0-0 0, Derossany Manuel 7 3-4 23, Dee Wilson 5 6-6 16, Gilbert Owiny 0 0-0 0, Shane Bannabarbie 3 0-2 9. Totals 24 15-27 72.

Halftime: MC 40, FPC 40. 3-point goals: MC 5 (Brooks 2, Gatto 2, Dunn 1), FPC 9 (Manuel 6, Bannarbie 3). Total Fouls: MC 24, FPC 26. Fouled Out: Coulibary, Bannarbie. Technical Fouls: Frank Phillips coach.

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WPHL

Eastern Division	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Lake Charles	16	8	2	34	112	86
Arkansas	16	6	1	33	102	65
Shreveport	15	8	2	32	112	83
Monroe	12	12	0	24	89	102
Tupelo	7	16	2	16	68	110
Alexandria	6	14	3	15	92	129
Central Division						
Corpus Christi	14	10	1	29	100	84
Austin	12	12	3	27	79	107
Waco	12	7	2	26	74	60
Fort Worth	11	12	2	24	76	92
Central Texas	9	9	4	22	83	91
Western Division						
Abilene	19	5	0	38	95	70
San Angelo	13	7	3	29	97	88
New Mexico	12	11	3	27	96	103
Odessa	11	11	3	25	87	80
Amarillo	10	10	2	22	86	92
El Paso	10	13	1	21	75	81

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; one for a shootout loss. Shootout losses are separate from losses.

Saturday's Games

Abilene 4, Corpus Christi 1
Alexandria 4, El Paso 3
Odessa 6, Amarillo 3
New Mexico 8, San Angelo 1
Shreveport 6, Waco 3
Arkansas 3, Tupelo 2, SO
Austin 1, Fort Worth 0, SO
Lake Charles 5, Monroe 3

Sunday's Games

Abilene at Waco
Alexandria at Amarillo

ABL

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Columbus	7	2	.778	—
Philadelphia	7	2	.778	—
Chicago	3	6	.333	4
New England	2	6	.250	4 1/2
Nashville	2	9	.182	6
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Seattle	7	1	.875	—
San Jose	7	4	.636	1 1/2
Portland	4	4	.500	3
Colorado	2	7	.222	5 1/2

Saturday's Games

Nashville 80, Chicago 78
Philadelphia 84, Colorado 63
San Jose 72, Portland 70

Sunday's Games

Columbus at New England, noon
Philadelphia at Seattle, 8 p.m.

CBA

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pts	Ppg
Connecticut	7	3	43.0	4.3
Grand Rapids	4	6	32.0	3.2
Rockford	4	4	25.5	3.2
Fort Wayne	2	7	21.5	2.4
NATIONAL CONFERENCE				
Sioux Falls	7	3	43.5	4.3
Quad City	7	4	41.5	3.8
Yakima	4	6	35.5	3.6
Idaho	4	5	30.0	3.3
La Crosse	4	5	28.5	3.2

NOTE: Three points awarded for a victory, one for each quarter won during a game and one-half point for each quarter tied

Saturday's Games

Sioux Falls 90, La Crosse 86 (6, 1)
Quad City 98, Yakima 89 (5 1/2, 1 1/2)
Idaho 99, Grand Rapids 87 (5, 2)

Sunday's Games

Rockford at Fort Wayne
Connecticut at La Crosse

Transactions

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES—Agreed to terms with 1B Will Clark on a two-year contract.

Southern League

BIRMINGHAM BARONS—Named Chris Cron manager and Curt Hasler pitching coach.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL—Fined Philadelphia Flyers C Eric Lindros $1,000 for a slashing incident against Buffalo Sabres D Jay McKee in a game Dec. 4.

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Recalled F Byron Ritchie from New Haven of the AHL.

West Coast Hockey League

BAKERSFIELD CONDORS—Traded the rights to C Mike Taylor to San Diego for the rights to RW Stefan St. Amour, G Steve Vezina, D Clark Polglase and RW Danny Reja.

COLLEGE

QUINNIPIAC—Announced women's ice hockey will become a varsity sport beginning in the 2000-2001 season.

Fight Schedule

Dec. 7

At the Great Western Forum, Inglewood, Calif., Ed Mahone, Los Angeles, vs. Booker Ward, Detroit, for Mahone's NABO heavyweight title; Guty Espasas, Mexico vs. Ricardo Medina, Mexico, 10, featherweights.

Dec. 8

At Roseland Ballroom, New York, Kirk Johnson, Canada, vs. Al Cole, Spring Valley, N.Y., 10, heavyweights; Ike Ibeabuchi, Nigeria, vs. Frankie Swindell, Nashville, Tenn., 10, heavyweights; Obed Sullivan, Gulfport, Miss., vs. Jesse Ferguson, Philadelphia, 10, heavyweights.

Dec. 11

At Pueblo, Colo. (FOX), Adan Vargas, Mexico, vs. Carlos Contreras, Mexico, 12, for Vargas' NABF bantamweight title; Goyo Vargas, Miami, vs. Alexis Perez, Miami, 10, lightweights; Glenn Robinson, New York, vs. Ray Berry, Sevierville, Tenn., 8, light heavyweights.

At The Blue Horizon, Philadelphia (ESPN2), Orlando Canizales, Laredo, Texas, vs. Richard DeJesus, Wilmington, Del., 10, featherweights; Chucky T., Philadelphia, vs. Billy Irwin, Toronto, 10, lightweights.

Dec. 12

At Trump Taj Mahal, Atlantic City, N.J. (HBO), Yory Boy Campas, Mexico, vs. Fernando Vargas, Oxnard, Calif., 12, for Campas' IBF junior middleweight title; Arturo Gatti, Jersey City, N.J., vs. Ivan Robinson, Philadelphia, 10, lightweights.

At Fantasy Spring, Indio, Calif. (UNI), Enrique Sanchez, Mexico, vs. Nestor Garcia, Mexico; 12, for Sanchez's WBA super bantamweight title; Antonio Diaz, Coachella, Calif., vs. Cory Spinks, St. Louis, 12, for Diaz's IBA junior welterweight title.

Dec. 18

At Sacramento, Calif. (ESPN2), Diego Corrales, Sacramento, vs. Gary St. Clair, Guyana, 12, junior lightweights; Raul Franco, Long Beach, Calif., vs. Humberto Rodriguez, Mexico, 10, welterweights.

At La Coruna, Spain (ESPN2), Keith Mullings, New York, vs. Javier Castillejos, Spain, 12, for Mullings' WBC super welterweight title.

Dec. 19

At Miccosukee Casino, Miami (HBO), Floyd Mayweather, Las Vegas, vs. Angel Manfredy, Gary, Ind., 12, for Mayweather's WBC super featherweight title; David Tua, New Zealand, vs. Hasim Rahman, Baltimore, 12, heavyweights.

Jan. 8

At Foxwoods Resort Casino, Ledyard, Conn. (ESPN2), Vinny Pazienza, Cranston, R.I., vs. Undra White, St. Louis, 10, super middleweights; Ray Oliveira, New Bedford, Mass., vs. Fitz Vanderpool, Trinidad, 10, welterweights.

Jan. 15

At TBA, Las Vegas (ESPN2), Angel Vazquez, Hartford, Conn., vs. Carlos Rios, Argentina, 10, featherweights.

Jan. 29

At Foxwoods Resort Casino, Ledyard, Conn. (ESPN2), Dana Rosenblatt, Malden, Mass., vs. Aaron Davis, Bronx, N.Y., 10, middleweights; Don Diego Poeder, Netherlands, vs. Terry Pitts, Detroit, 10, light heavyweights.

Jan. 30

At Stadthalle, Cottbus, Germany, Freeman Barr, Naples, Fla. vs. Bert Schenk, Germany, 12, for the vacant WBO World middleweight title.

Feb. 13

At Thomas & Mack Center, Las Vegas, Oscar De La Hoya, East Los Angeles, Calif., vs. Ike Quartey, Ghana, 12, for De La Hoya's WBC welterweight title; Oba Carr, Detroit, vs. Frankie Randall, Nashville, Tenn., 12, welterweights.

College Basketball

Top 25 Men

NO. 1 CONNECTICUT 82, NO. 9 MICHIGAN ST 68

MICHIGAN ST (4-3): Smith 5-7 0-0 10, Hutson 6-8 0-0 12, Klein 5-11 0-0 12, Cleaves 2-15 1-3 6, Bell 2-7 0-0 4, Kelley 2-9 0-0 5, Smith 0-0 0-0 0, Davis 0-1 0-0 0, Peterson 7-8 0-0 14, Granger 2-6 0-0 5. Totals 31-70 1-3 68.

CONNECTICUT (6-0): Freeman 5-7 6-8 16, Hamilton 5-14 0-0 11, Voskuhl 7-10 3-4 17, Moore 1-3 5-6 7, El-Amin 7-12 2-4 20, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Klaiber 0-0 0-0 0, Mouring 4-6 2-2 11, Harrison 0-0 0-0 0, Wane 0-3 0-0 0, Saunders 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-55 18-24 82.

Halftime—Connecticut 38, Michigan State 34. 3-Point goals—Michigan State 5-14 (Klein 2-4, Cleaves 1-7, Kelley 1-1, Granger 1-1, Peterson 0-1), Connecticut 6-15 (El-Amin 4-7, Mouring 1-1, Hamilton 1-6, Freeman 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Michigan State 39 (Smith 12), Connecticut 30 (Freeman 6). Assists—Michigan State 14 (Cleaves 7), Connecticut 18 (El-Amin 6). Total fouls—Michigan State 19, Connecticut 12.

COLL. OF CHARLESTON 66, No. 3 NORTH CAROLINA 64

NORTH CAROLINA (8-1): Okulaja 4-10 6-8 15, Lang 4-11 5-6 13, Haywood 6-8 0-1 12, Cota 2-11 2-2 6, Capel 4-5 8-11 16, Brooker 0-0 0-0 0, Newby 0-0 0-0 0, Curry 0-2 0-0 0, Owens 0-1 0-0 0, Frederick 0-1 0-0 0, Bersticker 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 20-49 23-30 64.

COLL. OF CHARLESTON (4-2): Brown 3-5 0-0 7, Thomas 8-14 0-1 20, Lumpkin 4-10 1-4 9, McCravy 0-4 0-0 0, Johnson 4-9 2-4 11, President 2-3 2-2 6, Bolton 0-1 0-0 0, Webber 6-12 1-1 13. Totals 27-58 6-12 66.

Halftime—North Carolina 33, Coll. of Charleston 25. 3-Point goals—North Carolina 1-5 (Okulaja 1-2, Cota 0-3), Coll. of Charleston 6-13 (Thomas 4-5, Brown 1-1, Johnson 1-3, President 0-1, Webber 0-1, McCravy 0-2). Fouled out—Haywood. Rebounds—North Carolina 35 (Lang, Haywood 7), Coll. of Charleston 32 (Lumpkin 9). Assists—North Carolina 15 (Capel 6), Coll. of Charleston 18 (McCravy 8). Total fouls—North Carolina 14, Coll. of Charleston 19.

No. 4 DUKE 89, N. CAROLINA ST. 69

NC STATE (5-2): Thornton 3-7 3-5 9, Inge 2-6 8-10 12, Kelley 1-3 4-6 6, Gainey 2-8 0-0 4, Wells 3-7 0-0 6, Harrington 7-18 6-8 26, Anderson 0-1 0-0 0, Bean 1-2 0-1 2, Williams 0-0 2-2 2, Lentz 0-0 0-0 0, Keeter 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 20-53 23-32 69.

DUKE (7-1): Carrawell 2-7 2-2 6, Battier 2-5 0-0 4, Brand 8-14 10-15 26, Avery 4-7 5-5 14, Langdon 5-9 3-4 17, Burgess 4-5 0-0 8, Domzalski 0-1 0-0 0, Maggette 4-8 3-6 12, James 1-3 0-0 2, Heaps 0-0 0-0 0, Simpson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-59 23-32 89.

Halftime—Duke 42, NC State 20. 3-Point goals—NC State 6-13 (Harrington 6-10, Gainey 0-3), Duke 6-12 (Langdon 4-6, Avery 1-3, Maggette 1-3). Fouled out—Kelley, Burgess, Battier, Domzlaski. Rebounds—NC State 34 (Inge 7), Duke 32 (Brand 10). Assists—NC State 6 (Thornton, Inge, Gainey, Wells, Harrington, Lentz), Duke 16 (Avery 7). Total fouls—NC State 28, Duke 28. Technical—Inge.

No. 6 CINCINNATI 106, OAKLAND, MICH. 78

OAKLAND, MICH. (2-5): Thom 7-16 0-0 19, J.Champagne 3-5 0-0 6, D.Champagne 7-11 2-2 19, Carlson 1-5 0-0 2, Buddenborg 7-18 0-0 19, Rozycki 3-5 5-6 13, Reynolds 0-1 0-0 0, Covington 0-1 0-0 0, Williams 0-0 0-2 0, Hiller 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-62 7-10 78.

CINCINNATI (5-0): Fletcher 2-2 0-0 4, Mickeal 5-14 2-2 14, Martin 0-2 2-2 2, Levett 10-20 0-0 28, Logan 10-16 0-0 28, McGhee 3-4 1-2 7, Land 0-1 1-2 1, Horton 1-5 0-2 2, Mitchell 4-6 0-0 12, Myrick 2-7 0-0 6, Little 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 38-78 6-10 106.

Halftime—Cincinnati 54, Oakland, Mich., 27. 3-Point goals—Oakland, Mich. 15-34 (Thom 5-12, Buddenborg 5-10, D.Champagne 3-3, Rozycki 2-4, Reynolds 0-1, Covington 0-1, Carlson 0-3), Cincinnati 24-48 (Logan 8-14, Levett 8-16, Mitchell 4-6, Mickeal 2-3, Myrick 2-7, McGhee 0-1, Horton 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Oakland, Mich. 39 (Thom 9), Cincinnati 35 (Fletcher, Mickeal, Martin 7). Assists—Oakland, Mich. 11 (Carlson 3), Cincinnati 24 (Horton 10). Total fouls—Oakland, Mich. 15, Cincinnati 14.

NO. 7 KANSAS 62, PEPPERDINE 55

KANSAS (5-1): Bradford 2-4 4-9 8, Chenowith 5-9 0-0 10, Gregory 5-12 2-5 13, Robertson 4-9 4-5 12, Boschee 3-6 0-0 8, Earl 2-2 0-0 4, Nooner 0-0 0-0 0, Carey 0-0 0-0 0, Janisse 0-0 0-0 0, London 0-0 0-0 0, Pugh 2-3 3-5 7. Totals 23-45 13-24 62.

PEPPERDINE (5-2): Lalazarian 4-9 2-3 10, Gibbs 5-9 5-6 15, Sheppard 0-6 2-5 2, Gardner 7-13 2-5 16, Prince 0-6 0-0 0, Fomby 2-3 3-6 7, Minahan 1-4 0-0 3, Varner 0-1 0-0 0, McDowell 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 20-54 14-25 55.

Halftime—Kansas 26, Pepperdine 25. 3-Point goals—Kansas 3-7 (Boschee 2-3, Gregory 1-2, Bradford 0-1, Robertson 0-1), Pepperdine 1-14 (Minahan 1-3, Gibbs 0-1, McDowell 0-1, Lalazarian 0-2, Gardner 0-2, Prince 0-5). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Kansas 39 (Bradford 7), Pepperdine 32 (Sheppard 8). Assists—Kansas 15 (Bradford 6), Pepperdine 6 (Gardner, Prince 2 each). Total fouls—Kansas 19, Pepperdine 21.

No. 8 KENTUCKY 74, MIAMI 65

MIAMI (2-2): James 7-19 8-10 22, Bland 6-9 1-2 14, Hemsley 5-10 1-2 11, Byars-Dawson 4-6 0-0 9, Simmons 2-4 0-0 5, Jennings 1-1 0-0 2, Houston 1-4 0-0 2, Wimbley 0-1 0-0 0, Tyler 0-0 0-0 0, Coelho 0-0 0-0 0, Slamons 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-54 10-15 65.

KENTUCKY (7-1): Bradley 9-13 1-1 19, Padgett 6-13 1-2 16, Turner 3-6 7-11 13, Evans 3-5 3-3 9, Smith 3-11 0-0 9, Allison 2-5 0-1 4, Hogan 1-3 0-0 2, Magloire 1-4 0-0 2, Prince 0-3 0-1 0, Camara 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 28-63 12-19 74.

Halftime—Kentucky 31, Miami 31. 3-point goals—Miami 3-11 (Bland 1-1, Byars-Dawson 1-1, Simmons 1-2, Houston 0-1, James 0-3, Hemsley 0-3), Kentucky 6-23 (Padgett 3-7, Smith 3-7, Turner 0-1, Hogan 0-1, Evans 0-2, Allison 0-2, Prince 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Miami 31 (James 10), Kentucky 36 (Padgett 7). Assists—Miami 10 (Jennings 5), Kentucky 16 (Turner, Prince 5). Total fouls—Miami 17, Kentucky 15.

NO. 16 INDIANA 63, NO. 10 TEMPLE 62

TEMPLE (4-3): Barnes 6-10 4-6 16, Lyde 1-2 0-0 2, Sanchez 2-9 0-0 6, Brokenborough 4-11 5-6 15, Wadley 3-10 3-3 9, Karcher 5-8 1-2 14. Totals 21-50 13-17 62.

INDIANA (8-1): Recker 6-12 0-0 15, Odle 1-5 0-0 2, Gladness 2-3 0-0 4, Fife 3-6 0-0 7, Guyton 3-11 0-0 8, Washington 2-4 1-2 5, Jimenez 1-3 0-0 3, Turner 1-3 1-2 4, Lewis 1-1 0-0 3, Haston 5-11 2-2 12. Totals 25-59 4-6 63.

Halftime—Indiana 30, Temple 29. 3-Point goals—Temple 7-18 (Karcher 3-5, Sanchez 2-3, Brokenborough 2-4, Wadley 0-6), Indiana 9-27 (Recker 3-8, Guyton 2-10, Lewis 1-1, Turner 1-2, Fife 1-3, Jimenez 1-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Temple 26 (Brokenborough 9), Indiana 38 (Haston 9). Assists—Temple 13 (Sanchez 6), Indiana 17 (Recker, Guyton, Jimenez 3). Total fouls—Temple 11, Indiana 16.

No. 18 UCLA 89, No. 11 OKLAHOMA ST. 66

OKLAHOMA ST. (4-2): Mason 2-9 4-5 9, Peterson 5-13 8-9 22, Webber 0-3 2-3 2, Gottlieb 0-2 1-2 1, Adkins 5-12 4-4 18, Jonzen 1-1 1-3 3, Montonati 5-5 1-2 11, Robisch 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-45 21-28 66.

UCLA (4-2): Moiso 6-12 1-2 13, Watson 6-9 2-4 14, Gadzuric 4-7 1-2 9, Davis 3-7 1-3 7, Bailey 0-2 0-0 0, Rush 3-9 1-2 7, Reed 6-11 0-0 12, Hines 0-2 0-0 0, Barnes 1-3 0-0 2, Young 2-5 0-0 5. Totals 31-67 6-13 69.

Halftime—UCLA 41, Oklahoma St. 33. 3-Point goals—Oklahoma St. 9-20 (Peterson 4-9, Adkins 4-9, Mason 1-2), UCLA 1-8 (Young 1-2, Rush 0-1, Hines 0-1, Watson 0-2, Barnes 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma St. 33 (Mason 8), UCLA 36 (Moiso 7). Assists—Oklahoma St. 16 (Gottlieb, Adkins 5), UCLA 20 (Watson 6). Total fouls—Oklahoma St. 13, UCLA 25. Technicals—Gottlieb 2 (ejected).

No. 12 SYRACUSE 95, SANTA CLARA 75

SANTA CLARA (2-4): Wuschnig 4-11 0-0 8, Teat 2-7 12-15 18, Lopez 4-10 3-4 11, D'Oyen 0-5 2-2 2, Fast 9-18 4-4 25, Warford 0-0 2-2 2, Vaka 0-2 2-2 2, Holbrook 1-3 0-0 2, Emslie 0-1 1-2 1, Gomes 1-4 0-0 2, Daly 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 22-63 26-31 75.

SYRACUSE (7-1): Brown 4-7 2-3 10, Blackwell 1-7 0-0 2, Thomas 3-4 5-6 11, Hart 6-13 0-0 14, Griffin 3-6 0-0 9, Shumpert 5-9 2-2 13, Bland 4-6 2-3 11, Campbell 3-5 1-2 9, Williams 2-4 0-0 5, Peluck 2-4 0-0 4, Ovcina 2-2 3-4 7. Totals 35-67 15-20 95.

Halftime—Syracuse 46, Santa Clara 25. 3-Point Goals—Santa Clara 5-15 (Fast 3-5, Teat 2-4, Vaka 0-1, D'Oyen 0-2, Wuschnig 0-3), Syracuse 10-19 (Griffin 3-4, Campbell 2-3, Hart 2-4, Williams 1-1, Bland 1-2, Shumpert 1-4, Brown 0-1). Fouled out—Vaka, Lopez. Rebounds—Santa Clara 38 (Fast 6), Syracuse 40 (Blackwell, Ovcina 6). Assists—Santa Clara 14 (Wuschnig, D'Oyen 3), Syracuse 29 (Bland 6). Total Fouls—Santa Clara 20, Syracuse 25.

No. 13 ARIZONA 94, WYOMING 84

WYOMING (3-2): Jones 9-18 1-1 20, Udezue 3-4 3-5 9, Blakes 5-8 0-2 12, McMillian 4-11 1-3 11, Davis 8-15 3-4 22, Mann 3-7 0-0 9, French 0-2 0-0 0, Lostetter 0-0 0-0 0, Pettersson 0-0 0-0 0, McFail 0-3 1-2 1. Totals 32-68 9-17 84.

ARIZONA (4-0): Jefferson 3-11 1-2 7, Wright 4-7 6-8 14, Bramlett 9-16 6-10 24, Terry 9-17 7-8 29, Wilson 0-4 3-4 3, Anderson 0-2 0-0 0, Douglas 0-5 2-3 2, Wessel 6-7 3-6 15, Ash 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 31-69 28-41 94.

Halftime—Wyoming 49, Arizona 44. 3-Point goals—Wyoming 11-25 (Davis 3-4, Mann 3-7, Blakes 2-2, McMillian 2-4, Jones 1-5, French 0-1, McFail 0-2). Arizona 4-14 (Terry 4-8, Wessel 0-1, Douglas 0-2, Wilson 0-3). Fouled out—Jones, Udezue, McMillian. Rebounds—Wyoming 32 (Davis 13), Arizona 40 (Bramlett 17). Assists—Wyoming 19 (McMillian 6), Arizona 19 (Terry 7). Total fouls—Wyoming 28, Arizona 18.

No. 14 PURDUE 71, No. 23 XAVIER 57

PURDUE (7-1): Robinson 4-9 6-7 14, Greg McQuay 2-7 1-2 5, Cardinal 3-5 4-6 10, Eldrige 3-5 3-4 10, Cornell 6-12 5-6 21, Gary McQuay 1-3 2-2 4, Kerkhof 0-0 0-0 0, Lewis 0-0 0-0 0, Mayfield 0-2 0-0 0, Stephens 0-2 2-2 2, Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Davis 1-2 1-2 3, Cunningham 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 20-48 26-33 71.

XAVIER (5-3): Price 3-5 1-2 7, Posey 3-7 2-3 8, Frey 6-9 0-0 13, L.Brown 6-13 1-2 16, Lumpkin 1-7 4-6 6, McAfee 1-5 0-0 3, A.Brown 0-0 0-0 0, Harris 0-1 1-2 1, Walker 1-1 1-1 3. Totals 21-48 10-16 57.

Halftime—Purdue 35, Xavier 29. 3-Point goals—Purdue 5-15 (Cornell 4-9, Eldridge 1-2, Robinson 0-1, Cardinal 0-1, Mayfield 0-2), Xavier 5-16 (L.Brown 3-7, Frey 1-1, McAfee 1-2, Posey 0-1, Lumpkin 0-5). Fouled out—Posey. Rebounds—Purdue 33 (Robinson 12), Xavier 26 (Posey, Frey 5). Assists—Purdue 15 (Cardinal 4), Xavier 13 (Lumpkin 5). Total fouls—Purdue 16, Xavier 25. Technical—Purdue coach Keady.

Oklahoma 87, No. 19 Arkansas 57

Arkansas (5-2): Jeffries 2-8 0-0 4, Walker 1-4 3-4 5, Hood 6-14 0-3 12, Dean 2-4 1-2 5, Bradley 2-7 2-4 6, Gilbert 1-2 0-0 3, Cleveland 2-3 2-2 7, Reid 0-2 2-2 2, Davis 0-1 0-0 0, Gipson 5-7 0-0 11, Keeling 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Hankins 0-0 0-0 0, Jennings 1-2 0-0 0. Totals 22-56 10-17 57.

Oklahoma (4-1): Najera 6-13 0-0 13, Humphrey 3-8 4-8 10, Stone 4-5 0-1 8, Johnson 3-10 1-2 8, Heskett 6-12 1-1 18, Cano 0-0 0-0 0, Reztsov 0-0 0-0 0, Martin 7-8 4-4 23, Avila 2-3 0-4 4, Ainooson 0-1 0-0 0, Spaulding 1-5 0-0 3. Totals 32-65 10-20 87.

Halftime—Oklahoma 37, Arkansas 27. 3-point goals—Arkansas 3-13 (Jeffries 0-1, Dean 0-2, Bradley 0-3, Gilbert 1-1, Cleveland 1-1, Reid 0-1, Davis 0-1, Gipson 1-2, Smith 0-1), Oklahoma 13-26 (Najera 1-3, Johnson 1-4, Heskett 5-10, martin 5-6, Ainooson 0-1, Spaulding 1-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Arkansas 31 (Hood 11), Oklahoma 45 (Humphrey 10). Assists—Arkansas 8 (Cleveland, Reid 2), Oklahoma 25 (Johnson 6). Total fouls—Arkansas 20, Oklahoma 16.

NO. 25 ST. JOHN'S 74, BOSTON COLLEGE 55

ST. JOHN'S (6-2): Artest 4-8 1-3 11, Grant 6-8 3-5 15, Emanuel 1-3 0-0 2, Barkley 5-13 2-2 14, Thornton 3-7 0-0 7, Gray 1-2 1-1 3, Syed 0-0 0-0 0, Charles 1-2 0-0 2, Postell 4-7 1-1 10, Jessie 4-7 2-4 10, Richardson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-57 10-16 74.

BOSTON COLLEGE (2-4): Cotton 3-8 3-5 9, Harley 3-8 0-0 8, Beerbohm 0-1 0-0 0, Pina 1-2 0-2 3, Sims 3-12 0-0 9, Walls 7-12 2-4 18, Millar 1-7 2-3 4, Deane 0-3 0-0 0, Ross 1-4 2-2 4. Totals 19-57 9-16 55.

Halftime—St. John's 32, Boston College 26. 3-Point goals—St. John's 6-15 (Artest 2-4, Barkley 2-5, Postell 1-2, Thornton 1-3, Charles 0-1), Boston College 8-19 (Sims 3-5, Harley 2-3, Walls 2-4, Pina 1-2, Cotton 0-2, Millar 0-1, Deane 0-2). Fouled out—Boston College, Ross. Rebounds—St. Johns's 39 (Grant, Postell 9), Boston College 34 (Sims, Walls 6). Assists—St. John's 10 (Artest 4), Boston College 11 (Pina 6). Total fouls—St. John's 17, Boston College 16.

Top 25 Women

No. 14 TEXAS TECH 84, WISCONSIN 70

TEXAS TECH (5-1): Dickerson 5-6 5-7 15, Hanebutt 2-7 2-2 7, Braziel 7-15 6-12 20, Schmucker 5-8 2-3 13, Lake 5-13 1-2 12, Washington 0-5 0-0 0, Gibbs 0-3 5-8 5, Johnson 3-4 1-1 7, O'Neal 1-4 3-4 5, Tarr 0-0 0-0 0, Ellison 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 28-65 25-41 84.

WISCONSIN (4-3): Sims 6-12 7-7 19, Boston 0-2 0-0 0, Stomski 7-11 3-4 17, Paulus 4-5 1-2 9, Moore 5-12 0-0 10, Klongland 0-2 1-2 1, Pate 0-2 0-0 0, Black 0-1 0-0 0, Bird 0-4 0-0 0, Konienczny 5-5 0-1 10, Wiersma 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 28-57 14-18 70.

Halftime—Tech 44, Wisconsin 31. 3-Point goals—Texas Tech 3-6 (Lake 1-1, Schmucker 1-2, Hanebutt 1-3), Wisconsin 0-8 (Boston 0-1, Black 0-1, Sims 0-2, Moore 0-2, Klongland 0-2). Fouled out—Dickerson, Boston, Stomski. Rebounds—Texas Tech 43 (Braziel 9), Wisconsin 33 (Wiersma 7). Assists—Texas Tech 16 (Hanebutt 4), Wisconsin 15 (Moore 7). Total fouls—Tech 13, Wisconsin 27.

NO. 1 CONNECTICUT 88, RHODE ISLAND 42

CONNECTICUT (6-0): Cash 5-8 3-9 13, Abrosimova 5-10 0-0 10, Sauer 4-9 1-2 9, Bird 2-8 0-0 4, Duran 2-5 0-0 5, Abrlic 0-1 0-0 0, Schumacher 3-6 1-4 7, Glenney 0-1 0-0 0, Czel 0-0 0-0 0, Walters 0-1 2-2 2, Jones 9-10 2-4 20, Hansmeyer 3-4 0-0 6, Gaine 0-1 0-0 0, Ralph 3-4 6-8 12. Totals 36-68 15-29 88.

RHODE ISLAND (2-4): Lapciuk 4-9 0-0 8, Jansen 2-11 4-6 8, Blakemore 1-2 0-1 2, Mullen 1-5 0-0 3, Cocchiola 0-5 1-2 1, Pacheco 0-2 2-2 2, Reynolds 4-6 2-2 10, Gibson 3-6 2-2 8. Totals 15-46 11-15 42.

Halftime—Connecticut 39, Rhode Island 21. 3-Point goals—Connecticut 1-9 (Duran 1-4, Abrosimova 0-1, Bird 0-3, Walters 0-1). Rhode Island 1-6 (Mullen 1-3, Cocchiola 0-1, Pacheco 0-1, Gibson 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Connecticut 43 (Schumacher 8), Rhode Island 26 (Cocchiola 7). Assists—Connecticut 22 (Ralph 5), Rhode Island 11 (Mullen 7). Total fouls—Connecticut 19, Rhode Island 24.

No. 5 GEORGIA 91, ALCORN ST. 51

ALCORN ST. (4-2): Barton 0-6 4-4 4, Reed 4-14 1-2 11, Turk 2-4 0-0 5, Mackey 2-7 1-2 5, Wood 4-10 0-0 8, Haynes 2-6 2-5 6, Coleman 2-6 0-0 5, Mitchell 2-3 3-5 7, Rice 0-0 0-2 0. Totals 18-56 11-20 51.

GEORGIA (5-0): Irwin 2-7 0-0 6, Brown 2-4 0-0 4, K.Miller 11-16 2-4 26, Ball 7-8 3-4 17, C.Miller 6-10 2-2 15, Murphy 4-10 0-0 9, Vishniakova 3-7 3-4 9, Willis 2-4 1-2 5. Totals 37-66 11-16 91.

Halftime—Georgia 52, Alcorn St. 28. 3-Point goals—Alcorn St. 4-15 (Reed 2-8, Turk 1-1, Coleman 1-4, Barton 0-2), Georgia 6-17 (K.Miller 2-2, Irwin 2-7, C.Miller 1-2, Murphy 1-3, Vishniakova 0-1, Brown 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Alcorn St. 34 (Mackey 8), Georgia 40 (Vishniakova 9). Assists—Alcorn St. 10 (Ali, Haynes, Coleman, Mitchell 2), Georgia 25 (Irwin, Brown 7). Total fouls—Alcorn St. 12, Georgia 15.

NO. 7 ALABAMA 79, NO. 8 OLD DOMINION 68

ALABAMA (7-0): Canty 6-12 10-14 22, Cawdle 2-2 8-11 12, L.Jones 1-2 0-0 2, Johnson 2-5 3-4 8, K.Williams 1-6 0-0 3, Carruth 4-8 1-3 10, Vice 5-8 0-0 14, Crenshaw 0-1 2-5 2, Cartwell 3-3 0-1 6, J.Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 24-47 24-36 79.

OLD DOMINION (5-1): Andrade 2-8 5-8 9, Maiga 1-5 0-0 2, BerthieJ 3-6 4-8 10, Levens 2-4 0-0 5, Diaz 2-6 2-2 6, Francis 2-7 1-2 6, Eblin 2-9 6-6 12, J.Williams 0-0 1-2 1, Love 0-1 0-0 0, Beilinghausen 0-0 0-0 0, Thompson 5-13 4-4 17. Totals 19-59 23-30 68.

Halftime—Alabama 32, Old Dominion 31. 3-Point goals—Alabama 7-19 (Vice 4-7, Johnson 1-2, Carruth 1-4, K.Williams 1-5, Canty 0-1), Old Dominion 7-24 (Thompson 3-6, Eblin 2-8, Levens 1-2, Francis 1-4, Andrade 0-1, Maiga 0-1, Berthieu 0-1, Diaz 0-1). Fouled out—Levens. Rebounds—Alabama 38 (Canty, Crenshaw 9), Old Dominion 37 (Andrade 8). Assists—Alabama 16 (Canty 6), Old Dominion 11 (Andrade 5). Total fouls—Alabama 20, Old Dominion 27.

No. 9 NORTH CAROLINA 112, FLORIDA ST 101

NORTH CAROLINA (9-1, 2-0): Wright 11-20 3-6 26, Brown 10-16 4-4 28, Barksdale 3-6 0-0 7, Clay 3-8 0-0 6, Teasley 12-23 5-6 32, Higgins 4-6 0-0 8, Gaspar 1-3 2-2 4, Davis 0-0 1-2 1, Allen 0-0 0-0 0, Dawkins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals: 44-82 15-20 112.

FLORIDA ST. (2-4, 0-2): Traylor 3-7 3-4 9, Wyckoff 8-11 3-6 19, Robinson 7-10 4-10 18, Coleman 16-29 6-9 38, Gracey 3-4 5-5 11, Springle 0-1 0-0 0, Sutton 2-5 0-0 4, Davidson 1-2 0-0 2. Totals: 40-69 21-34 101.

Halftime—Florida St 44, North Carolina 43. 3-Point goals—North Carolina 9-21 (Brown 4-7, Teasley 3-10, Barksdale 1-2, Wright 1-2), Florida St 0-4 (Traylor 0-1, Wyckoff 0-1, Robinson 0-1, Coleman 0-1). Fouled out—North Carolina, Wright. Rebounds—North Carolina 40 (Barksdale 9), Florida St 36 (Wyckoff 7). Assists—North Carolina 12 (Teasley 6), Florida St 18 (Robinson 6). Total fouls—North Carolina 26, Florida St 17.

No. 10 UCLA 94, CS FULLERTON 64

CS FULLERTON (1-3): Cleveland 3-8 0-0 8, Stokely 3-5 0-2 6, Whiteside 3-7 4-6 10, Naumovic 3-12 3-4 11, Thieme 7-20 1-2 16, Howard 0-1 0-0 0, Sotero 0-1 0-0 0, Bynon 1-9 0-0 3, Kale 2-2 0-0 4, Lake 1-4 2-2 4, Cunningham 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 24-70 10-16 64.

UCLA (5-2): Philman 5-9 1-1 12, Martin 6-13 4-6 16, Hubbard 6-17 2-2 14, Gomez 4-10 3-3 12, Pearson 3-5 2-2 8, Belavic 0-1 2-2 2, Greco 1-6 1-2 3, Rembert 2-3 2-2 6, Funicello 6-10 0-1 12, Flannigan 3-6 2-2 9. Totals 36-80 19-23 94.

Halftime—UCLA 34, CSF 43. 3-Point goals—CSF 6-28 (Cleveland 2-

Role Reversal

Clark takes Palmeiro's place in Orioles' lineup

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Five years later, Will Clark finally joined the Baltimore Orioles — and only because Rafael Palmeiro is back with the Texas Rangers.

Clark replaced the man he once displaced in Texas, agreeing Saturday to an $11 million, two-year contract with Baltimore.

"Five years ago, if you'd have written a script it would have had Rafael going to Texas and I'd have gone to Baltimore," Clark said. "But the roles got reversed and five years later we're back to the same roles."

Clark, who hit .305 with 23 home runs and 102 RBIs for Texas last season, became expendable when the Rangers agreed Tuesday to a $45 million, five-year contract with Palmeiro, the Orioles' first baseman for the past five seasons.

When the Orioles sought a first baseman after the 1993 season, they looked at Clark, but he signed with Texas, causing Palmeiro, also a free agent, to leave the Rangers and sign with Baltimore.

Boston, looking for a first baseman to replace Mo Vaughn, talked with Clark, too. But Baltimore called him in the middle of the week and "came on like gangbusters," according to Clark's agent, Jeff Moorad.

"The discussions five years ago actually paved the way for the agreement today," Moorad said.

Clark's agreement capped a busy week for the Orioles. On Tuesday, they agreed to a $65 million, five-year contract with Albert Belle and acquired catcher Charles Johnson in a three-way trade involving the New York Mets and Los Angeles Dodgers.

Baltimore agreed Friday to a $12.5 million, three-year contract with second baseman Delino DeShields and re-signed outfielder B.J. Surhoff for $14 million over three years.

"We're trying to change the tide, the intensity and the way the guys here approach the game," said Frank Wren, the Orioles' new general manager. "I don't think there's a better guy in terms of the way he approaches the game than Will Clark. And that doesn't even touch on his hitting."

Clark said the flurry of changes — and a conversation with Baltimore manager Ray Miller — convinced him the Orioles were intent on winning.

"Ray made it apparent that the Orioles wanted me," said Clark. "When you feel wanted it makes you feel better about yourself and it makes you play better."

Clark, a 13-year veteran, rebounded last year after two subpar seasons during which he made five trips to the disabled list. But even though he battled nagging injuries, his intensity never lessened.

"One of my biggest concerns with the club was the way they approached and played the game — a somewhat lackadaisical approach," Wren said. "The changes we've made were planned and calculated to bring more intensity and change the makeup of the clubhouse."

Clark pronounced himself healthy and said he felt he could duplicate the numbers he posted with Texas this year.

"When you have a player who's produced in the past and you run him out there every day, he's going to produce," Clark said.

Clark, who provides a bridge until prospect Calvin Pickering is ready, receives a $1 million signing bonus and salaries of $4.5 million and $5.5 million.

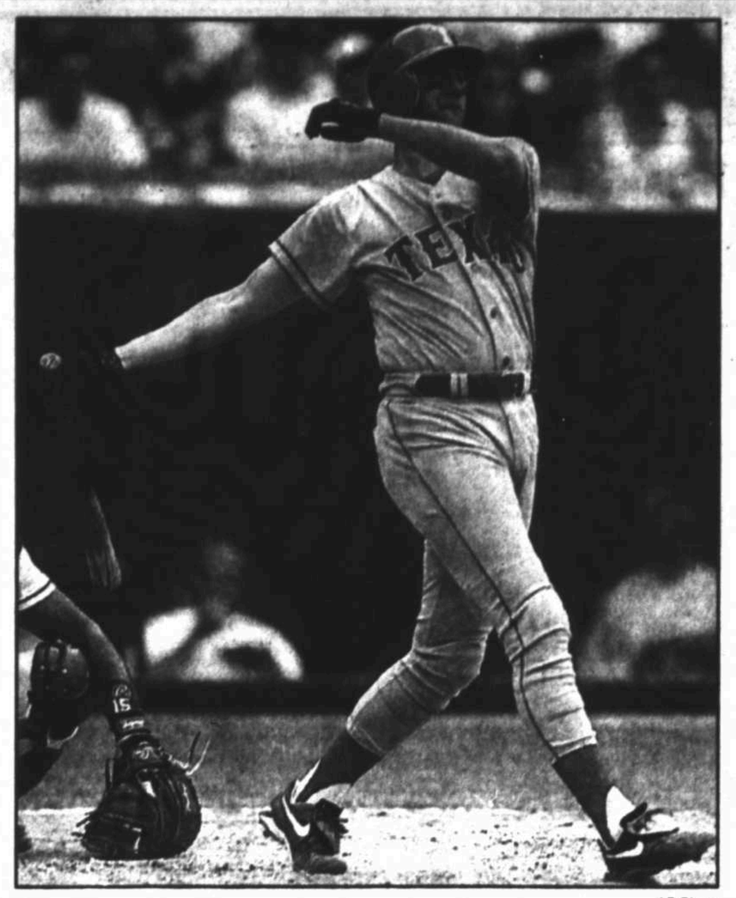
He can earn an additional $900,000 per year in performance bonuses: $200,000 each for 115 and 120 games, and $250,000 each for 130 and 140 games.

Clark's Career

Career statistics for Will Clark, who agreed to terms on a two-year contract with the Baltimore Orioles Saturday:

Regular Season

Year, Team	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	Avg.
1986 S.F.	408	66	117	11	41	.287
1987 S.F.	629	89	163	35	91	.308
1988 S.F.	575	102	162	29	109	.282
1989 S.F.	568	104	166	23	111	.333
1990 S.F.	600	91	177	19	95	.295
1991 S.F.	565	84	170	28	116	.301
1992 S.F.	513	69	154	16	73	.300
1993 S.F.	491	82	139	14	73	.283
1994 Tex.	399	73	128	13	80	.321
1995 Tex.	454	85	137	16	92	.302
1996 Tex.	430	69	124	13	72	.288
1997 Tex.	368	56	109	12	61	.296
1998 Tex.	354	58	109	23	102	.253
Totals	6495	1068	1964	253	1106	.302



AP Photo

Former Texas Ranger Will Clark and the Baltimore Orioles agreed Saturday to an $11 million, two-year contract. Clark hit .305 with 23 home runs and 102 RBI for the Rangers this year.

Steelers, Patriots: Bad calls last week connect two competing squads

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

The New England Patriots were beneficiaries on one of the worst officiated weekends in NFL history.

The Pittsburgh Steelers were victims.

On Sunday, the two 7-5 teams meet in Pittsburgh, with the winner taking a major step toward a playoff berth and the loser falling into a deep hole.

It's nothing new for the Patriots, who have won survival games the past two weeks against Miami and Buffalo, both victories pulled off in the final seconds by Drew Bledsoe, playing with a broken finger. In the second, last week's 25-21 win over Buffalo, they got plenty of help from the officials.

"They're memorable games," coach Pete Carroll says. "But what we have to do in this last month is find a way to improve, because we haven't played great football."

The Steelers lost ground by losing 19-16 in overtime in Detroit on Thanksgiving, the game in which referee Phil Luckett apparently heard Jerome Bettis say "Heads-tails" on the coin flip to start overtime and gave the ball to the Lions when the coin came up tails. Bettis said he said "tails," and audio replay seemed to confirm that.

Nonetheless, Pittsburgh's defense was also to blame — it didn't have to let the Lions get in range for Jason Hanson's game-winning field goal.

Both teams probably have to win three of four to make the playoffs, and then likely as a wild card. The Steelers, who beat the Pats 7-6 in Pittsburgh in the playoffs last season, trail Jacksonville by two games in the AFC Central. The Patriots are tied with Buffalo for second in the AFC East, a game behind the Jets and Dolphins.

Seattle (6-6) at New York Jets (8-4)
Miami (8-4) at Oakland (7-5)
Buffalo (7-5) at Cincinnati (2-10)

Three games that could clarify the AFC playoff picture.

Or muddle it.

"Certain little things can become season-deciding events," says Bill Parcells. He could have been referring to the two last-minute calls that the Bills — from owner Ralph Wilson on down — contend cost them their game with the Patriots last week.

The Seahawks and Bills can't afford to lose any more — well, maybe once — if they want to make the playoffs. The Jets probably can't lose this one if they want to win the AFC East and perhaps get a first-round bye. They're being reminded all week that they can't look beyond this to the three closing games: Miami, New England and Buffalo.

The Dolphins have by far the toughest remaining schedule of the AFC East contenders. Next week the Jets come to town, followed by the Broncos. Then they finish at Atlanta.

Jeff George has finally conceded his groin pull won't heal without rest, so Donald Hollas will be the Oakland quarterback for the rest of the season. The Raiders have lost two straight — at Denver (expected) and last week (unexpected) at home to Washington. The loss of cornerback Eric Allen has hurt the defense badly. Oakland looks like it could be headed for something similar to 1995, when they started 8-2 and finished 8-8.

Like most bad teams, Cincinnati's not sure what it's doing. This week, Neil O'Donnell is back at quarterback and Paul Justin, who started the last two games, drops all the way to third string.

Kansas City (5-7) at Denver (12-0)

When was the last time a team was favored by almost two touchdowns in this rivalry? That's the position Denver is in as it heads for 16-0, something about which Mike Shanahan is no longer shy.

Shanahan, whose team (surprise!) will clinch home-field advantage through the AFC playoffs with a win, wants to avoid what happened two seasons ago. They clinched home field a month early, let down and were upset in the first round by Jacksonville. "We're going to play each game, and we're not going to hold back," Shanahan says. "We're going out there and playing each game to win, regardless if we win out and regardless if we lose."

Chicago (3-9) at Minnesota (11-1)
Green Bay (8-4) at Tampa Bay (5-7 (Monday night)
Detroit (5-7) at Jacksonville (9-3))

The Vikings clinch the NFC Central with a win or a Green Bay loss, although they're more interested in home field for the playoffs, for which they lead Atlanta by just a game. They're also banged up — Robert Smith will miss at least the next two games and Jake Reed the rest of the regular season.

The Packers are testy. Mike Holmgren yelled at a fan last week who accused him of thinking too little about the team and more about his future in Cleveland, Washington, San Francisco or Seattle. Then complained about loudspeakers in Minnesota. Green Bay also needs to gain a game on San Francisco if it wanta a wild-card game at home in the playoffs.

The Bucs and Lions still have a shot at a playoff spot — they trail Arizona by just a game.

Indianapolis (2-10) at Atlanta (10-2)
San Francisco (9-3) at Carolina (2-10)

The 49ers are trying to catch the Falcons for the NFC West title, although they'll have to do it without Bryant Young, their dominating defensive tackle, who broke his leg Monday night. It's a tough assignment — the Falcons' remaining schedule is all in domes, where they're most at home.

The big question for Atlanta this week, as it was last week, is the health of Chris Chandler. The Falcons beat St. Louis with Steve DeBerg replacing starter Tony Graziani. Chandler hopes to play this week, but he'll probably hand off to Jamal Anderson a lot.

New York Giants (4-8) at Arizona (6-6)

Arizona's problem is defense. Without Eric Swann to anchor the line, the Cards have given up 32 points a game in their last six, including 34 to the punchless Giants at the Meadowlands. But Jake Plummer looks like he's ready to become a star and the rest of the schedule is relatively soft — Philadelphia, New Orleans and San Diego follow.

San Diego (5-7) at Washington (3-9)
Baltimore (5-7) at Tennessee (6-6)

About all the Chargers, Redskins and Ravens can do is play hard enough and well enough to save their coaches' jobs. June Jones, the interim with the Chargers, may not want the post permanently, but he's done quite well, particularly since Craig Whelihan replaced Ryan Leaf at quarterback.

Jeff Fisher is probably safe in Tennessee; he deserves to be. But the Oilers are at the bottom of a big pack contending for an AFC wild card.

HOOPS: Rebs send Del Rio home winless

(From 1C)

once we got the big lead," he said. "Defensively, we didn't play well at all. We gave up too many layups. We've got to get a lot better to compete in District 4-5A."

House did enjoy the second quarter, in which the Rebels outscored Del Rio 29-8, stretching a 21-16 lead after the first quarter into a 50-24 lead at halftime.

"We had a spurt in the second quarter," he said. "If we play four quarters like we did in the second quarter, we'll be all right. But we can't just play one quarter."

Lee has two straight wins — also beating San Angelo Lake View Tuesday — after an 0-3 run at the Arlington Martin Tournament. The Rebels will play in the Tall City Oilman's Tournament starting Thursday.

"We can't get any worse," Meyers said. "We can only go up from here. We've had our bad tournament in Arlington. We just want to get stronger and get ready for the future."

JVs WIN: Lee's junior varsity stayed undefeated on the season by beating Midland High 58-55. Calvin White had 18 points while Cory Simmons added 11 for the Rebels, who are now 7-0.

Lee will next play in the Buena Vista Tournament starting Thursday.

Jimmy Smith had 15 points for Midland High.

Midland Lee boys 82, Del Rio 50

Del Rio (1-7): Khayri McKinney 2 4-5 8, Nathan Russell 1 0-0 2, Jesse Garcia 4 3-4 12, Gus Cervantez 3 1-3 7, Jon Alexaitis 1 3-4 5, Micah Johnson 2 2-2 6, Bill Joe Pierce 2 0-1 4, Richard Sims 3 0-0 6, David Schmit 0 0-0 0, Anson Hargrove 0 0-0 0. **Totals 18 13-19 50.**

Midland Lee (5-3): Orlando Castillo 1 0-0 2, Russell Burke 0 0-0 0, Ken Meyers 10 3-3 27, Kyle Shatzer 3 0-0 7, Blake Hinsley 6 0-0 15, Chris Packer 7 1-2 16, Jeremy Conaway 3 0-2 6, Ben Edelbrock 0 0-0 0, T.J. Mosely 3 0-0 6, Matt Winston 1 0-0 3. **Totals 34 4-7 82.**

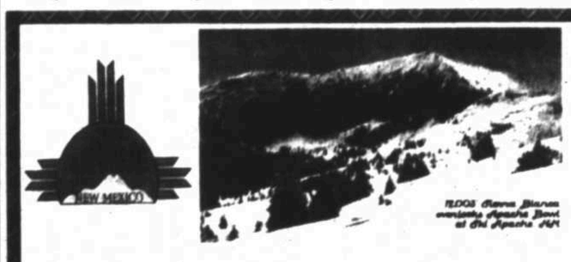
Del Rio	**16**	**8**	**10**	**16**	**—50**
Midland Lee	**21**	**29**	**22**	**10**	**—82**

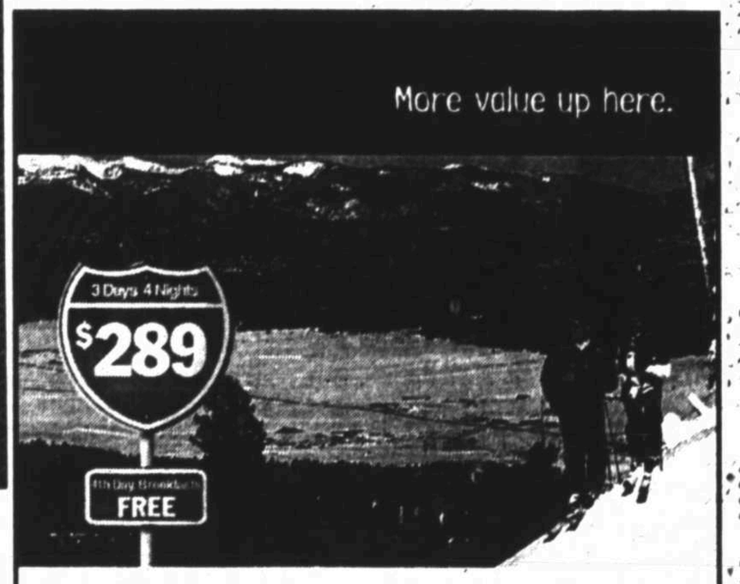
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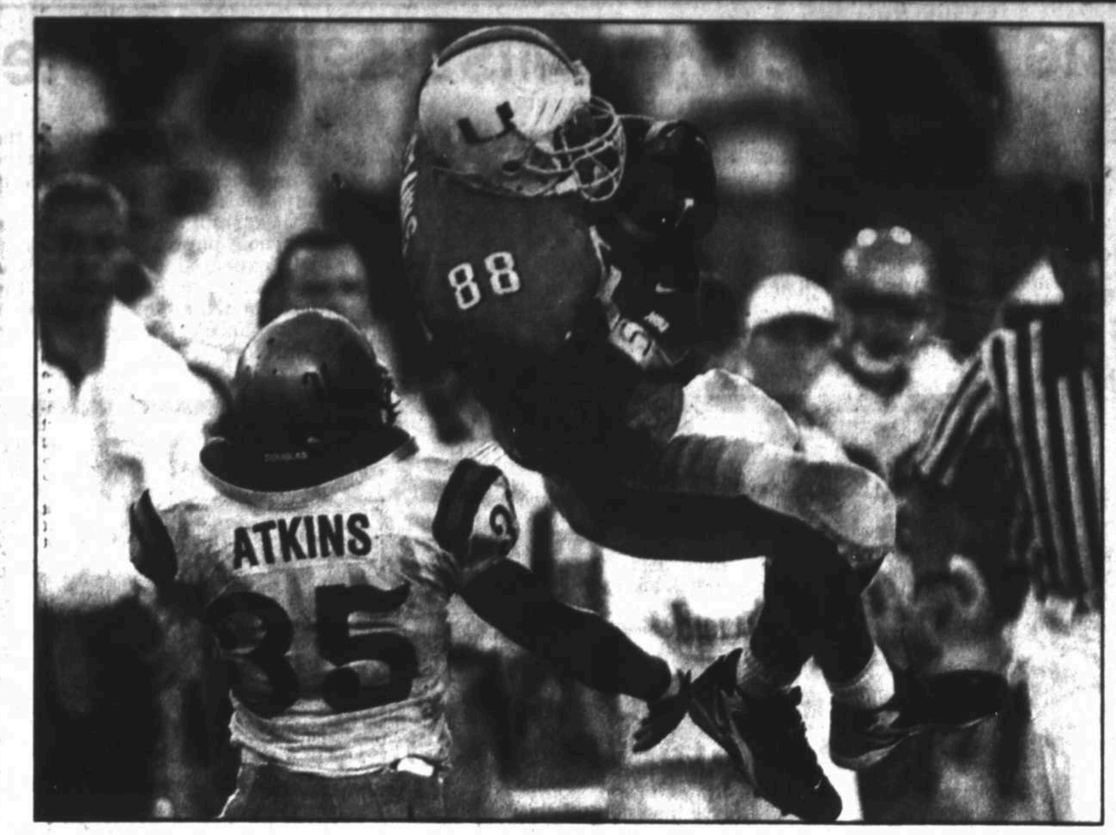
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University of Miami tight end Daniel Franks, a former all-state performer at Big Spring, catches a pass as UCLA safety Larry Atkins (35) attempts to make a tackle during the last minutes of the fourth quarter at the Orange Bowl in Miami. Miami upset UCLA 49-45, and probably knocked the Bruins out of the Fiesta Bowl.

UCLA's fall adds to long history of drama on Orange Bowl stage

By Jeff Shain
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI — It's old. It's decrepit. It has none of the frills or conveniences of modern-day stadiums. Even its namesake game doesn't come around much anymore.

Yet on Saturday, the Orange Bowl once again became the place where long winning streaks come to sudden stops.

No. 3 UCLA's 49-45 loss to Miami marked the fourth time in history that a team has seen a winning streak of at least 20 games end in the venerable old facility.

"You've got to love it," said Edgerrin James, who put the Hurricanes ahead to stay on a 1-yard touchdown run with 50 seconds left, capping a 299-yard, three-TD performance. "We had the crowd into it and everything."

Saturday's frantic finish, with Miami overcoming a 31-17 deficit and a pass by UCLA's Cade McNown landing on the end line as time expired, was only the latest drama to unfold in the shadow of the palms that guard the east end zone.

It was where Doug Flutie secured the 1984 Heisman Trophy, when his 48-yard heave fell into the arms of Gerard Phelan as time expired to give Boston College a 47-45 triumph over the Hurricanes.

What many forget is that just two weeks earlier, Maryland staged what still is the greatest comeback in NCAA history. The Terrapins trailed 31-0 with 12:35 left in the third quarter, then rolled off six TDs for a 42-40 win.

And it was where upstart Miami won its first national title, derailing a 1983 Nebraska team many were hailing as the best ever. The Cornhuskers, with Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier, entered the 1984 Orange Bowl on a 22-game roll. They left 31-30 losers, after Ken Calhoun batted down Turner Gill's two-point conversion pass with 48 seconds left.

That was the first time Miami brought and end to a winning streak of at least 20 games.

The longest was Notre Dame's 23 consecutive wins, which ended Nov. 25, 1989, with a 27-10 Miami victory. Oklahoma's 20-game streak ended at the 1988 Orange Bowl with a 20-14 loss to the Hurricanes.

Miami and Princeton now are the only schools in NCAA history to break winning streaks of 20 or more games on four occasions, and Princeton's all happened before 1906.

The only streak, it seems, to have flourished in the tropics was Miami's 58-game home winning streak from 1985-94, an NCAA record. The Hurricanes beat four No. 1 teams at the Orange Bowl during the streak, including the Notre Dame and Oklahoma wins.

"That's the kind of atmosphere we want to have again," Miami tackle Joaquin Gonzalez said.

Built in 1937, the stadium doesn't get the kind of action it once did. It held five Super Bowls, but none since 1979. The NFL's Miami Dolphins departed more than a decade ago.

The Orange Bowl itself left two years ago, the subject of rancorous debate before television concerns and modern amenities moved the game to Pro Player Stadium. Only a potential conflict with the Dolphins is bringing this season's game back for an encore.

But as many in the crowd of 46,819 stormed the field to celebrate 1998's most thrilling conclusion, it felt like old times again.

Army captures high-scoring contest against Navy, 34-30

■ Railing accident causes numerous injuries, but can't stop Cadets.

By Ken Berger
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA — The Army-Navy game is always a thrilling, raucous ride, with the action in the stands just as important as the game on the field.

On Saturday, a loose railing in 27-year-old Veterans Stadium gave way, sending fans spilling onto the field in an accident that marred Army's 34-30 victory.

"We are going to do something for them for selling out for us," said Army quarterback Joe Gerena, voted MVP after rushing for 92 yards including a 69-yard touchdown run. "We asked them to come out and give us all they had. We wanted them to make it loud down there. Unfortunately, somebody got hurt."

The accident occurred after Ty Amey's 70-yard touchdown run gave Army a 31-30 lead. Nine Army cadets and prep students, celebrating for TV cameras after the score, fell about 15 feet onto the field. Seven were expected to be released with injuries such as sprained ankles, necks and backs, said Army Capt. John Cornelio, a spokesman at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.

Two were in stable condition but needed more tests, and one broke a bone in his neck, Cornelio said.

"There is a broken bone in the neck, however his spine is OK and they're doing other tests," Cornelio said. "... We're extremely worried. We're concerned because cadets were injured. That's serious stuff."

After a 31-minute delay, Eric Olsen's 26-yard field goal provided the final margin as Army (3-8) avenged last year's 39-7 loss to Navy (3-8) at Giants Stadium.

"Our thoughts and prayers go out to them," Army coach Bob Sutton said. "At Army, we try and operate not just as a football team. We are the corps, community and Army all together as one.

"When those guys were injured, it's like one of your own guys going down."

The 64 points broke the previous record of 55, reached in 1959 and 1983. Army took a 48-44-7 lead in the series, which began in 1890.

Army came back from a 30-19 deficit at the start of the fourth quarter, preventing the Midshipmen from winning consecutive games in the series for the first time since 1982-83. It was Army's sixth victory in the last seven years, and the sixth game in the 1990s decided by fewer than five points.

"That's what you expect from Army-Navy," said Army fullback Craig Stucker, who had 70 of his 106 rushing yards on a TD run that cut it to 24-19 with 5:37 left in the second quarter. "It's always a big game for the seniors. We know it's our last game."

Gerena steadied the Cadets after senior Johnny Goff fumbled on the first two possessions.

The Cadets' decisive touchdown followed Navy's Matt Harden fumbling at the goal line with 8:51 left. Army's Tony Coaxum atoned for getting burned for an earlier touchdown with an interception that stopped Navy's desperation drive with three seconds left.

But the scary accident cast a somber tone over the postgame celebration.

"I think it affected both teams," Navy coach Charlie Weatherbie said. "I have children of my own. I wouldn't want that to happen to anybody's children."

The uniformed fans were celebrating after Army took a 31-30 lead on Amey's 70-yard TD run with 7:33 left in the game. A railing in the first row of the east end zone gave way, causing the fans to fall.

The game was suspended for 31 minutes as four ambulances carted the injured off the field.

The injured were four cadets from the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, N.Y., and five students from academy prep school in Fort Monmouth, N.J.

Gerald Ravitz, father of Army co-captain Neil Ravitz, was on the field and said he saw the first person to hit the ground.

"It could have been my kid in the stands," said Ravitz, in tears.

Witnesses said the railings in the temporary stands, used only for football, were held together by duct tape. The accident happened in the same spot where Midshipmen had sneaked beneath the stands to tear apart an Army banner earlier in the game.

It wasn't known whether the incidents were related. During a tug-of-war for the banner earlier, one cadet fell onto the field but landed on his feet.

Other antics included brief fisticuffs between academy members before kickoff, when they line the field for the arrival of the teams.

Bowden certain about title game berth

By Brent Kallestad
Associated Press Writer

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — The biggest winner on a wacky day of college football appears to be a team that didn't even play.

Fourth-ranked Florida State needed at least two of the top three undefeated teams to lose Saturday, and they did. Now, coach Bobby Bowden and the Seminoles seemed headed to the Fiesta Bowl for the national championship.

"Nobody can mess it up now, can they?" Bowden asked moments after Texas A&M's 36-33 double overtime victory over No. 2 Kansas State. "I mean nobody behind us can go ahead of us, right?"

Earlier in the day, No. 3 UCLA lost 49-45 to Miami. Top-ranked Tennessee played later against Mississippi State in the SEC title game.

Bowden, who led Florida State to its only national title five years ago, doesn't care who the Seminoles face if they go to the Fiesta on Jan. 4. The pairings will be set Sunday.

"I guess I don't know yet who we're going to play, but now I know where we're going to play," Bowden said. "I love it."

Florida State (11-1) lost its only game of the year 24-7 at North Carolina State on Sept. 12. Led by the nation's top-ranked defense, the Seminoles reeled off 10 straight wins to finish the season, climaxed by a 23-12 win over Florida.

Bowden's phone rang almost immediately after Texas A&M's Sirr Parker hit the pylon with the game-winning touchdown, Bowden and his wife, Ann, began fielding calls from longtime friends and son Terry, the former coach at Auburn.

"And it didn't quit ringing," laughed the 69-year-old coach, who had spent nearly all day on his white couch in the family's spacious family room watching college games beginning with Army-Navy.

Bowden, who has had his team in the national title chase virtually every season since 1986, said he felt for Kansas State coach Bill Snyder.

"I went so many years where people said I couldn't win a national championship," Bowden said. "It's been five years since we won ours and now we get another shot at it."

Florida State played for the national title two years ago in the Sugar Bowl, but was routed by Florida.

CANES: Miami takes shootout on last drive

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winning streak.

Instead of waiting to see if they would play in the Fiesta Bowl for the national title, the loss almost definitely sends the Bruins (10-1) to the Rose Bowl as Pac-10 champions to play No. 8 Wisconsin.

The UCLA loss also means No. 6 Arizona will most likely go to the Holiday Bowl instead of making its first trip to the Rose Bowl.

Later Saturday, it was No. 1 Tennessee vs. No. 23 Mississippi State in the SEC title game and No. 2 Kansas State vs. No. 10 Texas A&M in the Big 12 title game. If the Vols and Wildcats win, they will meet in Tempe, Ariz., for the national title.

If they both lose, UCLA could conceivably have an outside shot at the Fiesta Bowl.

Entering the final day of the regular-season, Tennessee was first in the BCS standings, UCLA second and Kansas State third. Florida State (11-1) was fourth, and the Seminoles would have a shot at the Fiesta Bowl if either K-State or Tennessee lost.

When the game ended, thousands of fans from the crowd 46,819 streamed out of the stands to celebrate with the players. Meanwhile, in the corner of the end zone, Bruins wide receiver Brian Poli-Dixon, who caught two of McNown's TD passes, took off his helmet and slammed it to the ground.

But it was the Bruins' defense that did them in Saturday in the makeup of a game that was postponed Sept. 26 because of a hurricane.

UCLA came into the game averaging 40 points, but the defense allowed 25 points and 407 yards per game. Miami piled up a school-record 689 yards as the Bruins were unable to tackle James or stop quarterback Scott Covington, who hit on 19 of 28 passes for 318 yards and three TDs.

Miami held a 21-17 halftime lead, but McNown and the Bruins struck quickly and moved to a 38-21 late in the third period. McNown, who threw two TD passes in the first half, added scoring strikes of 14 yards to Danny Farmer, 61 yards to Poli-Dixon and 59 yards to Brad Melsby in the third quarter.

But Miami, which will play North Carolina State in the Micron PC Bowl on Dec. 29, never quit. Especially James, a 6-foot-1, 220-pound junior who now hold Miami's single-season rushing yards (1,416), passing Ottis Anderson's 1,266 yards in 1976.

The Hurricanes cut the lead to 38-28 with 10 seconds left in the third quarter on Najeh Davenport's 23-yard run and pulled within three points with 12:34 left on Covington's 71-yard TD pass to Santana Moss.

But the Bruins went ahead 45-35 with 6:54 left on McNown's 1-yard run, but then Miami took control. Covington threw a 29-yard scoring pass to Mondriel Fulcher with 6:08 and then the Hurricanes' Delvin Brown stripped the ball from Melsby after a 30-yard gain and Miami was back in business.

Covington completed passes for 9 and 19 yards to Andre King and then hit Nick Williams for 14 yards to the UCLA 1. On the next play, James capped his brilliant day with a 1-yard run.

After so many nail-biting victories this season, the Bruins learned a harsh lesson — there's no D in the University of California, Los Angeles.

No. 17 Air Force beats BYU for WAC title

By Tim Dahlberg
AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS — Air Force usually takes care of its football business on the ground. To win its only outright Western Athletic Conference championship, however, the Falcons had to do what WAC teams usually do — go to the air.

With Air Force's vaunted option offense shut down by Brigham Young, the Falcons used a 59-yard pass play to Matt Farmer late in the fourth quarter Saturday to beat BYU 20-13 in the final WAC game for both teams.

"I knew if I got the ball out to him he was off to the races," Air Force quarterback Blane Morgan said of the double-screen pass to Farmer that put the Falcons ahead for the first time in the game.

In a league renowned over the years for wide-open passing offenses, it seemed fitting that the WAC's final football championship game would be decided by a long pass play.

But instead of pass-happy BYU throwing its way to a 20th conference title, it was an Air Force pass that gave the 17th-ranked Falcons their first title in their last WAC game. Both teams are leaving for the Mountain West Conference next year.

The Falcons (11-1, 8-1 WAC) trailed 13-7 and appeared beaten when a limping Blane Morgan threw a short pass to Farmer, who raced untouched down the left side to put Air Force ahead 14-13 with 3:49 left.

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Big 12 Championship
Texas A&M 36, Kansas St. 33

Kansas St	10	7	10	0	3 — 33
Texas A&M	0	6	6	15	3 — 36

First Quarter
KSt—FG Gramatica 47, 6:31
KSt—Swift 16 pass from Bishop (Gramatica kick), 2:02
Second Quarter
A&M—FG Bynum 25, 11:00
KSt—McDonald 66 pass from Bishop (Gramatica kick), 10:37
A&M—FG Bynum 26, 4:16
Third Quarter
A&M—Toombs 2 run (pass failed), 8:42
KSt—FG Gramatica 45, 4:31
KSt—Bishop 5 run (Gramatica kick), :40
Fourth Quarter
A&M—Hodge 13 pass from Stewart (Bynum kick), 9:20
A&M—Parker 9 pass from Stewart (Parker pass from Stewart), 1:05
First Overtime
A&M—FG Bynum 18
KSt—FG Gramatica 22
Second Overtime
KSt—FG Gramatica 25
A&M—Parker 32 pass from Stewart
A—60,798.

	KSt	A&M
First downs	23	25
Rushes-yards	48-178	41-128
Passing	341	324
Comp-Att-Int	19-28-1	15-31-1
Return Yards	18	10
Punts-Avg	2-42	3-45
Fumbles-Lost	5-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	13-110	7-51
Time of Possession	31:44	28:16

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Kansas State, Bishop 28-101, Hickson 16-55, Lockett 1-12, Allen 2-6, Murphy 1-4, Texas A&M, Hall 27-113, Parker 3-30, Toombes 5-9, Stewart 6-(minus 24).
PASSING—Kansas State, Bishop 19-28-1-341, Texas A&M, Stewart 15-31-1-324.
RECEIVING—Kansas State, McDonald 6-140, Swift 6-81, Lockett 3-32, Hickson 2-29, Burnett 1-54, Gooolsby 1-5, Texas A&M, Taylor 4-99, Spiller 4-92, Parker 3-49, Baumgardner 1-36, Cole 1-31, Hodge 1-13, Brinkley 1-4.

Miami 49, No. 3 UCLA 45

UCLA	7	10	21	7	— 45
Miami	14	7	7	21	— 49

First Quarter
Mia—Jaes 45 run (Crosland kick), 5:40.
UCLA—Farmer 77 pass from McNown (Sailer kick), 4:33.
Mia—Moser 4 pass from Covington (Crosland kick), :10.
Second Quarter
UCLA—Poli-Dixon 7 pass from McNown (Sailer kick), 11:54.
Mia—James 10 run (Crosland kick), 7:00.
UCLA—FG Sailer 21, 1:24.
Third Quarter
UCLA—Farmer 14 pass from McNown (Sailer kick), 13:10.
UCLA—Poli-Dixon 61 pass from McNown (Sailer kick), 11:23.
UCLA—Melsby 59 pass from McNown (Sailer kick), 1:28.
Mia—Davenport 23 run (Crosland kick), :18.
Fourth Quarter
Mia—Moss 71 pass from Covington (Crosland kick), 12:34.
UCLA—McNown 1 run (Sailer kick), 6:54.
Mia—Fulcher 29 pass from Covington (Crosland kick), 6:08.
Mia—James 1 run (Crosland kick), :50.
A—46,819.

	UCLA	Mia
First downs	23	34
Rushes-yards	38-157	51-371
Passing	513	318
Comp-Att-Int	26-35-0	19-28-0
Return Yards	11	0
Punts-Avg	2-47	3-36
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-60	5-28
Time of Possession	30:37	29:23

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—UCLA, Foster 16-79, Lewis 9-38, K Brown 9-38, McNown 3-2, Price 1-0, Miami, James 39-299, Davenport 9-68, Moss 1-11, Covington 2-(minus 7).
PASSING—UCLA, McNown 26-35-0-513, Miami, Covington 19-28-0-318.
RECEIVING—UCLA, Farmer 6-135, Foster 5-21, Poli-Dixon 4-130, Grieb 4-63, Melsby 3-95, Lewis 1-44, Wilkins 1-12, Neufeld 1-10, Dubravac 1-3, Miami, King 8-124, Moss 4-95, Fulcher 2-45, N.Williams 2-28, James 1-11, Franks 1-11, Moser 1-4.

WAC Championship
Air Force 20, BYU 13

BYU	0	7	0	6	— 13
Air Force	0	0	7	13	— 20

Second Quarter
BYU—Rigell 13 pass from Feterik (Pochman kick), 1:01
Third Quarter
AF—Morgan 2 run (Whiting kick), 6:39
Fourth Quarter
BYU—FG Pochman 32, 12:26
BYU—FG Pochman 34, 5:44
AF—Farmer 59 pass from Morgan (Whiting kick), 3:49
AF—Gilliam 29 run (kick blocked), 1:43
A—32,745.

	BYU	AF
First downs	29	11
Rushes-yards	48-132	39-111
Passing	258	149
Comp-Att-Int	20-42-1	8-13-0
Return Yards	67	67
Punts-Avg	3-37	6-39
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	3-43	5-49
Time of Possession	36:02	23:58

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—BYU, Jenkins 25-91, Mahe 11-56, Sitake 1-9, Feterik 11-(minus 24), Air Force, Gilliam 10-91, Brown 4-19, Singleton 4-19, Becker 2-4, Rillos 1-1, Paroda 1-0, Bonds 5-(minus 1), McKay 1-(minus 2), Morgan 11-(minus 20).
PASSING—BYU, Feterik 20-42-1-258, Air Force, Bonds 5-7-0-59, Morgan 3-6-0-90.
RECEIVING—BYU, Ofahengaue, 5-90, Hooks, 5-45, Rigell, 3-47, NuAno, 2-27, Cupp 2-20, Sitake 2-15, Atuaia 1-14. Air Force, Farmer 2-79, Newman, 2-43, McKay, 2-24, Brown, 2-3.

Army 34, Navy 30

Army	13	6	0	15	— 34
Navy	10	14	6	0	— 30

First Quarter
Navy—FG 35 Shubzda, 11:41
Navy—Dingle 17 run (Vanderhorst kick), 9:19
Army—Gerena 25 run (Olsen kick), 6:21
Army—Gerena 69 run (kick failed), 1:51
Second Quarter
Navy—Read 49 pass from Broadwater (Vanderhorst kick), 12:18
Navy—Read 69 pass from Broadwater (Vanderhorst kick), 6:31
Army—Stucker 71 run (pass failed), 5:37
Third Quarter
Navy—Harden 9 run (run failed), 9:33
Fourth Quarter
Army—Johnson 36 pass from B.Williams (run failed), 14:17
Army—Amey 70 run (run failed), 7:33
Army—FG 26 Olsen, :47
A—67,335.

	Army	Navy
First downs	20	18
Rushes-yards	56-401	50-225
Passing	52	188
Comp-Att-Int	3-5-0	7-17-1
Return Yards	85	148
Punts-Avg	3-42.3	4-36
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	1-5	4-40
Time of Possession	27:32	32:28

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Army, Amey 13-134, Stucker 7-106, Gerena 14-92, B.Williams 11-37, Richardson 3-19, Fern 1-18, J.Johnson 4-12, Goff 3-(minus 17), Navy, Dingle 10-65, Broadwater 15-57, Harden 10-40, Wolf 8-36, Limbert 3-15, Brittingham 1-8, Vereen 1-3, Metcalf 1-1, Read 1-0.
PASSING—Army, Goff 2-2-0-16, Gerena 0-2-0-0, B.Williams 1-1-0-36, Navy, Broadwater 7-17-1-188.
RECEIVING—Army, Johnson 1-36, Richardson 1-13, Jett 1-3, Navy, Read 3-128, Mill 1-20, Metcalf 1-20, Wolf 1-13, Vereen 1-7.

NW Missouri St. 49, Texas A&M-Kingsville 34

A&M-Kingsville	3	14	10	7	— 34
NW Missouri St.	7	21	7	14	— 49

First Quarter
NWM—Holmes 30 pass from Greisen (Purnell kick), 11:44.
AMK—FG 41 Johnson, :03.
Second Quarter
AMK—Turner 30 interception return (Johnson kick), 10:42.
NWM—Cohen 65 pass from Greisen (Purnell kick), 9:49.
NWM—Young 0 blocked punt return (Purnell kick), 7:24.
NWM—Miles 74 pass from Greisen (Purnell kick), 3:30.
AMK—Burnett 3 run (Johnson kick), 1:51.
Third Quarter
NWM—Miles 14 pass from Greisen (Purnell kick), 10:37.
AMK—Hackney 30 pass from Bennett (Johnson kick), 7:48.
AMK—FG 26 Johnson, 1:34.
Fourth Quarter
NWM—Miles 12 pass from Greisen (Purnellkick), 13:38.
NWM—Lane 3 run (Purnell kick), 6:21.
AMK—Hackney 25 pass from Bennett (Johnson kick), 4:01.
A—8,000.

	AMK	NWM
First downs	18	18
Rushes-yards	49-241	30-74
Passing	213	313
Comp-Att-Int	11-21-1	15-22-1
Return Yards	54	45
Punts-Avg.	7-34	5-43
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	11-67	5-28
Time of Possession	32:04	27:56

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—A&M-Kingsville, Foster 14-123, Humphrey 6-43, Bennett 16-43, Burnell 5-21, Wallace 2-7, Bautovich 3-2, Borel 2-1, Hackney 1-1, NW Missouri, Lane 15-61, Woolsey 7-22, Miles 1-10, Jansen 1-(-3), Greisen 6-(-16).
PASSING—A&M-Kingsville, Bennett 7-15-1-168, Bautovich 4-6-0-45, NW Missouri, Greisen 15-22-1-313.
RECEIVING—A&M-Kingsville, Hackney 3-79, Carrier 3-66, Palmer 2-43, Foster 1-10, Burnell 1-8, Hogg 1-7, NW Missouri, Miles 5-136, Maus 3-29, Hill 2-28, Lane 2-21, Cohen 1-65, Holmes 1-30, James 1-4.

SEC Championship
No. 1 Tennessee 24, No. 23 Mississippi St. 14

Miss. St.	7	0	0	7	— 14
Tennessee	0	10	0	14	— 24

First Quarter
MSU—Bean 70 interception return (Hazelwood kick), 0:05
Second Quarter
Tenn—Stephens 2 run (Hall kick), 9:32
Tenn—FG Hall 31, 5:09
Fourth Quarter
MSU—Prentiss 83 punt return (Hazelwood kick), 8:43
Tenn—Price 41 pass from Martin (Hall kick), 6:15
Tenn—Wilson 26 pass from Martin (Hall kick), 5:47
A—74,795.

	MSU	Tenn
First downs	9	21
Rushes-yards	25-65	48-151
Passing	84	208
Comp-Att-Int	10-25-2	15-33-1
Return Yards	222	45
Punts-Avg	10-39.7	9-35.9
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	10-100	4-30
Time of Possession	23:54	36:06

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Mississippi St., J.Johnson 14-38, Rainey 3-29, McKinley 1-1, Madkin 7-(minus 3), Tennessee, Henry 26-120, Stephens 12-50, Bartholomew 1-1, Martin 9-(minus 20).
PASSING—Mississippi St., Madkin 10-22-2-84, Morgan 0-3-0-0, Tennessee, Martin 15-32-1-208, Henry 0-1-0-0.
RECEIVING—Mississippi St., Cooper 5-44, Prentiss 2-27, J.Johnson 1-6, Kelly 1-4, Rainey 1-3, Tennessee, Price 6-97, Copeland 5-76, Wilson 2-27, Henry 1-4, Bryson 1-4.

No. 1 Tennessee gets by Mississippi State

By Paul Newberry
AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA — At least No. 1 Tennessee did its part.

Tee Martin, harassed most of the night by incessant blitzing, threw two touchdown passes 28 seconds apart in the fourth quarter and the Volunteers survived a wild Saturday, rallying to beat No. 23 Mississippi State 24-14 in the Southeastern Conference championship game.

Tennessee (12-0) assured itself of a chance to play for the national title in the Jan. 4 Fiesta Bowl with a fourth-quarter comeback worthy of a champion.

"We have one more big one to play," coach Phillip Fulmer said.

Mississippi State (8-4) went ahead 14-10 on Kevin Prentiss' 83-yard punt return with 8:43 remaining, but the Vols weren't about to suffer the same fate as Kansas State and UCLA.

"This football team showed an incredible amount of character," he said. "That fourth-quarter finish was typical of what this team was about this year."

Martin, who was 15-of-32 for 208 yards, directed Tennessee's struggling offense right down the field, throwing a 41-yard touchdown pass to Peerless Price with 6:15 to go. Then, after Wayne Madkin fumbled on State's next play from scrimmage, Tennessee needed only one play to score again.

Martin stood in the pocket under heavy pressure, lofting a perfect 26-yard pass to Cedrick Wilson for the clinching touchdown with 5:47 left.

"They kept going to the well and finally got water," said Mississippi State coach Jackie Sherrill, whose team won its only SEC title in 1941.

One of three undefeated teams at the top of the rankings beginning the day, Tennessee was the only one at the end. No. 2 Kansas State was upset by Texas A&M in the Big 12 championship game, losing 36-33 in double overtime, while third-ranked UCLA was stunned 49-45 by Miami.

The Vols won't know until Sunday who their opponent will be in the Fiesta Bowl. But they've accomplished the most important thing — getting there.

Tennessee won its second straight SEC title largely because of its defense, which limited the Bulldogs to 145 yards and didn't allow their offense to score a touchdown.

"The defense played great," said Price, who had 97 yards on six receptions and was named the game's MVP. "They kept us in the game. They gave us a chance to come back."

Mississippi State, a 14-point underdog, put up a tougher fight than expected. Tennessee was held under 200 yards until the fourth quarter, and the Bulldogs had a chance to win because of two long returns.

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UPSET: No. 10 Aggies win

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Miami, but failed to capitalize.

The win by the Aggies guaranteed them a spot in either the Orange or Sugar Bowl. Kansas State must wait until Sunday to find out its fate.

"This may be, in their young lives, the most difficult thing they've had to handle," coach Bill Snyder said. "The pain that comes from this is obvious."

Tennessee, the last undefeated team left at the top of the BCS rankings, played later against Mississippi State in the SEC championship game.

Texas A&M (11-2) tied it with 1:05 left in the fourth quarter when Parker caught a 9-yard scoring pass from Branndon Stewart and then grabbed a 2-point conversion pass. Stewart, who regained the starting job when Randy McCown broke his collarbone, was 15-for-31 for 324 yards.

"I can't recall ever being this excited about a football game," Stewart said. "I couldn't wait to play all week.

"I honestly didn't ever feel i would get the opportunity to play at A&M ever again."

Kansas State (11-1) almost won on the final play of regulation when Bishop completed a 55-yard Hail Mary pass to Everett Burnett at the 2.

After the teams traded field goals on the opening possession of overtime, Kansas State had to settle for a 25-yard field goal by Martin Gramatica.

Texas A&M was backed up, nearly out of field goal range, when Parker caught a slant pass, slipped a tackle and then dragged Lamar Chapman into the corner of the end zone.

It was the second upset in the three-year history of the Big 12 championship game. Two years ago, Texas stunned Nebraska 37-27, also in St. Louis.

For most of the game, it appeared that the biggest play came off the field. At the precise moment Kansas State was celebrating a 66-yard scoring reception by Darnell McDonald to take a 17-3 second-quarter lead, UCLA was losing to Miami.

That unannounced news prompted an even larger roar from a predominantly Kansas State crowd, secure in the knowledge that the Wildcats would get a shot at the national championship.

"I don't think it had an effect on us," offensive guard Jeremy Martin said. "Everybody in the stadium saw the score. If anything, I think it gave us a boost."

Texas A&M players also got a boost.

"That was the fans," tight end Daniel Campbell said. "We came out and proved we were the better team."

Bishop passed for two touchdowns and ran for a third. But he handed the Aggies their opportunity to force overtime when he fumbled at the Kansas State 35 with 2:26 to go, only a minute after the Wildcats had taken over on downs.

The game was worlds away from the usual blowout for Kansas State, which outscored its first 11 opponents by an average of 49-11 and entered the game with a 19-game winning streak. Kansas State hurt itself with 13 penalties for 110 yards.

A&M-Kingsville falls

Associated Press

MARYVILLE, Mo. — The football stadium was a lonely place for a redshirt freshman from northern Wisconsin five years ago.

Now Chris Greisen will play for a national championship.

Greisen threw five touchdown passes Saturday as Northwest Missouri State defeated Texas A&M-Kingsville 49-34 to advance to the Division II championship game Dec. 12 in Florence, Ala., against Carson-Newman.

"We have the confidence going out on the field that we know we are going to win," said Greisen, a fifth-year senior from Sturgeon Bay, Wis. who seems to be getting better each week. "Last year, that confidence was not as strong.

Greisen, who last week outdueled Harlon Hill Trophy finalist Corte McGuffey in the quarterfinal win over Northern Colorado, connected with Tony Miles for three of his touchdown passes in front of 8,000 Bearcats fans.

A 12-yard pass to Miles completed an 86-yard drive and gave the Bearcats a 42-27 lead with 13:38 left in the game.

Division III Semifinals
Mount Union 34, Trinity 29

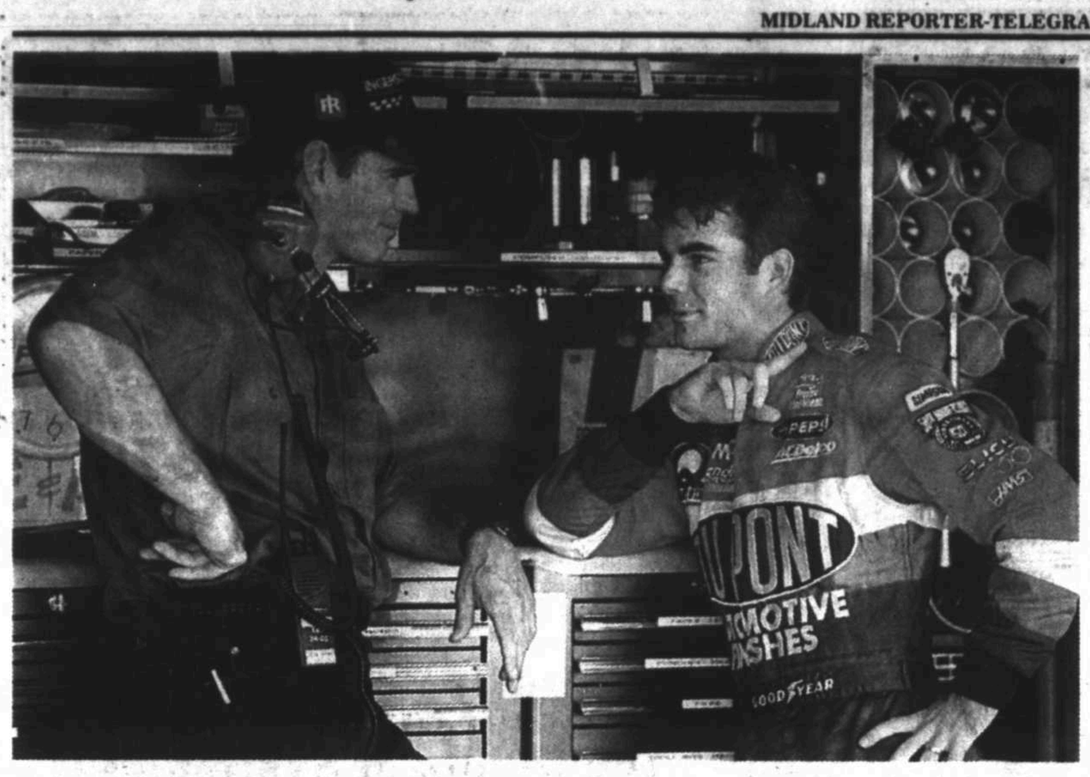
ALLIANCE, Ohio — Gary Smeck threw two touchdown passes to Adam Marino in the fourth quarter to rally Mount Union to a 34-29 victory over Trinity Saturday in the NCAA Division III semifinals.

The Purple Raiders (13-0) go for their third consecutive championship in the Amos Alonzo Stagg Bowl in Salem, Va., next Saturday. It will be Mount Union's fourth consecutive appearance in the championship game.

The victory was Mount Union's 41th in a row — the longest current streak at any level and the longest ever in Division III.



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Jeff Gordon, right, gestures while talking with crew chief Ray Evernham prior to qualifying for the Pepsi Southern 500 race in September. "Absolutely not," Jeff Gordon said when asked if 1999 would result in a repeat his 13 victories of this year. "The way we look at it, there's always room to improve," said crew chief Ray Evernham. "If you win 13 out of 33, there's 20 you didn't get."

Gordon's team looks ahead

By Dick Brinster
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK — Seated side by side were the brains and the brawn, each giving his spin on perhaps the most successful racing operation in the world.

"Absolutely not," Jeff Gordon said when asked if 1999 would result in a repeat his 13 victories of this year.

Even the brawn that has seized control of the Winston Cup circuit thinks he has some limitations. The brains believes otherwise.

"The way we look at it, there's always room to improve," said crew chief Ray Evernham. "If you win 13 out of 33, there's 20 you didn't get."

Such thinking has resulted in 42 career victories for Gordon, who on Friday night accepted his third series championship trophy in the last four years. Evernham has called the shots from the start of a ride that threatens virtually every record on NASCAR's elite tour.

Does he expect to win them all?

"I don't think that's possible, but it's something to shoot for," Evernham said.

Seated two feet to his right, his 27-year-old driver was explaining how surprised he was to tie Richard Petty's modern day record of 13 victories in a season.

"I thought if we won five it would be an unbelievable season," he said, perhaps considering the law of averages following consecutive 10-win campaigns. "Next year, I'm looking at it the same way."

Such modest goals have enabled Gordon to avoid disappointment. Being humble has permitted him to continue a work ethic based on the theory that past success guarantees nothing.

"You've got to take it one step at a time," he said. "Try to go for that first win but make sure you focus on consistency. If you're consistent you'll win races."

He has won enough of them to move all the way to 13th position in career victories with as much two decades remaining behind the wheel. But Gordon accepts Evernham's teaching that the Hendrick Motorsports team has not reached its potential.

Evernham, a 41-year-old former modified driving star from New Jersey, knows no repose in that quest.

"There's more room for us to improve than people think," he said. "There's people who think, 'Oh you guys got it,' but that doesn't mean we can't get better."

In agreement is his driver, so wise and successful beyond his years that his nickname — The Kid — no longer seems appropriate. He is what the top man always becomes in any sport — The Man.

How much longer can he remain on the mountaintop? He made no prediction, but addressed the difficulty of the task.

"It's not easy getting there and it's certainly not easy staying there," Gordon said. "Everybody's constantly trying to knock you off."

They haven't succeeded because talent, hard work and determination have enabled the team to overcome short dry spells. They are so consistent that Gordon became this year the only driver under the Winston Cup banner to reach double figures in victories three years running.

He is most proud of his 1998 journey, because there were some early bumps in the road.

"At the beginning of the year we weren't even a car capable of getting a top-five," Gordon said. "To turn that around to make it into a 13-win season is unbelievable."

There will be a high-water mark in Gordon's career. Perhaps this was it.

But with his philosophy that 1998 represented 20 missed opportunities, Evernham won't surrender to that thought.

"You look at everywhere where you think you can do better and you go to work on it," he said.

Gordon thrives in such an atmosphere.

"We're very driven," he said. "Ray is a very intense individual, very competitive as I am a very intense and competitive race car driver.

■ NASCAR Notes

Jackalopes rebound with 6-3 victory over Amarillo

By Ted Battles
MRT Correspondent

■ WPHL Hockey

ODESSA — After Friday's frustrating 3-2 loss to San Angelo, Odessa Jackalopes coach Joe Clark was looking for a "finisher," someone who could put the puck in the net.

Against Amarillo's Rattlers Saturday, Clark had more volunteers for the job than he could keep up with. The Jacks posted a 6-3 win over their WPHL Western Division rival before 4,022 at the Ector Coliseum.

Eleven Jackalopes contributed points (either goals or assists) as Odessa enjoyed its most productive night since an 8-1 win over Central Texas back on Nov. 14.

The outburst, after five one-goal losses in seven defeats, came against an Amarillo team that had been making its move in the Western Division with a 5-3-2 record in its previous 10 games. The Rattlers came into the game ready to pass the Jacks in the standings, but the loss dropped them three points back.

"The big guys came through for us," Clark said. "Paul Fioroni used his body and even scored.

"We really needed this," he went on. "And Mike Tornquist made some good saves, although he didn't have too many tough chances. It enabled us to give Billy (Pye) the night off."

The good news was that it raised Odessa's home record to 8-2-1. The bad news is that the "No Myths" are on the road, where they are 3-9-2, for New Mexico and El Paso Tuesday and Thursday before returning home against El Paso Friday and Amarillo Saturday.

Amarillo scored 6:59 into the game when Nick Sinerate beat Tornquist for his seventh goal.

Although Amarillo outshot the Jacks, 17-8, in the first period, Odessa left the ice with a 2-1 lead. Ryan Equale beat the Rattlers' Todd Laurin (4-6-0) from the top of the right circle after a Dan LaVergne pass with 8:08 gone. Mike Ross gave the Jacks the lead at 11:52 off Jamie Dunn and Equale feeds.

In the second period, Shayne LeBreton, Fioroni and Johan Hagman goals made it 5-2 going into the third period.

Sinerate scored again for Amarillo 1:37 into the third period and plenty of time remained to make it a game, but Joakim Blink poked the puck in the twine on set ups from Hagman and Dan Girhiny 14 seconds later to make it 6-2.

Clark credited the Jacks' scoring binge partly to Don Thorne, the Coliseum manager. "He changed the nets on the goals. He's superstitious," Clark said.

The game went 11 minutes into the second period before the game's first penalty, a 10-minute misconduct against LeBreton, who described referee Les Brown in terms deemed in appropriate for a mixed audience hockey crowd.

With the outcome settled by Blink's goal, 6-foot-6, 235-pound Steve Douglas and 6-3, 225-pound Fioroni enlivened the third period with their version of the Mike Tyson reel, grabbing shirts and whirling in a circle while trading haymakers. Fioroni landed the more telling punches before the gladiators tumbled to the ice.

The first power play came with 11:45 left in the game when the Rattlers' David Rattay was sent off for holding.

Equale's goal and assist, and two assists each by Hagman and Dan Girhiny led the scoring.

SLAP SHOTS: Odessa outgunned Amarillo 21-3 in taking command in the second period... Ryan Equale got the No. 1 star of the game with Ross, No. 2, and Hagman No. 3... December is a bad month for Jacks' attendance, based on last year, but the first two dates drew more than 4,000 fans each...

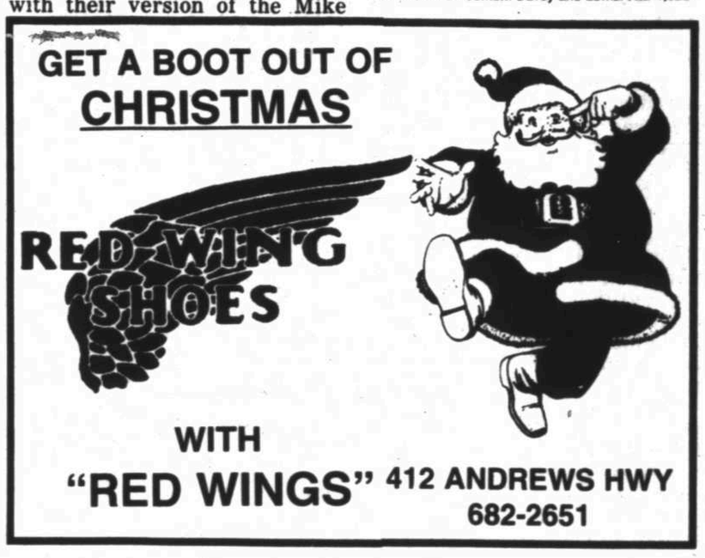
Score by Periods				
Amarillo	1	0	2	—3
Odessa	2	3	1	—6

First Period: 1. Am Sinerate 7 (McLean 1, Douglas 5) 6:59. 2. Od Equale 9 (Lavergne 9) 8:03. 3. Od Ross 2 (Equale 10, Dunn 12) 11:52.

Second Period: 4. Od Lebreton 6. (Morgue 12, Ross3) 6:23. 5. Od Fioroni 3 (Hagman 14) 11:21. 6. Od hagman 6 (Girhiny 7) 16:19. Penalties: LeBreton, O, misconduct.

Third Period: 7. Am Sineate 8. (Rattay, Ferrari) 1:37. 8. O Blind 3 (Girhiny 8, Hagman 15) 1:51. 9. Am Ferranti 14 (Stevens, Brenner) pp 16:20. Penalties: Rattay, Am, holding. Girhiny, Od, crosscheck. Equale, Od, Slashing.

Shots on Goal: Amarillo 17-3-16-36. Odessa 8-21-10-39. **Goalies:** Laurin (4-6-0) 33 of 39. Tornquist (3-1-1) 33 of 36. **Power Plays:** Amarillo 1 of 2. Odessa 0-1. **Ref:** Brown. **Linesmen:** Davey and Lewis. **Att:** 4,022.



LOCAL SPORTS

Trinity wins 1-3A opener

The Trinity girls basketball team defeated El Paso Father Yermo to win its opening district game of TAPPS 1-3A.

Kristin Stoltz, a point guard, keyed the win, hitting all three of her three-point field goals in the fourth quarter. Trinity outscored Father Yermo 12-3 in that final quarter to win the game.

Renee Rougeaux and Jessica Clay added eight each for Trinity.

Trinity (2-5 overall) will play Kermit on Tuesday.

Trinity 35, Father Yermo 31

Father Yermo: Connie Bagunda 3 3-6 9, Veronica Perez 3 3-6 9, Gabriella Castilla 1 1-2 3, Brenda Puertas 2 2-2 8, Ariana Aguilar 1 0-0 2. Totals: 10 9-16 31.

Trinity (2-5, 1-0): Jessica Clay 3 0-3 8, Kelly Frederick 0 0-0 0, Jeness Rouse 0 0-0 0, Robin Beal 2 0-0 4, Amy Bell 3 0-3 6, Nicole Kennerley 0 0-0 0, Kristin Stoltz 3 0-0 9, Christa Leibrock 0 0-0 0, Leigh Beal 0 0-0 0, Kristin Faudry 0 0-0 0, Renee Rougeaux 3 2-4 8, Catherine Jennings 0 0-0 0. Totals: 14 2-10 35.

Father Yermo	5	8	15	3	—31
Trinity	6	4	13	12	—35

3-point Field Goals: FY 2 (Puertas), T 5 (Clay 2, Stoltz 3). Fouls: FY 12, T 14. Fouled Out: None. Technicals: None.

Garden City boys 40, Highland 25

The Garden City boys basketball team improved to 6-0 with a 40-25 win over Highland Friday night in the semifinals of the Highland tournament. Garden City was to play Blackwell in the finals Saturday night.

Garden City boys 40, Highland 25

Garden City (6-0): Steven Hoelscher 2 0-0 4, Cory Batla 4 1-1 9, Zac Zachry 1 0-0 2, Chris Bryan 2 2-2 7, Robert Guerrero 3 0-0 6, David Stone 4 0-1 8, Jason Fine 2 0-0 4, Curtis Schmitz 0 0-0 0. **Totals 18 3-4 40.**

Highland: Bankhead 2 0-1 4, Rodriguez 3 1-4 7, Hickson 1 0-1 2, Rogers 0 2-2 2; Landfried 2 2-4 6, Doggett 0 0-0 0, Burke 2 0-0 4. **Totals 10 5-12 25.**

Garden City	8	13	8	11	—40
Highland	10	4	6	5	—25

3-point field goals: GC 1 (Bryan). **Total fouls:** GC 14; H 14. **Fouled out:** H — Rodriguez. **Technical fouls:** none.

MC takes 3rd in tournament

ABILENE — The Midland Christian girls basketball team won two out of three games to take third place in a Christian schools tournament in Abilene.

The Lady Mustangs beat Lubbock Christian 49-23 to claim third place Saturday. Sarah Clinch had 10 points in that game while Sarah Koss added nine.

Earlier in the tournament, Midland Christian defeated Fort Worth Southwest 51-38 as Susan Scarborough had 14 points and Koss added 12. In the semifinals, the Lady Mustangs fell to Waco Christian 46-34.

Ira girls 70, Crosbyton 36

COAHOMA — The Ira girls won the consolation of the Coahoma Invitational Satureday with a 70-36 romping of Crosbyton.

Morgan Clements scored a game-high 36 points to lead Ira. Clements, just a sophomore, set the tournament scoring record with 92 points in three games.

Ira 70, Crosbyton 36

Crosbyton: Williams 1 2-3 4, Cantu 1 0-0 2, Justus 1 0-0 2, Thomas 4 0-0 8, Cash 2 6-9 10, Gutierrez 3 0-0 6, Davis 1 0-0 2, Carr 1 0-0 2, Mise 0 0-0 0. Totals 14 8-12 36.

Ira (5-2): Brooke Wilkes 0 1-4 1, Korby Calley 1 0-0 2, Kristen Harless 2 0-0 4, Tara Allen 1 2-2 4, Audra Oliver 1 0-0 2, Morgan Clements 16 4-8 36, Terri Robinson 6 3-6 15, E'Lissa Goolsby 3 0-0 6, Davi Barnes 0 0-0 0. Totals 30 10-20 70.

Crosbyton	7	12	11	6	—36
Ira	12	20	22	16	—70

3-point goals: None. Total Fouls: Crosbyton 20, Ira 15. Fouled Out: Mise

Seminole JV 76, Ira boys 66

COAHOMA — The Seminole JV team beat Coahoma, 76-66, to win the Coahoma Invitational.

The Bulldogs (5-2) placed second and had four players score in double figures. Jerek Brown had 20, Jose Juarez added 13, Drew Wall had 12, and Nathan Smith had 10.

Seminole JV 76, Ira 66

Seminole JV: Peel 6 7-7 20, Cavazos 2 0-0 4, Gurrera 1 0-0 2, Espinoza 5 0-0 10, Ralech 1 0-0 2, Nichols 1 0-0 3, Clay 4 4-11 14, Ogden 9 0-0 19, Jones 1 0-0 2. Totals 30 11-18 76.

Ira (5-2): Nathan Smith 3 2-2 10, Jerek Brown 8 4-6 20, Richard Wilkins 3 0-0 6, Jose Juarez 5 2-3 13, Drew Wall 5 0-2 12, Bryce Wilkins 1 0-0 2, Terry Jamison 0 1-2 1, Logan Daves 1 0-0 2, Seth Sterling 0 0-0 0. Totals 26 9-15 66.

Seminole JV	21	17	15	23	—76
Ira	23	10	14	19	—66

3-poiint goals: S 5 (Clay 2, Ogden 1, Nichols 1, Peel 1), Ira 5 (Wall 2, Smith 2, Juarez 1). Total Fouls: S 19, Ira 18. Fouled Out: Espinoza. Technical Fouls: Espinoza, Ira coach Edwards, Ira assistant coach Goodwin.

MHS sophs beat Lee sophs

The Midland High sophomores beat the Lee sophomores 62-60 in Saturday basketball action.

Michael Glasscock led the way with 16 points, and Chris Howard added 11.

Trinity JV falls to Greenwood

The Trinity junior varsityboys basketball team suffered a tough loss, losing to the Greenwood ninth grade 39-38. Justin Stasney had 10 points for Trinity, now 5-2.

Freshman hoops

Girls
Denver City Tournament — Third place game
Midland Christian 41, Plains 29. For MC, Amy Lowery 18 points.

8th grade basketball

Boys
Kermit Tournament
Trinity 54, Kermit 33. Trinity — Trevor Stoltz 14 points; Chase Woerndle 12 points; Andrew Anderson 10 points; Tyler Goree 10 points.
Trinity 58, Pecos 29. Trinity — Anderson 18 points; Jeehoun Yi 11 points; Stoltz 10 points. Trinity finishes third.

Warriors take 3rd

KERMIT — The West Texas Warriors beat Jal, 54-39, to take third place in the Kermit 8th grade tournament. The Warriors (3-3) were led by Marcus Wright with 20, and Ryen Austin added 10.

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LEE: Rebs advance to 5A semifinals for second time

(From 1C)

In the process, Leonard fumbled the ball and Lee's other defensive end, Trey Atwater, pounced on it. Three plays later Lee sophomore tailback Cedric Benson unleashed the longest run of his young Lee career with a 95-yard TD sweep.

Lee led 20-0 and there was no way the Warriors would get back in it.

"I think everyone on the defense was just thinking about coming up with a big play," Wright said. "I was just fortunate enough that it came my way and I was able to get the hit."

Atwater, who recovered the loose pigskin, added, "We knew we had to take the ball back any way we could. That play set the tempo for the second half. Our offense set the tempo in the first half by scoring the first time they got the ball."

Defensive tackle Kevin Borrego, who stopped SPG's Byron Miller on another key third down play at the Lee 43 in the first quarter, just tried to plug up the hole on the goal line stand.

"Coach Rat (Kelvin Ratliff, defensive coordinator) told us to get down and make a pile. That's what I did and I saw white jerseys (Lee players) flying everywhere. I didn't even know the ball was loose."

Then Benson took over, breaking for 95 yards, the longest TD run this year by Lee. He ended the day with 217 yards rushing, the first 200-yard game of his career.

"Really, we were just trying to get a first down, but when I saw daylight, I put it in sixth gear," Benson said. "I knew a 200-yard game would come sooner or later for me. It felt good. It's getting tougher to get yards every time out in the playoffs, so you have to take advantage when you get some room."

Naturally, both coaches felt the goal line fumble and the 95-yard Benson comeback played a huge role in the game.

"If South Grand Prairie scores down there when it's 13-0, the momentum completely swings to their side," said Lee coach John Parchman. "We needed someone to put out the fire and our defense did it. Then, the (Benson) run, was the knockout punch."

SPG coach David Thompson, who has coached at Stanton and Big Spring, said, "If we hadn't fumbled the football on the goal line, this game would have been different," Thompson said. "He (Gideon) hasn't fumbled much all year.

"I told our kids at the half that we were lucky to be down only 13-0. And then we had a chance to turn it around and fumble. Then I was disappointed the we gave up the 95-yarder. That killed us because we had them pinned in on their own goal."

Lee went 58 yards to score on the first drive of the game for a 7-0 lead. It was the fourth consecutive playoff game that Lee has scored on its first possession.

This time it was a beautiful 44-yard scoring strike to wingback Eric Clodfelter from quarterback Jon Rogers that turned the trick. Rogers now has a school record 19 TD passes this year and Clodfelter now has 10 for the season, another new Lee single season record.

"That play wasn't even designed for me," Clodfelter said. "Jon (Rogers) came to me as a second receiver and saw that I was open down the middle. I caught the ball behind the defense and knew I was going to score, but you can thank Jon for this one."

Lee also got field goals of 32 and 37 yards from Matt Segulja in the first half. It was the first time Segulja has kicked two field goals in a single game for Lee.

You might say that Lee offensive lineman Justin Painter saved Segulja a chance at one field goal. Benson was snagged behind the line of scrimmage for a 7-yard loss at the SPG 17 in the first quarter and fumbled.

But Painter saved the day by recovering the ball when a pair of Warriors were trying to return it the other way for an uncontested TD. Instead, Painter got on the ball and set up Segulja's 32-yard effort.

"Two guys were right there on the ball and I was about five yards away," Painter said. "I just went to the ball. It could have been returned."

South Grand Prairie, 9-5 on the year, was playing without starting wide receiver B.J. Johnson, the Warriors' leading receiver for the year. Without Johnson, lefty quarterback Todd Knoll had only 40 yards passing.

"I can tell you how glad we were that Johnson didn't play," Ratliff said. "That was a big factor in the game and it helped us. I'm very proud of our kids. I don't know how much harder they can play. They just keep giving us everything."

SGP's Gideon had 104 yards rushing against Lee to become only the second running back this year to break the 100-yard rushing barrier against Lee. The other was Vontez Duff of Copperas Cove last week in San Angelo.

Now Lee moves to the state semifinals against 9-5 Richardson Lake Highlands next Saturday at 6 p.m. at Abilene's Shotwell Stadium.

The "Jinx Busters" are alive and well.

Rebel Notes



Wright



Benson

Lee Standouts

Ryan Wright: The senior defensive lineman made a key stop on a goal-line stand for the Rebels. In the process, Wright forced a fumble to help preserve a 13-0 lead.

Eric Clodfelter: The senior wide receiver caught a 44-yard TD pass which gave the Rebels a 7-0 lead. The score also gave Clodfelter his school record 10th TD catch of the season.

Cedric Benson: The sophomore runningback rushed for his first 200 yard game, recording 217 yards. His 95-yard TD run was the longest postseason scamper in Lee history.

Matt Segulja: The junior kicker kicked two field goals for the first time ever. His kicks of 32 and 37 yards gave Lee a 13-0 lead.

Justin Painter: The junior offensive lineman had a fumble recovery that kept a field goal opportunity alive.

Game Statistics

Midland Lee		S.Grand Prairie
11	First Downs	16
235	Yards Rushing	214
93	Yards Passing	40
11-4-0	Att.-Comp.-Int.	18-5-0
1	Fumbles Lost	3
4-39.8	Punts-Avg.	4-34.0
8-25	Penalties-Yds.	4-20

Scoring

Midland Lee	13	3	7	0—23
South Grand Prairie	0	0	0	7—7

First Quarter

L-Eric Clodfelter, 44 pass from Jon Rogers (Matt Segulja kick), 10:15

L-Segulja, 32-field goal, 1:19

Second Quarter

L-Segulja, 37 field goal, 2:50

Third Quarter

L-Cedric Benson, 95 run (Segulja kick), 0:45

Fourth Quarter

SPG-Todd Knoll, 7 run (Brent Grubbs kick), 8:32

Individual Statistics

Rushing: Lee: Jon Rogers, 4-minus 31; Cedric Benson, 22-217-1; Clint McNutt, 10-42; Allen Griffith, 2-7. SGP: Todd Knoll, 10-38-1; Brandon Beck, 1-2; Gideon Leonard, 24-104; Byron Miller, 8-45; Erick Hawkins, 5-25.

Passing: Lee: Jon Rogers, 11-4-0-93-1. SGP: Todd Knoll, 18-5-0-40-0.

Receiving: Lee: Eric Clodfelter, 1-44-1; T.J. Glover, 1-15; Scott Worley, 1-28; Clint McNutt, 1-6. SGP: Gavin Boothe, 1-10; Rodney Wright, 1-21; Brandon Beck, 2-4; Byron Miller, 1-5.



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Midland Lee sophomore running back Cedric Benson waits for a hole to open up before breaking up the field on one of his 22 carries. Benson rushed for his first 200 yard game, recording 217 yards. His 95-yard TD run was the longest postseason scamper in Lee history.

Richardson Lake Highlands wins another close game, beats Lufkin

Staff Report

NACOGDOCHES — For the third straight round of the UIL Class 5A Small School playoffs, the Lake Highlands football team escaped with a close win.

Saturday in the quarterfinal round at Homer Boyce Stadium, the Wildcats defeated Lufkin 17-14, thanks to 10 fourth-quarter points. Lake Highlands will play Midland Lee in the Small School semifinals at 6 p.m. next Saturday in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium.

However, this game was another close one for Lake Highlands, which has won its last three games by a total of eight points. The Wildcats defeated Tyler John Tyler 14-10 in the area round and got by Austin Westlake 24-23 in the regional round.

In this game, Lake Highlands trailed 14-7 going into the final quarter, but a two-yard touchdown run by Jeremy Boyce and a 37-yard field goal by Austin Winstanley put the Wildcats ahead for the first time since the first quarter.

The game, for the most part, was fought on the artificial turf of Bryce Stadium not through the air above. Lake Highlands had 309 yards on 50 carries while passing for only 26 yards. The Wildcats did have two backs break the 100-yard barrier. Peter Ruth gained 131 yards and Boyce had 126 and two touchdowns.

Lufkin (10-3) also had two backs rush for over 100 yards. Tavis Williams gained 131 yards while Patrick Williams had 100. Lufkin totaled 259 yards on the ground and 70 in the air.

Lake Highlands improves to 9-5 for the season. They will be the third-straight third seed for Lee, whose opponents from the regional round on have averaged four losses.

5A Pairings

BIG SCHOOL

SEMIFINALS

Duncanville (11-3) beat Houston Jersey Village 31-7

Converse Judson (14-0) beat Aldine Eisenhower (10-3) 29-22.

CHAMPIONSHIP

Duncanville (11-3) vs. Converse Judson (14-0), noon, Saturday at the Astrodome.

SMALL SCHOOL

Region I

Midland Lee (13-1) beat South Grand Prairie 20-7

Region II

Richardson Lake Highlands (9-5) beat Lufkin 17-14

Region III

Katy (13-1) 40, Houston Clear Brook 0.

Region IV

SA MacArthur (10-4) beat SA Madison 10-7

SEMIFINALS

Midland Lee (13-1) vs. Richardson Lake Highlands (9-5), 6 p.m., Saturday, Abilene.

Katy (13-1) vs. SA MacArthur (10-4), TBA

Game Statistics

Lufkin		Lake Highlands
16	First Downs	18
40-259	Yards Rushing	50-309
70	Yards Passing	26
9-3-1	Att.-Comp.-Int.	2-1-0
1-1	Fumbles Lost	3-2
2-37.5	Punts-Avg.	2-40.0
6-35	Penalties-Yds.	5-35.0

Scoring

Lufkin	0	14	0	0	—14
Lake Highlands	0	7	0	10	—17

Second Quarter

LH - Jeremy Boyce 5 run (Austin Winstanley kick)

L - Corey Hadnot 3 run (Shawn Todd kick)

L - Spraky Hamilton 23 pass from Hadnot (Todd kick)

Fourth Quarter

LH - Boyce 2 run (Winstanley kick)

LH - Winstanley 37 FG

Individual Statistics

Rushing: L - Tavis Williams 21-131, Patrick Williams 10-100. LH - Peter Ruth 25-131, Jeremy Boyce 16-126.

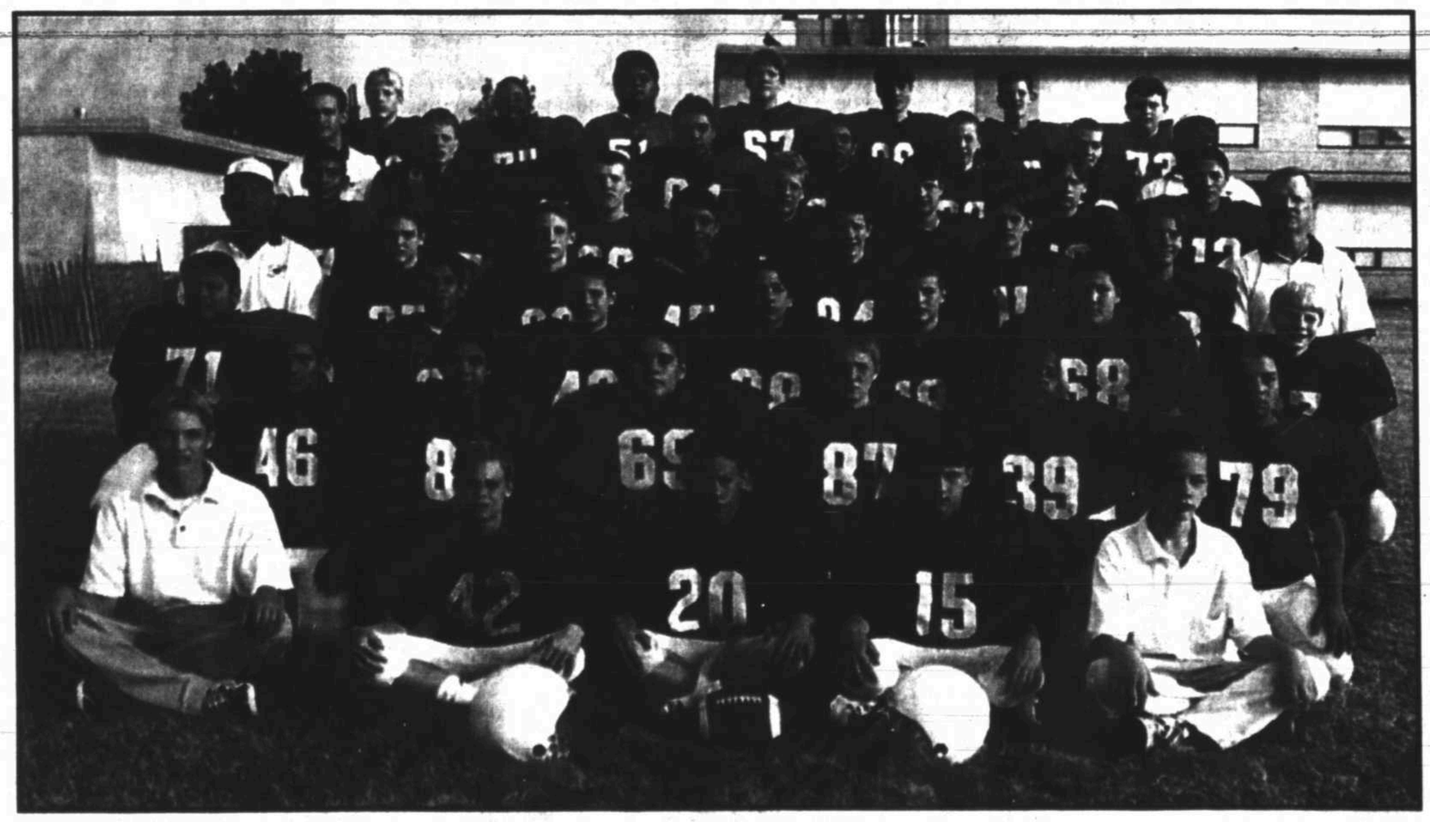
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Receiving: L - Sparky Hamilton 2-52. LH - Reggie Newsome 1-26.

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Holiday by the Bay



A reproduction of a character in a Japanese Noh play is displayed in Japantown.

By Carolyn Fitz-Gerald

SAN FRANCISCO — Why do so many visitors return again and again to San Francisco? Perhaps it is the sound of foghorns on the bay, the profusion of art, the twinkling bridges and breathtaking cablecar rides. But what really draws me repeatedly to this city of many moods and attractions is finding places that I have never before discovered.

Many regular visitors to San Francisco would not dream of missing Chinatown, but few know that Japantown is equally as picturesque and easily reached.

From Union Square, the 38 Geary bus stops at Geary near Webster in sight of the large pagoda which signals the entrance to Japan Center.

I stroll through the arcade and stop to admire winning arrangements from a recent flower show. Never has so little been arranged so artfully with such attention to detail. A young man standing nearby tells me that the best floral arrangements not only please the eye, but the soul as well. And he is right. There is contentment in viewing perfection.

Content, but just a little hungry, I stop to view the complete meals displayed n the window at Mifune, a Japanese noodle shop. I choose one of the more colorful meals, but the most important choice, the waiter tells me, is the choice of noodle. Not knowing the difference, I ask him to choose for me. When lunch arrives, I find that a perfect noodle is every bit as enjoyable a a perfect flower arrangement.

Moving on, I look at iron and bronze works at Asakitchi, then to another shop where there is a collection of Buddhas and a woodcarving that looks like a very angry warrior to me. A reproduction of a character from a Japanese Noh play strikes my fancy, but I don't purchase it on the theory that those things one find attractive in a faraway shop seldom fit in at home.

I stop to watch tiny boats motoring down a canal around the bar at a sushi restaurant called Isobune.

Then I reluctantly leave Japan Center and walk up the street to a little bakery with curious sweet treats. I choose the most unusual looking. It is pretty, round and pink, made from rice flour, I purchase it with much bowing from the own-

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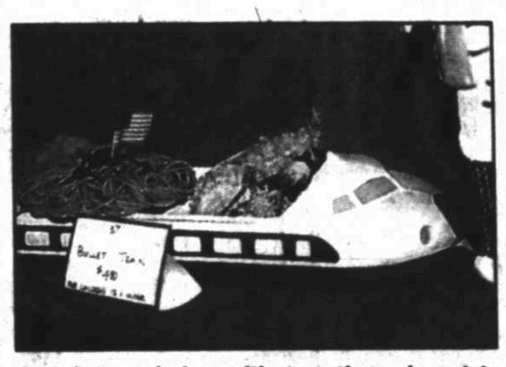


Colorful sweets, above, are offered at a bakery in San Francisco's Japantown. An angel, right, hovers on a stained glass window in the San Francisco Columbarium. Ironically, the repository for cremated remains is one of the most beautiful buildings in the city.

Photos courtesy of Carolyn Fitz-Gerald



The Hotel Monaco's parlor is seen from the foyer.



A tiny boat laden with appetizers is set to motor down a canal around a bar at Isobune restaurant in Japan Center.



Daniel Boden's poster on "Planting the Seeds of Peace" was selected by Midland Northside Lions Club to advance to the district level in the Lions International Peace Poster Contest.

Student wins local poster contest

Staff Reports

Goddard Junior High School student Daniel Boden is the local winner of the Lions International Peace Poster Contest. His poster was selected by the Midland Northside Lions Club to advance to the district level competition. The competition continues to the state, national and international level.

Top prize is a cash award of $2,500 plus an expense-paid trip to the March 1999 awards ceremony at the United Nations in New York City.

Daniel, 13, and a seventh-grade student, designed his poster around this year's theme "Planting the Seeds of Peace."

A student in Leslie Hahn's art class, Daniel is the son of Philip and Catherine Boden. He received a $50 gift certificate from Paint and Palette.

"There were several very good posters submitted this year," said Larry N. Lusby, president of the Midland Northside Lions Club which sponsored the contest.

"It's obvious that these young people have strong ideas on what peace means to them. I'm proud that our club was able to provide the opportunity to share their vision with all of us," Lusby said.

"We're cheering for Daniel as his poster advances through the competition," said Herman Gunter, Goddard principal. Gunter credited Ms. Hahn for instructing and encouraging students to excel in art.

More than 300,000 posters worldwide have already been submitted to the Lions 11th annual peace poster competition.

BOOMER BLUES

Reader asks: 'Just when did fluids become bodily'

By Myra Lee Salcedo

Part of the fun of writing a column is in receiving the responses readers send in. People have stopped me in the street and said, "Aren't you the one that has that funny family?" which embarrasses my grown children to no end, but we should all live long enough to embarrass our kids. It's something they spent years doing to us in those days when they learned to talk without knowing that brutal honesty wasn't always appreciated or appropriate.



Salcedo

Speaking of brutal honesty, readers aren't likely to mince words when they don't like something. Amazingly, responses have been very positive and some have been downright funny. And I have been promising some respondents that I would publish some of their comments. So, here are a few:

LANGUAGE WATCHDOGS

As soon as the July column "Watchdogs of the American language should be howling" on language abuses hit the streets, the e-mails began rolling in. And I'm still getting responses, as far away as England, thanks to the wonder of Internet web sites.

"When did body fluids become

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HAVE YOU HEARD?

Midlanders celebrate birthdays, a Bit of Britain Tea' fundraiser

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

More than 125 friends and relatives participated in a "Day of Memories" by celebrating with Mabel Sowell on the occasion of her 98th birthday. The party was hosted by her daughters, Carolyn Sowell of Midland and Sally Murray and her husband, Grover, of Lubbock.



McKnight-Harrison

The tables of the living room at Manor Park's Wallace Building were decorated with memorabilia and keepsakes from the 10 decades in which Mrs. Sowell has lived.

In keeping with the old-fashioned theme of the party, Mrs. Sowell was dressed in a blue chambray uniform identical to the one she wore as a student at the College of Industrial Arts at Denton (now Texas Woman's University). Her relatives were dressed in clothing typical of days of earlier eras, including 1910 attire for both men and women and the traditional flapper dress of the Twenties. Her participation in athletics at the high school and college level was depicted by a replica of her 1922 basketball uniform. Clothing representing the 1950s and '60s also was worn by family members.

Golden Oldies music furnished a nostalgic touch as the guests reminisced and enjoyed cake and punch served from a table decorated with a large bouquet of protea flowers.

Conversation pieces included a poster highlighting events of 1903, the year of Mrs. Sowell's birth; another poster depicting her activities during the various decades of the 20th Century; a miniature quilted wall hanging featuring photographs of the honoree at different ages, and a large scrapbook, entitled "Reflections — Events in the Life of Mabel Williams Sowell," compiled by her daughters. In addition, a computerized presentation of her life story, made by Jim Murphy, was a special feature at the party.

Among the many birthday acknowledgments was a floral arrangement from Dr. Carol Surles, president of Texas Woman's University, where Mrs. Sowell graduated in 1926 with a degree in home economics.

Out-of-town guests included Mrs. Sowell's sister, Verna Powers of Gilmer; other relatives, friends and former neighbors in Frankston.

CULMINATING A VERY BUSY FALL, longtime Midlanders Jayne and Fred Kester returned in November from their 10th jazz cruise to the Caribbean.

In early September, Fred celebrated Labor Day and his 90th birthday at the Lake Buchanan home of the couple's son and daughter-in-law, Fred and Monika Kester, along with daughters, Linda Fox and husband, Stanley, of Midland, and Nancy Hamilton and husband, Allen, of Lancaster, and several grandchildren. In early October, the Kesters were feted with a dinner at Midland Country Club in celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary. Many happy returns on both occasions!

WE RECENTLY had the pleasure of attending a performance of the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical, "The King and I," in Lubbock. It was part of this season's "Give Your Regards To Broadway" Series, which brings national touring companies to the Hub City four times a year.

The play, which takes place in the 1860s in and around the Royal Palace in Bangkok, brings back memories of our first exposure to a Midland Community Theatre musical when we arrived here as a young reporter in the Sixties. We can still recall Paula Cahoon and Bill Shaner sharing the leads in that show.

In fact, we identify them with those roles almost more than their Broadway and movie counterparts. Oh, the beauty of live theatre!

What wondrous music comes out of that show! Who can forget "I Whistle a Happy Tune," "Shall We Dance," and "Getting To Know You," to name just a few.

Among Midlanders spotted in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium at the recent Friday night performance were Barbara Elliott, Marilyn Higgins, Peggy (Mrs. Ray) Unterbrink, Pat Adams, Janet Haney, Belinda (Mrs. Sonny) Self, Jane (Mrs. Eddie) Schulte, Valry and Tom Tryer, and Carol and Gary Hall with Carol's mother, Margaret Clack of Wichita Falls.

Mrs. Clack accompanied the Halls to Midland for the baptism of her great-granddaughter, Hallie Adams, daughter of Carrie and Kent Adams, the following Sunday.

A postscript to the story: Susannah Kenton, who plays the female lead, is the granddaughter of jazz great Stan Kenton. Although born in California, she grew up in England and Wales. The program notes state: "She is delighted to combine her British upbringing with touring her native country in the treasured role of Anna."

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHWOMEN of the Holy Trinity Church recently hosted another successful fund-raiser, their annual "A Bit of Britain" tea.

The parish Hall was filled for the afternoon's two seatings. Guests were served a light plate lunch, consisting of chicken salad on croissants, potato chips and fresh red grapes. Quiche, finger sandwiches and a variety of desserts were passed on silver trays, and Earl Gray tea was served.

A highlight of the event was a table top fashion show. Twenty-four tables were decorated in various themes, with such intriguing titles as "We're Off to See the Wizard," "Wild Things," "Every Birdie's Welcome," "Crossing the Finish Line" and "Great Balls of Fire."

In addition, the event included a showing of women's fashions from The Canopy, a silent auction and a bake sale. The festive atmosphere was further enhanced by the piano music of Darryl Knapp.

The event always turns out to be a family affair. ECW president is Terry (Mrs. Sam) Jolliffe, and her sister-in-law, Sydney Jolliffe (Mrs. Andrew) Davis of Santa Fe donated a beautiful bead and silver cross necklace for the raffle item. In addition, Terry's daughter, Tracey, assisted in serving, and her Girl Scout Troop was in charge of clean-up. Two pairs of sisters shared major responsibilities. Jane (Mrs. Andrew) Swartz and Emily (Mrs. Bob) Klemme were in charge of preparing the tea, while Tricia (Mrs. Joe) Smith and Shelley (Mrs. Chip) Smith chaired the hostess committee. Mary (Mrs. Pat) Collier and her daughters, Katharine and Elizabeth, teamed up to design a table, "Our Little Roses," depicting a girls' home in Honduras, which the ECW supports.

Among those seen enjoying the event were Fannie Bess Sivals with her daughter, Betty Rae (Mrs. Paul Jr.) Davis; Betty Rae's daughter, Mary Jane (Mrs. Bill) Holmes; her daughter-in-law, Kathryn (Mrs. Paul III) Davis, and her granddaughters, Mary Claire Holmes and Allyson and Ashley Davis; ECW treasurer Paula (Mrs. Chuck) Howbert with her daughter, Heather, and Marilyn (Mrs. Neal) Allen with her godchild, Vanessa Layman, and Vanessa's mother, Lynn Layman.

Proceeds from "A Bit of Britain" will help support ECW outreach projects. Co-chairmen of this year's event were Ceci (Mrs. Todd) Westmoreland and Amy (Mrs. Cory) Richards.

FOR ITS NOVEMBER MEETING, the Midland Country Club Ladies Association presented Dr. Claire Buie Chaney as guest speaker. Her talk was entitled "It Only Hurts When I Don't Laugh."

Dr. Chaney, who has a private counseling practice in Dallas and leads two cancer survivor support groups, emphasized that a sense of humor reduces stress and facilitates physical and emotional healing. She kept her audience laughing as she told outlandish anecdotes on turning seemingly impossible situations into opportunities for learning, growth and just plain fun. As part of her "Twelve Steps to Recovering a Sense of Humor," she suggested punch lines "to have ready for your next crisis."

Dr. Chaney is a survivor of leukemia and a bone marrow transplant, and she is a co-founder of Life-Link, which is an organization dedicated to receiving bone marrow donors. In addition, she was appointed by Governor Bush to the state board of the Texas Cancer Council.

Her talk was preceded by a social hour hosted by Liz Young and Vicki (Mrs. James) Chase and a luncheon.

Among those spotted in the crowd were Susan (Mrs. Bill) Granberry, Betty (Mrs. Don) Ewan, Terry (Mrs. Edwin) Atkin, Jane (Mrs. Charles) Koch, Mary Emma (Mrs. Rob) Bennett, Sara (Mrs. Bill) St. Clair and Wanda (Mrs. Ken) Sewell.

While in Midland, Dr. Chaney also spoke with health care professionals on the topic of "Laughter as Medicine."

Marilyn McKnight Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

Bay: Columbarium off the beaten path

(From 1D)

er and nodding of the head from me, which I hope passes for a sort of bow.

Outside I reach into the little sack I was given, and draw out the confection, which I find is as soft as deerskin and so cloyingly sweet that one bite is enough. Fortunately, Japantown is quite clean and replete with trash receptacles. I look to be sure the nice Japanese lady who sold it to me is not watching before I dispose of it.

COLUMBARIUM

I get back on the bus, and after one transfer, I reach a destination which even fewer visitors frequent. But I am told that the San Francisco Colambarium at One Loraine Court is one of the most historical architectural beauties of the city. I alight from the bus, walk uphill a few blocks and find the columbarium. I think that it is ironic that such a beautiful sight is a repository for cremated remains.

I explain to the caretaker of the well-manicured grounds that I am there to view the building, not to secure a niche. I enter to find myself in a many-storied domed edifice with glorious stained glass windows. The combination of architectural wonder and brilliant color that the winter light casts through the windows is awe inspiring.

I read some of the inscriptions and find many souls who are recognizable as pillars of old San Francisco.

There are niches both outside and inside the walls of the building, and I am particularly taken with one out of doors that displays the following epitaph: "She loved the stars too fondly to be fearful of the night."

I take a taxi back to the hotel Monaco, one of the Kimpton Group that are mostly situated around Union Square.

The Monaco is a monument to a different kind of architecture, with color and light that makes it at once inviting, cheerful and a bit formal.

As I sink into an easy chair by the fireplace in the parlor, I am joined by a young couple who ask if I mind if they sit on the settee in front of the fireplace.

"Of course not," I say, wondering why they asked.

"Could I get you some wine and cheese?" I ask, commenting that I always enjoy the wine and appetizers that all Kimpton hotels offer each evening. The young people are delighted to accept. Then they lay out their Christmas cards on the coffee table in order to settle down for an evening of signing cards and addressing envelopes.

"We looked all over San Francisco for a fireplace," the young woman says, "but we didn't expect wine too."

Belatedly, I realize that they are not guests at the hotel. I see owner Bill Kimpton in the doorway, glancing around to see if everyone is happy. He moves from one of his hotels to another almost monthly and has chosen December as his month for the Monaco. I smile. Bill Kimpton smiles. I know him to be a hospitable gentleman who probably would have welcomed the young couple in search of a fireplace no matter where they spend their nights.

I wonder what to do for the rest of the evening. I know that I can walk one block to the right and see a play at the American Conservatory Theatre. I also know that I must not wander past Gracie's restaurant after the play. The Tenderloin, a rough part of the city, lies nearby.



The San Francisco Columbarium, where cremated remains are kept, is one of the city's architectural treasures.

Photos courtesy of Carolyn Fitz-Gerald

UNION SQUARE

Finally I decide to head for Union Square, which is just as close. The gigantic Christmas tree is lit in all of its splendor and Nieman Marcus in the old City of Paris building lures me with its beautiful ceilings. I tarry over merchandise which seems mostly red: red cashmere sweaters, red shoes and bottles of red encased perfume abound.

I stroll into FAO Swartz toy store to see if they have any of those hard-to-find fuzzy little animals that talk. I decide on a talking Arthur doll.

Now it is too late to see a play or inquire about opera, but I have heard somewhere that Max's Opera House Cafe is a late-night fun place to go because aspiring singers who double as waiters perform there and the food is wonderful. It has been a long time since the noodles.

After dinner at Max's, the lemon pie is especially divine and a singer/waitress moves up to the microphone. She is enthusiastic if not perfect. She seems determined to choose difficult arias with the highest notes. With more practice, I think she may make it into the opera. She confides that she is a music student who hopes to make opera her career.

BREAKFAST IN THE MONACO

When I retire to my junior suite at the Monaco, I sit in the spacious window seat in order to watch people down on the street. There is an old lady in a wide-brimmed purple hat. A man with a beard, whose sandaled feet would fit better into the 1960s, walks past gingerly. A Union Square street entertainer has put away his juggling balls, but is still clad in his red coat. I wonder if he is heading home through the Tenderloin. I had thought most of the street entertainers made a great deal of money, but perhaps he is new to the game.



A voice student, who doubles as a waitress at Max's Opera House Cafe, takes her turn at the microphone in the San Francisco eatery.

Early the next morning, breakfast at the Monaco proves to be enjoyable and I get superlative service. Is that because Bill Kimpton is sitting, behind me conversing with a young woman? Probably the service is this good, even when the boss is not around. The young woman seems to be asking Kimpton for advice about her choice of a career. I hear one word from him over and over: "Research," he says. "Research it."

Research certainly worked for Kimpton as he looked for and then purchased well-located "mom and pop" hotels, mostly around Union Square. Employing his own staff of builders and decorators, he repaired the hotels and turned each into money-making boutique establishments.

As Kimpton heads for his early morning walk, I realize it is time for me to move on to the Harbor Court, the Kimpton hotel that is farthest from Union Square. My taxi passes The Boulevard, one of San Francisco's finest restaurants, and slows to a stop a half-block away at 165 Steuart Street. Kimpton hotels are always located near fine restaurants.

The Harbor Court was a tiny hotel with no view when Kimpton bought it cheaply because its view was of the freeway. Along came the San Francisco earthquake, which demolished the freeway, and now the Harbor Court boasts a view that is equal to any on the waterfront.

From my minute but tastefully appointed room, I hear the low, lonely sound of foghorns; I see the twinkling lights outlining the bridge and watch the freighters slide past. I decide that favorite sights and sounds are not to be neglected.

Still, the next time I go to San Francisco, I know that I will find something new, something exciting. Always, the anticipation of something that I have not yet discovered brings me back again and again.

Parents should ensure safety of body piercing

Unsterilized needles can transmit HIV, hepatitis, other infectious diseases

By Dr. Paula J. Prezioso
Associated Press

Nose rings, tongue studs and navel hoops are just some of the jewelry adorning teens today. Body piercing is so popular that many parents now face the unsettling question of whether to let their children pierce noses, tongues, ears, eyebrows or navels.

But whatever the aesthetic differences between parents and teens, it is important for parents to address the health consequences of piercing.

Body piercing is done with special needles available in various thickness. The size used depends on which part of the body is being pierced. The needle is inserted after the piercing site is cleaned and the skin is pulled tight. Then a ring, stud, straight or curved barbell is threaded over the needle and through the hole. A tool called a piercing gun also is available to pierce ears.

Care must be taken to avoid infection during any piercing procedure. Unsterilized needles can transmit bacterial infections and viruses such as AIDS or hepatitis B and C from one person to another.

Given these risks, all piercing should be performed by a doctor or a trained piercing professional who understands infection control. Most doctors limit their practice to piercing ears, especially those of infants.

One way to be sure about a piercing salon's professional standards is to pay a visit before getting pierced. The salon should be clean, well lit, and have an autoclave (oven) for sterilizing equipment. All piercers need to wear disposable gloves and each customer should be pierced by a brand new disposable needle.

Any jewelry inserted into the skin must be designed for the part of the body being pierced and made out of 14k gold or surgical steel.

Generally, reputable piercing salons will not pierce the body of a minor without parental permission. This leaves some teens, such as those who are in conflict with their parents about piercing, vulnerable. They may seek out friends or body piercers who are not well trained in technique and infection control, or may decide to pierce themselves.

All these situations increase the risk of medical complications including infections, scarring, or nerve damage.

Taking proper care of a new piercing also is very important. Navel piercings and those through the cartilage of the upper ear are particularly prone to infection. Healing ranges from several weeks to a year or more depending on the location.

Keeping the pierced area clean is the key to preventing complications. Daily cleansing with alcohol does the job, although some people find that this can dry the skin and prefer to use hydrogen peroxide. A daily application of topical antibiotic cream also helps prevent infection. Sucking on ice cubes for 24 to 48 hours often relieves swelling from tongue piercings.

When infection occurs, leave the jewelry in place so the hole does not close. Clean the infection daily and apply a topical antibiotic cream. If the infection does not improve or redness, swelling, tenderness, or fever persists, be sure to see a doctor. Local infections can become systemic and may require oral antibiotic treatment.

Some parents dread the day a child asks permission to pierce his or her body. These parents need to explore their personal feelings about the issue and then talk to their child.

Teens want to be pierced for many different reasons. For some, it is a form of adolescent rebellion, but for others it is a fashion statement or a way to feel unique and beautiful.

Discussion can be an opportunity for parents to find out how teens feel about themselves and set the stage for compromise.

For more information about safe piercing, talk to your family physician.

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AROUND TOWN

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For more information or to arrange pick up of large donations, call 689-6693...

...CASUAL CASWELL Christmas Party and West Avenue Tour is scheduled for 4:30-8:30 p.m. Dec. 16 at 1404 West Avenue in Austin. Sponsored by Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau, Heritage Society of Austin and Historic Landmark Commission, the event will feature holiday tours of six historic structures, performances by children's choirs and a magician, and refreshments. For ticket information call (512) 474-5198 or (512) 478-0098...

...JUNIOR LEAGUE of Midland Inc. is having a Community Partners/Rainbow Room drive to benefit The Rainbow Room, an emergency center that distributes new items for children of Child Protective Services. Donations of baby items, household items, school supplies, clothes, blankets and toys are being accepted through Dec. 14 at KMID-TV, Desert Springs Medical Center, First Presbyterian Church, St. Ann's Church and Wall Towers West. For more information call 681-0254...

...CONCHO CHRISTMAS Celebration is planned for each weekend through Dec. 31 in San Angelo. More than 2 million lights and lighted displays will be visible in the walking and driving tour. For more information call 1-800-375-1206...

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...PRESIDENTIAL MUSEUM in Odessa is planning to show an exhibit on "Young Thoughts" in 1999, and area students are invited to participate (especially those in fifth grade). Each participating student is asked to research and write about his or her "favorite" president (brief statements of one or two paragraphs; drawings also are acceptable). Mail students' comments to the Presidential Museum, 622 N. Lee, Odessa 79761. Deadline is Dec. 17. For more information call 332-7123...

...MIDLAND CHAPTER, Native Plant Society of Texas, will meet 7 p.m. Dec. 8 at Sibley Learning Center for a Christmas party and annual seed exchange. All interested people are invited. For information call 699-6258 ...

...VAN, Serving the Visually Impaired, will have a craft-making session 10:30 a.m. Dec. 9 at the Van House, 2908 W. Ohio. Lunch and social time will follow. For information call 694-2648...

...TWENTIETH CENTURY Study Club, Texas Federation of Woman's Clubs, will meet for lunch and program 11:30 a.m. Dec. 8 at Midland Woman's Club. Origin, a contemporary mixed ensemble from Lee High School, will present Christmas music. For more information call 694-3392...

...PERMIAN BASIN Geological and Geophysical Auxiliary will have a members-only Christmas tea, themed "A Jolly Holly Christmas," 4-6 p.m. Dec. 10 at 6209 Driftwood. For more information call 686-0731...

...SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS program, which provides holiday gifts for children who might not otherwise receive them, runs through Dec. 12. Sponsored by FAO Schwarz and KMID-TV, the program is supervised by Child Protective Services.

Participants can select one or more Wish Cards at any Bank One location and provide the wished-for gift for that child. Gifts are returned to Bank One for delivery in time for Christmas morning.

For more information call 688-6305...

In the Congressman's office...



Photo courtesy of Congressman Lamar Smith

Midland High School English teacher Geoff Walker, far left, poses with MHS students participating in the Model Organization of American States (MOAS) in Congressman Lamar Smith's Washington D.C. office. Students hold a flag that had flown over the U.S. Capitol building. They were given the flag in recognition of MHS representing the U.S. in the MOAS conference. Walker is MOAS sponsor at the local high school.

School lunchbox letters published

N.Y. Times News Service

From first grade until graduation day, Courtney Garton always managed to slip in the last word.

Usually somewhere between the sandwich and chips.

His daughters, Adrienne and Cara, got used to finding the notes that Garton would compose as he got them ready for school.

Half-asleep at 6 a.m., he would put ballpoint pen to napkin as a small way of reminding them that he cared. As a divorced parent, he couldn't be with them as much as he hoped.

Three years ago, Cara, now 25, gave her dad a shoebox full of the lunch-bag notes and said he should make them into a book.

He did — after 99 rejections from publishers.

But Garton made it big when he got on Oprah. How? By sending her a blue Mickey Mouse lunchbox with the book, a granola bar and a napkin poem inside.

Now Napkins: Lunch Bag Notes From Dad is in its third printing.

"It was a way of giving advice without giving advice," Garton says from his home in Annapolis, Md. "Face it, kids don't like lectures."

So he used a few lines of shaky rhyme to talk about anything: boys, cars, money, friends.

Eventually, his daughters' friends caught on and would make the girls read the notes aloud at the lunch table. Adrienne and Cara ended up peeking in their bags beforehand for embarrassing ones.

Garton taught math for eight years and now owns four hat shops. "I'm no parenting guru," he says. "I just kind of stumbled on something."

He wrote his last note in 1991, when Cara graduated but says he will write for his grandchildren. The first is expected in December.

READERS: Comment on language abuses, pack rats

(From 1D)

bodily and what is that supposed to mean anyway?" asked Midland County resident Andy Gilland. It's a good question. Even better, Midland petroleum geologist James F. Burford took the time to pen a thoughtful letter on his pet language peeves. He wrote of an article in the geological publication "Geotimes" that discussed the "verbing of nouns" (like lunching, conferencing and officing). Burford also described the confusion caused by misplaced adjectives giving the example of an "underwater technology conference" which sounded like an exciting event to attend until one realized that said conference was not going to actually be conducted underwater. Three readers also sent in grammatical mistakes appearing in our newspaper, for which we humbly apologize. A note of almost unbelievable irony: All three folks who found mistakes and questioned how such errors could happen all misspelled my last name. It's Salcedo, not Salcido.

PILES TO GO BEFORE WE SLEEP

On the subject of clarity, a fellow journalist in another city insisted she was partway into reading my column "Piles to go before I sleep ... (about the persistent stacks of newspapers and paperwork stacked around my house) before she realized the aforementioned "piles" did not refer to those of the hemorrhoid variety. Well! This is what is known as not reading in context!

Former MRT reporter and current University of North Texas at Denton public relations person Tonie Auer admits that she has piles of papers, bills, and even stacks of unread newspapers. "I have no less than three stacks of newspapers that I haven't had time to read but can't bear to throw away because something good will be in them," she wrote.

Bethany Franklin of Denver (who read the column on the MRT web page) explained in an e-mail that forming piles was entirely genetic and had to do with an innate female urge to gather items. Since I heard from 17 women on this column and only one man (who rudely suggested all stacks of paper that haven't been filed away in 90 days be relegated to the trash bin, but he was an administrator from New York City, so what can you expect?), there may be something in Ms. Franklin's theory.

Fellow creative writer and Midlander Joy Butts commiserated with the necessity of saving tons of paperwork to be filed or read later. "How are we ever going to wade through all of it, and where does our obligation end?" she asked. "Have you thought about creating a Stack Exchange? You know, I could take yours, you take mine, then maybe each of us could find it easier to throw out more of it. Maybe. Or how about 'Rent-A-Stack,' for those less fortunate souls who do not receive any brochures or catalogues in their mail boxes?" Ms. Butts also added her 10 cents about the American language and asked just where do all the media types get off slinging around words like "sexual perjury" in the wake of Clinton's misdeeds.

Back to catalogues and collecting paperwork as an occupational hazard of writers: I attended a writer's conference at Oklahoma University in the early 1980s. A guest speaker was T.E.D. Klein, former editor of the now-defunct "Twilight Zone" magazine and short story writer. A budding writer asked Klein "Why haven't you written a novel yet?"

Klein's answer? Catalogues.

"I get catalogues in the mail every day and by the time I mark everything in every catalogue that I am going to order with the money from my first novel, there is no time to write," he said.

WEIGHT LOSS

Several women wrote in response to my inability to lose weight at a normal rate that any successful weight loss for them usually ends in pregnancy (not for me anymore, thank you). Donna Miller of Denton said, "Mirrors are for the neck up when you hit 40 ..." and that she has to hedge when someone compliments her on an outfit and asks where she bought it because she doesn't want to admit it was from a store that carries plus sizes exclusively.

JAMES JOYCE

Robert Haney of the University of Mississippi, referred to my column questioning James Joyce's "Ulysses!" as the pick for the top novel of the 20th century.

"How dare you disparage Joyce's substantial tome. It has become a necessary part of dorm life!" Haney wrote. "When I found out our university bookstore was only going to offer a paltry $2 buyback fee for these books that everyone shelled out $25 for, I went around and offered everyone in my class $3 per book. I bought 8 books and they are wedged between boards and make great shelves in my dorm room. Plus, they are less expensive than bricks."

MARINES WANT ME & OTHER MILITARY SNAFUS

And finally, my column about the Marines trying to recruit me resulted in no responses from the Marines. (Although the phone calls have stopped.) However, several military veterans called up, including a few lifetime Marines (as my late father-in-law and a dedicated Marine used to say, "There is no such thing as a former Marine. Once a Marine, always a Marine!") and asked other newspaper reporters: "Doesn't Myra Salcedo know what SNAFU stands for?" Of course, I know. My late father-in-law insisted. I also looked it up in the dictionary to be certain I knew what the acronym stood for. But this is a family newspaper so of course I couldn't spell it out. When I wrote: "SNAFU is a military term, isn't it?" I was asking that question tongue in cheek. It's humor. Get it? Nevermind.

LOST E-MAIL JOINS MISSING SOCKS?

And finally, to those who have called and left messages that they have sent me e-mail and not received a response, I reply to every single e-mail message I get. If you didn't get an acknowledgement of your e-mail, I didn't get it.

Here's why. On more than one occasion I have opened my e-mail to see that I have anywhere from 12 to 15 messages. I see names and dates of each e-mail. But before I can read a single message, the computer freezes. I take it down and bring it back up (which we all know is the single solution for every computer foul up). Then I get the message, "No new messages." Where does the unread e-mail go? To join all the socks that vanish from the dryer?

It's beyond frustrating, especially with some folks sending news releases via e-mail. My coworker — in an effort to provide solace — passed along a list of Japanese haiku (garnered from her Jal (N.M.) High School friend now living in California) that offers a philosophical bent for computer foul-ups. It ties in technical glitches with the mysteries of the universe.

My favorite is:

You step in the stream
But the water has moved on,
Your e-mail is gone.

(Actually, I took a little poetic license with the above haiku. The last line originally read "Your page is gone." Same idea.)

Another gem:

The web site you seek
Cannot be located
But endless others exist.

So, if I have not answered your e-mail, please try again.

For more computer-ate-my-work haiku, see the end of this column on the MRT web page at www.mrt.com.

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Travel trivia tickles funny bone

By Richard P. Carpenter
N.Y. Times News Service

First of all, I don't make this stuff up. I just collect it:

Travel Trivia: Virtually anywhere you travel, the people know him. In Denmark, he is called Anders And; in Germany, Schnatterich; in Greece, Ntonalt Ntak; in Finland, Aku Ankka; in Italy, Paperino; in China, Tang Lao Ya. Who is he? (Answer at end of article.)

ITodays's fractured English lesson: From a questionnaire about the Laxen Oxen restaurant in the Hotel Beijing: "WIN A PRICE. ... Please return the completed questionnaire to win your price." (With thanks to Penni and Phil Jenkins of Walpole, who ask, "Who needs to WIN a price when you pay $11 American for a hamburger?")

Always a good rule: Tokyo's subway stations offer storage lockers. But posted rules request that no bodies be stored in them.

Trivia Answer: Did you guess it? The answer is Donald Duck.

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ENGAGEMENTS

ROGERS-SCHOLL

Jacqueline L. Rogers of Springfield, Mo., and former Midlander Eric F. Scholl of Tulsa, Okla., are planning to be married Dec. 19 at Walnut Street Inn in Springfield. The bride-elect is the daughter of Betty Rogers of Springfield and the late Rollan D. Rogers. Parents of the future bridegroom are Sonya Z. Scholl of Midland and retired Lt. Col. Allan P. Scholl of Garmisch, Germany.

Miss Rogers is a graduate of Kickapoo High School in Springfield and and a graduate student in audiology at Southwest Missouri State University, where she also earned an undergraduate degree. Her fiance graduated from Midland High School and West Texas State University. He is employed with Channel 2 in Tulsa.



Jacqueline L. Rogers and Eric F. Scholl

COLEMAN-LEWIS

Julie Coleman of Lubbock and former Midlander Steve Lewis of Dallas are planning to be married Dec. 19 in the chapel of First Baptist Church in Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of Gerald Coleman of Lubbock and Suzanne Carpenter of Elk City, Okla. Parents of the future bridegroom are Scott and Martha Lewis of Midland.

Miss Coleman is a 1991 graduate of Lubbock Monterey High School and will graduate from South Plains School of Nursing in this month. Her fiance, a 1984 graduate of Lee High School, earned a master's degree in business administration from Texas Tech University. He is employed with Chase Manhattan Bank in Dallas.



Julie Coleman and Steve Lewis

WIGGINS-BALLIEW

Former Midlander Jessica Ann Wiggins of San Angelo will become the bride of Benjamin Balliew, also of San Angelo, 3 p.m. Jan. 9, 1999, at Christian Church of Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of Gary and Mayra Wiggins of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Clyde and Sandra Wurst of Merkel.

Miss Wiggins is a 1993 graduate of Lee High School and a 1997 graduate of Angelo State University, where she is attending graduate school. Her fiance graduated from Merkel High School and ASU, where he earned a degree this year. Both are employed with Glenn Junior High School in San Angelo.



Jessica Ann Wiggins and Benjamin Balliew

LIFESTYLE POLICIES

Effective Nov. 1, the deadline for all items to be published in the Lifestyle pages is 2 p.m. Friday, the week (beginning on Monday) before said item is to be published. For example, deadline for items to be published in the Sunday, Dec. 20 issue is 2 p.m. Dec. 11.

AROUND TOWN

Items submitted for the Around Town column — which meet deadline — will be run at least once; more than once if space allows. The Around Town column is published Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Deadline for all Around Town items is 2 p.m. each Friday for items which will be published the following week, which begins on Monday.

CLUB NEWS

Deadline for all Club News items is 2 p.m. Friday, 10 days before the item will appear.

LUNCHEONS/ FASHION SHOWS

The same deadlines apply as those that apply to Club News.

WEDDINGS, ENGAGEMENTS AND ANNIVERSARIES

The *Reporter-Telegram* publishes engagement, wedding and anniversary announcements free of charge.

Deadline to have an announcement published in the Sunday paper — including wedding engagement and anniversary announcements — is 2 p.m. 10 days prior to the publication date.

There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, engagements are accepted to appear in the paper no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

Wedding announcements must be published up to six weeks after the event. No more than 25 attendants for the bride and 25 attendants for the bridegroom will be published. Cities of residence for wedding attendants will no longer be published. Relationships will be published only for brothers and sisters, parents (or grandparents) or children of the wedding couple. For those wishing to list more, advertising space may be purchased.

Anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — are also accepted for publication up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

Announcements of pageant winners are published for teenage and adult winners only. Photographs are published of winners, not runners-up or contestants. These announcements will be published on a space-available basis.

Forms for weddings, engagements and anniversaries are available from Carol Ramirez in the Editorial office. All materials should include the signature and telephone number of the person submitting them.

Photographs may be submitted with wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements, but are not required.

A portrait of the bride-elect or engaged couple may be submitted with engagement announcements.

Portrait photographs of the bride only or of the wedding couple may be submitted with wedding announcements.

A different photo must be submitted for engagement and wedding announcements. Anniversary photos should be current.

Vertical photos are preferred. Both black and white, and color studio quality portraits are acceptable from wallet size up to 8x10. Polaroid shots are not accepted.

Photos can be picked up from Carol Ramirez in the Editorial Department after publication, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be enclosed for the photo to be returned by mail.

'Hip' designer courts older customers

By Constance C.R. White
N.Y. Times News Service

If only daughters wore what their mothers wore, designers' lives would be easier. But that is not the case, and so Tommy Hilfiger has set himself a daunting challenge in his bid to dress not only the hip young teen-ager with whom he has been so successful, but now, the older, more serious career-minded customer.

Hilfiger is introducing two new women's collections that are so mature and career-minded as to be unrecognizable beside the fun-loving, logo-emblazoned sportswear that he's known for.

Can Hilfiger, whose mass-market success has been one of the most remarkable of the past decade, sell clothes without the tip-off of his blaring flag iconography and large-wrought signature, which are almost universally recognized?

He certainly hopes so. He wants to sell a teen-ager a pair of jeans and her mother a tailored gray and pink wool suit, or a $2,000-plus crocodile handbag.

"It's more sophisticated, but it still has a youthful look," Hilfiger said of the two new lines. "I don't want to abandon that. If I have to fail to sell clothes to a 50-year-old woman because of that, then that's the risk."

The pricier of the two collections is already in his Beverly Hills store. A bridge collection, slightly less expensive, arrives next spring.

HISTORY SHOWS that there are difficulties expanding upward into more expensive and complex fashion. In the 1980s and early '90s, Guess, which had been wildly successful selling jeans and other fashions to teen-agers, failed in its efforts to establish a higher-priced brand.

Similarly, Liz Claiborne, a label that thought it had across-the-board cachet, found itself ousted from Saks Fifth Avenue when its broad distribution made it a liability to the store's rarefied image. Claiborne went on to make a mark in the bridge area with the formidable Dana Buchman brand, which has no association with the Claiborne name and operates as a separate division.

Yet Hilfiger may defy all these precedents. His Midaslike touch has already extended beyond his original market of polo shirts and jeans for men to include boys' wear, men's tailored sportswear, jeans wear, clothes for teen-age girls, fragrance and home furnishings. In a rare feat, he has remained hot with hip-hoppers and Wall Streeters alike.

"Tommy has been an amazing phenomenon in so many ways," said Faye I. Landes, a retail analyst and a managing director at Salomon Smith Barney. "The brand has been able to transcend what it started out as. For a long time we heard that Tommy was just the inner city — oh, Tommy is just men's and boys. He's done a very nice job with the women's."

Ms. Landes has taken a look at the top-of-the-line collection in the Hilfiger Beverly Hills store, priced from about $250 for a jacket to more than $3,000 for a silk jersey gown. She said that even though the overall market for career clothes and bridge lines is doing poorly, she is optimistic about the new Hilfiger lines. "They repeatedly show they can do more with the brand than people thought they might originally," she said.

While most fashion stocks, including that of Ralph Lauren, whom Hilfiger is so often accused of imitating, have been hurt this year, Hilfiger has surged 32 percent. Sales of the label's products reached $661.7 million for the fiscal year ended in March, and are expected to exceed that in 1998.

'We've seen other designers inspired by the street, so for him, who started in that, why shouldn't he address his creativity to this market? Ultimately, it's the product and how it's marketed. It's more about the product than the image.'

Nicole Fischelis, Saks vice president/fashion director

Hilfiger, perhaps better than anyone, understands the gamble, and is proceeding cautiously. "I think it's a risky business," he said. "Designers with expensive collections have failed miserably from a business point of view. Look what happened to the bridge business. Look what happened to the designer business in department stores."

Department stores, most notably the Federated chain, which includes Macy's, have pulled backed markedly in designer-priced clothes. And in the last 12 months, sales of bridge clothes, a rung below designer, have slowed strikingly, retailers said.

Hilfiger expects first-year sales of the collection to be no more than $5 million and wavers about any sales projections over $20 million for the line, even at its maturity.

The two collections will be introduced exclusively in the Hilfiger flagship stores in Beverly Hills, London and Mexico City, and in two more to open next year in London and Sao Paolo. They are not being offered to some of Hilfiger's best customers, like Macy's.

He has his sights on top specialty stores like Bergdorf Goodman, Saks Fifth Avenue and Nordstrom, which will have a chance to buy the line for fall 1999, he said.

"We're offering the new, expensive collection only in places where people understand it," he said. "We're not going to sell it to (chain department stores) or in the heartland. I expect my Beverly Hills customer to understand it. I've been so successful in everything I've done, I'm afraid to put it out there in department stores and have it not sell."

The collections' style is a clean, sophisticated exuberance, an interpretation of the Hilfiger signature. Now it turns up in sweater sets or nylon handbags suitable for the office. But the collections go further with slinky silk jersey evening columns sprinkled with beads, perforated suede dresses, gray and white ankle-length windowpane skirts and navy two-button jackets. Handbags and shoes bear logos that don't suggest traditional Hilfiger flags. Some are logo-free.

As career-oriented as the clothes are, when designing this line Hilfiger took celebrities as his muse. His real secret may be, as Ms. Landes said, the recognition that everyone can dress like a celebrity, an idea first put forth by the entertainers who populate hip-hop culture.

"I'm thinking young, I'm thinking about a lot of the musicians — from Lauryn Hill to Sheryl Crow to Gwen Stefani from No Doubt — who inspire me," Hilfiger said.

One potential roadblock to Hilfiger's dream of seeing his new lines sold widely is the tendency of high-end retailers to guard their prestige jealously. A fast-selling populist label may quickly fill coffers, but can also jeopardize a store's image. But in Hilfiger's favor is his strong association with celebrity and youth, which almost any fashion store finds attractive. Saks said it will definitely consider the collection.

"We've seen other designers inspired by the street, so for him, who started in that, why shouldn't he address his creativity to this market?" said Nicole Fischelis, a vice president and fashion director for Saks. "Ultimately, it's the product and how it's marketed. It's more about the product than the image."

With Hilfiger, of course, it is his image — fun, youthful, sexy, informal — that has helped propel his success. And it is this image that Estee Lauder is banking on; its Aramis division will introduce a Hilfiger cosmetics line and a fragrance next fall, both primarily for an older customer — anyone over 19, in Hilfiger's world — for whom subtlety in design has its appeal.

COSMETICS WILL include basic colors and trendy shades, for the core Hilfiger customer as well as the new one being courted, said Pamela Baxter, senior vice president and general manager for Aramis. "We have to address both," she said. "It will work as long as Tommy stays tied to the world he's tied into — music and movieland."

With no color cosmetics brands on the market from any other American designers (no less than Ralph Lauren, Diane Von Furstenburg and Calvin Klein have all tried and failed), Hilfiger, whose cosmetics will cost $10 to $15, is trying yet another high-wire act. "Right now we don't see a competitor," Ms. Baxter said. The new fragrance — unnamed so far — will also be skewed toward women 18 to 35.

Although Hilfiger's attempt to redefine his image upward is a big challenge, he is entering the new market modestly. "A $5 million business doesn't even register on my radar screen," he said flippantly.

But here's a thought to give Hilfiger pause: if the young people who now find his brand so hip turn away once they notice that adults, too, are wearing it, his core business — the goose that has laid golden eggs — may begin to suffer.

Bad hair days shared by all generations

By Elizabeth Schuett
N.Y. Times News Service

GIBSONBURG, Ohio — It's 7:30 — much too early in the morning and too late in my life to have to put up with the foolishness a bunch of 13-year-olds lay on me five days a week.

"OOO! Gross!" Cindy giggles and points to my head. "Ms. Schuett, your hair is sticking out!" She appears to be amazed when I don't head for the nearest mirror and leap into corrective action. "Aren't you going to fix it?"

I ask what she has in mind short of half-a-day at the Beauty Bar.

"I dunno," she allows, "but if my hair stuck out like that, I wouldn't come to school."

"That's why they pay me the big bucks," I remind her, "so I have to show up no matter what's sticking out." She gapes, so I add, "...within reason of course."

Now would be one of those "teaching moments" that educators who educate educators love to extol.

It would be an ideal time to do the lecture thing about values, but it's too early in the morning and I have too much to do. The parable will have to wait.

Instead I tell her to relax and suggest that maybe "sticking out hair" is not the end of the world as we know it.

Of course, that doesn't mean I can't remember when I thought it was.

As I go about responding to a brace of irrelevant memos the office can't seem to live without, and hastily scratch a regrets note to the organizers of a pot luck lunch informing them that the last time I took a dish to such a function, the school suffered the highest faculty absence rate in its history, I can't help chuckling. This kid doesn't know from bad hair. I grew up in Bad Hair City, USA — Miami, Fla.

Picture this: It's bedtime, 1948, and a scrawny, wild-maned 13-year-old sits cross-legged on her bed peering into a mirror she has propped against the pillow. It's decision time — homework or hair. No contest. She begins fiddling with her hair. Up? Down? Over one ear? One eye (it works for Veronica Lake)? Both eyes?

She has no recourse. It's either the Dippity-Do (gelatinous pink hair setting glop) and pincurl routine or social ruin.

She drips.

She slathers.

She twists and pins.

The whole time she prays to the god of teenage hair. "Oh please, Lana Turner, make my hair look just like yours when Clark Gable saved you from the enemy tank in 'Homecoming.' And if you can't do that, please make it last at least until after second period when I have algebra with that gorgeous guy in the red shirt."

Every night it was the same routine. Every morning, the same disappointment.

The best I could hope for was twenty minutes of curls — and that was on a good day in the winter when the humidity unpegged itself from the total saturation point.

Before I could walk the two blocks to the bus stop, my hair would have returned to the wild. I would slouch onto the bus, pretending to be a woman of mystery, self-absorbed and other worldly. Anything was better than admitting I was a kid with stupid hair.

For as long as I could remember, all I asked of life was a portable phonograph for slumber parties, and some curls.

My mother had curls.

My father had curls.

Even the neighbor's dog had curls.

WHY NOT ME?

"Bug out," I tell the giggling adolescent hanging over my desk, "I have more important stuff to do than put up with your foolishness."

I waggle my hand in the direction of the door and can't hide the chuckle welling in my throat. The kid I'm picking on thinks exactly the way I did 50 years ago — only now there's no excuse for it. When I was her age, girls were supposed to be all curly and cute and you could definitely tell the sexes apart by the length and style of the hair.

Today, there's so much latitude in hair styles that girls can keep their cool whether they choose long and lank, or a '90s version of Crewy Lou in the old Dick Tracy comic strips. I was born half-a-century too soon.

My diminutive tormentor scoots out to the hall to find a few friends before the bell rings. Probably to share a good giggle about the condition of the teacher's hair.

A quick glance around the room ensures me I'm alone. I whip open the bottom desk drawer, prop a little mirror against my Riverside Shakespeare, and reach for the standard tools of the trade — a spray bottle of water and a hairbrush.

Squirt.

Brush.

I can hardly believe it. Fifty years later, and I'm still going ten rounds with the bad hair beast.

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WEDDINGS

BOWENS-UDDLEY

Gloria Bowens of Midland became the bride of Harold Uddley, also of Midland, 3 p.m. Nov. 28 at Faith Temple C.O.G.I.C. in Midland. The Rev. H.A. Bowens Sr. of Kermit and the Rev. D.F. Johnson of Midland officiated.

Parents of the bride are Opal J. Anders and the Rev. Hampton A. Bowens Jr. Her grandparents are Pearlie Bolton and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Johnson Sr. and the Rev. and Mrs. H.A. Bowens Sr.

The bridegroom is the son of Bobbie Nash of Plainview and the late Jack Uddley.

Lenora Ellis and Ethel Williams were honor attendants for the bride. Her other attendants were Valerie Harmon, Elizabeth Carroll, Paula Johnson, Rosalind Bowens and Maia Jones.

Eric Nash served as honor attendant for his brother, who also was attended by Lester Fennell, Jimmy Ray, Scott Jackson, Jackie "Chuck" Ray, Fred Casel Jr., David Bowens, Harold Uddley Jr., son of the bridegroom, and Kevin J.M. Hicks, son of the bride. Ushers were Derrick Niblett and Billy Wayne Johnson.



Mrs. Harold Uddley

Following a wedding trip to Mexico, the couple lives in Midland.

ASSID-HILLMAN

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — Summer Jonelle Assid and James Brian Hillman, both of Oklahoma City, were married 12:30 p.m. Dec. 5 at Graceland Wedding Chapel in Las Vegas.

Parents of the bride are Stan and Pam Logan and Shannon Assid of Oklahoma City. The bridegroom is the son of Jim and Sherry Hillman of Midland, Texas.

The couple both attended the University of Oklahoma and are employed with Black-Eyed Pea Restaurant.

After a wedding trip in Las Vegas, the couple will live in Oklahoma City.



Program planned

Green Tree Country Club Ladies Association will have its Christmas luncheon Dec. 8 at the club. Satin Strings from Permian High School will present the program. This group, which was formed 10 years ago, performs about 40 concerts a year. They performed at the 50th anniversary of D-Day in Paris, France, and the inaugurations of President Bill Clinton and Governor Patricio Martinez of Chihuahua, Mexico. Social time will be 11:30 a.m., with luncheon to follow at noon. Call the club for reservations; deadline is today.

Hotels at JFK buff their image

Facilities improved to be more pleasing to 'distress' travelers

By Betsy Wade
N.Y. Times News Service

Almost everyone who flies has spent at least part of a night at an airport hotel. Predawn departures, missed connections, canceled flights, oversold seats: all sorts of things can lead to a sleepless stay, watching car headlights flicker across the ceiling and hearing planes taking off and landing.

We stalled travelers are known in airport-hotel jargon as "distress" customers. The phrase is usually apt: already pained by the forces that brought us there, we are still more distressed by the place we have been deposited.

But hotels at airports are changing. Figures from Smith Travel Research in Hendersonville, Tenn., show that airport hotels nationally had a 70.5 percent occupancy rate last year, which outstripped other sorts of hotels from luxury to budget.

For this year, until September, the figure was 71.3 percent. An analysis by the magazine Hotel and Motel Management cited as causes both an improvement in facilities — business centers, fitness centers and tennis courts — and an overflow of guests from downtown hotels.

These trends are visible in New York around Kennedy International Airport, where three of the five hotels within about five minutes' driving time have just completed major overhauls. Two are shiny new hotels in old shells, one empty for years and the other a former welfare hotel.

A third completed renovations this year while continuing to operate. All attract business and vacation guests, in addition to the usual flow of airline crews and stranded passengers. Unlike some airports, including Bradley at Hartford and Bangor, Maine, Kennedy does not have a hotel attached to the main terminal.

Kennedy's five hotels, in a quiet residential part of Jamaica, Queens, bear familiar names: Ramada Plaza, JFK Airport Hilton, Four Points by Sheraton, Radisson and Holiday Inn. The Hilton was renovated at the end of 1996, according to its director of sales, and the Ramada was converted from a Marriott two and a half years ago, and is doing some work now, one floor at a time.

The three most recent renovations, the Four Points, Radisson and Holiday Inn, are full-service hotels that provide features for business travelers, data ports and extra telephone lines, for example, as well as meeting rooms, some quite large.

They have restaurants and health facilities as well, and the Holiday Inn has a glassed-in indoor pool, a hot tub and a sauna. These hotels, nicely landscaped and surrounded by low-rise houses and highways with grassy banks, seemed bucolic and welcoming after the unplanned night I recently spent in a budget motel in the midst of nothingness eight miles from the new Denver International Airport.

RADISSON

The "newest" of the New York three is the Radisson, a 12-story cream-colored building with light green trim. This hotel, once the JFK Plaza, built in the 50s, had been shut for six years before being taken over by the new owner, French Quarter III. Between January and September it was gutted and redecorated, and in mid-November, when I looked it over, the job was ending, with rooms on the second floor getting finishing touches. A contractor's "punch list" of remaining small tasks was taped to a shelf in each room; mattresses were still wrapped in plastic.

The rest of the hotel was active. A meeting room on the main floor was filled with students taking notes on how to become notaries, and the 24-hour restaurant, called Charles, had laid out a buffet and was well occupied.

The buffet lunch was set up — Charles normally has waiter-served meals at lunch — for 75 South African Airways passengers. Their flight was canceled the evening before and they were given dinner, a hotel night, breakfast and lunch while waiting for the next day's flight. The hotel has 215 employees, a number affected by the provision of 24-hour van and food services.

The lobby had a semiformal look — a lot of glass, marble floors, dark upholstery and patterned rugs. There were vases of real flowers, and orchids planted in moss, some in need of pruning.

The cocktail lounge leading to the restaurant was dim at 12:30 p.m. and two people were there reading papers. A couple in the lobby were eating a deli lunch off a coffee table. Another couple, knee-deep in shopping bags, were waiting to be picked up.

The hotel has 386 rooms, half of them nonsmoking, 18 equipped for wheelchairs. All have fire sprinklers. In the west wing, the rooms all have king-sized beds. The larger rooms in the east wing have two queen-sized beds.

All the rooms have two telephone lines. The bases of the lamps on the desk-tables have both power plugs and telephone outlets for modems. A shelf pulls out to hold a keyboard.

The business center is a modest room on the second floor with two fax machines and a computer with Internet access. There is no staff here, and the guest uses the service by inserting a credit card into a device that puts a designated credit on an electronic card called the Office, which in turn can be used to activate the machines and pay the fees.

The fitness center is spacious and windowed, with five treadmills, three step machines, two stationary bicycles and free weights.

The hotel has a contract with American Airlines and American Eagle to accommodate crew members, usually from red-eye flights, said Richard Sarno, head of sales. They are housed on a hall where quiet is maintained in the daytime: the vacuuming is done at other times.

The introductory rate, in effect now, is $149 a night, which works out to $170.74 with New York City's hotel tax of 13.25 percent plus $2 a night. The corporate rate is $169, or $193 with taxes.

Radisson Hotel JFK Airport, 135-30 140th Street, Jamaica, N.Y. 11434; (718) 322-2300, or (800) 333-3333.

FOUR POINTS BY SHERATON

This hotel has a spiffy European feel, with the bombe chests and huge Baccarat vases in the lobby. The "H.R." emblem in the glass doors in the lobby stands for Hampshire Hotels and Resorts, the New York company that owns the Four Points.

The emblem of the brand, the four points of a compass, is inlaid in the marble floor of the lobby. A white baby grand backs up to the glass wall overlooking a garden and gazebo in the back; in the early afternoon, the player piano was providing soothing music. The flowers were fresh.

This hotel, as the Kennedy Inn, housed welfare clients from 1991 to '96, and then underwent a 20-month overhaul. It opened in the fall with praise from Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who hailed it as the first new hotel to open near the airport in 20 years and called it luxurious. All 184 rooms on four floors are now in use. Smoking is permitted in half of them.

Its manager, Barry M. Shatoff, said that the hotel was popular among business travelers from overseas and people closing international real estate deals: the participants all fly in to Kennedy, do their work near the airport and fly home without having to cope with ground travel.

The 185 guest rooms and 15 suites have three telephones on two lines, plus data ports. The desks are big and the rooms are light. The fitness center is tiny, with two treadmills and two step machines.

The hotel has a sleek-looking restaurant, Birchwoods, offering what its menu describes as American food and wine. Sunday brunch with cappuccino (all of it you can drink) is $15.50. Thanksgiving dinner, buffet style, was $15.50.

In good weather there is service in the garden, and musicians play in the gazebo, according to Elie Pariente, the assistant manager. When I was there, a party of 20 people was being served lunch. The bar, Fitzgerald's Lounge, would not be out of place in Manhattan: paneled-looking and well outfitted with glasses and bottles.

The hotel provides room service until 1 a.m., and the kitchen is closed from 1 to 6 a.m. Snacks can be provided at all hours, Pariente said. The airport shuttle operates 24 hours.

The rate for a room with a double, king or queen bed, or two double beds, is $179 a night, or $205 with taxes. A suite with a living room is $275, or $313 with taxes.

Four Points Hotel by Sheraton, 151-20 Baisley Boulevard, Jamaica, N.Y. 11434; (718) 489-1000.

HOLIDAY INN

A monthly calendar of events that includes an ad for weddings and rehearsal dinners defines the Holiday Inn: it is a place focused on social activities. Victor Vongs, the general manager, said that one big goal of the $4 million rehabilitation, which took 15 months and was completed in March, was to have the place "not feel like an airport hotel."

Le Bistro lounge has been designed to let people mingle and help themselves to the $9.95 lunch buffet. The motel's meeting and function rooms are large, and the place can accommodate up to 650 people in a reception; 500 sitting theater style.

Outside the glass walls of the restaurant is a Japanese garden. The flowers in vases inside are silk.

Vongs pointed to a big alcove off the lobby that he said was formerly a car-rental counter. It is being converted to a business center.

The Holiday Inn sells stay-and-fly packages, allowing guests who are taking trips to park their cars in the 360-place motel lot and retrieve them a week or two later. The fitness club, with swimming pool, sauna and hot tub as well as a large exercise room, attracts many reunions and family groups, Vongs said. The motel also sells memberships to nonguests.

The guest rooms have been redecorated, this time with brass bedsteads. Smoking is permitted in 40 percent of the rooms. The busy season is July to October, and prices are somewhat lower the rest of the year.

There are also family bed-and-breakfast packages in the winter. A room with a king-sized bed is $139 to $179 a night, or $159 to $205 with taxes. A junior suite starts at $210, or $240 with taxes.

Holiday Inn JFK Airport, 144-02 135th Avenue, Jamaica, N.Y. 11436; (718) 659-0200.

Miniature railroad hobby grows into life-sized career

By Michael Lopez
Hearst News Service

TROY, N.Y. — The miniature worlds created by Lou Sassi seem nearly as much work as the life-size scenes they mimic.

Take, for example, Sassi's re-creation of Boston & Maine Railroad's Claremont branch, 47 miles of backwoods line that pass through the New Hampshire town of Contoocook.

To re-create telephone lines from the mid-1950s, Sassi consulted with a longtime New England Telephone linesman, who helped Sassi lay out the poles and accurately run the "cables," actually string, stiffened by a coating of white glue.

Sassi has learned that if he photographs a real building, using a 35-mm camera from 50 feet away, the resulting picture will yield, to scale, images of store signs that he can incorporate into his modeled world.

And he has learned to improvise: Sassi is just as likely to use sandpaper to fashion gravel roofs as he is to rely on the expansive stock of supplies available to modern model railroad enthusiasts.

Sassi has just written a book that explains the tricks, methods and supplies needed to begin modeling HO scale (1:87 of life-size) railroads.

If you truly embrace this hobby, be prepared to undertake projects that are never quite finished. The Contoocook layout that he built for his new instructional book, "A Realistic HO Layout for Beginners" (Kalmbach Books, $16.95), took three years; Sassi has been working on his '50s-era B & M West Hoosic Division since the 1970s.

Although imitation is implicit in modeling, Sassi believes the pastime ultimately draws out the personality of hobbyists as they start to rely on their own creative reserve to build these railroads.

"Model railroading delves into the artistic qualities of the individual, who is trying to re-create the full-size objects and make them look believable," he said.

Building model railroads has, in fact, pretty much absorbed Sassi's life, which he traces according his increasing involvement in a hobby that has become a job. Sassi, 53, is the staff photographer for the Rensselaer Model Railroad Society, whose accurate modeling has built its reputation as an educational resource. He also is one of the principle photographers of layouts for Model Railroader, a Wisconsin magazine with a circulation of more than 200,000 readers.

His interest began as a boy, when his dad gave him a Lionel train set. In 1959, Sassi, then a teen-ager in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., saw his first issue of Model Railroader and switched to the smaller HO layout. The magazine's pictorial spreads of these tiny railroads impressed Sassi.

"I started building an HO empire on a 4-by-8 sheet of plywood," he said.

The hobby took a back seat in the mid-1960s as Sassi pursued an education and career as a draftsman and surveyor. Newly married, Sassi also couldn't consider a layout when living in an apartment in Schenectady, where he worked for General Electric Co.

Sassi began pursuing the interest in earnest once he settled in his home in Charlton; the hobby also nursed him through the difficulty of being laid off from an engineering firm in 1980.

"It was therapy from the trauma of (the) layoff."

He used the career lull as a chance to gradually build a free-lance career, using an inexpensive camera to start photographing layouts nationwide for Model Railroader, for which he also wrote articles. Today, his photography of intricate model landscapes amounts to full-time work.

Sassi's home layout of the Boston & Maine West Hoosic Division was the cover story in the July 1988 issue of Model Railroader magazine. It is also featured on the cover, with a 10-page layout inside, of the 1999 Great Model Railroads, an annual magazine that showcases premier layouts around the country. Sassi's layout was also displayed in the 1996 issue.

Airlines get serious about carry-on luggage

By Edwin McDowell
N.Y. Times News Service

Until recently, the baggage "sizers" used at airports to determine whether luggage can be carried aboard planes or must be checked were often little more than adornments. But increasing emphasis on on-time performance has led many airlines to draw a harder line against oversized carry-on luggage, contending that it shortchanges other passengers, slows the boarding process and leads to costly flight delays.

With that in mind, UAL's United Airlines has installed sizers at airports in New York (La Guardia), Los Angeles and Chicago (O'Hare), and plans to install them at 37 more. "At first, 20 percent of our passengers at those airports had to check the bags they wanted to carry on," said Tony Molinaro, a United spokesman. "Now it's down to 2 to 3 percent."

Southwest Airlines is testing sizers at Los Angeles, San Diego and Phoenix with apparent high compliance, perhaps because it notified its frequent fliers before the new regulations went into effect.

But Continental Airlines dislikes sizers, so much so that recently it sued in California Superior Court to prohibit Delta Air Lines, which operates the baggage sizer that it shares with Continental and America West at the San Diego airport, from imposing its baggage policies on Continental passengers.

Continental also warned United and Denver International Airport not to install sizers at the three security checkpoints controlled by United and used by other carriers.

"We made a decision to invest almost $15 million to retrofit our planes with expanded overhead bins," said Ned Walker, a Continental spokesman. "And rather than tell customers what they can't do, our policy will be to explain our guidelines and decide for ourselves if carry-on items will fit. You can have both heavy loads and good on-time performance."

United, meanwhile, is adding the deeper bins to its entire Shuttle by United fleet, and expects to have them in all 50 planes within the next few months. But, Molinaro said, the airline is continuing to install sizers at the other 37 airports. Delta has sizers in six airports, but has not yet decided whether to install them in others.

SHORTER VACATIONS

With their hectic schedules, the best many workers can manage is a few days off now and then. But once their work schedules lighten, they can take that lengthy, restful vacation they've dreamed about. Right? Don't bet on it. According to a recent World Tourism Organization study, global competition has resulted in longer working hours for many employees, suggesting that leisure time is likely to decline for many people, thus accelerating the trend to shorter, more frequent vacations.

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'Quest for perfection' starts early

More and more teen-age girls are opting for plastic surgery

By Jane Gross
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Standing in front of the full-length mirror, the girl fights back tears. Her thighs are too big, her breasts too small and her nose bumpy. Or so this 16-year-old thinks, comparing herself with "Baywatch" babes and Victoria's Secret models.

To make matters worse, boys never call, and getting undressed for gym is a mortification. But such problems have quick fixes, the magazine ads promise.

"If I can look better, why not?" the girl asked during a recent consultation with a plastic surgeon. Her parents are living proof, she argued, her mother rejuvenated by a face lift and her father's brow smoothed of its furrows.

The doctor was not persuaded. He said later that he had stalled by scheduling another appointment, and that he hoped the Long Island family did not look elsewhere in the meantime.

The girl's 40-something parents are part of a tide of affluent baby boomers who are being tucked, peeled and augmented as never before. But it is the teen-age girls now flocking to the suites of plastic surgeons from Park Avenue to Beverly Hills who pose an ethical problem for doctors who must decide whether to operate on patients who are too young to vote, but old enough to feel social pressures to be physically perfect.

"We are capable of doing awful things to these kids," said Dr. Mark Sultan, chief of plastic surgery at Beth Israel Medical Center and one of two dozen doctors who said they are seeing more teen-agers than ever before who are eager to change their looks and willing to go through often painful surgery to do so.

The surgeon's task, Sultan and others said, is to weed out youngsters with true deformities from those responding to media messages and peer or parental pressure. "We have to decide what is real, what is imagined and what is exaggerated," he said.

AT LEAST 14,000 adolescents nationwide had cosmetic surgery in 1996, a slight increase from 1992, when the boom began, according to data from the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons. In all age groups, 700,000 procedures were done last year, up 70 percent in four years.

But professionals agree that those numbers are a vast understatement, perhaps by as much as half, since they do not include the many procedures now done by dermatologists, ophthalmologists, ear nose and throat specialists, dentists and others.

And the make-overs of choice are changing for teen-agers. A generation ago, it was not unusual for youngsters to have their noses straightened or ears pinned back, procedures that doctors say are appropriate for those with ungainly features.

But these days, more controversial procedures, like breast augmentation, liposuction and tummy tucks, are gaining popularity in this impressionable age group. In the New York area, these procedures, among two dozen available, range in cost from $25,000 for liposuction to $5,000 for a tummy tuck.

In 1992, there were 5,519 nose jobs among teen-agers, 3,024 ear operations, 978 breast implants, 472 liposuctions and no tummy tucks. Four years later, nose jobs were down to 4,313 and ear pinnings to 2,470. But breast augmentations were up to 1,172, liposuctions increased to 788 and tummy tucks to 130. And many more adolescents seeking these newer procedures were turned away by doctors who say they rarely perform them in anyone under 18.

Stalling is a popular tactic among doctors, who count on the fact that teen-agers are by definition mercurial.

Dr. Christopher Nanni, for one, set out to dissuade an overweight girl from Bay Ridge who came to him recently after many failed attempts at diet and exercise. She was 16 years old and 5 feet 3 inches tall, and weighed 185 pounds. Her mother, divorced and struggling on a secretary's salary, was not enthusiastic about either the costs or the risks of liposuction.

Nanni put the girl on a sensible diet and encouraged her mother to buy a treadmill. Come back in a year or two, he told them. If liposuction seemed appropriate then, he would do the procedure, at a big discount.

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"I was kind of disappointed, but it made sense," the girl said grudgingly, still preferring the quick fix to the ordeal of losing weight.

Her mother was thrilled. "As a parent you want your children to be happy, so I went along with it," she said, describing her daughter's misery each time they went shopping or attended a big family gathering. But when Nanni resisted, she was relieved. "I respect him immensely for not just taking my money," she said.

The availability of new procedures can be a relief to adolescents overwhelmed by an otherwise intractable physical disfigurement. One New Jersey teen-ager, 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighing 220 pounds, doggedly set out to lose 100 pounds, succeeded, and kept the weight off for more than a year. Left behind, however, was an apron of excess skin that brought her to the office of Dr. Gerald Pitman, who had never before treated a girl so young.

Impressed by her resolve and her mother's silence during their first meeting, signals that the girl was mature and self-motivated, Pitman agreed to operate. When the girl was between the ages of 15 and 18, Pitman did a series of surgeries on her abdomen, thighs, upper arms and breasts.

"Not only did he make me look beautiful, he made me feel beautiful," said the girl, who once wore men's size 38 jeans and is now a sleek women's size 6. Like most of the youngsters interviewed, she spoke on the condition, set by her parents, that she not be identified.

The New Jersey girl rarely looks at her "before" photos, when she had fat rippling from her knees. But she still recalls being "tortured" by classmates, who called her names and shunned her during games of spin the bottle.

"Who would want to be with a fat disgusting girl who can't get out of her own way?" she said now, her hair pulled back to reveal fine cheekbones.

All the doctors interviewed spoke of the need to distinguish a child's wishes from a parent's, which often requires chasing the adult from the examining room during the initial meeting.

Dr. James Baker, a surgeon in a suburb of Orlando, Fla., the state that is second to California in the number of plastic surgery procedures done each year, described one such consultation recently. The mother announced that her daughter was miserable about her nose. The girl sat silent, staring at the floor.

"Why don't you like your nose?" the doctor asked the child.

"My mother thinks it's too big."

"Then why don't we do your mother's nose?"

He rejected the case.

In extreme situations, doctors say, a child-abuse complaint is filed against a parent who insists on a needless operation, since no surgery is without medical risk.

The general surge in cosmetic surgery has its roots in demographics, medical technology and health-care economics. As baby boomers hit 50, they are doing anything and everything to arrest the ravages of age. Meanwhile, new procedures are invented and old ones become safer and less stigmatized.

And plastic surgeons, doing elective procedures not covered by insurance, are aggressively marketing themselves: "No Ifs, Ands or Butts; You Can Change Your Bottom Line in Hours." Last year, 700,000 procedures were done in all age groups, a 70 percent increase from 1992.

"This is a huge problem for the public," said Dr. Jane Petro, a Westchester County plastic surgeon. "There is enormous pressure to do things the patient isn't going to be helped by, because someone shows up with a check."

Consultation with a teen-age patient is a distinct art. It generally involves repeat visits, over several months, to mitigate impulsiveness. The negatives — for example, scarring and loss of sensation following breast enlargement — are stressed. Sometimes meetings with a therapist are required, especially when an eating disorder is suspected.

The doctors say they look for red flags in body language. Does the child smile? Interact easily with the mother? Cringe after disrobing? Does the patient's perception of the defect match the evidence in the mirror? Has the youngster, or the parent, had repeated plastic surgeries?

"They have to be able to tell me what they don't like," Baker said. "And if the answer is 'I'm just ugly,' that's not good enough."

At heart, the doctors are trying to determine whether the youngster's complaint is a realistic cry for help, a frivolous attempt at perfection or a symptom of a more serious psychological problem.

A 12-year-old stooping from the weight of triple-cup breasts, for instance, "qualifies as a medical emergency," said Dr. George Beraka, a Park Avenue surgeon. By contrast, a girl "who hates her nose one day and her ears the next," he said, "maybe needs a psychiatrist."

Doctors disagree about whether they ought to function as therapists as well as surgeons.

"With adolescents, their ideas about their bodies change as fast as their bodies do," said Dr. Nicholas Perricone, a professor of dermatology at Yale University. "They are facing so many issues, so many forces from the outside. We see more neuroses than psychiatrists."

Dr. George Brennan, a plastic surgeon from Newport Beach, Calif., balks at what seems to him psychobabble. "I'm not suggesting you operate on every kid who walks in the door," he said. "But it's no different than orthodontia. We didn't do psychotherapy before we straightened a teen-ager's teeth."

Some surgeons regularly include psychologists or psychiatrists in their consultations, to weed out patients with psychological problems, like distorted body images. But even girls without serious mental-health problems are often at war with their flesh in many ways.

"The body is a screen on which they project negative feelings about themselves," said Dr. Ann Kearney-Cooke, a Cincinnati psychologist and author of a curriculum to teach girls skills that improve body image. "If they don't know how to handle attention from boys, they want a breast reduction. We need to spend time teaching them to set boundaries."

GIRLS REPRESENT the majority of cases and the more ambiguous ones. Boys usually want their ears pinned back or reduction of enlarged breasts, a condition caused by hormone imbalance.

Beyond body-image issues, some doctors say that refusing plastic surgery for the young may toughen them for the stings and disappointments that lie ahead. "To teach them to deal with adversity, they have to bump into some things in life," said Dr. Susan Craig Scott, a plastic surgeon and mother of a teen-age girl. "There is definitely something to be said for learning to deal with the hand life gives you."

Moreover, sometimes with the passage of time a cosmetic-surgery patient may realize that the desire for such drastic change was an immature mistake. One young woman, for instance, went to Dr. Richard Ellenbogen in Los Angeles a few years ago, when she was a teen-ager, because she hated her crooked nose, she said. Before she knew it, seduced by the glossy brochures in the waiting room, she was on a self-improvement treadmill that included surgery on her chin, ears and breasts, along with liposuction and hair extensions.

Now, just a few sobering years later, she sees it was a mistake to "get so caught up in it" and said she would caution a daughter to think twice. "I'd want her not so set on her looks," she said.

Even when they go along with the idea of surgery, many parents try to caution children that it is not a panacea. One father in Greenwich, Conn., reluctantly let his 10th-grade daughter get a nose job before she left for boarding school. Even after the surgery, he still asks himself whether the girl's unhappiness was a "reflection of something deeper."

"Did she want to change her nose, or did she want to be a different person?" he asked. "I don't think we'll ever be sure."

DEAR ABBY

Restrictions on cell phones bring letters, pro and con

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: This is a response to your answer to Carol Rushing of Omaha, in which you said there should be a law restricting the use of cell phones while driving.

Your knee-jerk reaction harms all of our freedoms. Perhaps you will next suggest we pass laws that state:

- No tuning the radio while driving.
- No looking at your passenger during conversation while driving.
- No adjusting the temperature while driving.
- No driving without eight hours of sleep.

I could go on and on. We'll always have tragic accidents no matter how many laws you try to pass. This potential loss of freedom is much more tragic.


Van Buren

The marketplace can address these issues without requiring more laws. For example, the radio and heat controls could be located on the steering wheel for ease of use while driving. And there's no reason the cell phone can't be integrated into the car to allow hands-free use. Remember the CB radio? Truck drivers have used them for more than 20 years while driving. You just have to give people the time to adjust to new technology, not attach restrictive laws with each new development. — TOM LYNCH, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

DEAR TOM: As someone who has seen drivers holding cell phones in one hand and gesturing with the other while driving, I must disagree. A study in 1997 by the University of Toronto researchers Donald Redelmeier and Robert Tibshirani concluded that drivers talking on cell phones are four times as likely to have an accident as those who do not use cell phones while behind the wheel. The communications director of the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety was recently quoted as saying, "There's no question they (cell phones) contribute to crashes." Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Your suggestion of a law requiring people to pull over to use car phones is a good one. I have read that statistically, talking on the phone while driving is as dangerous as drunk driving. Why isn't this publicized more? My husband commutes, and amost daily must act fast to dodge drivers who are talking on their cell phones while zooming along at 85 mph and darting in and out of freeway traffic. I think phoning and driving should be as illegal as drinking and driving.

How about a campaign, Abby, with slogans and posters: "It was the last call he ever made," or, "There are no phones in coffins," or a picture of a mom in a hospital bed, with the words: "She can't come to the phone right now — she's in a coma." It could save as many lives as Mothers Against Drunk Driving. — MARY SUE PLANCK, SAN FRANCISCO (CALL ME WHATEVER YOU WANT, BUT DON'T DO IT FROM YOUR CAR)

DEAR MARY SUE: Thank you for a letter that's sure to be thought-provoking for many people with cell phones. If it makes just one person pull over and stop before making a call, it will have been worth the space in my column.

P.S. Has anybody ever told you that you have a flair for advertising? The ad campaign you've conceived could be a blockbuster.

DEAR ABBY: My children, from a young age, have been schooled in writing prompt and courteous thank-you letters for gifts or other kindnesses they have received. They understand the importance of this common courtesy. During lunch today, a friend told me about a thank-you note he had received for a gift he had given. The note was received via his computer's e-mail system. I chuckled and wondered whether this electronic note "counted" as a thank-you note.

Abby, is a well-thought-out, polite thank-you note sent via e-mail an appropriate and acceptable way of acknowledging a gift? If the giver's e-mail is on the giver's letterhead, does this make a difference?

Please hurry your answer. My son's bar mitzvah is approaching and I think it would be a cute and novel way of responding. — BEVERLY HILLS M.D.

DEAR M.D.: If someone goes to the trouble and expense of giving your son a bar mitzvah gift, resist the "cute and novel" manner of acknowledging it. For a rite of passage such as this, more formality is required. E-mail is terrific, but save it for less formal occasions.

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Sound advice helps reduce cancer risk

By Jane E. Brody
N.Y. Times News Service

Perhaps most important is that the recommended anti-cancer diet is the very same diet that studies have shown can help to prevent and treat heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes and obesity. In other words, anyone who is interested in maximizing the chances of staying healthy would be wise to consider adopting a diet rich in whole grains, fruits and vegetables that are loaded with fiber, vitamins and minerals and other cancer-fighting chemicals that occur naturally in plant foods.

When words like "cure" and "prevention" appear in the title of a book about a chronic, disabling or life-threatening disease, they often enrich authors and publishers at the public's expense. Such is likely the case with a current best seller, "The Breast Cancer Prevention Diet" by Dr. Bob Arnot, the medical correspondent for NBC.

The book's premise — that adopting a diet rich in soy, flaxseed and fish oils can prevent breast cancer — has been soundly denounced by breast-cancer researchers and patient advocates alike as promising something it cannot possibly deliver.

As Fran Visco, president of the National Breast Cancer Coalition, put it, "There is no breast-cancer prevention diet," and the basis for Arnot's assertion is too flimsy to warrant a radical dietary shift based on a "bet," as he put it, that it will deliver the goods.

Faced with an onslaught of criticism, Arnot now says he should have used the words "risk reduction" instead of "prevention" in his book title.

Critics say the book overextends laboratory findings that have yet to be confirmed in women, suggests dietary changes that have not been tested for long-term safety, and intimates that, counter to all rules of sound medical science, it is foolhardy to wait for definitive proof of effectiveness and safety.

Arnot is not wrong in suggesting that diet plays an important role in the prevention of cancer, including breast cancer. The American Cancer Society estimates that diet is a primary factor in a third of cancer deaths. That estimate is derived from thousands of studies of people worldwide and is supported by findings in laboratory cell cultures and experimental animals.

These studies suggest that a reorientation of American eating habits — to emphasize fruits, vegetables and whole grains and minimize red meats, total fat and especially saturated fats and alcohol — can significantly reduce the likelihood of developing most of the common cancers, like colon and rectum, lung, bladder, stomach, esophagus, mouth, throat and breast.

What cannot be said is that adopting a particular diet can ensure that you won't get cancer, or that if you do, the diet will prevent the cancer from recurring.

Last year the American Institute for Cancer Research and the World Cancer Research Fund released an analysis of more than 4,500 studies that examined the relationship between cancer and diet and exercise.

The conclusion, as summarized in the current issue of Nutrition Action Health Letter: "While there are no guarantees, there is plenty you can do to cut your risk." Simply eating more fruits and vegetables, for example, can eliminate about 20 percent of cancers, the analysis suggests.

Perhaps most important is that the recommended anti-cancer diet is the very same diet that studies have shown can help to prevent and treat heart disease, high blood pressure, diabetes and obesity.

In other words, anyone who is interested in maximizing the chances of staying healthy would be wise to consider adopting a diet rich in whole grains, fruits and vegetables that are loaded with fiber, vitamins and minerals and other cancer-fighting chemicals that occur naturally in plant foods.

A protective diet would also be moderate in animal protein and especially limited in red meats and low in fat, especially saturated fat, simple sugars and alcohol.

In contrast to the low-carbohydrate plan advocated by Arnot, such a diet is rich in carbohydrates — not sugars, of course, but the complex carbohydrates, or starchy foods, particularly in their natural, unrefined, fiber-rich state.

This is also a diet that can help fight obesity, which is strongly linked to an increased risk of breast, uterine and other cancers.

The cancers most directly linked to diet are those that arise in lining tissues throughout the body, especially cancers of the colon and rectum, lung, bladder, stomach and, to a lesser extent, the breast, uterus and prostate. The following dietary suggestions are based on the strongest associations established in studies:

■ **FRUITS AND VEGETABLES** Evidence in people has accumulated rapidly in recent years to support the protective role of plant foods against most cancers. The average American eats only about three or four servings a day of vegetables and fruits, while five servings, and preferably nine, are recommended.

Especially helpful are yellow, dark-green and orange vegetables rich in carotenoids, fruits like citrus, tomatoes and strawberries that are rich in vitamin C, and all the cabbage-family vegetables like broccoli, brussels sprouts, cauliflower, collards, kale, bok choy and mustard and turnip greens.

Such foods are linked to lower risks of lung, stomach, colon and rectum, oral-cavity, esophagus and, to a lesser degree, breast, bladder, pancreas and larynx cancers.

Garlic, onions and leeks contain allium compounds that help prevent cancer, especially breast cancer. To reduce loss of the protective chemicals, these vegetables should be cut up and allowed to stand for 10 minutes before they are cooked.

Other recent findings suggest that the risk of prostate cancer can be reduced by eating lots of cooked tomato products, including ketchup, that are rich in a carotenoid called lycopene, and foods rich in the mineral selenium, like meats, fish, grains and seeds.

■ **SOY AND OTHER DRIED BEANS** These contain plant estrogens that may be beneficial in preventing hormone-related cancers, including breast, uterine and possibly ovarian cancer. A soy-rich diet may in part explain why Asian women have a low risk of these cancers. Dried beans may also help prevent colon cancer. But experts say that beans are most likely to be protective when used in place of meats and when the rest of the diet is low in fat.

■ **WHOLE GRAINS** Wheat bran in whole-grain cereals and breads is strongly linked to protection against colon and rectal cancers, probably because they speed the passage of wastes and reduce exposure of the lower gut to cancer-causing substances.

■ **OTHER HELPFUL FOODS** The list of possible dietary cancer weapons keeps growing. Among recent additions are green tea, olive oil (linked to a lower risk of breast cancer when used in place of other fats) and milk and other foods rich in calcium and vitamin D (linked to a reduced risk of breast and colon cancer).

Though the evidence that flaxseed and fish oils can protect against breast or any other cancer is still highly preliminary, there are many other health benefits associated with eating more fish.

Bridge Winners

The following are bridge winners for Nov. 16-22.

MONDAY
1. B.J. Filley, Herb Wales
2. Marian Sims, Linda Heath Evans
3. Aggie Anguish, Dixie Gifford
4. Helen South, Charlie Grimes

WEDNESDAY
1. Ann Servatius, B.J. Filley
2. and 3. Tie: Flo Curry, Betty Reeves, Sally Whiteley, Marianne Slay
4. Mary Hammond, Buf Slay

THURSDAY
1. Bitsy Loewenstein, Corrinne Recer
2. Harriet Herd, Snookye Howard
3. Betty Yates, Mildred Stuart
4. Betty Moudy, Bonnie Hubbard

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1. Terri Tedford, Nancy Harris
2. Belle Harris, Joyce Mitchell
3. Martha Poss, Glenda Simmons
4. Wayne Rector, James Simpson

FRIDAY
1. Janet Stoltz, Aggie Anguish
2. Sandra Rea, Kathryn Gesell
3. Billie Ruppe, Laura Williams
4. Mary Hammond, Frances Mills

SATURDAY
1. Gloria Crites, Betty Reeves
2. Marie Morris, Bob Baker
3. and 4. Tie: Laura Williams, Ann Servatius, Aggie Anguish, Sue Gardiner

SUNDAY
1. and 2. Tie: Dixie Gifford, Leonora Slusher, Gloria Crites, Mary Hammond
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Club News

YUCCA GARDEN CLUB

Yucca Garden Club met at Midland Woman's Club. Jean Shows presided; 15 members attended. Minutes were read and amended. Mary Crosby gave the treasurer's report. Virginia Manusos reported on a silverado sage that had been given to the Girl Scout Program Center. Virginia Gilbert reported on the Woman's Club. Christmas plans were discussed. Ms. Crosby moved that members donate money to the scholarship fund at Midland College; Billye Neuhardt seconded the motion. Members of the nominating committee are Anna McMann, Ms. Manusos, Anna Mae Jones, Roberta Bain and Ms. Shows.

The club hosted the meeting of the Midland Woman's Club. Clara Johnston, Neta Dill and Katrina Cain provided decorations. Ms. Manusos introduced Jane George, who presented a musical program. Guests were Charlene Gnagy and Jo Shultz.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

Members of Midland Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, participated in a weekend training exercise at Palo Duro Canyon, along with members of the Amarillo Tigershark Squadron. Members learned skills necessary for leading a ground team to a downed aircraft in remote, rugged terrain. Matt Vann and Cliff Sikes of Midland lead the training.

NARFE

Midland chapter 1281, National Association of Retired Federal Employees, met for officer installation. Howard Palmer installed: James Duffy, president; Arnold Adams, vice president; Harry Griggs, secretary; and Travis Morgan, treasurer. Griggs thanked members for their support during his term as president, and discussed new members. He also announced the Midland chapter received two awards during the state convention in Tyler. Patricia Petosky was recognized for her work as editor of the chapter newsletter; chapter was recognized for its outstandng newsletter.

PRECEPTOR ETA UPSILON CHAPTER, BSP

Preceptor Eta Upsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Donna Snyder. Beverly Acker presided. Cel Wiginton and Peggy Brown gave committee reports. Genell Emerson discussed plans for the next meeting. Virginia Earhart reported on the recent fund-raiser. Neva Garvin discussed donations made to Storybook Christmas and to a needy family at Christmas. Ms. Snyder discussed plans for the Valentine dance and gave a program on "Dallas and Fort Worth."

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THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL HOLIDAY FOODRIVE

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On Tuesday, December 8, Memorial Hospital of Midland will once again hold their annual Food Drive to collect food items, both perishable and non-perishable for the less fortunate of the Permian Basin.

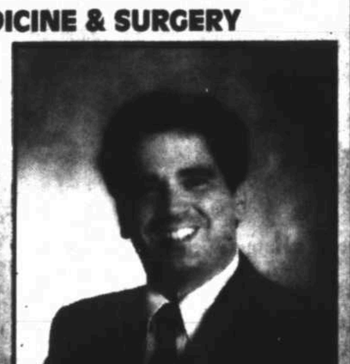
This is your opportunity to be a part of the giving tradition which has helped thousands of families, through the Permian Basin Food Bank, during the past 10 years. This is the only time that the community can donate perishable items, such as fruit, meat, milk, eggs, etc. Bring your food items to the Abell-Hanger Medical Pavilion at 200 Andrews Highway.

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BETTER HEALTH

In addition to hot reputation, chilies spice up life, health

By Rallie McAllister, M.D.

If you enjoy the fire-in-your-belly feeling you get from a bowl of red-hot chili, eat up. Hot peppers not only spice up your life, they may improve your health.


McAllister

For centuries, hot peppers have been used to add sparks to recipes. And for just as long, medicine men and women around the world have used hot peppers as medicinal agents to stimulate digestion and circulation, treat symptoms of the common cold and provide pain relief for everything from arthritis to toothaches.

The heat source in hot peppers is capsaicin (cap-say-sun), a powerful and versatile substance that can be detected in concentrations as low as one part in 11 million. Capsaicin is the irritant that makes "pepper spray" such an effective weapon. It's a major ingredient in products marketed to warm your hands and feet and even those designed to stimulate hair growth on balding heads.

The hottest topic in capsaicin research is its role in lowering cholesterol levels and preventing blood clots. When pepper-eating Thai populations were noted to have a low incidence of strokes caused by blood clots in the brain, scientists took a closer look. They found that a high-capsaicin diet increases the fibrinolytic, or "clot-busting," ability of blood, and decreases the risk of stroke.

Capsaicin lowers cholesterol levels in experimental turkeys eating high-fat diets, and is thought to do the same in humans. Capsaicin has antioxidant properties — it disarms toxic free radicals and keeps them from damaging body tissues. Some endurance athletes take capsaicin tablets to reduce the muscle breakdown that results from strenuous exercise.

You probably know from experience that nothing can clear your sinuses like a little nuclear salsa or five-alarm chili. Capsaicin has been used for centuries as a natural decongestant and expectorant in the treatment of the common cold. It stimulates secretions from mucous membranes, unclogging airways in your nose and lungs.

Most of us have heard that spicy food can cause heartburn, but capsaicin may protect your digestive tract from ulcers. Capsaicin increases blood flow to the stomach lining, keeping it healthy and speeding repairs. Capsaicin also stimulates peristalsis, the muscular contractions of the intestines that propel food through the digestive tract toward its ultimate destination.

But capsaicin's most important benefit may lie in its pain-killing properties. You experience pain when injured nerve endings in your skin or mucous membranes release a chemical messenger called substance P, which is responsible for transmitting the sensation of pain from the injured nerves up the spinal cord and to your brain, where it is processed. Once your brain gets the message delivered by substance P, you realize that you are in pain, and you say "ouch" (or some other four-letter word).

But when capsaicin is placed on nerve endings in skin and mucous membranes, it stimulates those nerves to release their entire supply of substance P. Once the substance P is depleted, it's no longer available to relay the pain message to your brain. Although you still have the injury, the message can't be delivered to your brain and you don't experience the pain — at least until more substance P is made, which can take a few hours.

This is the theory that led doctors to give capsaicin a try in the treatment of cluster headaches. And it worked. A capsaicin compound sprayed into the nostril on the same side as the headache brings relief in about 75 percent of the people who use it.

Long before anyone knew about substance P, hot pepper was used to quiet throbbing toothaches, and hot pepper salve was rubbed on painful arthritic joints. Capsaicin is still sold in over-the-counter creams and gels in preparations like Zostrix and Capzasin P. These preparations are approved by the Food and Drug Administration for the relief of postherpetic neuralgia, a painful condition that results from nerve damage caused by shingles. They're also effective in temporarily relieving the pain of arthritis.

Even if you don't need the medicinal benefits of peppers, you can still enjoy the challenge of eating them. The heat that a pepper packs is measured in Scoville Units, named in honor of Wilbur Scoville, who first experimented with pepper power in 1912. The innocent bell pepper has zero Scoville Units, while the average jalapeno has about 5,500. The hottest pepper in the world — the habanero — has about 250,000 Scoville Units.

As a rule, the smaller the pepper, the hotter it tastes. Capsaicin is produced by pepper membranes, and then drawn into the seeds. Eating the whole pepper — seeds and all — gives you the highest concentration of capsaicin, and the most heat. Peppers grown in hot climates have nearly double the capsaicin content of those grown in cooler climates.

If you accidentally set your mouth on fire, don't try to douse the flames with water. Milk is the best antidote, but holding a piece of bread or a spoonful of plain rice in your mouth can help too.

If you enjoy torching your taste buds, fire away. Hot peppers add more than just spice to your life.

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Grow piece of history: Saplings from famous trees are for sale

By Gaile Robinson
N.Y. Times News Service

The tree is the most profound sight at the Alamo.

Anyone who has been to Texas' most famous historical attraction in the last half of this century knows immediately which tree: the enormous, undulating live oak that dominates the courtyard.

The Alamo tree is for sale; so are Austin's Treaty Oak and the Hanging Oak of Goliad. Cuttings and seedlings from many of America's most famous trees are being sold by American Forests, the oldest nonprofit conservation organization in the United States, through its Historic & Famous Trees program.

There are offspring of the Civil War battlefields — Pickett's Charge Black Walnut from Gettysburg, and the Antietam Sycamore. There are apple trees that are believed to have been planted by John Chapman, the arboreal enthusiast better known as Johnny Appleseed.

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Jeff Meyer, the project's organizer.

Look on the back of a $20 bill (not the new, big-headed Andy version, but the old one, still in circulation) and to the left of the White House, you'll see a large magnolia. President Andrew Jackson brought it from the Hermitage in 1829 in memory of his wife, Rachel. It is the oldest tree on the White House lawn, and it, too, has been propagated.

"We identify trees that are significant to our history," says Jeff Meyer, the project's organizer. For more than 100 years, the organization has cataloged the trees; several years ago, the growing program was instituted. And now, people can grow a part of American history.

"Nowhere is the response more enthusiastic than Texas," Meyer says.

It's no wonder. Texans have many trees from which to choose, such as Sam Houston's kissing tree. "It's quite significant to Texas history," Meyer says. "In 1857, several people in San Marcos were at the train station waiting for the arrival of Sam Houston, who was running for governor. Mary Elizabeth Davis had made a flag to present to Houston, and upon receiving it, he kissed her. The old oak has become known as the Sam Houston kissing bur oak. It has seeds as big as baseballs."

Meyer has grown offspring of other, less famous Texas trees, such as the Ben Milam bald cypress, the tree that held a Mexican sniper during the Texas Revolution in December 1835; the Trinity River Bur Oak, a tree that marked a favorite camping spot of the Caddo Indians; and the Masonic Live Oak.

It was under the latter tree that Anson Jones, first grand master of Texas Masonic Lodges, assembled his organization in Brazoria County in 1834.

Sycamore seeds have traveled the farthest to be included in the program. Astronaut Stuart Roosa, a member of Apollo 14 and a former fire jumper in the forest service, took seeds into space. Those seeds have grown into Moon Sycamores.

The Goose Island Live Oak, though, is by far the tree with the strangest tale to tell. It is one of the nation's largest and oldest trees, estimated to be more than 1,000 years old.

Legend has it that the tree grows where cannibalistic Karankawas held pagan ceremonies, devouring their enemies. Early visitors to the area, near Rockport, may have included explorers Alvar Nunez Cabeza de Vaca in 1528 and Robert Cavelier, Sieur de La Salle, in 1864.

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For more information, call (800) 320-8733.

Gaile Robinson writes for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Secret society: Grin and share it

By Liz Stevens
N.Y. Times News Service

If you're happy and you know it ... keep it to yourself, thanks.

Happiness, it sometimes seems, has gone the way of Tab cola and Milli Vanilli, fading into oblivion. It's hip to be hopeless, stylish to be stressed and popular to be a pitiable sap spreading gloom and bad juju. Even Ann Landers seems to be toeing the "No one wants to hear about your good fortune" line. Maybe it's the Jerry Springer effect.

Whatever it is, Pam Johnson is tired of it; she's not mad, mind you, because that would be a waste of mental energy. Instead, she is doing something to counteract the widespread negativity she encounters daily.

In August, Johnson founded the Secret Society of Happy People. It might sound corny), but Johnson's message strikes a universal chord: We spend way too much time whining about our problems and way too little time acknowledging the good moments.

"There are 100-something 12-step groups that exist, and that has a place in our society," Johnson says, "but there's really not much out there that says, 'It's OK to be happy, just because.' "

Think about conversations with friends, family and co-workers: They probably focus on negative events, Johnson notes. "If you go to work and you tell people that you're happy, people make jokes; they don't want to hear it," she adds. On the other hand, "If you have a horrible morning, you get a lot of sympathy."

Johnson points to a recent Ann Landers column in which the advice maven agreed with writers who insisted that people who send holiday cards should omit their good news: "Spare us the details of the Ivy League schools your children are attending and the honors and awards they have received during the year ..." wrote "Your Cousins in Illinois."

In response, Johnson drafted a news release calling the column "a blatant public example" of the attitude she is combating, and sent it via overnight mail to various TV personalities and talk-show hosts.

Johnson, who lives in Irving, began teaching personal empowerment workshops at local community centers several years back. Her clients encouraged her to publish a newsletter, and Johnson added a humor column following the antics of a fictitious Secret Society of Happy People. The made-up members of SSOHP were so vilified by the outside world that they wore bags over their heads when attending meetings.

But then real people started asking Johnson if they could join the club, and voila: The Web site (www.sohp.com) went up in September, the first newsletter is scheduled for mailing this month, and more than 50 people nationwide have coughed up $30 to become official members. (Each one receives a T-shirt, lapel pin, bumper sticker, quarterly newsletter and opportunity for a pen pal.)

The goal of SSOHP is to move people away from bonding based on "woundology," a term coined by "Anatomy of the Spirit" author Caroline Myss. "I don't think there's anything wrong with overcoming your wounds," says Johnson, 32. "But we've come to a place where we wear them like a badge of courage."

"There's a lot of very heavy things in life day-to-day, either personally or worldwide, and I think sometimes this whole idea of happiness does get lost," says Joan Teeter, a SSOHP member in Waverly, N.Y. Teeter, like Johnson, works as a regional representative for the publishing arm of the Minnesota-based Hazelden Foundation, famous for its addiction-treatment center.

"I think a lot of people become connected through pain, and I'm not saying that that's a bad thing," Teeter adds. "But there seems to be this component that that's all they talk about, and there's so much more to life than that."

Johnson urges a stop-and-smell-the-roses approach. Give as much time to dwelling on the great things in life as to the cruddy stuff, she says, and encourage others to share positive thoughts.

"Most people laugh at me at first, and then they get it," Johnson says. "It's one of those things that they already somewhat know."

"When you deal with people who have a positive outlook, who aren't afraid to be happy and admit that they're happy, it tends to rub off," says Andre Freimann, a neighbor of Johnson's and SSOHP member. "You know, when you smile, other people smile."

Liz Stevens is a writer for the Fort Worth Reporter-Telegram.

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GRACIE BONDS STAPLES

Grave sites needed for miscarried infants, stillborn

By Gracie Bonds Staples
N.Y. Times News Service

Since the day the postman turned it over to me nearly eight years ago, the small wooden box — about 2 inches by 4 inches — has sat undisturbed on the mantel in my den.


Staples

I wish I had the emotional strength to open it, to touch the ashes inside, to smell them, but I don't. I had loved Snuggles — the Samoyed my husband gave me as a wedding present — as if she were a child.

Just about the time we were settled into our new home in Fort Worth and were ready to send for Snuggles, my friend who had been caring for her in Sacramento called to say that my dog had died. Rather than bury her in California, I asked that she be cremated and her ashes forwarded. The thought of having her so far away was too painful.

I don't think much about losing Snuggles anymore; somehow, I find comfort in the presence of that small wooden box. There is no such comfort, however, when I remember the baby I miscarried.

He was at 11 weeks gestation, and few states, if any, would even consider him human.

And so today, I hope someone will read my words and do for me and other Texas women who've lost their babies what the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center has done for women in Pennsylvania.

Several weeks ago, I read a story on the news wire about a $12,000 communal burial site for stillborn babies, miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies had been dedicated in September and will be maintained by the medical center through private donations.

Graveside services will be held quarterly, and infants will be buried in common graves, each marked by a gray stone. The first memorial service was held Nov. 2.

Such burial sites are becoming increasingly common, said Fran Rybarik, director of Bereavement Services of Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse, Wis., the model for the Hershey program.

"When we do the training, we ask people to look at what's available and fill the gap," Rybarik said. "But not all programs opt to provide the burial site."

At least two Fort Worth hospitals, John Peter Smith and Harris Methodist downtown, offer services to couples who have lost a baby through miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth or neonatal death. At John Peter Smith, an annual memorial service is held for people who have suffered those sorts of losses. A marker dedicated to "the memories of our babies" stands at the hospital's west entrance, proclaiming "our tears for lost smiles, our grief for lost dreams and our courage to find them." But although some funeral homes provide a designated area for infants, no common burial ground is available in Fort Worth.

In a world that sometimes seems to honor its pets more than it does its children, it is the least we can do.

Because there are few, if any, tangible memories of these infants, "many people minimize the loss," said Dan Baker, coordinator of John Peter Smith's perinatal bereavement program.

To alleviate the problem, both Fort Worth hospitals work to create memories for parents when possible, taking pictures of the infant, for instance, or allowing parents to hold the baby.

"Sometimes people want to view the baby, even if it's just tissue," Baker said. "We don't push this on people, but if they need to do that, it's very therapeutic."

Depending on the size of the fetus — 20 weeks gestation or more under Texas law — some parents are given a birth and death certificate.

But if you miscarry before then, as I did 10 years ago, there are no tangible memories. It is as if your baby never existed.

A common burial ground could help change that.

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Feminist says child care now key issue for women

By Judy Holland
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — As the grande dame of feminism, Betty Friedan helped lead women into a work world of better pay and improved access to jobs and promotions.

Now, at 77, this grandmother of seven says child care is the next challenge for women.

Feminists "will not be able to declare victory until the raising of children is seen equally as a man's responsibility as well as a woman's," she declared in a recent interview.

U.S. society is too "mother-centered," in Friedan's view. "Issues like child care are seen as women's issues and the explicit assumption is that the mother is guilty if she goes to work or school. Everything is the mother's job. But it should be a combination."

Friedan says the single greatest need for women these days is a national child-care program. This is one of her frequent topics as she travels around the global lecture circuit.

Friedan, who founded the National Organization for Women and was its first president from 1966 to 1970, is critical of the organization in its present mode.

NOW "lacks the proper leadership" and should focus on trying to make child care and parenting less daunting for working women, rather than fighting for issues such as gay rights. Friedan coined the term "lavender menace" in the 1970s when criticizing NOW for adding lesbian issues to its agenda.

ALTHOUGH FRIEDAN doesn't mention the current NOW president by name, her obvious target is NOW president Patricia Ireland. Under Ireland's direction, NOW has focused on such issues as violence against women, sexual harassment, abortion rights, family planning and lesbian and gay rights.

Ireland responds to the criticism by arguing that the feminist movement "is a movement that opposes oppression" in any form. From that vantage point, child-care issues "are too narrow a focus for the feminist movement," says Ireland, who goes out of her way to praise Friedan.

"Betty has an extraordinarily important role in the history of this wave of the women's rights movement and its current campaigns," Ireland said. "I would not relegate her to history, she is very much an instigator and an active leader."

However, Ireland says Friedan only helped one segment of American women. She "gave voice to a particular constituency, which was women like her, women who had been full-time moms and wives and who had a disquiet that they had no name for. And it was and is an important constituency. It gave a identity to the burgeoning feminist movement."

By contrast, Ireland describes herself as "a full service" feminist, dedicated to a broad range of issues including lesbian rights, "which to me, is a core value." She also says child care should not be the top priority for women. Instead, it should be getting equal pay at a time in which they earn 74 cents on the dollar compared to men.

Friedan, whose father was a wealthy merchant, describes an affluent childhood in Peoria, Ill., in which her mother "rang a bell" if she needed something.

Unlike Ireland, Friedan says the battle for women's rights is just about won and says "it's just a matter of time" before women reach full equality.

Friedan is now the same age as veteran astronaut John Glenn. Although she had her second heart valve replacement last year, Friedan is going full blast, spending her mornings writing in her large sunny living room in the Wyoming, an ornate apartment building in the racially diverse Adams Morgan section of Washington, D.C.

She fills her days and nights with lectures, panels, writing and hobnobbing with the intellectual elite; she appears to relish her role as a historic symbol for women's rights.

Her living room is furnished with exquisite antique furniture, brightly colored modern paintings and an oil portrait of herself decades ago with longer, darker hair — and with the books that helped make Betty Friedan a household name.

FRIEDAN'S MOST famous book, "The Feminine Mystique," published in 1963, helped spark the fight for equal rights and opportunities for women. After producing other books on women's rights, she broadened her repertoire in 1993 with "The Fountain of Age," about how people will grow older with increased vigor and creativity.

Ben Wattenberg, a senior fellow at the American Enterprise Institute who has known Friedan for many years, says she is an "idea-preneur" and an "institution," whose book on aging "is worth its weight in gold." He says Friedan exemplifies how people are increasingly growing older with vigor.

Friedan's daughter, Emily, a pediatrician in Williamsville, N.Y., said her mother always had an immense amount of energy, but — referring to her mother's frenetic schedule — adds: "Some of us think she's running, but she's trying to keep one step ahead of the grim reaper."

DIVORCED FOR NEARLY three decades, she has two other grown children, Jonathan an engineer in Philadelphia, and Daniel, a Rutgers University physicist in Princeton, N.J.

Friedan goes out to lunch and dinner almost every day she's at home in Washington, and she often attends social events or lectures at clubs where she is a member, such as the Cosmos Club, the Arts Club of Washington or the National Press Club.

A small woman with wispy white-grey hair and a penchant for offbeat clothing, she is often approached by middle-aged or elderly strangers who stop to thank her for her role in the feminist movement.

While she doesn't cook, she is apt to invite friends over for cocktails in her dining room, where she keeps a well-stocked bar on a large mirrored antique sideboard.

Friedan is a die-hard fan of President Clinton, and praises him for policies that have helped women, such as expanding the earned income tax credit for lower income families so they can use the money for child care.

These days, in her lectures and writing, she is casting out broad intellectual nets in search of solutions to the dilemma of how to strike a better balance between work and family.

She has been cautious to include men as well as women in her discussions of how to lighten the parenting load on working mothers.

"A person with her history and visibility is capable of drawing attention to ideas and can really exert influence," said William Galston, a fellow at the Brookings Institution, a Washington think tank. "She is playing a leading role in a policy game."

Author to review book at luncheon

Staff Reports

En Amie Review Club will meet for luncheon and program 11:30 a.m. Dec. 9 at Green Tree Country Club. Leslie Williams, author of "Seduction of the Lesser Gods," will review her book.

Ms. Williams earned a doctorate degree in literature from the Uiversity of Houston in 1994. She is division chairman for Fine Arts/Communications and teaches English and creative writing at Midland College.

She is also the author of "Night Wrestling," and has written and published poetry in periodicals such as River Sedge, Christianity and Literature, Radex and The Christian Century.

The wife of Stockton Williams, rector of the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, she is the mother of two children.


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Spring registration

Telephone and early registration for all students who want to enroll at Midland College for Spring 1999 classes is through Dec. 11. Registration resumes Jan. 4 after the Christmas break. Spring classes begin Jan. 19.

Students have four registration options:

—Students who have completed the necessary paperwork and have been cleared by Student Services to register may schedule appointments with faculty members to receive advising and scheduling help and then complete the telephone registration process from faculty offices.

—This is an addition to MC's telephone registration process, which allows eligible students to register from their home telephone by calling 685-4513.

—Students who have passed the TASP and who have been cleared to enroll may enroll themselves at computer terminals in the Career Center in the Student Service area of the Scharbauer Student Center.

—Registration in the Student Services office is open to all students. Those students who have not taken the TASP test or who have not passed the TASP test must register in person with the counseling staff.

For information about the TASP test, registration or financial aid, contact a counselor at 685-4505.

Winter interim session

Student can earn three hours of college credit in just 12 days during Midland College's Winter Interim session Dec. 21-Jan. 8.

The session offers nine classes, in courses including history, English and economics.

Registration for the interim session is through Dec. 11 or 8-9 a.m., Monday, Dec. 21 in the Roadrunner Room, Scharbauer Student Center. Classes begin immediately following registration Dec. 21.

New York City trip

The Midland College Drama Department is offering a "Backstage on Broadway Tour" to New York City May 21-26. The approximate cost of $1,000 includes airfare, hotel accommodations, seminars with theatre professionals, tours of city landmarks and tickets to attend a several Broadway and off-Broadway performances.

All participants must be at least 18 years old and be enrolled in Theatre Appreciation as a credit or continuing education student or be an employee of Midland College.

A deposit of 33 percent of the trip cost is due Jan. 15, 1999; another 33 percent is due Feb. 15; and, the last 33 percent is due March 15.

For more information or to make reservations, contact Dr. David R. Allen, group leader, 686-4205.

Washington, D.C. trip

Midland College will offer a Government/History travel course to Washington, D.C., during the 1999 spring interim, May 17-June 3.

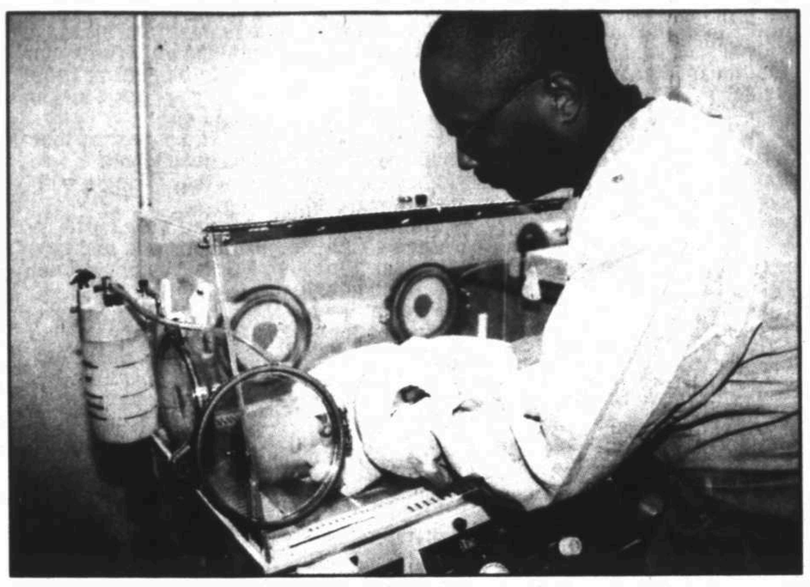
Students may enroll in Government 2302, Government 2304, History 1301, or History 1302.

The courses consist of classroom lecture and one week in the nation's capital. The cost of the trip is $785, which includes roundtrip airfare and hotel accommodations at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Old Town Alexandria.

Openings for the courses will be limited. Students interested in any of the courses should contact Lee Almaguer at 685-4739 or the division office at 685-4640.

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Respiratory care student Will Jones practices using a suction to remove secretions from a baby's nose and mouth. While students get practical experience working with real patients in clinical settings, this baby is one of the many "dummies" in Midland College's health science labs.

"It's a fast and easy way to start a career with good pay or become multi-skilled if you already have a health care job."

—Bob Weidmann
Respiratory Care director

Every breath you take

By Erika Tarin

Respiratory program involves students in patient care

As in any allied health field, respiratory care training means many intense hours of studying, many hours of lab practicals, and learning about endless numbers of diseases and infections, but students in Midland College's program say the profession brings both personal and financial rewards.

"It's a fast and easy way to start a career with good pay or become multi-skilled if you already have a health care job," according to Bob Weidmann, instructor and respiratory care director.

Respiratory care is a complete diagnostic and therapeutic management study and care of patients with abnormalities associated with the respiratory system.

According to 1996 data from the American Association for Respiratory Care, first-year students can expect a starting salary at $29,000 a year. Those who finish the program at Midland College can expect to be paid $36,000 a year, Weidmann said.

But, student Mirna Trejo said she had a personal reason for choosing respiratory care. She said the program was important to her because of the problems associated with her husband's critical respiratory problems.

"Although my husband has severe asthma, I have learned how to regulate his medicine and perform follow-ups after asthma attacks that will help him in the long run," she said.

This chance to be involved in both patient care and diagnostic work—quickly translating classroom lessons to the clinical setting, is an important part of the program.

Students apply what they learn in class to hands-on work at local hospitals and clinics, gaining important knowledge by working side-by-side with physicians, nurses, radiographers and others in the health care field, Weidmann said.

"The clinical experience is what makes our students more appealing to hire," he said.

Working with real patients, students experience situations that can not be taught in the classroom setting.

The clinical experience in the hospital setting includes working in the pulmonary lab, intensive care units, special care nurseries and general respiratory therapy sessions.

Students get diagnostic experience by performing bedside procedures including measuring a patient's pulse and monitoring blood pressure and assisting therapists with procedures in the laboratory and operating room.

According to Trejo the work she does at lab clinicals is helpful in learning first-hand the different functions and effects of medicine and equipment.

She said the program gave her the opportunity to experience and train in procedures such as administering breathing treatments and exercises in infants.

The program is designed to match the student's technical and scientific skills to the demands of the fast-paced critical care environment. Involvement for many students includes life-saving and life-support situations.

Respiratory care is a unique program for students looking for advancement and job security, Weidmann said. Students can work with all different kinds of patients, from newborns to senior citizens.

The program focuses on asthma and lung diseases that are connected to difficulties in breathing. The skills and knowledge are taught through formal programs of lecture and laboratory preparation including anatomy, physiology, medical terminology, chemistry, microbiology and therapeutic procedures.

The program also includes training in relating to patients and understanding medical ethics. Students learn the bases for respiratory care their first year including breathing difficulties in premature babies, chronic lung disease in pediatric and adult patients and basic patient assessment.

As second-year students, they continue to gain understanding of airway care, the usage of mechanical ventilators, critical care patients, and post-operative care. Students finish the program with an Associate in Applied Science.

Program graduates quickly receive many job offers from local hospitals and doctors who are in need for respiratory care practitioners, Weidmann said.

Because of limited enrollment, students are advised to apply early in the year. Notification occurs during the summer prior to the fall semester. Financial aid is available for those who qualify. For more information about the program, call 685-4600.

Phi Theta Kappa honor society to induct 31 new members

Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society, will induct 31 students in a candlelight ceremony 7:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 7 in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center.

Phi Theta Kappa was designed to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students. To achieve this, the organization provides opportunity for the development of leadership and service.

The following MC students will be inducted: Maricela Alvarado, Crystal Austin, Trichelle Barber, Kerri Bell, Gage Brasher, Jeremiah Cain, Clifford Carpenter and Donna Carrasco.

Also, Tonya Carroll and Timothy Coleman, Letitia Cox, Deborah Rayeburn-Dimmig, Vikki Dupree, Kim Edwards, Debra Ferguson, Ashley Greenwood and Michelle Hernandez.

Also, Steven Hirt, Kim McKandles, William Plunk, Mike Porter, Latisha Potter, Mirella Ramos, Cindy Rives, Megan Shepherd, Brandon Speed, Melinda Tate, Olivia Valenzuela, Heather Walker, Holly Walker, Katherine Wilks and Edwina Ybarra.

Phi Theta Kappa officers are Odessa Keeran, president; and, Andrea Knapp, Malia Albin and Leah Spears, vice presidents.

Phi Theta Kappa advisers are Aline Collins and Sherry Kiser. Chloice Shofner and Dale Westfall are co-advisers.

Continuing education schedules CPR, spender smarter techniques, computer software courses

The following continuing education courses begin in the next several weeks at Midland College. For registration information, call 685-4518.

Concealed Handgun will be 6-10 p.m., Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, Dec. 8, 10 & 11 and time to be arranged on Saturday, Dec. 12 at Midland Shooters Association. Tom Vannaman and James Fitz-Gerald are the instructors.

Spending Smarter Techniques will 6:30-9:30 p.m., Monday, Dec. 7. Lynda Kramer is the instructor.

Microsoft Excel will be 6-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12 and 1-6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 13. Chris Cunningham is the instructor.

Microsoft Office will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, Dec. 11. Ofelia Welch is the instructor.

CPR for Health Care Professionals will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12. Gary Roberts is the instructor.

Medic First Aid/CPR will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 12. Alfred Bersosa is the instructor.

Real Estate Mandatory Continuing Education will be 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 12 and 13. Donna Gore is the instructor.

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Search for 'perfect cookie' yields many

By Marcia Langhenry
N.Y. Times News Service

For years I've been on the trail of the perfect cookie.

In my mind, it has just a few ingredients, ones that are easy to find and aren't too difficult either to mix or to bake. It might be crunchy, but it isn't necessarily chocolate. And most of all, it is more delicious than any other.

In my husband's mind, it's a Mallomar.

For me, it's a Viennese Crescent — a sublime and proportionally superior combination of vanilla sugar, freshly mashed walnuts, unsalted butter and flour that meets all my expectations when it's cookie baking time.

Cookie cutters seem to stamp out copies of themselves in my kitchen, where every year I wonder how the stuff multiplies. There are three cookie presses, decorating bags, cookie stamps, cutters shaped like letters and numbers, airplanes, trucks and dogs. Santas, angels, stars, wise men and sprucelike trees are there, too, although one nontraditional year we decorated palm trees and had Santa truck in the gifts.

This year, while looking for cookies that don't contain butter — because the price of a pound hovered around $4 — I found a new keeper in the gingersnaps in Elinor Klivans' new book, "125 Cookies to Bake, Nibble and Savor" (Broadway, $25). Klivans also offers great tips on freezing cookies wrapped by twos in plastic wrap and storing in metal or plastic freezer containers.

Other cookie-baking tips:

■ Turn cookie sheets halfway through baking, even if you're baking only one sheet. Ovens have hot spots, and cookies will bake more evenly if turned.

■ Line cookie sheets with parchment paper, available in the baking supplies section of most large grocery stores and at kitchen specialty shops.

■ Most professionals recommend shiny, heavy-duty cookie sheets, though I've had good results with insulated sheets. Whatever your preference, let them cool between uses.

■ Unless the recipe says otherwise, chill dough before baking.

■ If a recipe doesn't specify how to cool the cookies, cool on the sheets for a minute or two, then transfer to wire racks to cool completely.

VIENNESE CRESCENTS
Makes 6 dozen crescents

Introductory remarks on this seemingly simple recipe caught my eye: "When this recipe was first published in The (New York) Times, one food authority wrote that it was, in her opinion, the greatest cookie recipe ever devised." How could I resist? Because there are so few ingredients, use the best. Crack and chop fresh walnuts, use a good-quality vanilla bean and the best butter you can find.

1/4 vanilla bean
1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
1 cup chopped walnut meats
1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, at room temperature
3/4 cup granulated sugar
2-1/2 cups sifted all-purpose flour

Chop the piece of vanilla bean. Pound it in a mortar or pulverize it in an electric blender with about 1 tablespoon of the sugar. Mix with the remaining confectioners' sugar. Cover and let stand, preferably overnight. Cut the walnuts with a sharp knife into very small pieces. Pound the nuts to a paste, using a mortar and pestle.

When you are ready to make the cookies, preheat oven to 350 degrees.

With a wooden spoon or your fingers, mix the walnuts, butter, granulated sugar and flour to a smooth dough. Shape the dough, about a teaspoon at a time, into small crescents about 1-1/2 inches in diameter. Place an inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets.

Bake 15 to 18 minutes, until lightly browned at edges. Put vanilla confectioners' sugar in a shallow dish. Cool the cookies one minute on the sheet, then, while they are still warm, roll them in the vanilla sugar. Store in airtight containers for 3 days, or freeze. — From "The New York Times Cook Book," by Craig Claiborne (Harper & Row, 1961)

Per cookie: 62 calories, 1 gram protein, 4 grams fat (percent calories from fat, 51), 7 grams carbohydrates, 7 milligrams cholesterol, less than 1 milligram sodium.

CHOCOLATE-TIPPED BUTTER COOKIES
Makes 4 dozen cookies

This has been my sister-in-law's favorite since it was published by Scripps Howard News Service in 1989.

1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter
1/2 cup sifted confectioners' sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 (6-ounce) package semisweet chocolate morsels
1 tablespoon hydrogenated vegetable shortening

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. With electric mixer, cream butter and confectioners' sugar until fluffy. Add vanilla. Gradually add flour, mixing well with a wooden spoon or the hands. Dough will be dry. Shape dough into sticks about 2-1/2 inches long, 1/2 inch wide and 1/2 inch deep (thick). Place on ungreased cookie sheets about an inch apart. Flatten 3/4 of each cookie lengthwise with fork to 1/4 inch thickness, leaving the patterns of the fork tines in the dough.

Bake 10 to 12 minutes, or until set but not brown. Remove to wire racks to cool.

Combine chocolate morsels and shortening in microwaveable dish; microwave on high (100 percent power) 45 to 60 seconds, or until melted. Or melt in top of double boiler or in a heavy-bottom pan.

Put melted chocolate in a small, deep glass. Dip the thick, plain end of each cooled cookie in chocolate mixture and let excess drip back into the glass. Place cookies on wax paper until chocolate is firm. Store in airtight containers between layers of wax paper for 3 days or freeze.

Per cookie: 77 calories, 1 gram protein, 5 grams fat (percent calories from fat, 63), 7 grams carbohydrates, 10 milligrams cholesterol, 1 milligram sodium.

TOASTED HAZELNUT SHORTBREAD SHAPES DIPPED IN MILK CHOCOLATE
Makes 5 dozen

A shortbread variation, this one is sweetened with toasted hazelnuts and dipped in milk chocolate. Rolling the dough 1/4 inch thick ensures the delicate cookies won't crumble when you dip them. If you don't have heavyweight cookie sheets, reduce the baking time and watch them closely.

1/2 cup cornstarch
3/4 cup peeled hazelnuts, toasted
1-3/4 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 pound plus 4 tablespoons (2-1/2 sticks) soft unsalted butter
2/3 cup superfine granulated sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
Parchment paper
1 tablespoon vegetable shortening
6 ounces milk chocolate, chopped

Put the cornstarch and hazelnuts in the work bowl of a food processor fitted with the steel blade and process with a few short bursts to combine. Process the mixture about 2 minutes, until the hazelnuts are finely ground. Set aside.

Sift the flour, baking powder and salt together. Set aside.

Put the butter in a large bowl and beat with an electric mixer on low speed for 15 seconds. Add the sugar slowly and beat on medium speed for 2 minutes, until the mixture lightens slightly in color and looks smooth. Stop the mixer and scrape the sides of the bowl once during the mixing. Blend in the vanilla. Decrease the speed to low and mix in the nuts. Add the flour mixture and beat just until a soft dough forms. Stop the mixer and scrape the bowl and the beaters during the mixing. Form the dough into two 6-inch discs and wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate until the dough is cold and just firm enough to roll, about 1 hour.

Position 2 oven racks in the lower middle and upper third of the oven. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Line 2 heavyweight baking sheets with parchment paper.

Remove 1 disk of dough from the refrigerator. Lightly flour the rolling surface and rolling pin and roll the dough 1/4-inch thick. Use a 2-inch metal cutter to cut out shapes. With a metal spatula, transfer the cookies to the prepared baking sheets, placing them 1 inch apart. Remove the second disc from the refrigerator and repeat. Gather the scraps together and repeat until all the dough is used.

Bake the cookies for up to 20 minutes, or until they are golden, reversing the baking sheets after 10 minutes front to back and top to bottom to ensure even baking. Cool the cookies on the baking sheets for 5 minutes, then use a wide metal spatula to transfer them to wire racks to cool completely.

Put the vegetable shortening and milk chocolate in a heatproof container and place it over, but not touching, a saucepan of barely simmering water. Stir over the hot water until the chocolate is melted and the mixture is smooth. Put the melted chocolate mixture in a small, shallow bowl. Dip one side of the top of each cookie in the chocolate and place it on the wire rack until the chocolate is firm. Use a sweeping motion to pull one side of the cookie through the chocolate. — From "125 Cookies to Bake, Nibble and Savor" by Elinor Klivans (Broadway, $25)

Per cookie: 69 calories, less than 1 gram protein, 6 grams fat (percent calories from fat, 78), 4 grams carbohydrates, 10 milligrams cholesterol, 16 milligrams sodium.

CHOCOLATE RIBBON COOKIES
Makes 54 cookies

1/2 cup unsalted butter
1/2 cup shortening
1 cup granulated sugar
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/8 teaspoon salt
1 large egg
2 tablespoons milk
1 teaspoon vanilla
3 cups all-purpose flour
1/3 cup semisweet chocolate morsels, melted and cooled
1/2 cup finely chopped nuts
1/2 cup miniature semisweet chocolate pieces
1/4 teaspoon rum flavoring, or 1/2 teaspoon almond or vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a mixing bowl, beat butter and shortening with an electric mixer on medium to high speed for 30 seconds. Add sugar, baking soda and salt; beat until combined. Beat in the egg, milk and vanilla. Beat in as much of the flour as you can with the mixer and stir in remaining flour.

Divide dough in half. Knead the melted chocolate and nuts into half of the dough. Knead the miniature chocolate pieces and rum or other flavoring into the other half of the dough. Divide each of these portions of dough in half.

To shape dough, line the bottom and sides of a 9x5x3-inch loaf pan with wax paper or clear plastic wrap. Press half the chocolate dough evenly in pan. Top with half the vanilla dough, then the remaining chocolate dough, then the remaining vanilla dough, pressing each layer firmly and evenly over the last layer.

Invert pan to remove dough. Peel off wax paper or plastic wrap. Cut dough crosswise into thirds. Then turn each third and slice crosswise into 1/4-inch-thick slices. Place cookies 2 inches apart on an ungreased cookie sheet.

Bake cookies about 10 minutes or until edges are firm and bottoms are lightly browned. Transfer the cookies to a wire rack to cool. — From "Better Homes and Gardens Cookie Classics" (Meredith, $19.95)

Per cookie: 93 calories, 1 gram protein, 5 grams fat (percent calories from fat, 53), 10 grams carbohydrates, 11 milligrams cholesterol, 16 milligrams sodium.

GINGERSNAPS
Makes about 50, 2-1/2-inch cookies

2-1/3 cups unbleached all-purpose flour
2 teaspoons baking soda
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg
3/4 cup canola oil or corn oil (see note)
1/2 cup molasses
1 cup packed dark brown sugar
1 large egg
1/3 cup granulated sugar

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Use either heavy-duty cookie sheets or insulated sheets; line sheets with parchment paper.

Sift the flour, baking soda, salt, cinnamon, cloves, ginger and nutmeg together and set aside.

In a medium bowl, put oil, molasses, brown sugar and egg. Beat with electric mixer until smooth, about 30 seconds. Add flour mixture and mix at low speed until incorporated.

Put the granulated sugar in a small bowl. Drop dough (which will be sticky) by heaping teaspoonfuls into bowl of sugar and, with your fingertips, roll it around until it is completely covered with sugar. Place balls on cookie sheets about 2 inches apart. Bake in center of oven for about 8 to 10 minutes, turning sheet around halfway through baking. Cookies are done when they flatten and tops crack. Cool on baking sheet 2 minutes, then transfer to wire racks to cool completely.

Per serving: 80 calories, 1 gram protein, 4 grams fat (percent calories from fat, 40), 12 grams carbohydrates, 6 milligrams cholesterol, 49 milligrams sodium.

MASTER DOUGH
Makes enough dough for two varieties of cookies

Leslie Glover Pendleton, former food editor of Gourmet magazine, bases her new book on this master dough and how it can be used to make 50 different cookies. If you don't have an 11-cup food processor or an electric stand mixer, you'll get a workout mixing this dough.

1 pound (4 sticks) unsalted butter, softened slightly
1-1/3 cups granulated sugar
1 teaspoon salt (use 3/4 teaspoon if using salted butter)
3 large egg yolks (save the whites for use later)
2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
4-3/4 cups all-purpose flour

If using a heavy-duty electric mixer with paddle attachment: In a large bowl, cream together the butter, sugar and salt. Add the egg yolks and vanilla and beat until smooth. Add the flour gradually, beating on low speed until incorporated. If using a food processor with a steel blade and with a bowl capacity of 11 cups or more: In the food processor, blend the flour, sugar, butter (cut into small pieces) and salt until the mixture is crumbly. Add the yolks and vanilla, and blend the mixture, scraping the bowl occasionally, until it forms a dough. If mixing by hand: In a large mixing bowl, cream together the butter, sugar and salt, stirring with a wooden spoon. Stir in egg yolks and vanilla. Gradually add flour and stir with spoon or mix with hands.

CLASSIC SPRITZ COOKIES
Makes 7 dozen

You can freeze the Master Dough for use later for most of the book's 50 varieties — except this Spritz cookie. Because dough consistency is tricky when using a cookie press, make these right away.

1/2 recipe Master Dough
1/4 cup egg whites, lightly beaten with 2 teaspoons water
DECORATIONS: colored sugars or sprinkles, chopped nuts or glaceed fruits

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Fit the canister of a cookie press with the desired cutting disc. Then fill it with some of the dough. Press out the cookies 1 inch apart on cool, clean, ungreased baking sheets. Brush the cookies lightly with the egg white mixture and decorate as desired.

Bake until the edges are pale golden, 12 to 14 minutes. Let the cookies cool on the sheets for 1 minute, then transfer to wire racks to cool completely. Do not let the cookies cool too long on the sheets or the egg whites and sugar may cause them to stick. — From "One Dough Fifty Cookies," by Leslie Glover Pendleton (William Morrow, $13)

Per cookie: 40 calories, 1 gram protein, 2 grams fat (percent calories from fat, 54), 4 grams carbohydrates, 12 milligrams cholesterol, 16 milligrams sodium.

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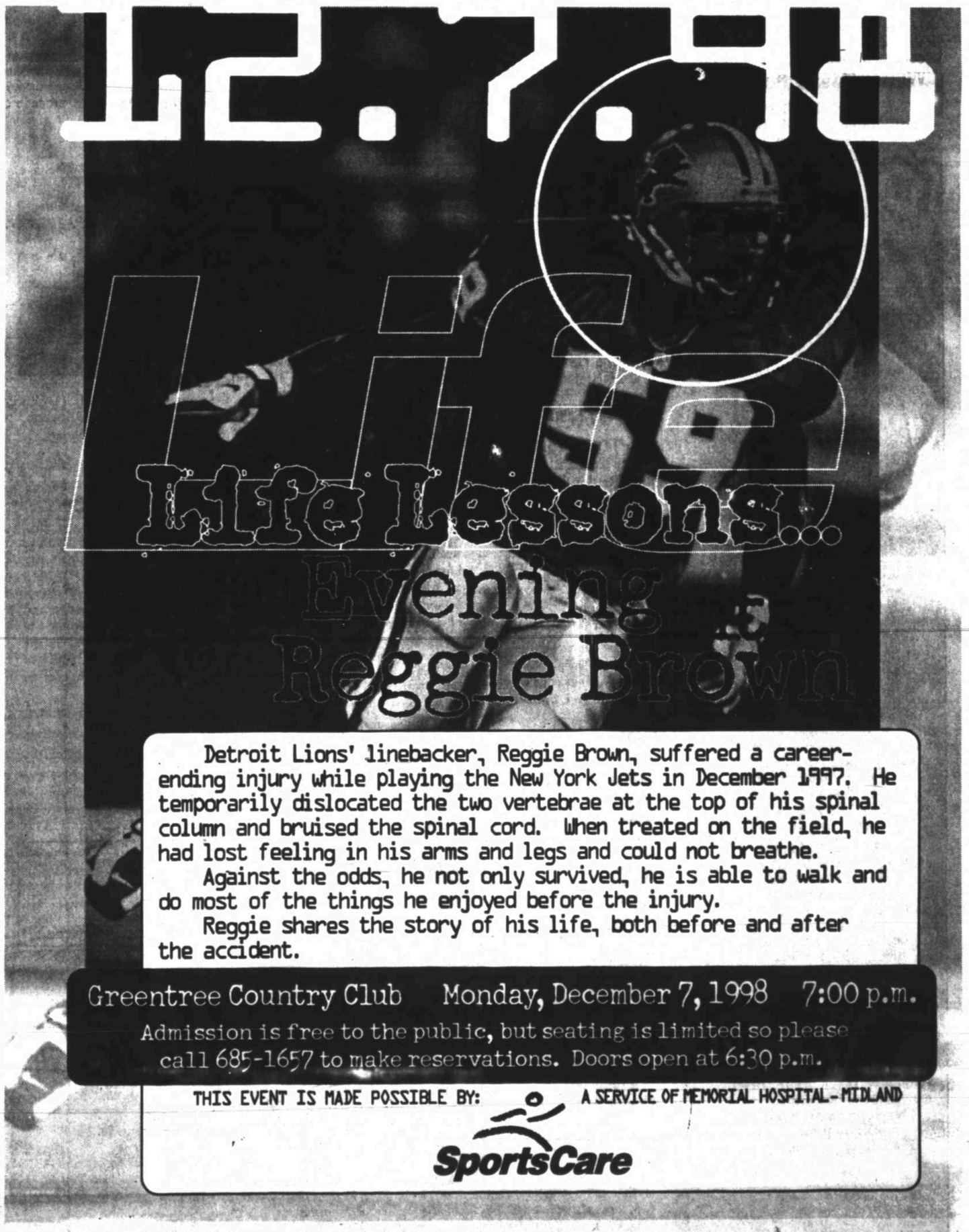
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Against the odds, he not only survived, he is able to walk and do most of the things he enjoyed before the injury.

Reggie shares the story of his life, both before and after the accident.

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14th Annual Installation Banquet

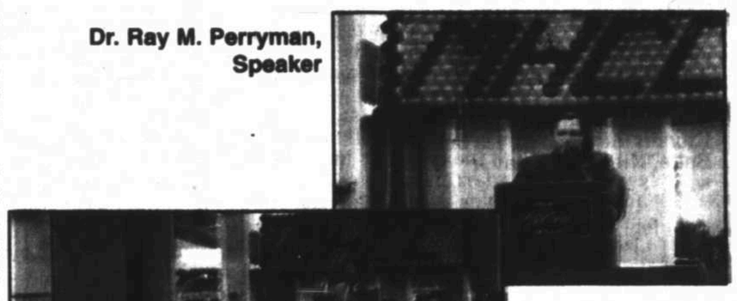
Each year, the chamber membership bids fairwell to outgoing board members, and welcomes incoming members ready to carry on the organization's mission.

With the theme "Strength Through Diversity—-Sharing Commitments & Building Solutions," the MHCC held its annual installation banquet and officially swore in the 1998-99 board of directors. The evening commenced with a social hour, a silent auction, and was immediately followed by the banquet and holiday gala. Former Midlander, Elvia C. Hernandez, now residing in El Paso and serving on the El Paso City Council, preformed the emcee duties for the evening. The evening's keynote speaker was nationally recognized economist Dr. M. Ray Perryman founder and president of The Perryman Group, an economic research and consulting organization. MHCC Immediate Past Chair Patrick Cordero lauded the board of directors for their hard work and accomplishments, and thanked the chamber membership for their support throughout the year. MHCC Chairman Jerry Morales shared his vision for the future and vocalized what is to be his theme for the coming year: "Adelante Juntos," or "Forward United."

Officers and directors for 1998-99 are: Jerry Morales, Chairman; Madeline Garcia, Chair-Elect; Patrick Cordero, Immediate Past Chair; LuAnn Morgan, Vice Chair Economic Development; Roger Robles, Vice Chair Convention & Tourism; Leticia Rendon, Vice Chair Education; Steve Sanchez, Vice Chair Finance; Raul Benavidez, Vice Chair Legislation; Diana Cano, Treasurer; Al Escamilla, Parliamentarian; Sergio Rendon, Director; Gary Walker, Director; Mike Marshal, Director; Mike Flores, Director; Carlos Longoria, Director, and Valentin Gomez, Director.

The Hispanic Chamber wishes to thank Event Corporate Sponsors Bank One and Midland American Bank, and Amigo Sponsors Chase Bank, KWES, Midland Reporter Telegram, NationsBank, Permian Distributing, Southwest Coca -Cola , Standard Sales, Texaco and Westwood Medical Center for helping to make this event possible.

A very special thanks and best wishes to outgoing board members Elena Corrales, Joe Loya, Adela Quiroz and Ruben Vargas for their hard work and contributions.



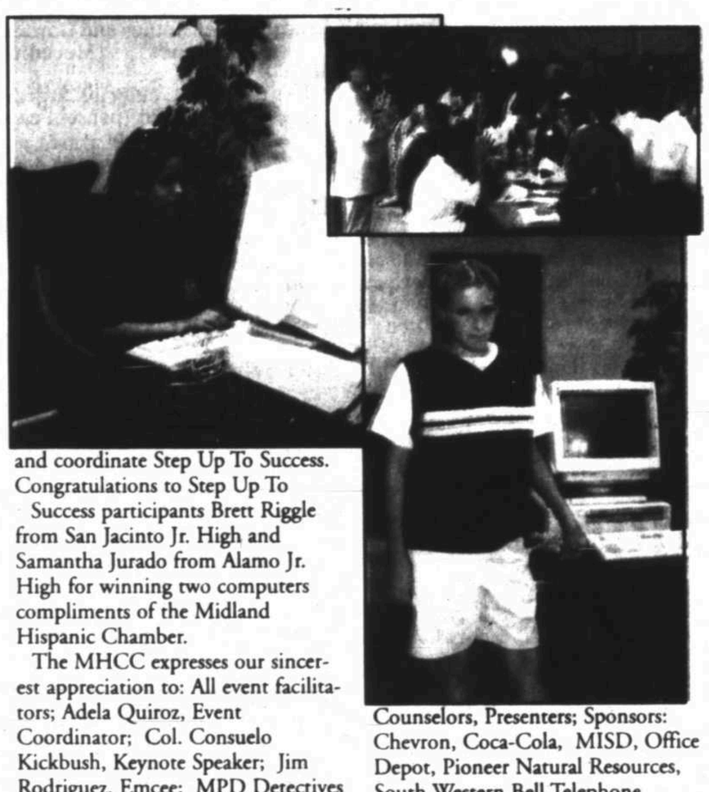
Dr. Ray M. Perryman, Speaker



1998-1999 Officers and Directors being sworn in.

Step Up to Success

The yearly tradition continues as the MHCC concluded a highly successful 1998 Step Up To Success Program. The one day program is designed to provide motivational presenters and facilitators in an effort to increase the self esteem of eighth grade students that have been identified as at risk. One hundred and fifty two students representing Abell, Alamo, Goddard and San Jacinto Junior High Schools, arrived at Carver Center on October 30, and experienced an opportunity to understand the true value of each and every individual in today's society. The event relies on about thirty volunteers who generously contribute their time and efforts to plan and coordinate Step Up To Success. Congratulations to Step Up To Success participants Brett Riggle from San Jacinto Jr. High and Samantha Jurado from Alamo Jr. High for winning two computers compliments of the Midland Hispanic Chamber.



The MHCC expresses our sincerest appreciation to: All event facilitators; Adela Quiroz, Event Coordinator; Col. Consuelo Kickbush, Keynote Speaker; Jim Rodriguez, Emcee; MPD Detectives Division, Presenters; MISD Counselors, Presenters; Sponsors: Chevron, Coca-Cola, MISD, Office Depot, Pioneer Natural Resources, South Western Bell Telephone, Texaco, and Wal-Mart.

TAMACC Quarterly Meeting

The Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce, (TAMACC), is a state level organization consisting of 29 Hispanic chambers from throughout Texas. The Midland Hispanic Chamber was the successful bidder at the previously held quarterly meeting, and was thereby awarded the privilege of hosting the November quarterly meeting in Midland.

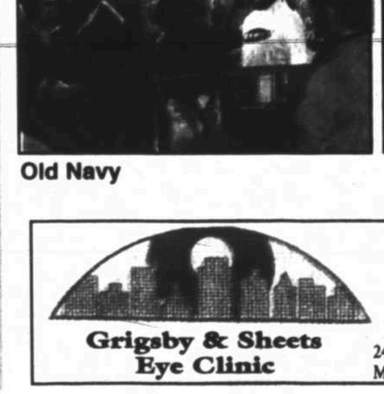




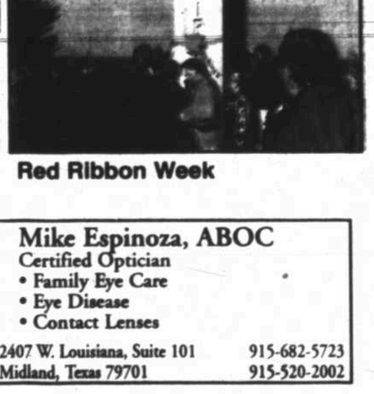
Coinciding with the meeting was a one day festival and special event planning workshop sponsored by the MHCC, TAMACC and the Texas Festival & Events Association. The workshop was structured to inform area CVB's, chambers, non-profits, and sports organizations of the positive financial impact that successful events can have on local economies. Attendees were also provided with up to date information regarding available tools, resources and proven planning strategies that have been tried and tested. Attracting visitors means increased shopping, dining and lodging which also means the infusion of outside dollars into our local economy. The Hispanic Chamber is planning a series of workshops for the coming year, intended to help local businesses and merchants become even more effective at attracting our neighbor's dollars into Midland.



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Annual Retreat

At the onset of each fiscal year, the first order of business for the board of directors is to conduct a board retreat during which the progress of previously set goals and objectives is gauged. The goals and objectives themselves are scrutinized and re-evaluated.

The merits of both past and proposed objectives are discussed, priorities are set, and the year's agenda is forged in the process. It has been the organizations philosophy to engage only in practices that are consistent with the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's mission to advance and improve the economic and social prosperity of all Midlanders.

In November of '98, a retreat was held and an aggressive and highly motivated board worked to adopt goals and objectives for the coming year. A strategic plan was developed to bring each goal to fruition.

The next issue of the MHCC NewsLine will feature a message from the chairman conveying the organizations goals, objectives and vision for the new millennium.

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Contact Person / Owner: Susie Hitchcock Hall
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Susie's South Forty Confections was established in November of 1991 when friend and pecan grove owner Foy Boyd convinced Ms. Hall to take advantage of an over abundance of orchard pecans. Ms. Hall cooked and developed recipes for the business which featured Pecan Toffee as their main product. As of 1998, the business employs a workforce of 35, and has amassed Toffee sales in excess of eighteen and one half tons during the 1998 season alone.

Among Susie's South 40 Confections best sellers are: Texas Pecan Toffee, which is hand made in small batches and coated with Belgian Chocolate, (must be kept frozen or refrigerated), and Fudge Richey, which is hand dipped in Belgian Fudge and coated in chocolate.

Calender Of Events

Wed., December 9, 1998
MHCC Convention & Tourism Meeting
Sidekick's (ARCO Building)
Noon

Wed., December 9, 1998
MHCC Board Meeting
Chase Bank Boardroom (8th floor)
5:30 p.m.

Dec. 12-13
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TRAVEL

Italian countryside home to beauty, mystery

By Cathy Frisinger
N.Y. Times News Service

Unbelievably, our 25th anniversary was approaching. To celebrate, my husband and I planned a trip to Italy with our best friends, also marking that anniversary. The four of us pored over maps and travel books, plotting out an itinerary that would take us through Rome, Florence, Venice — all the usual tourist places. But then I talked to my friend Carol, who had lived in Rome.

"You're just going to the cities?" Pause. I swear I could hear a frown over the telephone.

"I think Capri is my favorite place in the world."

So we eventually found ourselves on the Circumvesuviana, the train that rings the Bay of Naples.

But things weren't going so well. There had been an unpleasant misunderstanding about luggage at the Naples train station, a black and gloomy place, and then a race to the train. By the time we boarded, it was standing-room-only in a compartment where passengers were packed like anchovies. And the air conditioning wasn't working.

But after a while, the crowd inside the rail car thinned, and outside the window we saw an intriguing sight: rows of trees heavy with smiley-face-yellow fruit. Lemons!

When the train made a stop on a bridge over a deep gorge where picturesque homes dotted the sides of the rock and the blue of the Mediterranean sparkled in the background, I breathed a sigh of relief.

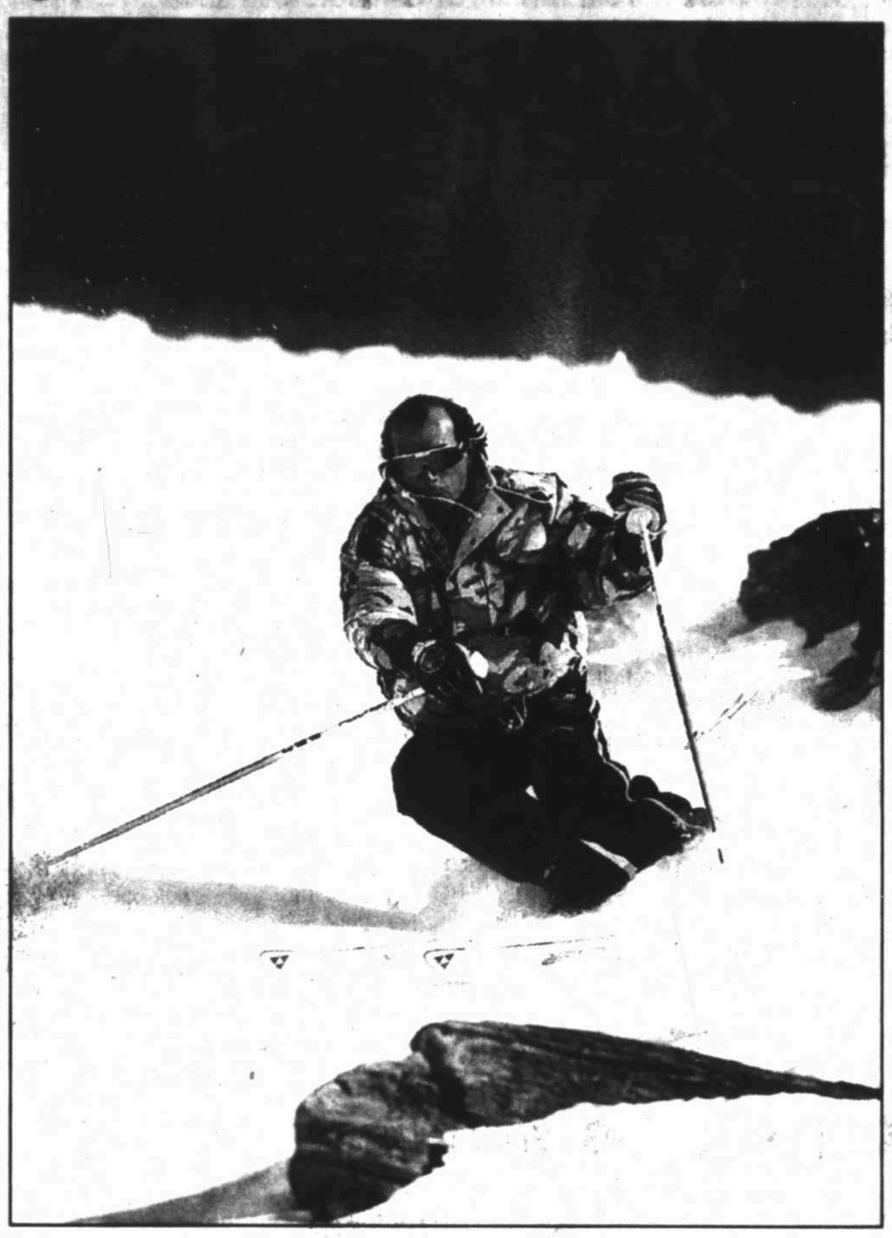
That view turned out to be a preview of our experience in Sorrento, where sheer cliffs drop off to the Mediterranean and a gorge cuts through the center of town.

It's not a place for darting about seeing churches and museums, but rather a haven to kick back, sleep late in the morning, swim in the afternoon and lounge at an outdoor bar for hours at night.

Though not exactly inexpensive, hotels in Sorrento are a bargain compared with tourist-thick cities like Rome and Florence. Our room at the Hotel Caravel was by far the largest, most luxurious room of a two-week Italy trip, but, at $120, cost less than any of our accommodations in the northern cities.

We slowed our pace to match the tempo of the town, sleeping in in the morning and then taking a swim.

In the evening, after a hot, dusty day of sightseeing in Pompeii, we found a trattoria — a casual dinner spot — not quite on the water, but close enough to it that cool breezes came in through the open doors and windows. A white cat came through one of the windows. Maybe it was attracted by the seafood, which was perhaps the best meal of our trip. We fondly remember the linguine mare, an artfully displayed dish of pasta, mussels and clams in their shells.



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A European skier takes a curve on a slope in Cervinia, Northern Italy. Many visitors to Italy are choosing to pass by the larger, more populated metropolitan areas and instead visit other areas, including Pompeii, Capri — and the ski slopes.

POMPEII

Pompeii knocked our socks off.

It's easy to get there — the Circumvesuviana stops right outside the entrance to the city (about 30 minutes east from Sorrento or south from Naples). And it's a bargain, too. Admission is about $7, and an audio tour is about $5.

Visiting tourists enter the excavated ruins of the city — buried by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius — via a tunnel through the defensive walls that surround it, just as visiting traders did 2,000 years ago.

You can see Vesuvius in the background; its last eruption was in 1944.

The tour begins with the forum, which was the center of life of the ancient city. It's surrounded by the remains of public buildings, including the temple of Jupiter and Minerva, a market and theaters.

As you leave the public area, you enter into a maze of narrow, cobblestone streets. I had seen pictures of rows of small, square rooms that I had taken to be the homes of Pompeii's residents. Wrong.

The well-to-do lived in large, multiroomed, sometimes multistoried houses, with hallways, courtyards, murals, tiled mosaic floors, gardens in the back, a form of indoor plumbing, and even indoor pools. The rows of small rooms turned out to be shops attached the fronts of the homes of the wealthy.

The audio tours proved invaluable. The tavern owners were considered to be disreputable women, we were told. People rose early, and everyone, including slaves, finished work in the morning, which made the baths popular afternoon recreation for all Pompeii's residents, we learned.

One of the ghoulish but intriguing prizes of Pompeii is the excavated bodies of people who were buried in ash and stones from the eruption in A.D. 79. Most of the 20,000 residents escaped the eruption, but about 2,000 lingered and were buried alive.

The bodies we saw seemed tiny. "The fingers show the characteristic curl of oxygen starvation," the tape noted.

Farther on into the city, in the entryway of a dwelling dubbed the "House of the Tragic Poet," a black-and-white mosaic picture of a dog bears a neighborly warning: cave canem, (beware of the dog).

Following cobblestone streets rutted by ancient wagons to the far side of Pompeii brings visitors to the most impressive home of the site, the Villa dei Misteri (the House of Mystery). The palatial house is a maze of rooms, one of which contains a beautifully preserved series of murals.

CAPRI

The fabled beauty of Capri has drawn men and women of wealth for thousands of years. When Augustus Caesar needed to get away from it all, he escaped to Capri. Tiberius made his court on the island. George Bernard Shaw and D.H. Lawrence found inspiration on its heights.

Now hydrofoil boats make the island in the Mediterranean a convenient day trip for travelers of more modest means.

The ride from Sorrento to Capri is a delight in itself. With summer temperatures in southern Italy that almost rival Texas scorchers, skimming across the sea on a hydrofoil with cool air rushing across your face was a welcome experience.

The towering island has three towns: Marina Grande, at sea level, where the hydrofoils and ferries dock; Capri, partway up the island, with the best views and the best restaurants and the best shops catering to the "best" people; and Anacapri, higher up still but with less lofty standards.

One of the unexpected pleasures of Capri was the fun of just getting around from place to place. A funicular hoists people from Marina Grande up to Capri town. We mostly traveled by bus, the highest, narrowest buses I'd ever seen, on the narrowest roads I'd ever ridden along.

The most famous sight on Capri is the Grotto Azure — the Blue Grotto. But if Pompeii was the biggest success of our trip, the Blue Grotto was the biggest disappointment. It's not that the cavern isn't as pretty as reputed, or that it's hideously expensive (about $10 per person) — it's just that the whole experience takes only about three minutes. Hoping to earn a tip, our boat driver offered to sing for us. "No, please don't," I said. He sang anyway.

Still, to have traveled all the way to Capri and not to have seen the ethereal blue light in the grotto would be unthinkable. A little rest and a little limoni (a liqueur that looks like liquid sunshine and tastes like liquid fire) revived us.

Capri, like much of Europe, takes a nap in the afternoon. But in the early evening, when the daytrippers have departed and the temperatures have dropped, the place gets gussied up.

Then the upper-crust visitors — men decked out in white suits, women in summer evening dresses — stroll the streets of Capri town, admiring an Armani suit in a shop window, stopping in at Cartier to pick out a little bauble as a souvenir of the trip.

Our traveling companions went to Capri for the evening, but we decided to stay in Anacapri and walk out to a scenic overlook on the far side of the island.

We headed down Via Magliara, a street that is little more than a paved path. It took us through what I decided must be the most intensely farmed spot in the world. Each gate that we passed led into a two-level garden. At the ground level there were rows of beans or potatoes or some other garden staple. But each yard also had a second story, about 12 feet above ground level, thick with grapevines. I couldn't imagine that the understory vegetables would get enough light to grow successfully, but all the doubledecker gardens seemed lush and green.

The yards we passed had high walls in front, but we could see in through the gates and we could hear cooking sounds and voices coming from inside the homes as we strolled past. Behind one gate, an elderly woman, her head wrapped with a kerchief, sat reading to three small children. Her voice rang clear in the quiet of the evening.

Via Magliara ends at a gorgeous overlook with a view of the Puta del Tuono lighthouse.

After an admiring pause, we turned around and headed back a few hundred yards to Da Gelsomina, a recommended trattoria, where we stopped for dinner. There were a half-dozen other tables occupied, all by stylish young Italians. How had all those other people gotten to this place, I wondered? We'd walked for 40 minutes and had only passed one other couple along the path.

As we sat there sipping wine, pondering — but not too hard — this mystery, I decided I agreed with Carol. Mixing a little of Mother Nature's artwork in with our tour of the Renaissance masterpieces was a wonderfully romantic idea. And, yes, I think Capri is my favorite place in the world, too.

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Celebrities can make goofy mistakes too

By Richard P. Carpenter
N.Y. Times News Service

Celebrities get to travel a lot. But that doesn't mean they're always aware of their surroundings, as evidenced in these quotes from "Stupid Celebrities: Over 500 of the Most Idiotic Things Ever Said by Famous People" by Ross and Kathryn Petras (Andrews McMeel, $9.95):

■ "Where's Austria?" — attributed to actor-singer David Hasselhoff, after being told he had gold albums in that country.

■ "New Jersey?" — actress Tori Spelling, when asked what the capital of New York is.

■ "I can't really remember the names of the clubs we went to." — basketball star Shaquille O'Neal, when asked if he visited the Parthenon while in Greece.

■ "Out here, young man, we pronounce it Ohio." — producer Sam Goldwyn, after a newly signed actor told him he was from Idaho.

■ "Somewhere near Africa." — singer-actor Barbra Streisand, describing where Rangoon is.

■ "Oh, dear. Who was she?" — actress Joan Crawford, upon being told that the Japanese had destroyed Pearl Harbor.

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Travel Trivia: Which of these countries is not landlocked: Zambia, Afghanistan, Cambodia, Paraguay, or all four? (Answer at end of column.)

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In a name: Los Angeles may have smog, but some parts of Hawaii have vog — smog caused by the gases emitted by a volcano.

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Quotable: "To travel is to discover that everyone is wrong about other countries." — Aldous Huxley.

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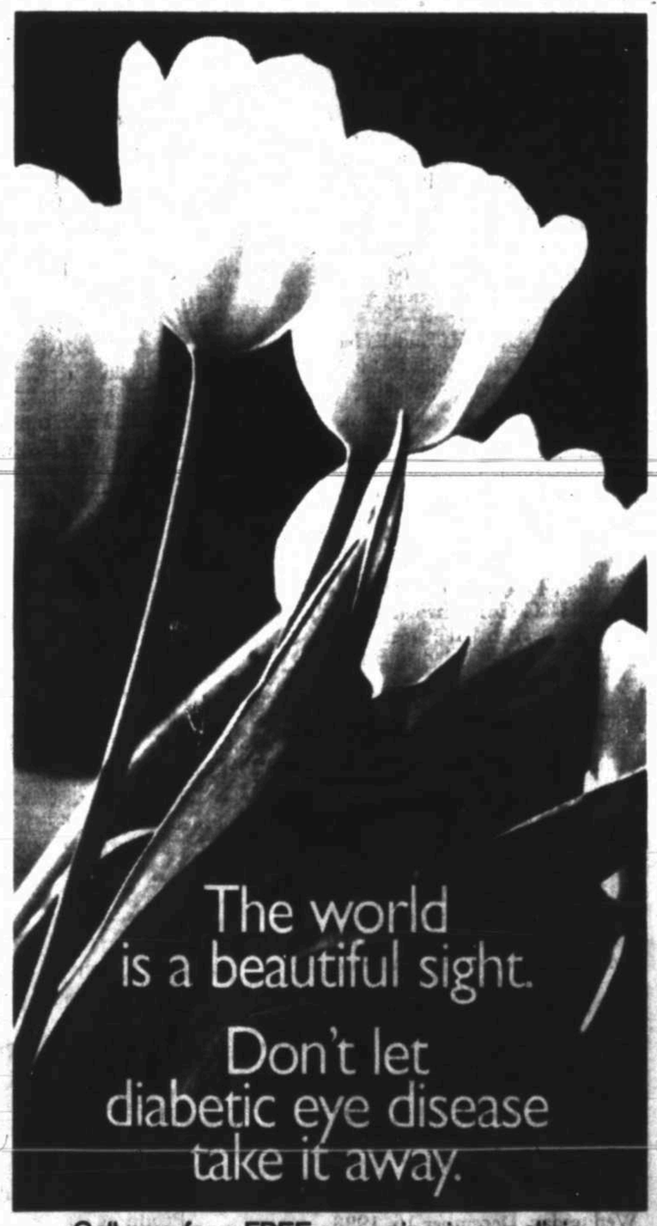
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Brixton is unique London neighborhood

By Janette Rodrigues and Nichele Hoskins
N.Y. Times News Service

Brixton is to London what Brooklyn is to New York. Blacks have lived in the U.K. for centuries, but in the 1950s, Brixton became the center of migration from former British colonies such as Jamaica, India and Nigeria. ... The entire city of London is so crammed that people often bump into you. But only in Brixton do they say, 'Excuse me.'

LONDON — It's Saturday morning, and the sun is shining as we board the underground (subway) in Paddington, a predominantly white, middle- to upper-middle class section of London. We're headed for the 'hood — Brixton.

As African-American children of the '80s, we couldn't NOT go to Brixton, immortalized by singers like Eddie Grant and second-wave ska bands like the Specials.

In south London, Brixton is a 20-minute tube ride on the Victoria Line from our Paddington hotel. When we step onto Tunstall Road, one of the neighborhood's main drags, its sidewalk is crowded with people heading to or from the indoor/outdoor bazaar on Electric Avenue. A Rastafarian we encounter on the way gives us a handbill advertising a rally to protest police actions in the case of Stephen Lawrence, a black man slain by racist thugs.

The cloying smell of incense and the occasional whiff of rotting garbage are a sharp change from deodorized Central London.

Brixton is a 180-degree change from the formal splendor and British Tourist Authority appeal of Trafalgar Square, Buckingham Palace and Parliament.

With its small shops, eateries and neighborhood feel, it's reminiscent of the Shaw neighborhood in Washington, D.C. Ironically, both were the sites of urban unrest, ignored by the establishment for years, and then finally resurrected through economic development and gentrification.

WE STEP INTO an Italian coffee bar for some strong joe and flaky croissants. As we sit at the bar, we eavesdrop on an animated conversation between the owner and his friend. They're speaking Arabic, not Italian.

Fortified, we leave in search of the bazaar.

Brixton is to London what Brooklyn is to New York. Blacks have lived in the U.K. for centuries, but in the 1950s, Brixton became the center of migration from former British colonies such as Jamaica, India and Nigeria. Today, it has become a haven for refugees from war-torn countries: Vietnam, Somalia and Azerbaijan.

Brixton's Electric Avenue bazaar caters to this ethnically and culturally diverse clientele. Electric Avenue was made famous in the 1980s by the eponymous Eddie Grant song; the street got its name when it became the first shopping street in London to get electricity, in the late 1800s.

It's been a shopping hub ever since. Located behind the tube, or subway, stop, the bazaar is packed with browsers and vendors. The entire city of London is so crammed that people often bump into you. But only in Brixton do they say, "Excuse me."

The bazaar's shops — some no larger than booths — are an eclectic mix, selling everything from vintage clothes and vinyl records to synthetic hair for braids and novelty lighters.

In one booth, a Nigerian seamstress takes a modern turn on traditional clothing. The fitted, hip-length jackets have wide, embroidered drop collars, and they come with skirts that skim the leg line. Nice, but not at $100 American.

Janette finds a West Indian bakery that specializes in Jamaican beef patties and coco bread. She buys two of each for about $4.

Throughout the bazaar are signs praising the Reggae Boys, the Jamaican soccer team that made it to the World Cup. The borough where Brixton is located has the highest proportion of Afro-Caribbean residents in London, and the third highest of Africans. The local business community is heavily Nigerian.

Produce, fish and meat, as well as dry goods, dominate the bazaar. There's fresh coconut and cassava as well as fenugreek and whole nutmeg. The scotch bonnet peppers are twice as big as your eyeball.

The tangy-sweet smell of mango mingles with the chemical stench of hair straighteners.

We raid the ATM machine, which gives us the best exchange rate. Then we buy hand-painted glass candlesticks for $15 a pair; a silver-and-garnet snake armlet and a rainbow sweater for $30 each and some African-looking fabric from a West Indian woman for $1.60 a yard.

After a morning of shopping, we duck into Joseph's Bar and Cafe. Our waitress disappears after seating us, so we order our food at the bar. The nouveau Jamaican food arrives via dumbwaiter.

It's worth the wait. Delicious salt cod and ackee and a side dish of fried plantain cost $14; salmon with a lime beurre blanc on a bed of calaloo, or cooked greens, $12.

Our next stop is Red Records, where a member of the Fruit of Islam tells one of us he knows she is American because she's friendly and wears her hair natural. Red's is known as the place to buy everything from jazz and R&B to ska and reggae. We purchase some Nina Simone albums that we've been unable to find in the States.

Brixton is also known for its night life, but we are too tired from an earlier foray in Central London to check it out.

A COUPLE OF DAYS earlier in Central London, we'd tried to get into Heaven — the one on Charing Cross Road known as the city's largest gay/straight dance club. Unfortunately, Heaven is closed for renovation.

There's a country song in there someplace.

Undeterred, we chat up a "gypsy" cabdriver and we're off to his favorite haunt, the Tube. Located on Falconberg Court in Soho, the club has low ceilings, black lights and hand-painted fluorescent decorations. The groove is thumping techno-funk.

At about 2 a.m. Friday, we find a licensed cab easily. No such luck the next night in Soho. After a long walk along The Strand through Piccadilly Circus and Trafalgar Square, we arrive at Charing Cross Hotel. About 100 people are lined up waiting for cabs.

Among them is a drunken fellow with a shaven head who looks as if he just lost a fight; dried blood cakes his nose and jeans. When one driver loads a group of posh women into his cab, the drunk calls him dirty names. Loudly.

Not the best tactic. The cabby who finally picks us up says he chooses weekend fares carefully to avoid the drunks.

The cabbies in the roomy black cabs are friendly, and unlike the independent "gypsy cabs," they must pass "The Knowledge" — a rigorous test to prove they know London's streets by heart. The Public Carriage Office, or PCO, which is run by the London police department, tests drivers, issues licenses to those who pass and makes sure their vehicles are road ready.

Like any first-time visitors to the city on the River Thames, we also visit sites like the Royal Albert Hall in South Kensington and the royal jewels at the Tower of London.

At the Tower, we first watch videos of the pretties and the ceremonies in which they are used. Then a conveyor belt glides us past glass cases containing the loot: crowns, scepters, ceremonial spoons and other sparklies.

Our guide, George the Yeoman Warder, is the best part of our Tower visit. Yeoman Warders once guarded the Tower, which is actually several towers built over the centuries.

In a booming voice, George tells us why the well-fed ravens hang around. The romantic legend is that if the ravens ever leave, the Tower of London and the Crown will fall.

The tale gets grisly and involves "soggy bits." Back in the old days, folk got beheaded at the Tower with gruesome regularity. George tells us how the noggins of the unfortunate were stuck onto pikes near the Thames, where fat, happy ravens dined upon their soggy bits: eyes, tongues, lips, etc.

We recommend spending the $14 to see the Tower. The Big Bus Tour Company of London is also worth the $18 ticket. You can hop buses and routes to travel throughout Central London for 24 hours.

The bus puts us off on Piccadilly Circus. We stroll past St. James's Palace, cut through calming Green Park and arrive at Buckingham Palace in time to catch the changing of the guard with about 900 other tourists.

The show in front of the queen's crib is overrated, but it's free. And we do see Emperor Akihito of Japan ride through the palace gates.

The Keeper of the Chrysanthemum Throne waves. We wave back.

We go to Harrods in Knightsbridge, just to say we did.

There, we skeptically look for a lawn mower in the famously swank department store — and find one. We're taken with the Egyptian Hall until we realize that the sphinxes bear a freaky resemblance to Harrods' owner, Mohammed al Fayed.

Even the store's restrooms are exclusive. If you're a mere window shopper, expect to pay $1.60 to answer the call in Harrods. The loo is free only if you've bought something.

ON OUR LAST NIGHT in London, we buy tapas at a restaurant near our hotel, unwrap the beef patties and coco bread and uncork a dry riesling.

We drag some chairs out on the balcony, put on thick sweaters and enjoy the view of Norfolk Square. We feel like characters in a Merchant and Ivory film.

Then we hear a voice from below.

"I want to speak to you," says the voice.

We look down and introduce ourselves to a young black man named Yusef.

He tells us he lives in a two-bedroom flat and is one of the few blacks residing in Paddington. The apartment was a gift from his Senegalese father; that's the only way a 26-year-old struggling musician could afford such a tony neighborhood.

We banter flirtatiously about music, race relations and how much we love Brixton.

Yusef tells us he visited the United States but returned to the U.K. because it's home; this despite harassment by bobbies who constantly stop him and ask him what he is doing in Paddington.

Yusef says he is surprised that we ventured into the 'hood. He says most tourists and even some London residents don't visit.

Having experienced Brixton for ourselves, we honestly can't imagine why not.

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Janette Rodrigues and Nichele Hoskins write for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

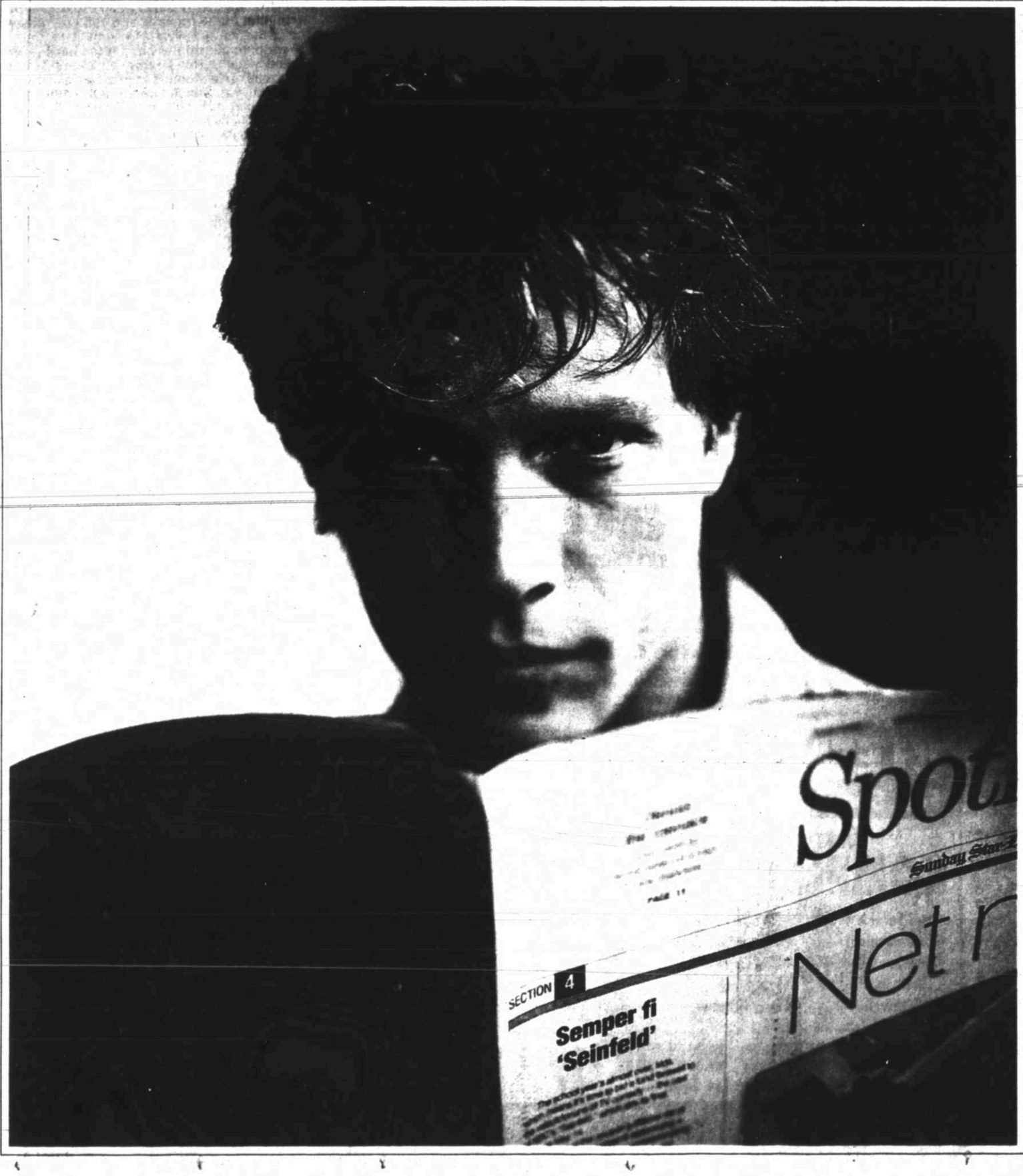
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'Nutcracker'



By Georgia Temple

The moment had come. Class was over and soon Blair Irving would know the answer. Instructor Judy Coleman began reading the names. The farther down the list she went and Blair didn't hear hers, the more hopeful the 11-year-old became.

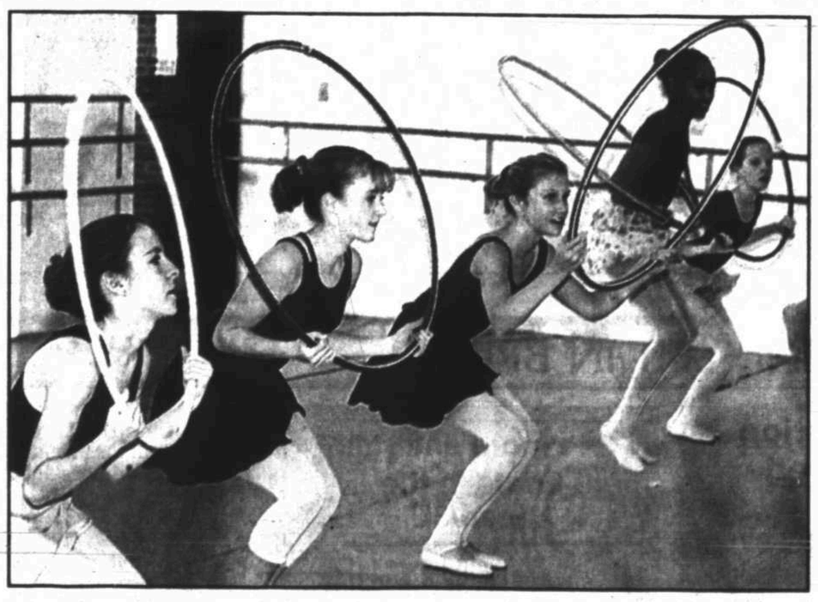
Maybe, just maybe, after trying out for this special role for three years, she'd made it this time.

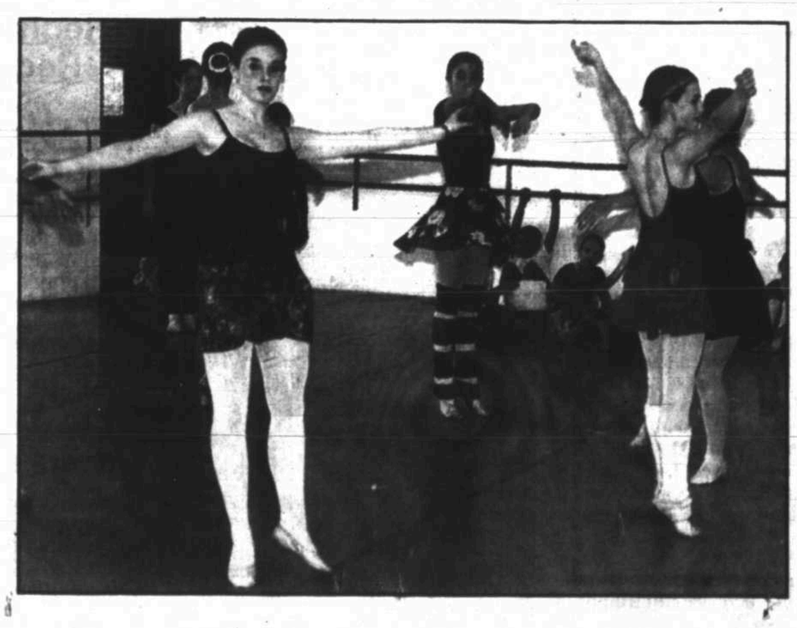
"When she finally got to the last part, my name hadn't been mentioned yet so I thought, 'OK. I have a chance at this.' And she named my name off, and then I just kind of couldn't breath. And I sat down like, 'Oh my gosh. I'm Clara. I'm Clara now.' My mom was crying, and I told my dad, and he was so happy. It was a really good day."

Blair, the daughter of Ray and Joy Irving, is a student at Midland Christian School. The role of Clara in "Nutcracker" is, "My biggest role," Blair said. "I've wanted to do it ever since I started in 'Nutcracker,' which was five years ago. I've tried out for three years, and this year I was really looking forward to it. Every year I tried my best. I would tell myself, 'You're not the person you are, you're now Clara, so you have to think and move the way she would.'"

Blair makes her debut as Clara in Midland Festival Ballet's upcoming production of the Russian ballet that has become a Christmas tradition in this country. First presented Dec. 17, 1892, at the Maryinsky Theatre in St. Petersburg, Russia, "Nutcracker," with music by Tchaikovsky, is based on a fantasy tale by the German writer, Ernst Theodor Amadeus Hoffman. Hoffman's work influenced Edgar Allen Poe

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AT TOP: During this rehearsal of the battle between the mice and the soldiers, clockwise from left, Jenna Ross, Carolyn Young and Caitlin Swain as mice battle soldiers Natalie Bogart and John DeMis in Midland Festival Ballet's production of "Nutcracker." SECOND FROM TOP: Jillian Smith, left, and Beth Micelle dance the roles of angels. ABOVE: Abby Podany, from left, Valerie Huggerd, Katey Rogers, Lindsey Pitts and Jeanie Pittaway practice for the candy cane scene. ABOVE RIGHT: During rehearsals for "Nutcracker," Blair Irving, as Clara, holds the nutcracker, a gift to her from the magician, Herr Drosselmeyer. AT RIGHT: Snowflakes, Jennifer Brazell, left, Shannon Green, center, and Gertie Murray, right, rehearse Snow for the ballet.

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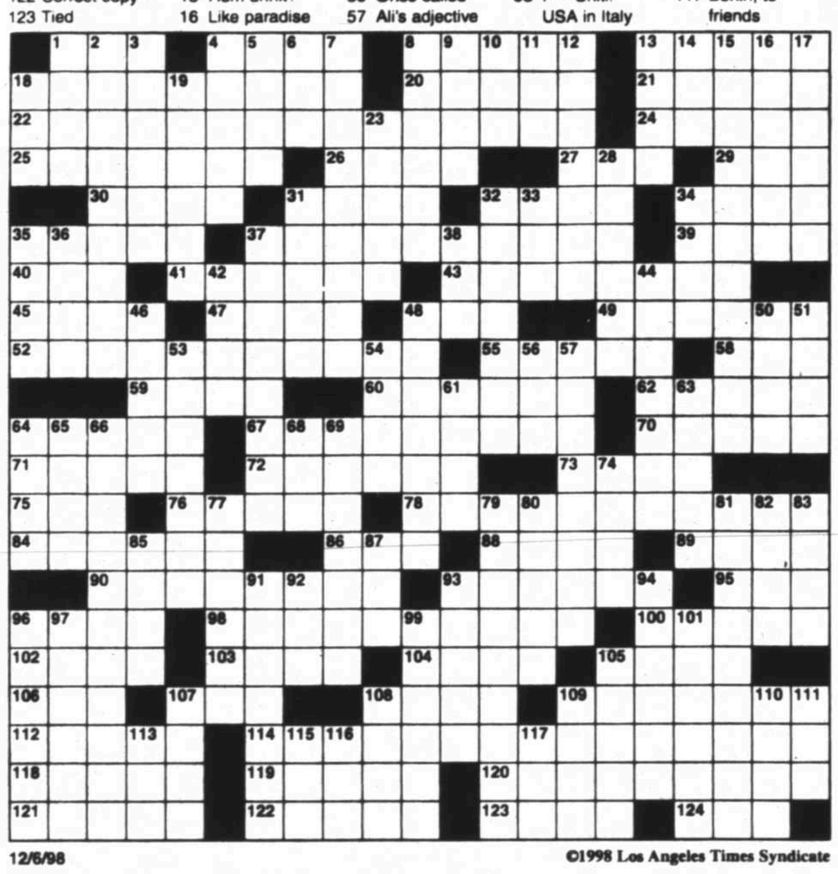
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30 One of a 70's rock trio
31 Levantine ketch
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34 Indigo
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39 Add liquor
40 Poker win
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52 Drawing fluid?
55 Feeling of dread
58 Hello, at Halloween?
59 "Lay me on an anvil, —" Sandburg
60 Harder to hold
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64 Medicinal compound
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70 Migratory flock
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Jacqueline Bigar's Stars

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You and others might be out of sorts from holiday pressures. Change plans, to make them work for you. Confusion surrounds a friend, you could easily wonder what he wants. Communications excel later; clear up problems then. Tonight: Let someone indulge you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Do, rather than talk. Sometimes you think too much. Responsibilities challenge you. Take time with a parent or loved one you adore. Plan on a special outing with family and your significant other. Doors open because of communications. Tonight: Content in your castle.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Expenses get out of whack. You could be misreading a situation. Someone who is at a distance has many plans and objectives; be clear about your role and the costs. Meet a friend for a bite, or browse a favorite store. Tonight: Chat up a storm.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You are a powerhouse, full of personality. Still, others won't accede easily to your desires. Confusion surrounds a key relationship. Could you be misreading this person? Complete errands, then talk about needs with your partner. Tonight: Your treat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Give yourself permission to fizzle out and enjoy a lazy day. You might be wary of canceling plans, but you need to take care of yourself. You are baffled by a partner's desires; what does he really want? Open up talks, and see what develops. Listen to a child or loved one. Tonight: Do your thing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ A partner might not agree with you and lets you know. Your energy could be off, your pace uncertain. Communications flourish. Connect with friends, reach out for others and listen to instincts. An intimate chat needs to happen. Tonight: Time to vanish.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Maintain a higher profile. A partner continues to be contrary and difficult. Don't let him ruin a fun project with a child or loved one. Talk, but only when you are ready. Get together with friends; being together relaxes you. Tonight: Where your friends are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Take an overview even if others cannot. You might need some time off from the hectic pace. Do what you want, but understand that you are the one who will have to carry the flag to the finish line. Remember an older family member. Tonight: In the limelight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You suffer from fatigue. Why not take some time off? A partner might expect more from you than you can give. Communications are out of kilter; keep trying. Don't let anything be vague. A premonition is grounded. Make escape plans for the future. Tonight: Off to the movies.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Others seek you out, yet you don't have much enthusiasm. Use caution with spending; you could make a costly error. Others don't understand your need to withdraw. Make an effort toward a partner who has always been a tremendous source of solace. Tonight: Share what is ailing you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Use your imagination, but recognize that it might be hard to carry through some of the ideas you hatch. Your enthusiastic energy could become misdirected. A friend has wonderful news that you feel like celebrating. Go to it! Tonight: Where your friends are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Money might be scant, but you make up for it if you brainstorm and let your ingenuity take command. You are unsure of how much you can do. Talks with a respected friend give you better insight. Make a schedule for the next few weeks. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

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♡ Void
◇ A K Q J 7 4
♣ J 8 6

WEST
♠ 9 7 6 5
♡ K Q J 6 5
◇ 8 2
♣ K 7

EAST
♠ Q
♡ A 9 8 4 2
◇ 9 6 3
♣ 10 5 4 3

SOUTH
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♡ 10 7 3
◇ 10 5
♣ A Q 9 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1◇	Pass
1♠	Pass	4♡	Pass
5♠	Pass	6♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♡

There is a definition of a pessimist that appeals to us: A person who has spent some time with an optimist. It is all very well to look at the world through rose-colored spectacles, but at the table it is better to prepare for the worst. Consider this hand.

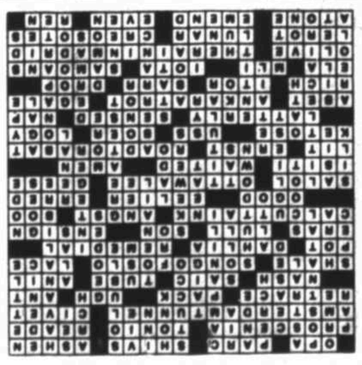
North's jump to four hearts is a splinter bid, showing the values for a raise to game in spades with either a singleton or void in hearts. That increased the value of the South hand considerably, so South invited slam by jumping to five spades. Since South did not cue-bid hearts, North knew that there were no wasted values there and proceeded to slam.

West led the king of hearts, ruffed on the table. The jack of trumps was covered with the queen and taken by the king. When East discarded a heart on the second spade, declarer was in trouble. Eventually, South conceded a trump and a club for down one.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6

American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBIT: Navajo Code Talkers of World War II. EXHIBITION: The American Airpower Heritage Museum is internationally recognized for its collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia. The museum currently has five permanent exhibits, highlighting five different phases of World War II, in the main gallery and two permanent exhibits in the hangar. Take an on-line tour of the museum at http://www.avdigest.com/aahm/aahm.html, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 12-5 p.m., call 563-1000, Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: EXHIBIT: ZOOillogicals, paintings by Chica Brunsvold, through Feb. 14. EXHIBIT: Enchanted Light, dichroic glass and light sculptures by Ray Howlett, through Feb. 14. EXHIBIT: "Je Me Souviens," by internationally renowned painter and concert pianist Ray Dudley. Through January. CLASS: Adventures in Art for students ages 6-12, one Sunday each month. Next class is Dec. 13, featuring a study of the Greek period, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Tuition charged. Museum open Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sunday 2:00-5:00 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa. 550-3811. Exhibits are free.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: HANDS-ON EXHIBIT: Geometry in Our World, hands-on activities and real-world applications introduce the mathematical study of shape and space. Through Dec. 30. Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m. 683-2882. Free.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBIT OPENING: Diverse Connections, a collaboration by pairs of non-member and member artists, 2-5 p.m. Exhibit runs through January 9, 1114 N. Big Spring, Thurs.-Sun. 1-5 p.m. or by appointment, 685-9944. Free admission.

The Haley Library and History Center: SHOW AND SALE: Annual Christmas Miniature Art Show and Sale, featuring original Southwestern fine art, bronzes as well as paintings, through December 23, 1805 W. Indiana. Open Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 682-5785. Free.

Midland College: EXHIBIT AND SALE: Final day of the fifth annual Hallway Student Art Sale, benefiting the art department scholarship fund. Works include paintings, watercolors, drawings, ceramics, sculpture, photographs, and prints, 1-5 p.m., art hallway, Allison Fine Arts Center, 3600 N. Garfield, 685-4651. Free. EXHIBIT: McCormick Gallery, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., call 685-4500. Free.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBIT: La Salle Shipwreck Excavation, 301 W. Missouri, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 2-5 p.m., call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

Midland County Historical Society: HISTORIC HOME: Z. Taylor Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 N. Weatherford, guided tours give fine capsule of Midland County History - open by appointment, call 682-2931. Free.

Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: CONCERT: Holiday Pops, "The Magic of Christmas," with special guests: vocalist Nancy Elledge; the Home School Choir. Begins at 8 p.m., Holiday Inn Centre, 6201 E. Highway 80, Odessa, 563-0921. Admission charged.

Museum of the Southwest: CHRISTMAS AT THE MANSION: Annual fundraiser continuing through Jan. 2. Attractions include carolers, cookies and punch, Santa Claus, train exhibit and Christmas gift shop. Children's hour from 3:30-4:30 p.m. each Tuesday during December. Train tickets $3, free to children under 2. Free admission. EXHIBIT: Frances T. Martin, Eclectic Visions: Contemporary Artists Series, through Dec. 27. EXHIBIT: "Lasting Impressions: Thomas Hart Benton," 66 works including drawings and watercolors of American scenes. Through Dec. 30. EXHIBIT: Audubonís Texas Animals, through Dec. 30. EXHIBIT: In the Third Dimension: Sculpture from the Museumís Collection, through Jan. 15, 1999. 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m. 683-2882. Free.

Odessa Art Association: 4909 E. University, San Miguel Square, Odessa, call 915 362-7988. Free.

Odessa College: LRC, 201 W. University, Mon.-Thurs. 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 2-5 p.m., call 915 335-6646. Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: HANDS-ON EXHIBIT: Earthquirks, introducing visitors to natural disasters, through Dec. 31. Group tours available. SUNDAY RIG TOURS: tours of the modern drilling rig, 2:30-4:30, weather permitting, a docent will be at the site near Interstate 20 to explain the rig for no additional charge, 1500 W. I-20 West, Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5., call 683-4403. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: 10 a.m. -5 p.m. 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 800 862-7123. 1351. Admission charged.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: EXHIBIT: Freshman-Sophomore Exhibit, through January 24. Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 1-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., Third Floor Gallery, 4901 E. University, Odessa, call 552-2806. Free.

White Pool House: TRAVELING EXHIBIT: Reach for the Sky. Tuesday, 12-3 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday 10-3 p.m. 112 E. Murphy St, Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

Midland Fine Arts Center: SHOW: First Arts Center Youth Competition, grades 7-12, all Junior High, Freshmen, Senior High, and Coleman schools, through Dec. 22. 921 W. Wadley, 687-4924. Free.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9

Midland Opera Theater: PERFORMANCE: "Christmas in Santa Fe," featuring guest pianist and vocalist Doug Montgomery, cocktails and dinner, 6:30 p.m., Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy. 349, 684-4101. Admission charged. Black tie optional.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 10

Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," through December 20, 8 p.m., Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11

Marian Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: Light Years in Andromeda, 7:30 p.m. 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged, free for Museum of the Southwest members.

Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," through December 20, 8 p.m., Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12

Midland Community Theatre: COMEDY: "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," through December 20, 8 p.m., Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Midland Festival Ballet: PERFORMANCE: "The Nutcracker," accompanied by the Midland-Odessa Symphony, 8 p.m., Lee High School Auditorium, 3500 Neely, 520-6252. Admission charged.

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The Arts Assembly of Midland maintains a calendar of all arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; email artsmid@iglobal.net; http://www.iglobal.net/arts.

ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Registration Required

✔Arts Assembly event

The Arts Assembly of Midland is accepting entries for artists booths at the 16th annual Celebration of the Arts set for May 14-16.

A total of 70 artists will be chosen to display and sell their art at the three-day spotlight on the arts. Artists can have booths inside Midland Center of outside on Centennial Plaza. For more information or an entry brochure call 687-1149.

✔Singers needed

The search for singers and carolers to participate in the Museum of the Southwest's "Christmas at the Mansion" continues.

This month-long celebration of the season features a gift shop, Santa, Christmas trees, a Lionel train display and carolers. Those interested in singing at the mansion sometime during the month are asked to call 689-9818.

■ See more entertainment briefs in the Week Ahead/3E

✔Art exhibition

Midland Arts Association Spring Juried Art Exhibition will be held at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., from March 12 to April 10. The prospectus for entry to this show has been mailed to MAA members and surrounding art associations.

The spring show is traditionally by slide entry with due date for slides by Jan. 18. Three slides may be entered for an entry fee of $25 for MAA members and $30 for non-members.

Contact Mary Tucci or Karen Raymond at 699-3209 or 694-1377 for more information or write to the MAA, P.O. Box 4252, Midland, Texas 79704 for the prospectus and entry form. This exhibition is partially supported by the Texas Commission on the Arts and the Arts Assembly of Midland.

Juror for the show will be Kathleen Cook, an elected signature member of the Pastel Society of America. An opening reception for the show is set for 7 to 9 p.m. March 12. cash awards of $2,500 will be presented at that time by the juror.

Ms. Cook will present a "Still Life in Pastel" workshop at the Palette Club March 10-12. Advance registration fee of $175 is due by Feb. 10.

✔ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Dec. 6-12

Sunday

✔Final art show

Gallery 1114 is presenting the work of several artists for its final show of 1998 called "Diverse Connections." The show is a collaboration by pairs of artists. Nonmember artists were invited to participate with member artists.

Artist pairs include Karen Hembree and Kent Moss; Sharon Navage and Betty Monteith; Kathy Williams and Mark Swindler; Joyce Howell and Becki Smith; Jan Foust Hurt and Sam Hurt; Pam Price and Cristi Branum; Elias Calzada and Annie Stanley; Tom Whiles and Olivia Hill; Kitt Beck and Ginger Witte; Gabriel Lewis and Rice Freeman-Zachery; and Ms. Hembree and Susan Randle.

The opening reception is set for 2 to 5 p.m. today at the gallery, 1114 N. Big Spring St. The show will remain through Jan. 9.

Works by California artist Laurel Hall are on display through Nov. 29 at Gallery 1114. Her collection includes dolls created from a unique mix of items such as aged fabrics, lace, buttons and items from nature.

Ms. Hall's work has been featured in shows across California, New Mexico and Canada. Several celebrities collect her work.

Works by local artist Gabriel Lewis also are being featured. His two-dimensional work is inspired by biblical history with a reference to paper dolls. Hence, the name of the show, "Dolls and Paper Dolls."

Gallery hours are 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday through Sunday or by appointment. For more information call 685-9944.

✔Hanukkah party

Temple Beth El Sisterhood is hosting its annual Children's Hanukkah Party at Barnes & Noble Bookseller today.

Children from all faiths are invited. For more information call Gayla Adams, 687-4026.

✔Show to close

ODESSA — A showing of recent works by Carla Poindexter closes Dec. 17 in the Options Gallery in the Learning Resources Center, Odessa College, 201 W. University.

The exhibit is entitled Recent Paintings and Drawings from the "Voices" Series. Hours are 7:45 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 7:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

✔Arts, crafts show

SNYDER — The eighth annual Scurry County Arts and Crafts Show closes today in the Scurry County Coliseum here.

Artists and crafters from throughout the Southwest are showing original art and handcrafted items. All are for sale. Hours are noon to 5 p.m. No admission is charged. The organizer for the event is Mel Prather.

Monday

✔Art show, sale

The Nita Stewart Haley Library and J. Evetts Haley History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave., is hosting a Christmas Miniature Art Show and Sale until Dec. 23.

Participating artists include Joe Abbrescia, Wayne Baize, David Ballew, Dan Bodelson, Terry Burleson, Rose Ann Day, Valoy Eaton, Glenna Goodacre, Veryl Goodnight, George Hallmark, Burton Hands, Robert Kuester, Jay Moore, Don Ray, Bill Nebeker, Mary Beth Schwark, Richard Thompson, James Trigg and Garland Weeks.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information call 682-5785.

✔Live entertainment

ODESSA — Chelsea Street Pub and Grill presents live entertainment Monday through Saturday.

No cover is charged. Acts include Clockwork Orange, Dec. 7-9; Luscious Funk, Dec. 10-12; Electric Gypsies, Dec. 16-19; Allan Mayes, Dec. 21=23; and Cheshire Cat, Dec. 26 and Dec. 28-Jan. 2.

For more information call (915) 368-0949. After mall hours, entrance is from the outside.

Tuesday

✔Orchestra performance

The orchestras of Lee High School and Lee Freshman High School will present "'Tis the Season, a Holiday Classic" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Lee High School Auditorium.

No admission is charged. The public is invited to attend.

Wednesday

✔Presentation set

Midland Opera Theater presents "Christmas in Santa Fe" with pianist Doug Montgomery at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Midland Country Club.

The event includes cocktails and dinner. Black tie is optional.

Living in Santa Fe, N.M., Montgomery attracts widespread attention as the featured pianist and vocalist at the well known Vanessie of Santa Fe Restaurant and Piano bar. Montgomery has nine recordings on CD and cassette.

Cost of the Midland event is $125 per person. For reservations or more information call the opera's box office, 684-4101.

✔Video presentation

ODESSA — The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin, 4909 E. University, is offering a "Winter Tour of England" through art and history during a sack

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BALLET: Midland Festival Ballet to present 'Nutcracker'

(From 1E)

and

Charles Baudelaire.

As was true of the first performances of Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake" in 1877 and "The Sleeping Beauty" in 1889, the 1892 premiere of "Nutcracker" was not well- received.

"Tchaikovsky (who died of cholera in 1893) wanted most to be successful as a composer of opera, yet of his 10 operas only two, 'Eugene Onegin' and 'La Pique Dame (The Queen of Spades)' have made their way into the world's opera houses," said Norman Lloyd in "The Golden Encyclopedia of Music."

But, he "revitalized ballet music, giving it statue and dignity" through the very ballets that met a cold reception at their premieres.

"Except for the works of Minkus (1827-1890) and Delibes (1836-91; 'La Source,' 'Coppelia' and 'Sylvia'), most ballet music was a series of mediocre tunes strung together in the flimsiest manner," Lloyd said. "With 'Swan Lake,' 'The Sleeping Beauty' and the 'Nutcracker,' ballet music was raised to its highest level, so that since 1900 fine composers have not thought it beneath them to write in this medium."

This year marks Midland Festival Ballet's fourth to perform the ballet under the baton of Rob Hunt with the Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale (the latter performing in the snow scene).

Tickets are priced at $10 for adults, $7.50 for seniors, children and students. There are group prices available for parties of more than 15. They can be purchased at Midland Park Mall's customer service desk. Curtain is at 8 p.m. Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 13 at Lee High School.

Major financial support for the production is provided by Midland American Bank, Abell-Hanger Foundation, Arts Asembly of Midland, Texas Commission on the Arts and Wagner & Brown.

Dancing with the Midland Festival Ballet will be Valentina Kozlova; Johnny Simons, cofounder of the Hip Pocket Theatre in Fort Worth, as Drosselmeyer; Cornel Crabtree as the Cavalier; Kendra Snaufer of Houston, who has danced professionally with, among others, Cincinnati Ballet and Milwaukee Ballet, as the Dew Drop Fairy; and 15-year-old Jon Demone of Abilene Ballet Theatre as the Nutcracker. Cathy Custer is Spanish soloist. She was born in Dallas and trained form an early age in Midland, and later in Lubbock and New York City.

Trained at the Bolshoi Ballet School and a principal dancer with the Bolshoi Ballet, Ms. Kozlova defected in Los Angeles in 1979 while on tour with the company. She joined the New York City Ballet in 1983 as a principal dancer and remained with the company until 1995, dancing leading roles in Balanchine's works, including "Apollo," "Serenade," "Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Firebird." Ms. Kozlova and Margo Sappington are co-artistic directors of The Daring Project, which played the Joyce Theater in New York City in 1996 and 1997.

Trained at the San Francisco Ballet School and the School of American Ballet in New York, Crabtree joined the New York City Ballet in 1980, where he danced principal roles. In 1989, he danced the title role of Oscar Wilde in the premiere of the Irish National Ballet's production, "Oscar," choreographed by Domy Reiter-Soffer. He has performed with The Daring Project.

The local production has a cast of 105, including adults, and requires extensive volunteer support backstage.

"It includes children from the age of 5 up through adult," said Judy Coleman, artistic director of the non-profit Midland Festival Ballet. "I think when you use children in it, it imparts the Christmas spirit."

The scenario for the "Nutcracker" was written by Marius Petipa, ballet master at the Russian Imperial Theatres. He and is assistant, Ivanov, composed the dances for the ballet. The traditional story takes the audience to a Christmas party for two young children, Clara and her brother, Fritz, attended by a magician, Drosselmeyer, who brings an assortment of amazing toys and dolls that dance. Drosselmeyer presents Clara with a gift, a nutcracker. During the party, Clara and Fritz quarrel over the gift.

Cast as Fritz in the Midland production is 10-year-old Evan Sauer, a student at Sam Houston Elementary and the son of Elizabeth and Cliff Sauer.

"It's neat being on stage, and I enjoy it," Evan said. Although "all the hours working, the late nights you have to stay up" may be inconvenient, Evan said, "I don't really think anything's hard about it. It's actually fun to me."

As the story unfolds, the party ends and the children go to bed. Clara cannot sleep thinking about her new gift. She slips down to the dark living room to find the nutcracker leading a troop of toy soldiers in a battle against an army of mice commanded by the King of the Mice.

For the Midland production, 17-year-old Sarah Adams is again dancing the role of the King of the Mice. A student at Midland High School, Sarah finds the role "challenging every year with the new batch of kids" and said the hardest part of dancing the role is wearing the costume, which weighs 25 to 30 pounds. On stage with the lights bathing the dancers in heat, Sarah said, "It's 10 times heavier."

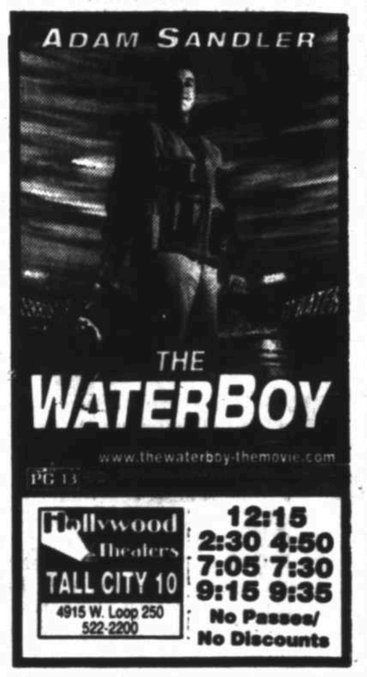
The popularity of "Nutcracker" lies in its music, said Karen Scarcelli, who dances the Arabian and the role of Clara's and Fritz's mother. "I think people recognize the music before they recognize the story. If you look in a catalogue, there's a nutcracker for everybody. If you're a fisherman, there's a nutcracker. If you're a doctor, there's a nutcracker.

"And you hear it (the music). It's so strange, you can hear it and not even realize you're listening to it. It's even on cartoons."

Ms. Coleman agreed that Tchaikovsky's score was a powerful draw for the ballet. "The music is incredible — the Sugar Plum Fairy, Snow and the Waltz of the Flowers — everybody is so familiar with the music. I don't know of anything else that uses music and dance so well together in story form."

"Nutcracker" holds a special charm for children, said Ms. Scarcelli. "The 'Christmas Carol' is a great story but that's not music when they do it true to Dickens and true to the style. It's not a whole lot of fun for the kids. I think 'Nutcracker' is more fun for kids under 10. They can get more into the ballerina thing. They dance with dolls, and there are live dolls on stage, and that all appeals to them."

Georgia Temple is the Arts & Entertainment writer for the Reporter-Telegram.

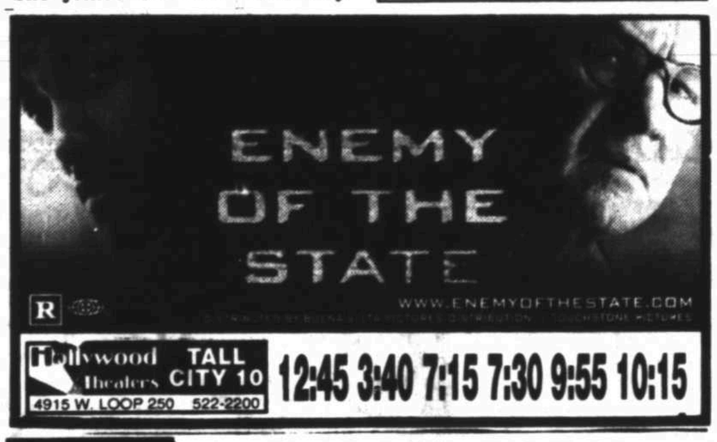




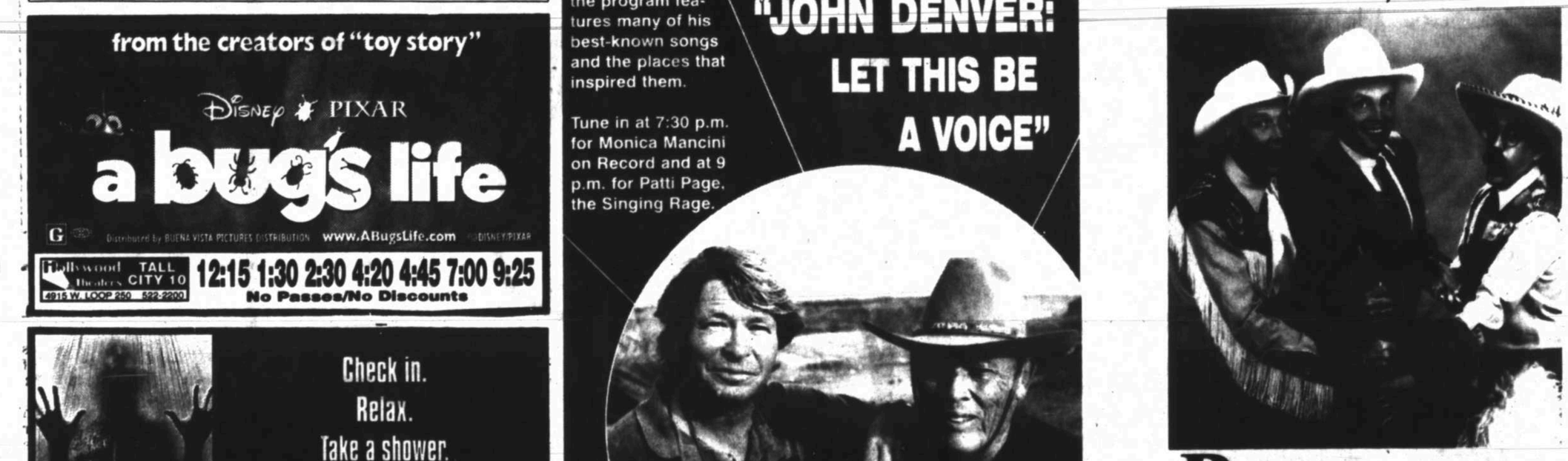












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✔ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Dec. 6-12

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lunch at noon on Wednesdays beginning Dec. 16.

The first video will be "Queen Mary's Doll House. Presented to Queen Mary in 1924, this amazing miniature mansion was designed by the architect Sir Edwin Lutyens and includes Chippendale chairs and a handwritten book of poems. Other videos in the series include "Christmas at Ripon Cathedral," Dec. 23; "The Story of English Furniture I," Dec. 30; "the Story of English Furniture II," Jan. 6; "Great Houses of Britain I: Scotland and the North," Jan. 13; "Great Houses of Britain II: Wales and the Midlands," Jan. 20; "Great Houses of Britain IV: London and the West," Jan. 27; and "Six English Towns," Feb. 3.

Coffee, ice and water will be provided. Soft drinks are 50 cents. This program is free for museum members with a suggested donation of $2 for non-members.

Also, the art museum has two exhibits up through the holidays.

"ZOOillogicals" by Chica Brunsvold stays through Feb. 14. The exhibit is funded in part by Permian Basin Child's Play, Inc., and the Connoisseurs, as is "Enchanted Light" by Ray Howlett, which remains until Feb. 14.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday. No admission is charged.

Friday

✔Christmas special

Midland Community Theatre is presenting "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" through Dec. 20 in Davis Theatre One at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

Co-produced by Pioneer Natural Resource Company and rated G, the Christmas special is based on Barbara Robinson's book, "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever." The drama tells the story of an annual Christmas pageant that appears to fall into the wrong hands.

The play, like the book, has narrator Beth Bradley recounting a special event in her young life, one which involved her mother taking over the annual Christmas pageant at the last minute only to have the roughest kids in town, the Herdmans, sign up for the production.

Tickets are $12 with rates available for students, seniors and groups. For reservations call 682-4111 or 570-4011.

✔Artists competition

Applications must be filed by Friday for the 33rd annual National Young Artists Competition, set for Jan. 22-23 at Odessa College.

Performers interested in entering are asked to call Berniece Johnson, (915) 335-8711 or web site www.mose.org for application and information.

The competition is open to instrumental musicians high school through the age of 29. Categories include piano, strings, winds and percussion.

Between 50 and 90 young musicians are expected to compete for the cash prizes of up to $10,000 and the opportunity to perform with the Midland-Odessa Symphony.

The event is a project of the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale and the guilds.

✔Seventh Veil

Seventh Veil plays Riley's Bar & Grill Friday and Saturday. Showtime is 10 p.m. to closing.

The group's recordings include "Rubber America," "Primer" and "Anxiety Society." Members — James Arnett, Mark Stroface, Scott Crawford, John Cruz and Jimmy Adcock — count The Cult, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Megadeth, Rush, Thin Lizzy, James Addiction, Doundgarden and Mr. Big as influencing their music.

Saturday

✔'A Christmas Carol'

ODESSA — The Kaleidoscope Company of Permian Playhouse will present "A Christmas Carol" beginning today at 2:30 p.m.

Production dates and times are Dec. 12, 13, 19 and 20 at 2:30 p.m. and Dec. 18 and 19 at 8 p.m. Tickets are $5. Season memberships are on sale for $15. For reservations call 550-5456 between noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Company, the Playhouse's youth performing troupe, will present the story with 10 actors playing 30 roles.

✔Live broadcast

George Bizet's "Carmen" will be broadcast live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House at 12:30 p.m. Central time Saturday over the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera International Radio Network.

The broadcast can be heard locally on KCRS.

French mezzo-soprano Beatrice Uria-Monzon will make her Met broadcast debut as Carmen, with Hei-Kyung as Micaela, Gosta Winbergh as Don Jose and Gino Quilico as Escamillo. David Robertson will conduct.

The announcer for the broadcast will be Peter Allen.

✔Celebration set

ALBANY — The Old Jail Art Center's annual Christmas Celebration and Membership Preview is set for 6 p.m. Saturday.

This year's reception is designed for the family to enjoy with special activities for children. Old-time Christmas cartoons will play on the large screen television, local groups will perform and guests will be invited to join in a sing-a-long. For more information call (915) 762-2269. Members only.

✔Winterfest

LAS CRUCES — Thousands of twinkling lights and several giant Christmas cards will brighten this Saturday night as residents and visitors to Fort Sumner, N.M., gather in Dallas Park for the third annual Winterfest celebration.

The park will continue to be lighted each night during the last three weeks of December.

A lighting ceremony in the park will kick off festivities at 5:30 p.m., following by horse-drawn wagon rides along a trail decorated with nearly 800 luminaries set along the streets. Throughout the day, children and youth choirs will perform and Santa Claus will be on hand.

For more information contact Sandy Paul, DeBaca County Chamber of Commerce, (505) 355-7705 or the Rural Economic Development Through Tourism Project, (505) 646-8009.

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Midlanders in the News

✔Artist accepted

Artist Jan Foust Hurt has mixed media work that has been accepted into "Frameless II," a national juried exhibit in North Carolina. The exhibition closes Dec. 17 at Studio 107, Whiteville, NC.

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Upcoming

✔February Fantastique

The Midland Symphony Guild is celebrating its 36th year as a support for the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale, Inc. The Guild's annual Gala Weekend benefit, known as February Fantastique, is set for Feb. 19-20 in the Clay-Desta Atrium.

The black-tie event Feb. 19, which for the third year is alcohol-free, will feature the New York troupe Le Masquerade, with its Broadway musical repertoire, an elaborate senior belle presentation and a dinner buffet.

The gala brunch, highlighted with the freshman belle introduction, will be Feb. 20 and will feature a style show by Julian Gold. Guests also will have the opportunity to participate in a Beanie Babies Silent Auction.

Individuals and companies interested in sponsoring the event need to notify the Guild by Dec. 15 to have their name included on the Gala Weekend invitation. For more information call the symphony, 563-0921.

✔Pavarotti concert

AUSTIN — For the first concert of his limited North American tour, tenor Luciano Pavarotti makes a long-awaited stop at the Frank Erwin Center on The University of Texas at Austin campus Feb. 7. Curtain is at 7 p.m.

This is the first time this internationally acclaimed tenor will perform in the Texas capital. To

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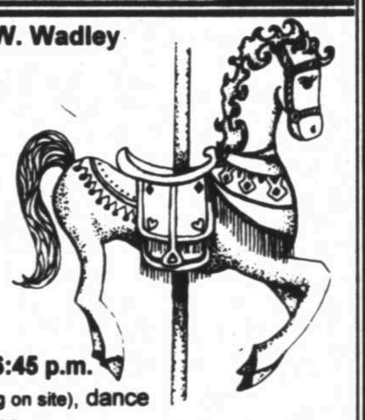
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Films in the '90s: Where there's life after 'The end'

By Margalit Fox
N.Y. Times News Service

In the beginning, there was simply "The End."

Now, there are gaffers, best boys and Celine Dion.

Hollywood movie credits, which began as modest lists, have grown over the years into lumbering behemoths as extravagant — and seemingly as time-consuming — as the films they accompany.

"End credits have become completely absurd," said Andrew Sarris, the film critic of The New York Observer. "There was one movie — I don't remember the name — where the credits went on and on. I happened to be tired and just sat there. And one of the credit lines was, 'If you left at the beginning of these credits, you'd be home by now.' "

For today's movie directors, end titles have become a place simultaneously to acknowledge indebtedness, flaunt the size of one's budget, make a final bid to woo audiences and, occasionally, to have a good time.

Moviegoers, for their part, must now routinely decide whether to stay till the last gaffer has gasped his last gasp or to unstick their feet from the floor and flee as soon as the credits begin.

"I think you can tell how much people like the movie by the percentage of the audience that stays," said the director John Waters, whose most recent film is "Pecker." "If the entire audience jumps up when the credit roll starts, then they didn't like the movie."

Among recent contenders, the hands-down favorite for sheer credit volume is the 197-minute, $200-million "Titanic." Its final credit crawl acknowledges (among hundreds of others) Steward No. 4 and Slovakian 3-Year-Old Boy; First-Class Husband and Third-Class Woman; a Drapes Master and Drapes Assistants; Production Accountants and Construction Accountants; a Children's Guardian, some Lead Inferno Artists and a Union Doctor; a Water Systems Engineer and a Tank Technician; Lifeguards, Model Makers and a Choreographer/Etiquette Coach.

The diamond necklace is by Asprey London and the cast album by Sony Classical; thank-you's go to the Mexican Minister of Tourism and the Nova Scotia Film Commission — all scrolling by as Ms. Dion bleats out the film's treacly anthem. Seven and a half minutes have seldom felt longer.

"That's all right," Waters said. "Because then all those people who are sobbing can pull themselves together: the women to fix their makeup, the men to blot away the tears so they're not embarrassed."

It wasn't always this way. Early silent films barely had credits at all. By the 1920s, movies would open with a short list, usually lasting less than a minute, naming the principal actors, the director and the producer. Closing credits were almost nonexistent.

Gradually, as a way of reinforcing stars' names in the public mind, cast lists began to be reiterated — briefly — at the end of movies. In the early 1930s, Universal Studios started prefacing its closing credits with the signature line "A Good Cast Is Worth Repeating." (The phrase was dusted off this year for "Gods and Monsters," about James Whale, the director of the first two Universal "Frankenstein" films.)

Literary adaptations might acknowledge their source material as well, sometimes with hilarious results. "Mary Pickford and Douglas Fairbanks did a 1929 version of 'Taming of the Shrew,' " Sarris said. "And the credit read: 'Play by William Shakespeare. Additional Dialogue by Sam Taylor.' "

Except for the wardrobe designer, members of the technical crew were seldom billed. Camera operators, sound men and the like were employees of the studios; their weekly paycheck was deemed sufficient credit. But over the years, as the studio system crumbled and the apparatus of moviemaking grew larger, opening credits became more crowded.

"Casablanca" (1942) is typical of its day. Besides the actors, producer and director, the opening credits acknowledge a dialogue director, a makeup artist, "gowns," "montages" and "orchestral arrangements," all in just over a minute. The closing credit? Still a simple "The End."

In the 1950s and 60s, new cinematic technologies gave opening credits even more to account for. The credits of "An Affair to Remember" (1957) are nearly two minutes long and, right up front with Cary Grant and Deborah Kerr, give the nod to "Cinemascope Lenses by Bausch & Lomb," "Color by De Luxe" and the title song, "sung by Vic Damone." It's a wonder anyone stuck around to watch the movie.

The longer credits also reflected larger changes in the moviegoing experience. "I grew up in the 30s and 40s in the age of double features," Sarris said. "In those days, they showed a lot of other things: newsreels, sometimes short subjects, cartoons. They had free-plate night and sweepstakes. So it was a very cluttered evening in the theater. And the tendency of the studios was not to add to the clutter with a lot of titles."

But with the rise of television and the resulting decline of B movies, a single feature eventually had to carry an entire bill. Expanding the opening credits helped flesh out the evening. By the 1950s, the best of these credit sequences were art forms unto themselves: witness the stunning title designs of Saul Bass ("Vertigo," "Anatomy of a Murder") and, in the 60s and 70s, the jazzy, animated openings of the "Pink Panther" films.

If a movie's credits were especially unwieldy, a director could choose to open with a precredit sequence designed to reel audiences into the narrative before the onslaught of names began. Sometimes, as in "The Horse Whisperer," the whole film is a precredit sequence, with the title appearing only at the end.

The growing clout of Hollywood labor unions also meant longer credits. Today, under the rules of the Screen Actors Guild, an actor who utters even a word on camera must often be billed. Then there are the crew members, like the gaffer (the chief electrician), best boy (an assistant or apprentice), key grip (the head handyman) and Foley artist (who creates post-production sound effects).

The law requires that producers add copyright acknowledgments for songs on the soundtrack. And for films shot on location, courtesy may compel heartfelt thanks to the citizenry of entire burgs.

By the 70s and 80s, films threatened to bog down under the accumulated weight of their opening credits. "Somewhere along the line, all of this material, which would include drivers and caterers, got pushed to the end," said Damien Bona, a co-author of "Inside Oscar: The Unofficial History of the Academy Awards." "Now in the opening credits, one tends to get only 'major workers' on the film."

With the credits shunted to the back, contemporary filmmakers must resort to tricks to induce the audience to stay. Some, like Peter and Bobby Farrelly ("There's Something About Mary"), leave their credits with snippets from the cutting-room floor.

The martial arts virtuoso Jackie Chan ("Rush Hour") intercuts outtakes of stunts that went comically — sometimes painfully — awry. Comedy directors, like the team of Zucker, Abrahams and Zucker ("A ˆplane!"), may weave pseudocredits ("Topping for Brownies," "Things To Do After the Movie") in among the real ones.

"By making the credits interesting, you are enabling people to see the so-called 'little people' that worked on the movie," Waters said. "So a director that does that is being very supportive of his crew."

Waters himself is no stranger to artful closing credits. At the end of "Serial Mom," for instance, he ran a line that read, "No Flies Were Harmed in the Making of This Film."

Closing credits are also a last chance for the filmmaker to seduce the audience. "The most important thing with any movie is word of mouth; that you cannot buy," Waters said. "So when those credits come on, that's when people are thinking whether they liked it or not and what they're going to say to the person they're with. That's the beginning of word of mouth."

A director doesn't need deep pockets to have long credits. "It's not just the big-budget movies with 2,000 special effects and the big rock tunes: it's also the small independent movies that look like they were made in a garage," Sarris said. "They credit somebody who lent the beach chairs for the beach scene and also people who lent moral encouragement."

And in a medium where product endorsements have become ever more blatant, producers are only too happy to give credit where credit is due — if it means they can snag a freebie in return.

Bona savors the memory of one such acknowledgment, from the credits of "He Knows You're Alone," a 1981 slasher picture most notable for being Tom Hanks's first film. "In the listing of special thanks," Bona recalled, "the producers gave special thanks to the Hoffritz cutlery company."

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More of same from still rockin' Stones

By Russ DeVault
N.Y. Times News Service

■ Review

If the question is whether this live album is necessary, then the answer — one being volunteered by many critics — is a resounding "No." It's the umpteenth live recording from the Stones, whose music is also available on some 50 other releases. But if the question is, does "No Security" satisfyingly document the band's just-ended tour, the answer is an equally resounding "Yes." It captures the ability of fiftysomething Mick Jagger & Co. to still raise a sonic ruckus and delight fans with strong versions of "Sister Morphine," "Gimme Shelter," "The Last Time" and other tunes from a deep catalog. As the just-announced plans for an arena tour starting in January indicate, the Stones won't go away. So let 'em roll.

"No Security"
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Grade: B
The verdict: It's redundant, but it rocks.

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✔ The Week Ahead

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mark the special occasion, Pavarotti will be accompanied by the Austin Lyric Opera Orchestra for this performance only.

The Permian Basin's newest motorcoach company, Whirlwind Tours, has teamed up with Any Seasons Travel to provide a package tour for this performance for area residents. The deadline for purchasing tickets is Dec. 14. For more information call 550-4611.

"This is a dream come true," said John Graham, director of the Frank Erwin Center. "To be part of this event is not only a highlight of this season but a defining moment in the history of the Frank Erwin Center."

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✔Holiday Pops

AUSTIN — The Austin Symphony presents the 1998 Holiday Pops, "A Big Band Show," with trumpeter Allen Vizzutti Dec. 30 and 31 from 8 to 10:30 p.m.

Guest conductor Stuart Chafetz of the Honolulu Symphony will conduct the performances at Palmer Auditorium, South 1st and Riverside Drive.

Concert-goers are encouraged to bring picnic suppers. Cash bars will be set up around the auditorium. Tables for 10 are available on the auditorium floor at $25 per person. Individual seats for $15 each are in the balcony. For ticket information call (512) 476-6064. Tickets are available to the public beginning Dec. 14.

✔Christmas concert

SAN ANGELO — The San Angelo Symphony will present its Hirschfeld Steel Christmas Concert at 2 p.m. Dec. 13 in the City Auditorium. The box office opens at 1:15 p.m.

This year's Christmas concert features the symphony, the chorale, the Singing Boys and soloists Colleen Mallotte and Eldon Black. They will perform excerpts from the "Nutcracker," Corelli's "Christmas concerto" Fantasia on "Greensleeves," highlights from "The Messiah," Anderson's "Sleigh Ride" and a Christmas sing-a-long.

The symphony also is selling its 50th anniversary commemorative Christmas ornaments.

Ticket prices are $10 for adults, $6 for students and $4 for children. For more information call the symphony office, (915) 658-5877.

✔Christmas event

SAN ANGELO — The historic Orient-Santa Fe Depot, 703 S. Chadbourne, here is holding its second annual Santa's Santa Fe Christmas through Dec. 20.

Held in conjunction with the Christmas light festival along the Concho River, the Depot has been transformed into a Christmas wonderland with operating model train layouts underneath decorated Christmas trees.

Times (closed Mondays and Tuesdays) are 6 to 9 p.m. and on Saturdays 4 to 9 p.m. Admission is $3 per person for adults and $1 for children under 12.

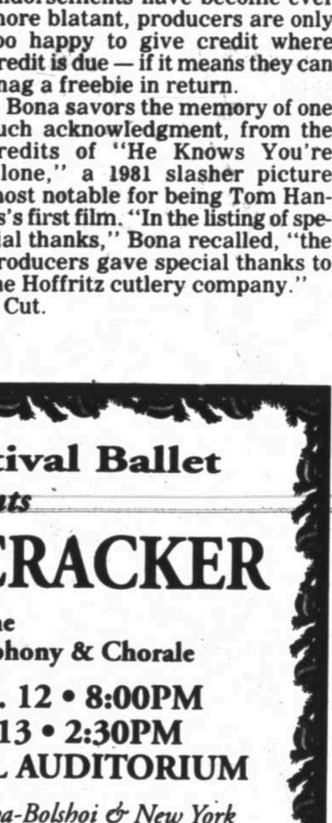
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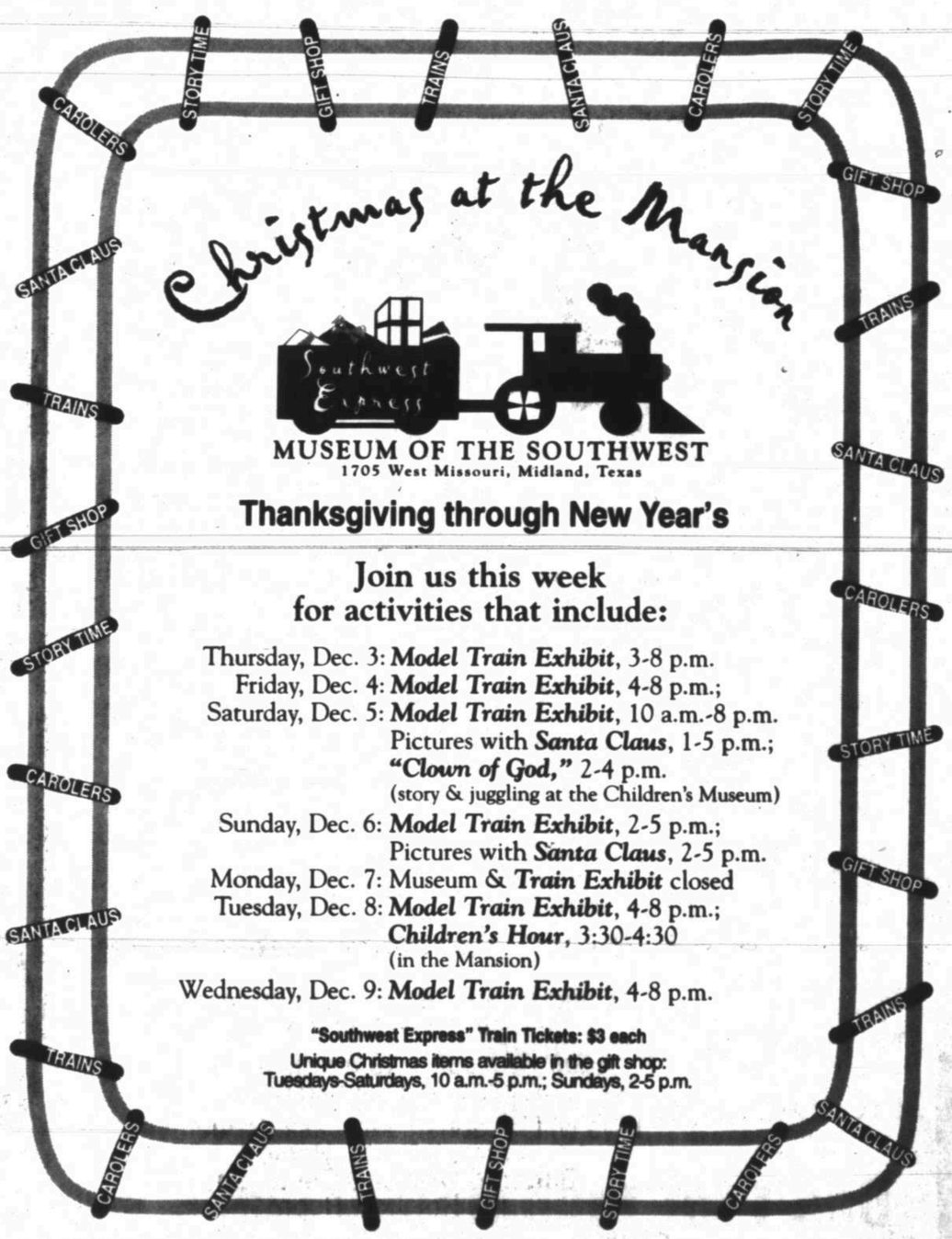
✔Festival drew crowd

AUSTIN — Despite heavy rain and stormy conditions, the Texas Book Festival drew record crowds of more than 20,000 people and anticipates meeting its fund-raising goal of $250,000.

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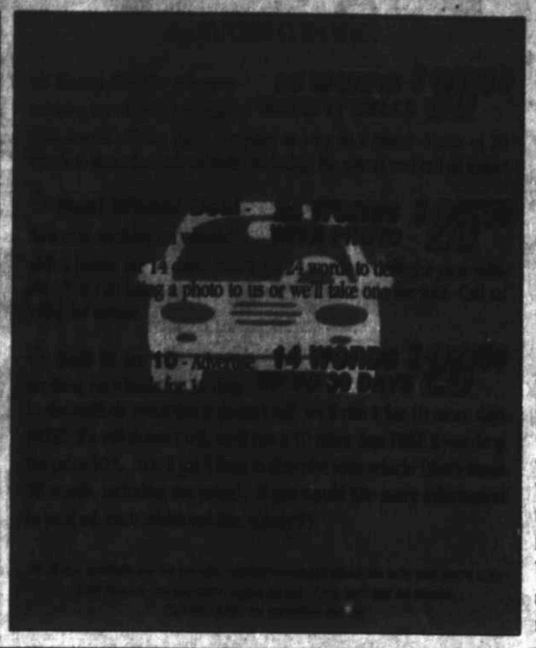
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Remember, before you dig or in case of an emergency, call PG&E Texas toll free, 1-800-644-4773. It could save your life!

Estas señales indican que se encuentra cerca una linea de gas bajo tierra.

Si está escarbando o tiene plan de escarbar y ve una de estas señales, favor de llamar a PG&E Texas al 1-800-644-4773. Nosotros le a localizar nuestra linea de gas para usted.

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¡Recuerde! Antes de escarbar o en caso de emergencia, llame a PG&E Texas al 1-800-644-4773. ¡Le podria salvar su vida!

PG&E Gas Transmission
Texas
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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This notice is to inform you of your right to reclaim the below described vehicle not later than the 20th day after the date of this notice. The reclaiming includes payment on all towing, preservation, and storage charges resulting in the placing of the vehicle in custody.

If you fail to exercise your rights to reclaim the vehicle, within the time allowed this constitutes, the owner or lien holders, relinquishing all rights to the vehicle, resulting in the sale of the abandoned vehicle, at a public auction. In accordance with Sec. 5.04 of the Texas Litter Abatement Act (article 4477-9a).

UNKNOWN OWNER V.I.N. 3M57R6R189242 OLDSMOBILE CUTLASS

V.I.N.	1G6AD4783C9164647	1982	CADILLAC	LICENSE:	528TQD
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V.I.N.	1G3AJ19R3FD388822	1985	OLDSMOBILE	LICENSE:	JSZ88D
V.I.N.	2W87K9L108132	1979	PONTIAC	LICENSE:	CSJ67P
V.I.N.	1W19KAK506472	1980	CHEVROLET	LICENSE:	UJY446(WA)
V.I.N.	6W34F536006	1976	MERCURY	LICENSE:	412TYM
V.I.N.	HLA10012632	1978	DATSUN	LICENSE:	392QUK
V.I.N.	9G87H118722	1979	FORD	LICENSE:	SMG110(OK)
V.I.N.	1G4NC54L8HM056038	1987	BUICK	LICENSE:	281CCT(NM)
V.I.N.	1FABP34F3BU138119	UNKNOWN YEAR FORD LTD			

90 Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SALE of Personal Property to satisfy Landlords' Lien. Per Chapter 59, Texas Property Code. Contents of Unit(s):

23- Barbara Lewis
Household Goods

At ABC Secured Storage, 3105 Industrial, Midland, Texas 79701. Will be sold as a closed bid Tuesday, January 5, 1999 at 10:00 am.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The Permian Basin Community Center is requesting proposals for our group Medical and Life/ AD& D contracts.

Beginning November 30, 1998 proposed packets may be picked up in the Accounting Office of Permian Basin Community Centers, 401 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas, Suite 300, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Monday thru Friday).

Proposals must be in the hands of the Accounting Office no later than 2:00 p.m. on December 16, 1998. They will be opened at 401 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 4th floor conference room at 2:00 p.m. Any proposals received after opening time will be returned unopened.

90 Legal Notices

THE MIDLAND COLLEGE DISTRICT will be accepting competitive bids on the sale of an Industrial Weight Storage Building, built in the Building Science Department at Midland College the storage Building is 10' x 16' with one overhead door that measures 7' x 8'. This building is complete with one exterior door, wooden porch and fully insulated. The exterior of the building is lap siding. electrical wiring has been installed but does not include fixtures. Bid closing is December 14, 1998 at 3:00 P.M. All bids will be considered with no minimum bid requirement. Please refer any questions, inquiries for On Site visits or Bid Packet information to Cindy Curnutt, Purchasing Agent, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas 79705.

90 Legal Notices

(Maintenance Project)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for the following projects: REMOVE AND REPLACE SMALL ROADSIDE SIGNS, Control No. 6028 70 001, estimate $128,201, guaranty $2,600, on SH 18 in PECOS county, BRIDGE SPALL REPAIR, Control No. 6028 71 001, estimate $43,930, guaranty $900, on IH 10 in PECOS county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6028 72 001, estimate $185,728, guaranty $3,800, on IH 10 in PECOS county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6028 73 001, estimate $87,968, guaranty $1,800, on US 285 in TERRELL county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6028 74-001, estimate $113,952, guaranty $2,300, on IH 10 in PECOS county, REMOVE AND REPLACE TRAFFIC BUTTONS, Control No. 6031 68 001, estimate $19,709, guaranty $0, on IH 20 in MARTIN county, CULVERT CLEANING, Control No. 6031 69 001, estimate $50,025, guaranty $1,100, on SH 191 in MIDLAND county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6031 70 001, estimate $144,273, guaranty $2,900, on IH 20 in MIDLAND county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6031 71 001, estimate $125,378, guaranty $2,600, on IH 20 in MARTIN county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6031 72 001, estimate $101,134 guaranty $2,100, on US 385 in UPTON county, RIP RAP, Control No. 6032 06 001, estimate $61,700, guaranty $1,300, on IH 20 in ECTOR county, LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE, Control No. 6032 08 001, estimate $14,400, guaranty $0, on US 385 in ANDREWS county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6032 19 001, estimate $69,510, guaranty $1,400 on SH 302 in WINKLER county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6032 20 001, estimate $60,369, guaranty $1,300, on IH 20 in REEVES county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6032 22 001, estimate $45,392, guaranty $1,000, on IH 10 in REEVES county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6033 21 001, estimate $67,117, guaranty $1,400, on IH 20 in WARD county, MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6034 39 001, estimate $94,340, guaranty $1,900, on US 385 in CRANE county, and MOWING HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY, Control No. 6034 40 001, estimate $114,130, guaranty $2,300, on US 385 in ANDREWS county of the Odessa District will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation, 3901 East Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761, until 2:00 P.M., JANUARY 12, 1999, then opened and publicly read. Bidding proposals are available by calling the District Operations office of Charles E. Martin, 3901 East Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761, (915) 498-4640. Usual rights reserved.

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NOTICE OF ESTRAY

NO. 98-09769
DATE 11-21-98

1. PERSON REPORTING ESTRY
NAME Paul Reed
ADDRESS 6113 E. CR. 86

2. DATE ESTRAY REPORTED TO SHERIFF 11-21-98

3. LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHEN FOUND 6113 E. CR 86, Front Yard

4. LOCATION OF ESTRAY WHILE IMPOUNDED 4419 E. Hwy 158

5. DESCRIPTION OF ESTRAY
KIND OF ANIMAL Emu
BREED Black & Tan
COLOR Black & Tan

SEX Unknown
AGE Unknown
SIZE 4ft.
BRAND, MARK, IDENTIFYING CHARACTERS NONE

GARY PAINTER, SHERIFF
MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS
J.D.STUARD, DEPUTY

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Midland Independent School District is requesting bids on Chain Link Fencing for Midland Senior High School, Bid #9M-0011 addressed to Mr. James Riggen, AIA, Director of School Plant Services/ District Architect, 801 S. Moran, Building #1, Midland, TX 79701 will be received until 2:00 p.m. CST, December 18, 1998 at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (915) 689-1505.

90 Legal Notices

RIO GRANDE DISTRIBUTORS, INC. HAS MADE APPLICATION WITH THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR A WINE AND BEER RETAILER OFF PREMISES PERMIT, TO BE LOCATED AT 2301 W. WADLEY, CITY OF MIDLAND, COUNTY OF MIDLAND AND WILL OPERATE UNDER THE TRADE NAME OF AMIGOS. OFFICERS OF THE CORPORATION BEING, JERRY L. SMITH, PRESIDENT, S.D. HARRISON, VICE PRESIDENT, JONELL BRANDON, SEC./ TREA.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for **PRESCRIPTION CARD SERVICES** for employees of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Monday, November 30, 1998.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "RFP #348-112598 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED PROPOSALS FROM RESPONDENTS BE ACCEPTED.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE MATERIALS MANAGER BY 12:00 P.M., TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1998.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL APRIL 22, 1999.

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the Purchasing Office according to the Policy/Procedure of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive formalities.

Director of Materials Management
Memorial Hospital District
Memorial Hospital and Medical Center
2200 West Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The City of Alpine hereby gives notice that sealed bids will be accepted, addressed to the Mayor and City Council from potential Fixed Base Operators at Alpine-Casparis Municipal Airport. Bids must be presented at City Hall, 309 West Sul Ross Avenue, Alpine, Texas by 3:00 P.M. on Thursday, December 17, 1998 clearly marked "Sealed Bid for fixed base operator", and will be opened and read aloud. Awarding of the Bids for Fixed Base Operator at Alpine-Casparis Municipal Airport will be held at a Regular Scheduled City Council Meeting on January 12, 1999 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Bid information and Bid Proposals may be obtained at City Hall, 309 West Sul Ross Avenue, Alpine, Texas 79830 from the City Manager. The City of Alpine reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Annabel M. Holguin
City Secretary

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Midland County Hospital District is accepting proposals for a HELICAL COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY SYSTEM.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Memorial Hospital and Medical Center on or after Wednesday, December 2, 1998.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE SEALED AND LABELED "RFP #349-113098 ENCLOSED".

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL FAXED PROPOSALS FROM RESPONDENTS BE ACCEPTED.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE OFFICE OF THE MATERIALS MANAGER BY 12:00 PM, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1998.

ALL PROPOSALS MUST BE PRICE PROTECTED UNTIL APRIL 15, 1999.

ALL PROPOSALS WILL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL AFTER AN AWARD HAS BEEN MADE. VENDORS WILL THEN BE ALLOWED TO REVIEW THE PROPOSALS IN THE PURCHASING OFFICE ACCORDING TO THE POLICY/ PROCEDURE OF MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER. MIDLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL PROPOSALS AND TO WAIVE FORMALITIES.

DIRECTOR OF MATERIALS MANAGEMENT
MIDLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER
2200 WEST ILLINOIS
MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701

110 Lodge Notices

CENTENNIAL LODGE #1448
1800 W. Wall
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Breakfast 7:30 am.
Henry McElyea, W/M
Bob Ellwood, Sec.

Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
P.O. Box 1758
Reg. stated meetings 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:30 pm.
Bert Bloodworth, WM
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1000 Upland
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.
Glenn Flippin, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

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689-7003
Reg. mtng. 3rd Thurs. each mo.
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dine 7 pm., Bus. mtng. 8 pm.
Earl Selman, Pres.
Keith Hughes, Secty.

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MARY KAY COSMETICS. Sybil Wallace, 684-5464. Kay Gilley, 520-3167. Crete Arnold, 689-7002.

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LOST: Apricot Toy Poodle, 5 month old female, "Shu- Shu", missing from 3316 W. Ohio/ Midkiff area. We are totally heartbroken- please call 520-4187.

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150 Lost & Found

LOST: FEMALE 8 month old Rottweiler, purple collar. Missing Thomason/ Illinois area. 661-0681/ 689-6986, REWARD!

LOST: Small friendly Yorkie male dog from Manager's home in Country Village Mobile Park. Family dog- children upset. Reward even if led to the whereabouts of the dog. 694-1120.

FOUND BEAGLE, young adult. Please call to identify, 684-7120.

FOUND Chocolate Lab mixed, male near Target on Midland Drive. 697-3028.

FOUND: Small Female Poodle or Mix. White, long hair. North Midland area. Call 697-2482.

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LOST: DACHSHUND male, chocolate brown, wire- haired, vicinity Wadley/ Loop 250. Call 697-1447, Brian.

FOUND: Ladies Bifocals- left at a garage sale. Call to identify, 686-9031.

FOUND FEMALE Bassett Hound near Coleman. Please call 694-5734.

FREE 2 Medium size dogs. Black Lab mixes. Male & female 620-0442.

FOUND: Large Yorkie or Silky Terrier Male. Lee High area. Call 687-1551 or 699-6989.

LOST: Brown Pomeranian with dark brown & black markings. Limps on right rear leg. Answers to "Winston". Call 685-1895 or 682-5278.

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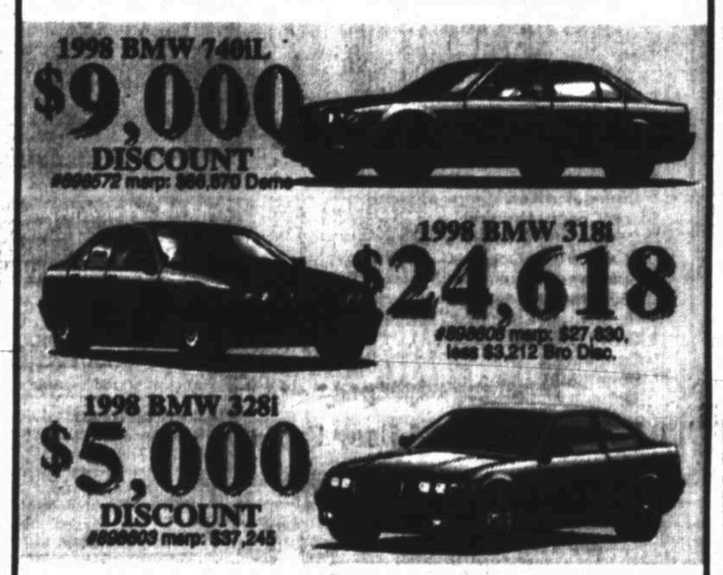
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$300 Sign On Bonus

Nursefinders 570-8080

SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGISTS

NovaCare is currently seeking a Speech- Language Pathologist to become a part of our rehab team in the Odessa/ Midland area. PRN and per diem needed. For more information, contact Celia Yancy, Recruitment Mgr. at: 1-888-231-2685 toll free, or fax your resume to: 817-467-4459. EEO/ AA. www.novacare.com

·DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL RECORDS

RRA or ART required. Experience preferred. Salary negotiable. For more information, copntact ORH, Human Resources Department, 915-3348397. EOE.

***NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATOR**

Non- profit nursing home organization has an Administrators position in the city of Alpine, Texas. The nursing home has a sound compliance history. Alpine, the home Sul Ross State University, has a unique aura with western and Texas traditions. Mail or fax resume to: MSC Associates, 1212 13th Street, Suite 100, Lubbock, TX 79401 Fax: 806-747-1632.

→NEW TODAY←

★ MEDICAL Receptionist needed for front desk for busy doctor's office. Heavy phones. Medical experience necessary. Send resume to Box T-05160, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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·STAFF RN NEEDED

Full time. Position requires current TX RN license and at least one year of clinical experience, home health experience a plus. Will work weekdays. Must also be available for on- call shifts. Please call or send resumes to: The Visiting Nurse Service of the Permian Basin, 620 Grant Suite 400, Odessa, TX 79761 or call (915)337-8144. EOE.

→NEW TODAY←

***Utilization Review/ Trauma Nurse Coordinator**

Mitchell County Hospital has an opening for an R.N. with strong clinical background. A.C.L.S. required for Trauma Nurse Coordinator position. Participation in R.A.C. meetings required. Computer literacy a must. Utilization Review component requires tact in dealing with members of the medical team and frequent contact with Third Party payors. good telephone skills helpful. Applications will be accepted at Mitchell County Hospital (915) 728-3431 extension 288. Contact Linda Mize, R.N. for interview.

RN/ LPN

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EOE

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DIRECTOR OF Nurses needed for Mountain View Lodge. Long Term care experience preferred. Excellent salary and benefits. Apply in person at 2009 Virginia, Big Spring. (915)263-1271.

INSURANCE COLLECTION/ POSTING. Experience a must in Medicare/ Medicaid and Commercial Insurance. Extremely busy clinic needing insurance Clerk. Please send, resume and payment history to: 4304 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas 79703. No phone calls please.

L. P. T. A. FULL time. $20 per hour. Please call 682-5560. Ask for Randy Hartwright.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT with other medical office duties. Will train. Send resume to: Box N-3039, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

312 Professional Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

HUMAN SERVICE TECH IV

MAKE A DIFFERENCE! GREAT OPPORTUNITY. The Texas Department of Health is recruiting for a Human Service Tech IV to be headquartered out of the Midland office. Performs outreach/ informing/ support service activities for the Texas Health Steps/ EPSDT Program in the Permian Basin Counties. Activities will include client follow- up, home visits, coordination with state and local service agencies, collecting and compiling data on program activities. Graduation from high school or GED plus (2) years of full time experience in clerical position in a social agency or medical setting. Bilingual (English/ Spanish) required. Travel 50% day and 10% overnight. Salary $1,437.00/ Month plus excellent benefits: Paid State holidays, paid quality health insurance, longevity pay, retirement package, staff development training and dental insurance available. NO resumes accepted. Applications available at 2301 N. Big Spring, Ste. 300. For more information, contact: Anita Montanez at (915)683-9492. PRN# 99-R09-0010. Closing date: 12/17/98. EEO/ ADA.

→NEW TODAY←

The Permian Basin Community Supervision and Corrections Department is accepting applications for the position of Substance Abuse Counselor for Brewster, Jeff Davis and Presidio Counties.

QUALIFICATIONS: Certified Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor or Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor. Counselor Trainee with required ADAC hours will be considered.

SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with experience.

CLOSING DATE: 12-18-98

INQUIRIES: Send resumes with proof of ADAC hours of certification to:

Juan Hernandez, Director
P.O. Box 1706
Ft. Stockton, TX 79735
915-336-8562

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Bachelor's degree in psychology, social work or related field or BA in another field plus 2 years experience in mental health field. Responsible for responding to mental health crisis calls for Law Enforcement, Emergency Room and Crisis Hotline. Obtain relevant history, assess needed intervention and initiate intervention services. This position will require a 5- day on, 5- day off rotation schedule. Salary $1,753 per month. for details call our job line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E. Illinois, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

A Therapeutic Treatment Community (TTC) facility in Midland needs to fill the following full- time and part- time positions:

- **Program Coordinator**
- **Secretary**
- **Substance Abuse Counselors**
- **Counselor Interns**
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For details call our Job Line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E Illinois, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

United Way

United Way of Midland
Campaign Team Leader/ Market Director

Full time professional position. Sales management and/ or marketing background preferred. Bachelor's degree or equivalent experience. Non smoking office. Commitment to superior customer service. Salary low to mid 30's. Send resume with salary history and requirements to:

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United Way of Midland
P.O. Box 10070
Midland, TX 79702
No phone calls please
Deadline: 12/16/98

→NEW TODAY←

W.P.S
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Full- Time

Women's Protective Services has an immediate full- time position for an Associate Director. Master's Degree in Psychology, Sociology, Counseling or other Behavioral Science or Bachelor's Degree plus at least two years experience in counseling, mental health, social service, managerial experience, supervision and public speaking. Knowledge in grant writing, fundraising and budget administration. Public relations duties including interviews, training sessions and speeches. Salary range $32,000 to $35,000. WPS is an EOE. Please submit resume by 12/18/98 to:

3223 S. Loop 289/ Suite 320
Lubbock, TX 79423

311 Medical Help Wanted

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311 Medical Help Wanted

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312 Professional Help Wanted

PRE- SCHOOL Teacher- for 3 year old children. Two years experience, CDA Track or better. Benefits package. Interviews Monday, Wednesday, Friday- 8- 2:30 or Tuesday/ Thursday 12- 2:30. 3220 W. Illinois. Salary DOE.

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Marathon Oil Company

COMMERCIAL REPRESENTATIVE

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312 Professional Help Wanted

PACKARD GAS COMPRESSORS

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Need to fill permanent position. Must have code vessel experience using Release 13 or 14 for Windows. Salary depends on experience.

Please mail resume to:
VR Systems, Inc.
2408 Mercury
Odessa, TX 79761

312 Professional Help Wanted

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MIDLAND COUNTY
INFORMATION SYSTEMS OPERATIONS MANAGER

Midland County has an immediate opening for an Operations Manager in our Information Systems Department,. This position requires a working knowledge of OS/ 400, UNIX, TCP/ IP, and Novell networks. Candidates must be able to maintain and support operations of both AS/ 400 and RS/ 6000 computer systems. Informix experience and network certification a plus. Must be self- motivated and have good problem solving and troubleshooting skills. A bachelor's degree in Computer Science plus 4 years computer experience is required or any equivalent combination of education with experience which provides the required knowledge, skills and abilities. Starting salary $3,041.67/ month. Excellent benefit package including medical, dental, disability and life insurance; retirement, vacation, sick pay and holidays. Send resume' to Sue Gambill, Director of Human Resources- Midland County, 200 W. Wall, Suite 104, Midland, TX 79701. (915) 688-1066. Resume's will be accepted until position is filled. Midland County is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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PUBLIC HEALTH TECH II

GREAT OPPORTUNITY. MAKE A DIFFERENCE! The Texas Department of Health has an opening for a Public Health Tech II headquartered out of Midland, Texas. Conducts active surveillance of structural birth defects. Identifies cases of birth defects (case finding), and collects information (abstraction) from medical records at the health care facilities following State law and program procedures. Requires individual planning, organization, initiative and flexibility in carrying out duties. Assists with special epidemiologic studies on birth defects. Is liaison between program and health care institutions. Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university, plus (1) year of full- time experience in a health/ medical field working with medical record review, abstraction, and/ or coding. Travel 90% day and 5% overnight. Salary: $2,061.00/ Month plus excellent benefits: Paid State holidays, paid quality health insurance, longevity pay, retirement package and staff development training and dental insurance available. NO RESUMES ACCEPTED. Applications are available at 2301 N. Big Spring, Ste 300. For more information, please contact: Sharon Kreitz, (915)683-9492. PRN# 99-R09-0011. Closing date: 12/17/98. EEO/ ADA.

EXPLORATION/ EXPLOITATION GEOLOGIST

Midland based independent oil & gas exploration and production company is seeking an Exploration/ Exploitation Geologist:

- Degree in Geology
- 10+ years industry experience
- West Texas/ SE New Mexico/ Gulf Coast
- Benefits
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Send resume and cover letter, with salary requirements to:

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Midland, TX 79702

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- **Therapeutic Treatment Community Program Coordinator, Midland**
- **Secretaries, Midland and Odessa**
- **Residential Home Supervisor, Odessa**
- **Crisis Response Workers (Evenings), Odessa**
- **Community Service Aide, Midland**

For details call our Job Line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E Illinois, Suite 301, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

Free Lance Writers

The Midland Reporter- Telegram is looking for Experienced Writers to write for special upcoming projects. Excellent grammar and spelling skills required. Professional Journalist preferred. Assignments will be in Midland and surrounding area towns. Please forward resumes to:

Free Lance Writers
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, Texas 79702
Attn: C. Evers

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COUNSELOR POSITION

Full time, fringe benefits, salary negotiable. Bachelor's degree in Psychology and two years counseling experience (volunteer work in counseling will count towards counseling experience). Individual will counsel 16- 24 year olds in education and vocational training, residential living, and developing individual accountability to Job Corps program requirements. Case load of approximately 65 male students.

Applicants can submit a resume to Roswell Job Corps Center, PO Box 5970, Roswell, New Mexico 88202 or inquire at (505)347-5414, Extension 136.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

The Amarillo office of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and affiliates seeks Professional Development Manager to coordinate, design & conduct training in the areas of management, leadership, & professional development. Knowledge of HR law, management principles & presentation skills a MUST! Bachelor's degree and 5 years of supervisory and training experience required. Call HR at 806-372-2341 or 800-687-3722. (EOE)

312 Professional Help Wanted

PLAN ADMINISTRATION

Pension management company seeking individual with 2- 5 years experience in computerized record keeping or accounting skills. Working user knowledge of Excel or Lotus important. Prior experience in plan compliance and administration a plus. Good benefits. Send resume to:

Steve Olive
Western Pension Mgmt
110 N Marienfeld
Suite 380
Midland, TX 79701

312 Professional Help Wanted

PERMIAN BASIN Center for Battered Women and Their Children has an opening for a Development Director to plan, organize and implement fund development including special events and public relations. Prefer a Bachelors Degree in Journalism, English, Public Relations or Related Field with demonstrated experience in fund raising. Requires excellent written and oral communication skills. Fax resume to *Personnel: at 915-686-7186 or mail to PO Box 2942, Midland, Texas 79702.

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LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER
Part Time

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Gilbert Industrial Corp. is currently recruiting an experienced Mechanical Field Engineer to work in the Denver City, Texas area. Duties include interfacing with vendors, planning and scheduling work, and solving field Installation problems. Combined Cycle Gas Fired Power Plant experience is a plus. this is a salaried position with excellent benefits. Please send resume to:

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Fax to: 806-592-9311

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VOLUNTEER Coordinator/ Home Bound Services Coordinator, non- profit agency with large volunteer base seeking coordinator. Human Services degree or experience in social services field. Good communications and interpersonal skills. Must have experience in Word and Excel. Full time with benefits. Send resume to 3301 Sinclair Ave., Midland, Texas 79707.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

JOBS AVAILABLE
Select Staff
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United Way

United Way of Midland
Receptionist/ Accounting Clerk

Full time clerical position. Receptionist, secretarial or bookkeeping experience preferred. Non smoking office. Commitment to superior customer service. Salary upper teens. Send resume with salary history and requirements to:

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Receptionist/ Accounting Clerk Search
United Way of Midland
P.O. Box 10070
Midland, TX 79702
No phone calls please
Deadline: 12/16/98

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ASSISTANT

Oil and gas company has Accounts Payable Assistant position available immediately. The qualified candidate will have 3 to 5 years oil and gas accounts payable experience. Working knowledge of joint interest billing is also preferred., Must be highly dependable and organized, possess strong math skills and able to 10-key by touch. Proficient skills with Lotus 123 or Excel is also required.

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P.O. Box 1714
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318 Sales Help Wanted

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Southwestern Bell

ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Southwestern Bell Wireless is looking for positive, energetic, and results- oriented individuals to be our new Account Executive. The Account Executive (outside sales) position is directed toward obtaining major/ multiple accounts by cold calling and servicing major/ multiple accounts as assigned. Individuals must posses strong negotiation, organizational, problem solving, computer and selling skills. Two years of sales and one-year outside sales experience. A high school diploma and a minimum 2 years college or equivalent are required.

Please bring or send resume to:
Southwestern Bell Wireless
Attn: Carrol Mendoza
4937 E. 42nd St.
Odessa, Texas 79762

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314 Clerical Help Wanted

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314 Clerical Help Wanted

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ATTENTION GROUP I Insurance License Holders! Are you tired of selling life insurance? Then, call 682-3061. I may just have the opportunity you have been looking for! Ask for Alan Schnaufer.

→NEW TODAY←
★★★★★★
UNIVERSAL COMPRESSION
Is seeking a Permian Basin rental fleet sales representative. Previous oil field production equipment sales experience required. Mail or fax resume to:
Universal Compression Inc.
Sales Representative
PO Box 40009
Houston, Texas 77240
Fax # (713)466-6574
EOE M/F/D/V
★★★★★★

IMMEDIATE OPENING. Established route. General merchandise. Calling on large grocery chain. Midland- Odessa area. Company vehicle provided. Good driving record a must! Salary plus commission. $23- 25K. Send resume to 17984 Red Iron Road, Schertz, TX 78154, or fax us at (210)651-4861.

*Sales
ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE

Excellent career opportunity available with mid- sized high- tech manufacturing company whose founder was named Entrepreneur of the Year. As an industry leader, we seek a consultative sales professional to sell our marketing, financial and data software solutions to credit unions in West Texas- 60% Overnight travel. The successful candidate will have a college degree and a minimum of 3 years experience calling on corporate executives.

Initial base salary to low $40s plus car with $60,000 potential in 3 years. In addition, we offer an outstanding benefit package including 401(k) with 100% company match & ESOP. Only candidates who submit SALARY HISTORY and detailed resume outlining accomplishments will be considered. Please respond to: Liberty Enterprises, Sales Department, 5267 Program Ave., Mounds View, MN 55112. Fax 800-790-6680. (www.libertycheck.com) No phone calls or responses to website accepted.

318 Sales Help Wanted

CICI'S PIZZA management position available with the possibility of becoming a franchisee a real opportunity. Send resume; P.O. Box 8488, Midland TX., 79706.

→NEW TODAY←
GENERAL MANAGERS for Midland/ Odessa area C- Store, Travel Plaza. Competitive salary/ bonus/ paid health plan. Send resume and salary history to: Dept. GMJK, PO Box 4456, Houston, TX 77210.

MANAGEMENT- Progressive, growing company seeking to hire a Property Manager. Duties include supervising staff, leasing, marketing and financial accounting. Must be dedicated and professional. Excellent company environment and above average salary. All applications strictly confidential. Send resume to: Manager Position, 2541 74th Street, Lubbock, TX 79423.

RESTAURANT. Domino's Pizza needs Drivers and Inside Help, for our booming business! New manager needs help! Contact Joseph or Yvette at our Scharbauer Drive/ "A" Street location.

STRONG ON SITE PROPERTY MANAGER

to take over Arbor Point Apartments. Must have good background in collections and leasing. Must be the kind of hands on manager who keeps the property clean and green and makes the make ready shine. If you are this person. Call Caren McCourt at 570-4321 or apply in person at my office 4405 N. Garfield.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←
EXPLORATION GEOLOLIGST

Growing Texas Independent needs Prospect Generator with successful track record in SouthEast New Mexico. Top salary + car + incentives + benefits. Call for details. Colt Brannon, (970)586-3715; fax 970-586-3712. All fees paid by client company.

GAS COMPRESSOR BUSINESS
Needs
MECHANICS
(Low & High Speed)

MUST BE:
Dependable/ Long Term employees who work well with others. Wages based on experience and ability. Overtime available at 1.5 hourly rate. Supply own tools/ company supplied specialty tools. Willing to relocate.

GOOD BENEFITS:
Uniforms
Health/ Dental/ Life Ins.
Vacation/ Holidays
Matching Retirement Plan

MAIL RESUME TO:
A- Texian Compressor Service, Inc.
Ed Cash
General Manager
P.O. Box 2790
Victoria, TX 77902-2790
512-578-2519 or
1-800-858-5645
Or fax to
512-578-3273

320 Skilled Trades

→NEW TODAY←
A/ C
UP TO **$20/ HOUR**
- A/ C Mechanics & Foremans
- A/ C Refrigerant pipers
- Licensed plumbers

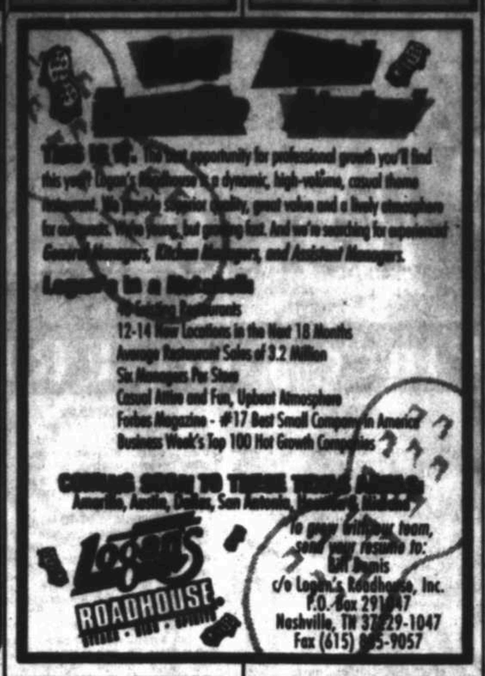
Relocate to beautiful Austin, TX. Commercial contracting firm 250 + employees strong. Great benefits and pay. **$1,000 relocation bonus.** Available until 12- 30-98.

Contact Dan at:
1-800-837-2917

→NEW TODAY←
***TRANSMISSION* REBUILDER**

Must have own tools. Salary DOE. Good benefits with an established shop. Call Nathan or Henry at
(915)655-6614

Fax It! 682-6999



318 Management Help Wanted

320 Skilled Trades

RV TECH
(Dallas)
Minimum 5 years experience. Mechanical background. Must be willing to relocate. Salary to $12/hr+, FEE PAID.
GLOBAL PERSONNEL
Call Rebecca Sakelaris
(915)686-8300 *(915)686-8302

A & S PERSONNEL is now accepting applications for Licensed Electricians. Preferably licensed in Midland County. Radio Technician. Electricians' Helper with at least 3 years experience in conduit and blueprint reading. Send resume to PO Box 2487, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or apply in person at 1602 Scurry or fax to 915-267-4166.

BACKHOE OPERATOR with at least two years experience. Call Rusty's Oil Field Service Co. Inc., 915-756-2821.

CADD DRAFTER/ DESIGNER. Minimum 5 years experience in AutoCAD as applied to civil engineering. Eagle Point Civil Software and MicroStation experience desireable. Must be able to work closely with engineers and surveyors to develop water, sewer and paving plans, site plans, plats, etc. Salary based on experience. Apply at 5214 Thomason Drive or call 915-697-9758.

GENERAL MECHANIC for light duty, with varied experience. Full time. (806) 285-4240, (806) 285-2916.

→NEW TODAY←
INSPECTOR/ RADIOGRAPHER

Needed for growing international manufacturer of expansion joints. Must possess: Texas Industrial Radiography ID card for exam codes 2 or 3, records of prior certification and tests for RT and PT (Level I or II) per SNT-TC-1A required. Previous experience in dimensional and visual inspection desired. Pre-employment physical and drug testing required. Competitive salary, excellent benefits including paid vacation, holidays, health insurance and 401(k). Send resume and salary requirements to: Senior Flexonics, 2400 Longhorn Ind. Dr., New Braunfels, TX 78130. EOE M/F.

LOOKING FOR Experienced Journeymen Plumbers. Submit applications to: 1607 South Midkiff.

ROOFING HELP needed, experience in wood and composition. Call between 8 am to 5 pm. 685-0607.

→NEW TODAY←
SHEET METAL Mechanics with layout experience needed. Must have customer service skills and clean driving record. We offer excellent pay scale, full medical benefits and 401K plan. Call 498-0750 or apply in person at First Service, 3009 Garden City Highway, Midland, Texas.

336 Adult Care Providers

CNA WOULD like to take care of elderly person. Quality Care. If interested call 682-4159.

INHOME CARE for all your in home health needs. Bathing, cooking, cleaning, running errands, etc. Give us a call for more information at 570-4475, ask for Tonya or Jackie.

SKILLS TRAINING or companionship, evenings and weekends in your home. By social work professional. Tom 697-7451.

ELDERLY CARE in my assisted living home. $1,400 Monthly. Caring is my pleasure. Linda, 699-6388.

340 Child Care Needed

WANTED: RESPONSIBLE, dependable and energetic individual to keep 4 year old and infant in our home. Hours 4- 7:30 pm various days. Must provide own transportation. Nonsmoking environment. Experience and references required. Please call Kristie or Tim at 520-4212.

NANNY for Christian, non-smoking home to care for 2 year old Monday through Friday, 9:30- 5:30 in Midland. Light housekeeping/ some cooking, excellent references required. Call 563-5360 or send letter of interest to BK, P.O. Box 13636, Odessa, TX 79768.

341 Child Care Providers

(INFANTS ONLY) Bring you rattlers, pacies, and blankies. Don't forget your favorite milk, diapers and wipes just for you. Jan 697-6437.

341 Child Care Providers

YOUNG MOM will keep children in my home from 7 pm- 7 am Monday- Friday, All day Saturday/ Sunday, meals provided. 697-9794/ 425-5035.

MOTHER OF two will keep your children in my home. Full or part time. Ages 0- 6. 520-2912.

SPECIAL CARE in my home- Monday- Friday 7:30- 5. Meals provided. Please call 699-6959.

CHRISTIAN MOM will keep kids in my home. Any days- any hours. Morning and evening snacks provided. Reasonable rates. 528-9337, 520-8192.

LOVING MOM of two would like to care for your child. Newborn- age 4 in my home. 520-8308.

350 Business Opportunities

HAIR SCAPES Salon for sale. Open & operating. $12,500. Walk in and take over. Call 697-1794, leave message.

Get your Real Estate license quickly, short, day, weekend, evening classes. Southwest College 697-7277

Attention Readers

Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card or bank information.

CHILDERS SALON for sale. Multi- service, 12 + stations. Excellent grocery center location/ income potential. Owner leaving management; adolescent son. Broker 684-7788.

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MILLIONAIRE
Last year, I made One Million Dollars!
Zero Stress
Home- based business
Publicly traded
NASDAQ company
Learn how- For free audio
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→NEW TODAY←
***Sporting Goods Store**
✔ $98,000 yearly net
✔ Asking $400,000
CALL TODAY!
Bennett & Associates
Business Brokers
684-5209

PROFESSIONALS

Speciality service franchise with 29 year success record seeks open collar executive with management? marketing skills to expand key U. S. cities. Training/ support, national accounts and financing for qualified candidates.

1-800-826-9586 for details.

·A-M-A-Z-I-N-G VENDING
Coke/ Hershey/ Pepsi
Local Routes available
$1,350/ Weekly Profit!
Financing, Free Video
1-800-337-1375

LOCAL BUSINESSES for sale. Small and large. Some have low down payments and owner financing. Call for a free confidential interview- Sunbelt Business Brokers, 520-1515.

Sunbelt has a local business for you.
- Sign Company
- Education/ Training
- Heavy Equipment
- Recreation
- Oilfield Service
- Restaurant
- Flower Shop
- Ladies Retail Clothing
- Music Store
- Exxon Station
- Convenience Store
- Manufacturer
- Employment Agency
- Eqpt Sales/ Installation
- Specialty Construction
- Day Care
- Screen Printing
- Many Others!!

If you have an interest in being in business for yourself, give us a call.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

Call Today! 682-6222

350 Business Opportunities

→NEW TODAY←
RUIDOSO, New Mexico Business Opportunity

Purchase an established, year round, retail business in the beautiful mountain town of Ruidoso, New Mexico.

For more information call

505-622-7966

350 Business Opportunities

→NEW TODAY←
MEDICAL BILLING
Unlimited Income Potential
Full-time, Part- time
Investment $4,995/ $8,995
Financing Available
Free Information & Video
Client Acquisition Program
Island Automated Medical Services
(800)322-1139 Ext. 2881

→NEW TODAY←
90% CLOSING RATIO. National Marketing company, expanding in the Midland Area, has an immediate need for an entrepreneur with sales experience and good work ethics. Unique marketing program requires no license. Work pre- qualified appointment in your office and earn $75K to 85K first year commission, paid weekly. Complete training on site. No inventory required. Must pass credit and criminal check. For information call 800-844-2824.

→NEW TODAY←
LOCAL INDEPENDENT Accountant seeking to exchange work for small office space, 687-2130.

UNIQUE WALKING SHOES.

The Z- Tech shoe provides excellent support and comfort for the feet. It will put a spring in your step.

Call 915-267-6790.

PRETZEL TIME
Popular Pretzel Retailer seeks
FRANCHISEE
for New Development
In the Midland Park Mall
In Midland
Call Mitch Mitchell
800-336-6551 X2005
Or 619-435-4424

Frito Lay/ Pepsi
$63,000/ year (realistic)
No selling
$26,950 cash required
1-800-268-6601 (24 hours)

400 Auctions

2 COLOR SLIDE Auctions
TUESDAY • DEC 15
KILGORE, TEXAS
Liquidation of Cleary Power Tongs w/Laydown Trucks, Tong Trucks, Tongs, Tong Heads, Etc
WEDNESDAY • DEC 16
LONGVIEW, TEXAS
BOP's • Power Units
Portable Light Plants
Fishing Tools
Drill Pipe & Collars
Drilling/Well Svc Equip
TX Lic #10174
PREMIER
972-870-9997

410 Misc. Sales

KING WATER softener and all accessories. $150 or best offer. Please call 699-5815, leave message.

MINIATURE GOLF Course Village. Includes miniature buildings with runways. Used to be located indoors, excellent condition. $200. Call Deborah. 694-2528 or 683-0807.

WASHERS, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, wicker 10 piece dining, loungers, couches, antiques, coolers, miscellaneous. 570-4851.

RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL PARK- 2 choice spaces in Garden of Devotion. $900 each. Please call 694-3449.

SIX FOOT air hockey table, sturdy, good shape, $150. 23 cubic foot chest freezer- $200. Metal bunkbed frame- white, twin on top, full size on bottom. Please call 524-2171. (Andrews).

6 NEW FURBY'S. Still in box. $350 each. Live in Austin, but will deliver. (512)280-8547.

TRAIN SET. German Fleischman HO set. Complete landscaping and all accessories imaginable. Half completed. $400. Call 520-6888.

SPECIAL REDUCTION! Two '98 model spa/ hot tubs- seats 5- 6, floor models- must sell this week! 563-3108.

6' X 8' Chaparral storage building on skids. 6 months old. $500. Please call 689-2292.

FULL SLATE Pool table, $400. Fitness Flyer, mint condition, $75. Exercise bike, $75. Little Tykes kitchen, workshop, activity garden, $10 each. Jenny Lind baby bed, $50. Baseball collectable. 520-9174.

→NEW TODAY←
★BIBLE TALK: The Old Testament, What is it for? 520-0381. Free recorded message.

410 Misc. Sales

ANTIQUE BRASS Glass Fireplace Cover with Antique Brass Log Basket. $45.00 or best offer. 697-8376.

BABY ITEMS: Toddler bike, Simmons bed, strollers, highchair, electric swing, Diaper Genie, walker, porta- crib, carseat, backpack carrier, bouncie seat, sling, toys. 687-6006.

2 BURIAL SPACES in Fountain Garden of Resthaven Memorial Park. Selling below present cost. Call 682-2967.

QUEEN WATERBED $200 or best offer. Trampoline $200 or best offer. Please call 699-7767.

PRO-FORM 990S Recumbent Stationary Bicycle. Excellent for people with lower back problems or those who find regular stationary bike seats too uncomfortable. Low impact exercise that works the upper body and the lower for greater cardiovascular benefits and increased muscle toning. Adjustable resistance. Digital pace monitor. Can be folded for easier storage. In excellent condition. Paid $399+, sell for $225. 682-4818.

BEANIE BABY. Retired Snowman, Perfect condition. $35. 684-6122.

FURBY'S: one black, one gray, new in box, $150 or best offer. Please call 689-6512.

BLUE GRAVY has all types of music on vinyl and cassette. 1710 Carter. Open 11:30.

STEEL SMOKER/ barbecue pit- big, $300. Canoe, 2 seater, $150. 10¢ Bottle Coke machine, works great, $700. 684-6010.

MOTORIZED HANDICAP Three wheel scooter. Pace Saver Plus III. $1,200. Please call 694-8262.

SEA VAN storage container, rat- water proof, complete rebuild, 20' X 8.6', two doors, $2,400 firm. 915-263-5122, cell 556-1217.

RESTHAVEN- 2 burial spaces in the Garden of Love. Total cost $1,500. 684-6902 or 684-8680.

DOG HOUSES- new $35/ $45, Glider Swings $65. Porch Swings $35. Handmade all new. 563-0452.

→NEW TODAY←
WANT TO Buy for Christmas: Old Ornate Silver Plate Flatware. Good condition. Reasonably priced. 694-3978.

→NEW TODAY←
BEARS IN Midland? Hand-carved cedar bears for Christmas, 2'- 5' tall, (just like Ruidoso)! T-CROSS, 687-3221.

→NEW TODAY←
USED CARPET- great shape, beige/ brown, over 200 yards, asking $2 per square yard, 561-9719.

MOVING BOXES- all sizes, clean and dry- $1 to $4 each. Packing paper- $50¢. 689-3473.

→NEW TODAY←
TWIN WATERBED; bookcase headboard, heater, pad, sheets, rails, $100. Side- by-side refrigerator $100. Desk $25. Piano $150. 689-3376.

JOHN DEERE F510- Front Deck Lawn Mower, 38" Deck, Rear Bagger included. Nearly New. Low hours, excellent condition. Asking $4,000 but will consider offer. Call 685-1271. Ask for Barbara or Bob.

☞RAINSOFT Reverse Osmosis drinking water system and home unit. Storage tank capacity 2.5, 250 ppm, 50psi, 77 fh & ph8. Best offer. 694-2760 After 5.

→NEW TODAY←
DALLAS COWBOYS jacket, brand new, never worn, paid $160, sell for $90. Call 687-3221.

BRAND NEW Wolfe Tanning Bed- Asking $3,500. Please call 520-5874.

WOLFF TANNING BEDS
TAN AT HOME
Buy DIRECT and **SAVE!**
Commercial/ Home units from $199.
Low monthly payments
FREE Color Catalog
Call TODAY
1-800-711-0158

→NEW TODAY←
BINGO, American Legion, 501 Airpark Road, Friday nights, games start at 8, Food, Refreshments. 682-5511.

HANDMADE crocheted baby 2 or 3 piece ensembles, craft magazines, Harlequin books, phone 697-0171.

FURBY'S. Brand new- still in box. $125 Firm. Please Call 687-1620.

BABYSITTERS CLUB Books, All types. Perfect for Christmas Giving. 60 for $50. Call Julie, 520-3778.

NINTENDO 64, 3 controllers, 2 games, excellent condition- never played, $175. Call 699-6202.

LIFESTYLER 2800 Treadmill, $125. 6 speed ladies bike $50. 3 speed mens bike $50. 694-5512.

400 Auctions

→NEW TODAY←
ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE AUCTION
Sale Time 10 A.M. Sat. Dec. 12,1998
LAZY-7 ANTIQUE HAVEN MALL
116 E. 2nd. St. Colorado City, TX
DIRECTIONS: From IH-20 Take downtown (Business) exit to main part of downtown Colorado City.
PARTIAL LISTING ONLY !!!
Approx. 10 full size beds includes curved footboard, Eastlake, Cannonball & etc., Duncan Phyfe dining table & china cabinet, Round oak table with Queen Anne legs, Drop front secretary with curved glass side, Pot bellied parlor stove, wardrobes, Empire dresser, 1950's Dining room & bedroom suite's, Childs dresser, Walnut buffet, Walnut china cabinet, Signed crystal, Nippon, Fenton, Noritake, Pink Milk Glass, CoinGlass, Marcrest, Frankoma, Copper jelly pan, Lots of cast iron, Approx. 40 pocket knives, Approx. 30 cig. lighters, All store jewelry cases, Shelves, Displays & etc., Lots of dolls, Old tools, Cosden & Texaxo Cans, Bow making machine with table & supplies, Jiffy Comm. Steamer, 2 Nice electonic cash registers, Check out counter, Prints, Paintings & water cooler, Plus 100's more items. Lots & lots of merchandise here. Call for a free Sale Bill. Inspection Time 9 A.M. Saleday. Food on site. 1-915-728-8292 or Sale Site phone 1-915-728-5732. Bring your own chairs.
AUCTIONEER: GRADY W. MORRIS TXs - 6785

410 Misc. Sales

Anna Marie's Gifts
would like to thank all her wonderful customers for a successful 1st year in business!
1705 N. Big Spring
570-7591

410 Misc. Sales

15- MATCHING SETS Walnut executive office furniture: desk, credenza, bookcase, 5- drawer legal file, 2 side arm chairs. 682-5251.

RESTHAVEN- 1 cemetery space in Fountain Garden, lot 726, space 1, $1,000. Also antique round table $25. 683-9820.

413 Jewelry & Furs

RED FOX stroller, 30" length, 51" sweep, turn back collar and fronts, $1,500. Call 520-0753.

WEDDING RING set, mens & womens 14K, $300. Call 687-5762.

415 Misc. Wanted

I WANT TO BUY a Gameboy and good set of drums reasonably priced. 689-2612.

WANTED: Round trip airline tickets for 4, from Midland Odessa area to Florida, last two weeks of December. Call Don 1-800-530-8103, ext. 236.

WANTED TO BUY- 1984 Chevrolet 1/2 Ton Truck, 4 x 4, 5.0 V8, dual tanks, short bed. Call collect (281)480-9847 ask for Lewis.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

NEED CHRISTMAS CASH? Highest prices paid for Pre- 64 silver & gold coins. 520-9888.

Sell it in 10 or we'll run it again!*
Classified 682-6222
**Anything on wheels, 4 lines minimum- $20.00*
Call today for complete details.

420 Good Things To Eat

HOLIDAY CAJUN Cooking and Catering. Deep fried/ smoked Turkeys, briskets. Order early- 699-7754 or 687-6072.

HOLIDAY COOKING/ Baking. Lasagna a speciality. You ask for it, we'll make it. 699-5729.

LARGE GREEN Tomatoes, 50¢/ pound. All peppers 30¢/ pound. You pick. Closed Wednesday/ Sunday. 14678 Pecan, Gardendale. 362-5708.

430 Household Goods

DINING ROOM sideboard, $650. For more information please call 689-5496.

☞BUNKBEDS. White metal. Variable arrangement. Top over bottom or "L" shaped. $75. 694-6826.

432 Household Furniture

→NEW TODAY←
THE SOFA SOURCE. Buy Factory Direct & Save!! Superb quality North Carolina made sofas, loveseats, chairs, & recliners. Also, solid oak dining sets, coffee/ end table sets, & rockers. Pay for what you get, not middlemen/ overhead costs. We bring the showroom directly to your home. For no obligation consultation call Jon @ 631-8335.

GIRL'S PINK, upholstered custom made twin bed. $350. 570-8737

DREXEL Entertainment Group, $850 and Inlaid White Coral Dining Table, $650. Both very nice. 699-0156.

432 Household Furniture

SOFA, LOVESEAT and matching end table. Excellent condition. $150. 699-7191.

BLACK METAL bunkbeds, complete, twin with full on bottom. Unique design, good condition. $225. 520-5333.

MOVING MUST sell -dining room table- seats 8- $200. Large handmade china hutch cabinet-$300 or best offer. 697-6260.

SOLID OAK entertainment center, adjustable shelves, 57W X 72H X 16.5D, $200. 684-8170 after 6.

→NEW TODAY←
GOOD UPRIGHT Practice piano & bench. $450. Game table/ chairs, $300. End Table, $85. Call 683-2970 or 697-4558.

4 PIECE White wicker set with/ without burgundy cushions. Antique oak dressing table. 694-8281

DAYBED WITH trundle- $250. Navy floral couch- $125. Rocker- $150. Oak desk chair- $150. 915-362-2746.

LARGE Floral Sofa. Excellent condition. $450. Call after 5:00 pm or weekends, 697-0659.

MATCHING PASTEL velure Southwest print couch, love seat and ovensized chair, $500. Please call 699-0823.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699-1224.

438 Household Appliances

FOR SALE: Big screen TV, Magnavox, 3 year old, 52 inch, $600 cash. Call 697-3439.

WHIRLPOOL WASHER & Dryer. Brand new, 1 month old. $500 Both. Mitsubishi 25" Color TV, $100. 553-1409.

★FREE REMOVAL of appliances. Washers, dryer's, refrigerator's, $100 each. Free delivery. 90 day warranty. 567-5221.

TRADE- IN spa, must see to appreciate- price greatly reduced. Delivery and financing available. 563-3108.

FROST FREE Refrigerator 22 cubic feet with automatic ice and chilled water dispenser. $100. 522-5069.

FREE REMOVAL of unwanted appliances. Will pick up in 45 minutes or less, call 631-3920.

GE STOVE, almond color, good condition, $150 or trade for deep freeze. Please call 570-8347.

REFRIGERATOR Side by side 19', white, needs ice maker repair, $200. (915)686-1815.

KENMORE- natural gas heater, for large room, good condition, 6 years old. $150. 570-8737.

22 CU FT White Refrigerator. 10 Months old. $750. Microwave, $85. 3 Bar Stools, $150. 2 White twin headboards & box springs, $100 Each. 694-2336.

Garage Sales

79701

✔JOHN DEERE F510- Front Deck Lawn Mower, 38" Deck, Rear Bagger included. Nearly New. Low hours, excellent condition. Asking $4,000 but will consider offer. Call 685-1271. Ask for Barbara or Bob.

·SHOP SALE
Tuesday- Friday
December 8th- 11th
8 am- 5 pm
1708 E. New Jersey, Midland
685-3130 or 683-1822

Liquidation of geophysical company, survey equipment, 2-way radios, antennas, toolboxes, shop supplies and tools, electrical repair equipment, electronic supplies, hydraulic equipment, automotive parts, office supplies and equipment, lots of miscellaneous!

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

→NEW TODAY←
·ESTATE SALE
809 GOLF COURSE 1 - 4
1/2 OFF
(Most Items)
Judy Jacksons's Estate Sales

79703

★3304 MARIANA. Friday- Sunday. Inside Sale- Christmas Crafts! Handmade plastic canvas ornaments & gifts. Some crocheted gifts.

79705

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4008 NORTH COUNTY Road 1127, Call 686-9771 for directions, Saturday 9 to 6! Sunday 9 to 4! Treadmill, Christmas decoration and village, Ena sewing machine, air cooling unit, etc.

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE
$20.50 for 2 days
Or Get 3 Days for Only $24.50!

79706

✔3401 SOUTH COUNTY ROAD 1180- 2 Miles past South I-20 on Lamesa Road. French Provencial table & 4 chairs, couch, trundle bed, dryer, RM jeans sizes 3- 7, womens clothing size 5- 9, miscellaneous!! Saturday- Sunday.

79707

★4520 HILLTOP- (alley is continuation of Bluebird Lane, west of Midland Drive). Multi- Family Sale!!! Red metal bunk bed, juvenile furniture, bedding, holiday items, toys, TV, video tapes, clothing, lots more! Don't miss this one! You'll want to check us out! Saturday 8- 4, Sunday 8- 4.

3708 FAIRHAVEN CT.
Southern Romantics Presents:
Country Christmas Craft Sale/ Open House, Saturday, December 5th, 10 am- 4 pm. Unique, regal, impressive gift baskets, Christmas cookies and much more... Great Prices!

AREA SALES

ESTATE SALE
Antiques to include 8 Chippendale chairs, settee, hall porter's chair, champaign bed. Carved Oriental table, chairs, server & gong, fine poster bed, 17th Century cofer, Nieman's cradle, fabulous Louis XVI bed, Oriental Low table, Korean garden gate, Havilland, Wedgwood, Hawks crystal, Walters wicker, books and much more.
December 4th - 5th 10 am - 5pm
December 6th 1 - 5 pm
22 West Avenue "A" at Irving, San Angelo, TX.
Trappings Antiques
Don't miss this one!

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

DON'T MISS OUT!
The deadline for a Saturday Garage Sale ad is Friday at Noon.
Please be sure to call ***682-6222,*** *before noon, to ensure your ad will be in Saturday's paper.*

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REACH FOR THE STARS
This fun-loving single black female, 20, 5'8", with brown hair and hazel eyes, a student, likes dancing, movies and walks in the park. She would like to find a compatible single male, 19-34, to have good times with. Ad#.8605

FAMILY-ORIENTED
Tired of being hurt, this single black female, 27, 5'10", 160lbs., with brown hair/eyes, wants to try a relationship with a nice single white male, 30-40. She enjoys going to the movies, dancing and taking quiet walks in the park. Ad#.9708

QUALITY TIME TOGETHER
Professional single white female, 45, 5'7", 118lbs., with frosted blonde hair and hazel eyes, enjoys boating, picnics, nature walks, sports, the theater, singing and playing piano. She's looking for a stable, educated, true single white gentleman, 44-49 Ad# 8017

TIRED OF BEING LONELY
Hardworking single black mom, 33, has a great sense of humor, is new to the area, and looking for a similar, hardworking single black male, 33-40, who's looking for inner qualities. Ad# 7413

OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME
The fun never stops with this lovely and sweet single white female, 20, 5'8", 140lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, movies, horseback riding and walks in the park. She is seeking a good-natured, sociable single white male, 20-24. Ad#.7242

SHOW ME A GOOD TIME
I'm an enjoyable, outgoing single white mom, 18, 5'5", 120lbs., with red hair and baby blue eyes, who wants to spend time with a single white male, 18-21. I enjoy rollerblading, horseback riding, dancing and singing. Ad# 9544

'TIL WE MEET
Single white mom, 39, 5'6", with dark hair and blue eyes, who enjoys camping, flea markets, sports and dining out, is seeking a single white male, 33-42, with similar interests, for friendship first. Ad#.8909

COUNTRY GAL
Are you a one woman single white male, 35-55? Meet this single white female, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes. She is an animal lover, who enjoys rodeos, country dancing and shooting pool. Ad# 7670

TRULY BLESSED
This professional single white Christian female, 45, 5'7", slender, with blonde hair and green eyes, loves helping people, movies and most music. She seeks a professional, single white male, 44-48, who is a true gentleman. Ad# 7664

A LOT OF LOVE TO GIVE
Kind, loving, single black female, 25, 6', full-figured, who enjoys picnics in the park, music, building snowmen and reading, is seeking a single black male, 21-35, with similar interests. Ad#.8298

GOOD INTENTIONS
Contact this independent single white mom, 34, 5'11", 134lbs., with dark auburn hair and brown eyes, who knows just what she wants in life. She's searching for an honest, sincere and trustworthy single white male, 29-43. Ad#.7726

LOOK HERE
She's a single white female 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys the outdoors and all sports. She's seeking a single white male, 35-52, who is a good guy. Ad# 8427

HURRY AND CALL
Take a walk in the park and talk with this single white Christian female, 45, 5'6", 189lbs., who enjoys barbecuing, reading the Bible and swimming. She seeks a cheerful single white Christian male, 48-66. Ad# 7917

ON THE RIGHT TRACK
She's a single Hispanic dad, 34, 5'7", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes. She's seeking a single Hispanic male, 43-48, for possible relationship. Ad# 7686

STAR-GAZER
Fun-loving single black mom, 29, 5'6", with brown hair and eyes, likes dancing, all kinds of music, playing softball and horseback riding. If you are a single male, 21-35, call soon. Ad# 8505

FULL OF FUN
Single Hispanic female, 25, 5'5", 130lbs., with light brown hair and dark brown eyes, enjoys having fun, reading romance novels, the outdoors and sports. She is seeking a single Hispanic male, 25-30, who enjoys children. Ad# 7066

JUST BE YOURSELF
Single Hispanic mom, 26, 5'2", 120lbs., with brown hair and eyes, is a student who likes reading and the outdoors. She is looking for a responsible and honest single Hispanic male, 27-32. Ad# 9107

SEARCHING
Attractive single white female, 49, 5'8", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, is seeking a single white male, 45-50. Ad# 9612

GIVE HER A CALL
Listen closely to this soft-spoken single white female, 19, 5'5", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys writing poetry, being with friends and music. She's in search of a single white male, 19-22, to have fun with. Ad# 9510

COUNT ON HER
Divorced white female, 26, 5'7", 150lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys dancing, skiing, fishing, camping and quiet times at home, would like to meet a special, caring single white male, 28-36. Ad# 9420

FRIENDS TO START
Humorous single white mom, 49, 5'2", full-figured, with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys movies, walking her dog, dining out and more, is seeking an honest, romantic single white male, 40-65, for friendship first. Ad# 7854

OLD FASHIONED
Professional, green-eyed brunette single white mother, 46, 5'7", who enjoys country music, dancing, rodeos, bowling and camping, seeks a sincere single white male, 35-55. Ad# 8054

FAMILY COMES FIRST...
I hope you understand. But, I look forward spending quality time with you, a single male, 40-49. I am a single Hispanic mom, 41, 5'1", with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys cook outs at the park, dancing and going to the movies. Ad# 7377

SO MUCH FUN
Single white female, 19, 5'4", 128lbs., with long blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports and baseball, is seeking a fun-loving single male, 18-25. Ad# 8102

LET'S GET ON WITH LIFE!
Read about this responsible, open-minded and employed single white mom of two, 33, 5'10", 150lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes. She enjoys bowling, dancing, gambling, fishing, camping and swimming. She seeks a caring single white male, 30-45. Ad# 9410

COUNTRY GIRL
Nice, honest single white mom, 46, 5'7", with light brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys country music, rodeos, shooting pool, bowling and sports, seeks a single white male, 35-53. Ad# 8013

RIGHT BESIDE YOU
Family-oriented, full-figured single black female, 25, 5'4", seeks a compatible single black male, 26-45, who likes movies, dining out, football and quiet times. Ad# 7627

NOW IT'S MY TURN
Single white female, 43, 5'7", full-figured, with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, computers and animals, is seeking a single white male, 41-47. Ad# 8058

LOVE IS ON THE WAY
Single Hispanic mom, 31, 5'3", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music, movies and family time, seeks a single Hispanic male, 29-43, who likes children. Ad# 8207

A COMMON INTEREST
Share your goals and dreams with this hardworking, honest single white female, 20, 5'4", with blonde hair and brown eyes. She's into reading, going to school and seeks a single white male, 18-27, who won't play any games. Ad#.8446

THE SPECIAL ONE
Single white mom, 28, 5'6", 130lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and trips to the lake. She seeks a single white male, 25-35, for friendship first. Ad#.8188

FRIENDS FIRST
Single white female, 35, 5'7", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys camping, biking, traveling, hiking and walking in the woods, is seeking an easygoing single white male, 36-50, for friendship first. Ad# 8213

A HOMEBODY
Single white female, 19, with brown hair/eyes, a smoker, is seeking a caring single white male, 18-27, who enjoys living life to the fullest. Ad#.7310

STAND BESIDE HER!
Working in the yard, walking, reading and sharing time with her grandchildren are what makes her happy! She's a single white female, 50, 5'2", 145lbs., with frosted hair and green eyes, who is waiting to hear from a loving single white male, 45-52. Ad#.9093

MAKE EACH MOMENT COUNT
Spontaneity and romance are appreciated by this single white female, 34, 5'3", full-figured, with brown hair and blue eyes, who seeks a good-natured single white male, 28-38. She likes swimming, biking and going for long walks. What about you? Ad#.9279

WONDERFUL HEART
True love is hard to find, that's why you should meet this Christian woman, 49, who always tries to find the good in people and situations. She searches to meet a tall, dark and handsome single white Christian male, 44-54, with a zest for life. Ad#.8492

LET'S MINGLE
Slender, classy single white mom, 48, 5'8", who enjoys taking nature walks, animals and just having fun, seeking single white male, 45-60. Ad#.8861

GIVING
Caring single white female, 40, with dark hair and hazel eyes, likes cooking, flea markets and crafts. She seeks a sincere single male, 25-60, for a possible relationship. Ad#.9843

A REAL ZING
Athletic single white mom, 43, 5'8", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys tennis, yard work, reading, dining out, dancing and spending time with her daughter, is looking for a single white male, 35-55, who shares similar interests. Ad#.8805

AMAZING GRACE
Single white Christian female, 29, 5'4", 135lbs., with reddish-brown hair and brown eyes, who enjoys reading, Christian music, swimming, camping and the outdoors, seeks a single black Christian male, 27-38 Ad#.8587

NEVER A DULL MOMENT
Reserved single white female, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys country music and dancing, horseback riding, football and camping, is seeking a single white male, 35-52 Ad# 8660

JUST BELIEVE
Single Hispanic female, 55, petite, with dark brown hair, non-smoker, is looking to share interests and friendship with a friendly single white male, 48-57, who enjoys gardening and reading. Ad#.9565

WHOLESOME
Friendly, outgoing and honest single white female, 46, 5'7", 175lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys dancing, fishing, bicycling, camping and having fun with a compatible single white male, 37-50, non-drinking, non-smoker. Ad#.8517

NO SILENCE HERE
Divorced white female, 36, 5'1", 145lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single white male, 35-48, who enjoys swimming, softball games, talking, laughing and reading. Ad#.9305

THE FINER INTERESTS
Single white female, 48, 5'8", 117lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, enjoys skiing, playing the piano, helping people, art museums, theater and walks. She is seeking a single white male, 45-53. Ad#.8552

JUST FRIENDS
Single white mom of two, 24, with blonde hair and blue eyes, enjoys swimming, spending time with her children, and wrestling. She is seeking a single white male, 22-27, to share fun times. Ad#.9987

A LITTLE FAMILY
Single white mom of two, 27, 5'6", with blonde hair and green eyes, is seeking a single Hispanic male, 27-34, who enjoys winter cuddling, horseback riding, sports and quiet times at home. Ad#.8806

MUST HAVE GOALS
Single Hispanic female, 23, 5', 110lbs., is a fitness enthusiast, who enjoys sports, socializing with friends, music and more. She's seeking a single Hispanic male, 22-26. Ad#.8035

BE INTERESTED IN HER
Here's an intellectual, attractive, professional single white female, 60, who seeks a single white male, 60-65. She's 5'4", 145lbs., and enjoys writing, research, music and so much more. You'll have to talk to her. Ad#.7845

HOPES AND DREAMS
This single Hispanic mom of one, 41, 5'1", 110lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, enjoys movies, dancing and having fun. She is looking for an outgoing, caring single Hispanic male, under 40. Ad# 8064

SHARE LIFE WITH ME
Single white female, 18, 5'8", 120lbs., with brown hair/eyes, is seeking a single white male, who enjoys football, baseball, and spending time with friends. Ad#.8809

MAKE IT POSSIBLE
I'm a single white female, 47, 5'7", who enjoys the outdoors and is seeking a single white male, 40-50. Ad#.8271

SHE HAS SOLID VALUES
You will be proud to know this single Hispanic Christian female, 28, 5'2", with a full-figure, who enjoys reading, most music, walking, swimming and fishing. She seeks a friendly, heavy-set single Hispanic Christian male, 25-38, who is family-oriented. Ad#.9048

SEARCH NO MORE
Devoted single white mom, 33, 5'9", 130lbs., with red hair and blue eyes, who enjoys cookouts, dancing and country music, would love to hear from a single white male, 37-40. Ad#.8820

THE TIME HAS COME
Single white female, 39, 5'6", 159lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, seeks a single white male, 38-50, who enjoys life. Ad#.9425

CANDLELIT DINNERS
Open-minded single Asian mom, 39, 5'4", 138lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, dancing and quiet times, would like to meet a single white male, 36-44, to share life with. Ad#.7204

KEEP IT REAL
Single white female, 23, 145lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music and dancing, spending time with friends and the outdoors, is in search of a single male, 21-28. Ad#.9254

CHEMISTRY
Loving, full-figured single black Christian female, 31, 5'8", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys sports, moonlit walks and exercising, seeks a single black Christian male, 30-45. Ad# 8470

FRIENDS TO START
Happy, shy divorced white mother, 52, 5'3", 120lbs., with brown hair and eyes, who likes NASCAR, family activities, the outdoors, movies and reading, seeking a special single white male, 50-60, with similar interests. Ad#.8867

ONE OF A KIND
Caring, professional, humorous single white male, 48, 5'5", with reddish blond hair and blue gray eyes, who enjoys writing poetry, watching sports, movies, dining out, and country music, is seeking a friendly, caring single Hispanic female, 35-45. Ad#.9245

SMILE WITH ME
Hardworking single black male, 47, 5'11", 155lbs., who enjoys the outdoors, renting movies and sci-fi and mystery novels, is seeking a single female, 30-45, for friendship first. Ad#.9963

WAITING ON YOU
Catholic single Hispanic male, 29, 5'5", 175lbs., who enjoys camping, fishing, hiking, dancing and music, is seeking a single female, 23-39. Ad#.7154

BEST THERE IS
Fun-loving single black male, 22, 5'4", 140lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys sports, movies and the outdoors, seeks a single female, 19-40. Ad#.8888

CAN'T HURRY LOVE
Affectionate single white male, 20, 6', 170lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, auto racing, music and outdoor activities, is looking to share friendship with a special single white female, 18-23. Ad#.8010

WHAT'S INSIDE...
Matters most to me, a single white male, 21, 5'9", with brown hair and eyes. I love playing the electric guitar and I'm looking for a friendly single white female, 18-35, with a great personality. Ad#.7477

TRUE COWBOY
Put on your comfortable shoes and dance cheek to cheek with me under the silver moon. I am a single white male, 29, 5'10", with brown hair and green eyes, who wants to meet a fun-loving single white female, 25-30. Ad#.7611

HOW ARE YOU?
Happy single Hispanic male, 26, 150lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, likes swimming, playing baseball, playing the guitar, space science, and working out. He'd like to meet a single Hispanic female, 20-27. Ad#.9674

HEALTHY AND HAPPY...
Is how this single Hispanic Christian dad of one, 39, 5'7", who enjoys soft rock music, comedy movies, football, baseball and tennis, lives his life! He is hoping to meet a self-sufficient single white female, 27-36, with the same value for life. Ad# 9694

HOLDING HANDS
Single white male, 40, 6', 214lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys quiet times at home, autumn walks, outdoor activities and dining out, seeks a single white female, 28-42 Ad#.7534

SOLID VALUES
Friendly single white male, 32, 5'9", 260lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys rock music, dancing, movies and sports, seeks an old-fashioned single white female, 28-35, with similar interests. Ad#.9143

HAS EVERYTHING BUT YOU
Call this attractive, humorous single white male, 45, 5'9", with brown hair, blue eyes and a beard. A sports fan, he also enjoys a variety of music, movies, travel, and is seeking a single Asian female, 21-51. Ad#.7096

CHOOSE ME
I'm an outgoing single Hispanic male, 29, 5'6", with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys renting movies, taking walks in the park, dancing and more. Please call, if you are a single Hispanic female, 19-36. Ad#.9461

STARTING OVER
Laid-back divorced black dad, 22, 6', 250lbs., who enjoys sports, art and writing poetry, seeks a single female, 25-32, for a possible relationship. Ad# 9924

ANIMATED
Single white male, 44, 5'7", 190lbs., with black hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, park walks, biking and running, seeks a special, compatible single white female, 44-49. Ad# 9605

OPEN ARMS
Single Hispanic dad, 33, 5'9", 200lbs., who enjoys action and romantic movies, dining out, family activities and music, seeks a trustworthy single female, 23-37, children welcome. Ad# 8689

TOTAL TRUST
He's a muscular, kind-hearted single Hispanic male, 36, who is an avid sports fan. He also enjoys the mountains, riding his motorcycle, spending time with his children and is looking to meet an independent, truthful single female. Ad#.8740

HELLO LOVE
Handsome single back male, 32, 5'7", who likes movies, reading mystery novels, spending time with friends and dancing, is looking for a single white female, 21-28. Ad# 7461

FLEXIBILITY
Professional Single white male, 29, 6'1", 230lbs., with blond hair and hazel eyes, is seeking a single white female, 22-38, who is honest and likes to have a good time outdoors, watching sports or spending quiet times at home. Ad#.8000

SO MUCH FUN
Fun-loving, professional single white male, 27, 5'6", 160lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys dining out, classic rock music, fishing, camping and bowling, is seeking a single white female, 21-37. Ad#.7338

LOVE ME TENDER
Single white male, 21, 5'9", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys spending time with friends, movies, fishing and dancing, is searching for a single white female, 18-35. Ad# 9957

AVID OUTDOORSMAN
Take in a breath of fresh air with this single white male, 49, 6', 175lbs., with blue eyes and brown hair, who loves outdoor sports, historical novels and carpentry. He is seeking a single female, 29-42. Ad# 9359

TAKE MY HAND
Single Hispanic Christian male, 50, 5'7", 185lbs., who enjoys family barbecues, reading the Bible, park walks and swimming, seeks a cheerful single Christian female, 46-50. Ad#.8643

REACHING OUT
Single Hispanic male, 24, is looking for a single Hispanic female, 40-43, who enjoys playing golf, football and basketball, music and reading. Ad#.7042

HELLO LIFE
Baptist single white male, 59, 5'1", 158lbs, with gray hair and black eyes, is looking for a single white Christian female, 40-60, who enjoys country music, traveling and dining out. Ad# 9903

LOOK OVER HERE
Horseback riding, football, wrestling and country music are interests of this cheerful single Hispanic male, 23, 6'2", 204lbs. He is looking for a compatible, caring single white female, 19-24. Ad# 8486

BLUE JEANS & BOOTS
Secure single white male, 50, 6', 170lbs., with brown hair/eyes, seeks a special single white female, 30-45, who enjoys rodeos, football, movies, quiet times at home and Sunday drives. Ad#.8479

ONE PROUD MAN
How often does a guy like this single white male, 38, 5'10", with sandy blond hair, who loves swimming, fishing and bicycling, come around? You could be his special someone if you're a caring and compassionate single white female, under 41. Ad# 8137

DEEP IN THE SOUL
How would you like to meet a man who will be forward with you? Behold this single white male, 49, 5'8", 190lbs., with brown hair and eyes, who likes fishing, motor biking, football and country music. He wants to meet a big-hearted single female, 25-45. Ad# 7822

FILL THE VOID IN MY LIFE
Spend some quiet evenings at home with this hazel-eyed single white dad, 49, 6'3", 200lbs., who enjoys country music and time with his son. He's looking for a one-man single white female, 30-47, who loves children. Ad# 8986

YOU CAN PLACE...
Your trust in this single white male, 39, 5'11", 190lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys camping, boating, sports, rodeos, horseback riding and dining out. He wants to meet a kind and caring single white female, 21-48. Ad#.9980

EMBRACE LIFE
Raised on good morals and values was this divorced Hispanic dad, 25, 6'2", 230lbs., who works out quite often, enjoys reading, animals and time with his daughter. He is waiting to hear from a single female, 20-40. Ad#.8705

TIME PERMITS US TO MEET
Well-educated single Hispanic male, 36, 5'8", who enjoys playing the saxophone, all types of music, socializing with friends, cooking and more, is seeking an honest single black female, 21-40, who appreciates his interests. Ad# 9897

IDEAL DATE
A good-natured, laid-back single white male, 25, who is an avid sports fan. Also enjoys four-wheeling, movies, going to church, the outdoors, and wants to meet an attractive, active single white female. Ad#.7390

RADIANT PERSONALITY
Single Hispanic male, 22, 6'2", 190lbs., with long brown hair and eyes, likes playing in a band, scary movies and German Shears. He's looking for a single female, 18-36, to have fun with. Ad#.9548

DANCE WITH ME
Upbeat single white dad, 45, 5'11", 295lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, likes country music, baseball and outdoor activities. He hopes to meet a single white female, 38-48, with similar interests. Ad#.7736

ONE ON ONE
Free-spirited divorced white dad, 33, 6', with long dark hair and hazel eyes, a smoker, likes hard rock, action movies and good times. He'd like to meet a single female, 21-45, to spend time with. Ad#.8663

ON THE LEVEL
If you love horses, you'll have a lot to talk about with this Catholic single Hispanic male, 32, 5'9", 135lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, mustache. He is full of life, has many interests and seeks a single white female, 27-35. Ad#.9662

HEART OF GOLD
Could you be the perfect match for this single Hispanic male, 23, 5'9", 210lbs., who's searching for a single Hispanic female, 21-33. He enjoys music, reading and good conversation. Ad#.7963

WHERE'S MY JULIET?
Single Hispanic dad, 24, 6'1", 217lbs., with light blond hair and hazel eyes, sports lover, who's seeking a single female, 20-45. Ad#.8702

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED
Single white dad, 23, 5'11", 170lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who loves the outdoors, is seeking a single white female, 18-26. Ad#.8319

DON'T MISS OUT
Fun-loving single black male, 22, 6', 200lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, sports fan, is in search of a single Hispanic female, 19-39. Ad#.7143

HEALTHY
Stable single white dad, 71, 5'9", 180lbs., with brown hair/eyes, a smoker, who enjoys traveling, taking walks and movies, is in search of an easygoing, open-minded single white female, 50-60. Ad# 9958

HONESTY TOPS MY LIST
I'm a single white male, 37, who's looking for an attractive single female, 26-40. Ad# 9217

ROMANTIC DINNERS
Single white male, 41, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys hunting, fishing, travel, movies, reading and swimming, seeks a nice, honest single white female, 30-48, who's looking for a relationship. Ad# 9542

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN
Single black male, 49, 5'11", 185lbs., who enjoys music, dining out and sports, is seeking a single female, 48-52. Ad#.8335

DON'T WASTE TIME
Handsome single Hispanic male, 27, who enjoys working out, jogging and the winter weather, is seeking a single Hispanic female, 21-30. Ad# 7739

COMPANIONSHIP
Retired single white male, 66, 5'7", who enjoys traveling and dining out, is seeking a single white female, 45-65. Ad# 8603

MORE TO LOVE
Call this single white male, 53, 6'5", 245lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys bowling, country dancing, horse racing and travel. He seeks a single white female, 35-50, with similar interests. Ad#.9393

A WINNER
Self-employed single white male, 34, 5'6", 120lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive, slender, intelligent single Hispanic female, 18-40. Ad# 9856

THE BEST OF EVERYTHING
Family-oriented and fun-loving, this single Native American male, 40, 6'8", 300lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, seeks a single female, 30-45. He enjoys rodeos, dancing, music and more. Ad# 9433

HOPELESS ROMANTIC
Professional, easygoing single white male, 30, 5'8", 180lbs., with brown hair/eyes, is looking to meet a single white female, 21-35, who enjoys moonlit walks, dancing, volleyball and travel. Ad#.8156

HERE HE IS
Single white male, 21, 5'10", 162lbs., with blond hair and hazel eyes, is in search of a single white female, 19-26. Ad# 8472

GIVING YOU MY LOVE
Single white male, 46, 6', with brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys bowling, camping, and traveling. He is seeking a single white Christian female, 38-46, for a possible relationship. Ad#.8754

LET'S MEET
Handsome single white dad, 35, 5'10", 175lbs., with dark brown hair and green eyes, is seeking a single Hispanic female, 25-37. Ad#.7775

ACTIVE LIFESTYLE
Handsome single white male, 20, 6'2", 195lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys movies, music, working on cars and spending time with friends, seeks an active single white female, 18-23. Ad#.9900

HOLD ON TIGHT
Professional single white male, 40, 6', slim, with hazel-green eyes, would like to meet an intelligent single female, 18-50, who enjoys the symphony, flying, rollerblading and dining out. Ad#.8294

YOU MAY BE RIGHT
Self-employed single white male, 40, 5'9", 155lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, seeks a single white female, 25-45, for a possible relationship. Ad#.7877

GREAT QUALITIES
Personable single Hispanic male, 46, 5'6", is searching for a single Hispanic female, over 32, for a possible long-term relationship. He enjoys country music, auto racing and the great outdoors. Ad#.9603

I WANT A RELATIONSHIP
Single white male, 29, 150lbs., is seeking a single white female, under 30, who enjoys swimming, reading, sports, movies and socializing with friends. Ad#.9569

UP TO A CHALLENGE?
He enjoys woodworking, dining out, dogs, movies and generally having a good time. A friendly, educated single white Christian male, 56, 5'6", 175lbs, with grey hair, he seeks a caring single white Christian female, 50-60. Ad#.9659

SPORTS FAN
Single white male, 19, 5'6", 125lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, is looking for an outgoing single white female, 18-23, who wants to spend time with him. Ad#.8049

A REAL GENTLEMAN
I am a Hispanic single male, 46, 6', 257lbs., with dark brown hair and eyes, who likes cooking, reading romantic novels, a variety of movies, being with kids and family life. I'm seeking a single female, 20-55. Ad#.9342

GIVE & TAKE
Single white male, 55, who enjoys movies, outdoor activities and reading, wants to meet a compatible, active single white female. Ad#.7977

GET TO KNOW ME
I'm a single black male, 18, 5'8", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys basketball, phone chats, dining out and spending time with friends, is seeking a single female, 18-27, kids okay. Ad# 9884

TOGETHER
Divorced white dad of one, 29, 5'7", 165lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys sports, seeks a single white female, 21-35, to spend time with. Ad#.8365

SO HOW ARE YOU?
Romantic single white dad, 39, 5'6", 220lbs., with light brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys dancing, country music and sports, is in search of a single white female, 25-45. Ad#.9554

CHEERS
Super single white male, 66, 176lbs., is seeking a single white female, 55-64, who shares his interests in sports, dining out, movies and quiet times at home. Ad#.7191

"GET YOUR SUIT
This single white male is 34, 5'9", 170lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, enjoys reading, dune buggies, trips to the lake, camping, fishing and more. He's seeking a single white female, 25-40, with similar interests. Ad#.9369

GIVE ME A CHANCE
I'm a Hispanic single father, 40, 5'9", 148lbs., with black hair and eyes, who likes music, Dallas Cowboys, gourmet cooking, helping people and seeking an understanding, kind-hearted Hispanic single female, 35-50, for friendship first. Ad#.7647

WAIT RIGHT THERE & LOOK
He's a single white male, 25, 6'6", with dark brown hair and eyes, who enjoys sports and more. He's seeking a single white female, 21-35, who can keep up with her. Ad#.9806

NEW IN THE AREA
Single white Christian male, 19, 5'6", 135lbs., with blond hair and hazel eyes, is seeking a single white female, 18-25, who enjoys playing base guitar and jet skiing. Ad# 8317

JUST YOU AND I
Hardworking single white male, 35, 6', 275lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys skiing in the mountains, country and old rock music, seeks an outgoing, fun-loving single white female, 25-42, who likes country dancing. Ad# 8026

A RARE FIND
I'm a single white male, 33, 6', 200lbs., with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys movies and more. I'm seeking a loving, easygoing single white female, 18-33. Ad#.8615

HAPPY-GO-LUCKY
Single white male, 50, 6'3", 225lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys family events and baseball games, is looking for a personable single white female, 45-50, with a good sense of humor. Ad#.7580

HOLD ON TO YOUR HEART
Single white male, 29, 6', 225lbs., wants to hear from a single female, 25-45, who enjoys music, traveling and quiet evenings at home. Ad#.8235

THINK POSITIVE!
Single Hispanic male, 23, 5'11", 175lbs., with a great sense of humor, likes skiing, traveling, dining out and dancing. He seeks a fun-loving, enthusiastic single black female, 23-35, who likes movies and bowling. Ad#.8657

GOD HAS SOMEONE FOR
Romantic single white male, 35, 6'1", 270lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys playing drums, music, football, the outdoors and dining out, is looking for a special single white female, 27-39. Ad#.7316

PROPHECY
Professional single Native American male, 30, 5'8", with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys foreign travel, skiing, tennis and the beach, seeks a beautiful single female, 18-45. Ad#.7336

LOVE IS ON THE WAY
Rap music, summer activities, movies and children are interests of this outgoing single black male, 29, 5'9", 163lbs., with brown eyes. He seeks a single Hispanic female, 23-39. Ad#.9893

GOOD TIMES AWAIT
Outgoing single white dad of two, 38, 6', 180lbs., with black hair and blue eyes, who enjoys golf, movies and dining out, would like to hear from a single Asian female, 25-40, for friendship first. Ad#.7883

FRIENDS TO START
This single white male, 32, 5'10", 180lbs. with brown hair and eyes likes jet skiing, camping, fishing, and more. He is looking for a single white female, 22-35, for friendship, possible relationship. Ad#.8376

MARRIAGE IN MIND
Single white male, 39, 5'10", with dark curly hair, who enjoys dining out, movies, football and the outdoors, is hoping to meet a single white female, 28-40, who is ready for a long-term relationship. Ad#.8237

CALL TODAY
Single white male, 43, 5'10", 170lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, is seeking a single white female, 35-45, who enjoys camping, swimming, playing the guitar and dining out. Ad#.7152

ON THE LEVEL
Handsome single white male, 45, 6'6", with brown hair and blue eyes, a professional, who enjoys music, camping and traveling, is in search of a nice single female, 25-45. Ad#.9177

JUST BE YOURSELF
Single black male, 25, 6', 190lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, a sports fan, seeks an independent, fit single female, 18-27, to have fun with. Ad#.8658

THE SEARCH IS OVER
This employed, friendly single white dad, 24, 5'9", 170lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, is interested in music, sports, horror and action movies. He is searching for an understanding, loving single white female, 18-28, to spend quality time with. Ad#.7261

SEARCH NO MORE
Single Hispanic male, 23, 5'4", with brown eyes, enjoys soul music. He seeks an energetic single Hispanic female, who's interested in a possible relationship. Ad# 7842

TEACH ME TO SKI
Professional single Hispanic male, 46, 5'8", 220lbs., is seeking a professional single Hispanic female, 30-45, who enjoys dancing, sports, traveling and more. Ad#.7065

HOPES & DREAMS
Meet this professional single white male, 38, 5'9", 180lbs., who enjoys exercising, dining out and spending time with friends. He is in search of a single female, 19-40, who shares similar interests. Ad#.9109

NO DEMANDS
He's an athletic single Hispanic male, 21, 5'6", 185lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, who likes movies, sports, and seeks a laid-back single Hispanic female, 19-22. Ad#.7052

NEW KID ON THE BLOCK
Single white male, 23, 6'1", 220lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys playing piano and snow skiing. He seeks a nice, friendly, active single white female, 18-25. Ad#.8405

IF YOU ONLY KNEW
Employed single Hispanic male, 23, 5'8", 220lbs., with brown hair/eyes, enjoys going to the lake and water skiing. He is searching for a single female, 18-40, to share fun times with. Ad#.8144

WHAT A MAN
Easygoing single white male, 22, 5'11", 170lbs., with light brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys laughter, the beach and cooking, is seeking a single white female, 20-22. Ad#.7333

LOOKING FOR YOU
Single white male, 19, 6'2", 275lbs., with brown hair and eyes, enjoys the outdoors, fun times, and going out. He is seeking a single white female, 18-21, who enjoys the same. Ad#.9164

LEARN TOGETHER
Self-employed single white Christian male, 26, 5'9", with brown hair and green eyes, is seeking a single white Christian female, 22-28, who enjoys life. Ad#.9309

CAR ENTHUSIAST
Single Hispanic male, 36, 5'8", 165lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, enjoys reading poetry, driving cars, traveling, trips to the beach and more, is seeking a single female, 21-40. Ad#.9890

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HERE SHE IS...
She's a single white Christian mom, 40, 5'7", interested in meeting a single white Christian male, 38-50, who enjoys dancing, country music, good conversation and the great outdoors. Ad# 7076

LET'S MEET
I'm a single Hispanic mom, 20, 4'10", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys reading, movies and more. I'm seeking a single male, 25-30. Ad# 8115

SHY AT FIRST
Here's a college-bound, cheerful single white female, 19, 5'6", 165lbs with brown hair/eyes, who is looking to meet a single white male, 18-25 Ad# 7032

CALL NOW!
She would like to meet a single Hispanic male, 19-24. Is that you? If so, call this single Hispanic mom of one, 19, 5'4", 110lbs., with brown hair/eyes. Ad# 8734

AND THE WINNER IS
Cheerful single Hispanic female, 20, 5'5", slim, with brown hair/eyes, enjoys reading, running, basketball, comedy films, dancing and seeks an honest, humorous single Hispanic male, 20-26. Ad# 8421

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Blessed with a great personality, this sweet single white mother of two, 30, 5'3", 106lbs., with brown hair, is looking to meet a single male, 31-47, non-drinker. She enjoys dancing, family times, horseback riding, country music and more. Ad# 9402

READY FOR A FRESH START
Sweet single white mom, 40, with auburn hair and blue eyes, likes bowling, doing needlepoint, crafts and more. She seeks a self-assured, happy single white male, 40-47, for a healthy relationship. Ad# 8321

BE PART OF MY TOMORROW
Are you a single male, 38-48, who enjoys the outdoors and traveling? If so, then you could be the perfect match for this single white Christian female, 46, 5'7", who's waiting patiently to hear from you. Ad# 9504

YOUR HEART
Fun-loving single white female, 51, 5'5", 130lbs., brown hair/eyes, attractive, educated, enjoys painting, gardening, reading and more, seeking a flexible single white male, 48-58, non-smoker. Ad# 8097

HERE SHE IS
Freckle-face single white female, 39, with blonde hair and green eyes, is in search of a single white male, 35-55. Ad#.7501

GET THE PICTURE?
Single black female, 25, 5'5", medium build, with black hair and brown eyes, enjoys long walks, movies and sports, is in search of a single male, 25-35, who enjoy children. Ad# 9834

LOVE TAKES TIME
Single white female, 43, 4'11", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys traveling, fishing and movies, is seeking a single white male, 40-53, non-smoker. Ad# 7208

HONESTY IS KEY
Outgoing single white female, 45, who enjoys traveling, singing, dancing, the Internet, day trips, the outdoors and dining out, wants to meet an honest single white Christian male. Ad# 9396

POSITIVE ATTITUDE
Full-figured, friendly single black female, 32, who enjoys spending time with her children, wants to meet a mature, kind-hearted single black male. Ad# 7654

LOOKING FOR A COWBOY
Outgoing single white female, 46, who enjoys singing, listening to music, spending time with her daughters, rodeos and the mountains, is seeking a handsome, caring single white male. Ad# 9476

NICE TO MEET YOU
Single Hispanic female, 18, 5'1", 140lbs., who enjoys sports, movies, good conversations and more, is seeking a single black male, 18-29, who enjoys life. Ad# 8224

CIRCLE ME TODAY
Single white female, 49, 5'7", with reddish-blonde hair, who enjoys animals, country music and going to the park, is seeking a single white male, 45-55. Ad# 9331

I'LL BE HERE
Single Hispanic female, 18, 5'4", 118lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, enjoys shopping and socializing with friends. She is seeking a single Hispanic

HOMES & CLASSIFIED

Invitingly Elegant...

Breathtakingly beautiful and thoughtfully designed, this home at 4104 Radcliff in Trinity West will exceed all your expectations.

A brick lined sidewalk and tidy flowerbeds welcome you to the covered entrance... a large front door framed by little square windows and an arched glass transom allow lots of indirect sunlight into the foyer. The first thing to catch your attention will be the quality... hard wood floors, elegant crown molding, high ceilings, a stately pillar, light filled thermopane windows, zoned heat and air, an alarm, custom papers, recessed lighting, and over 3,400 sq. ft.

To the right is the formal dining which is accented by a dainty chair rail and unusual ceiling. Straight ahead is the formal living which is exceptionally spacious and features a see-thru fireplace with an ornate mantle and pink marble hearth. Three large windows look out into an enclosed sunroom, with 2 skylights, and then out to an open patio that has been tastefully landscaped.

The family room features built-in shelves & cabinets, a special television cabinet, cream carpet framed by a band of deep blue carpet and the other side of the see-thru fireplace which is adorned with special intricate touches and lovely multi-hued blue tile. French doors open onto a quaintly private covered patio that is lined with flowing greenery.

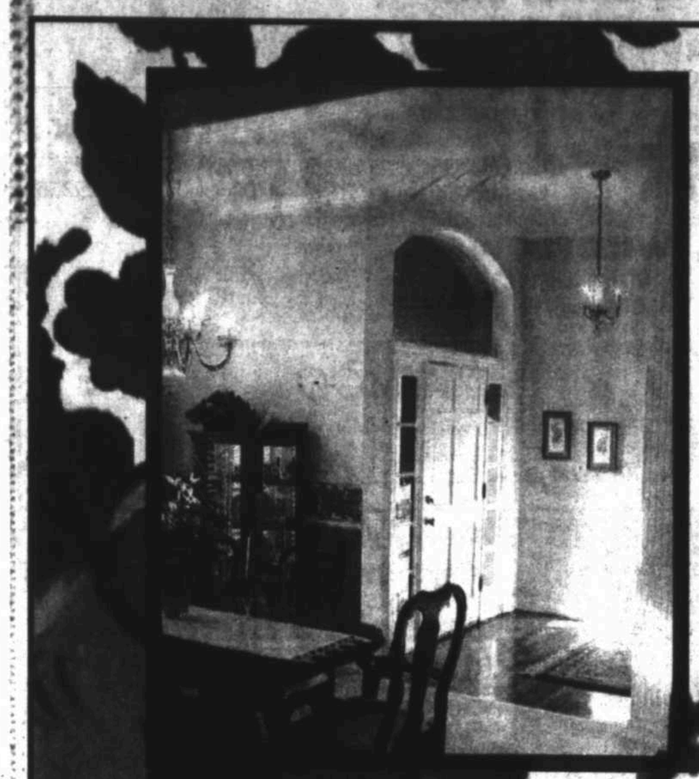
The breakfast area is light and bright and includes a unique chandelier with pale blue bunnies on it. The gourmet kitchen is conveniently appointed with a desk, a glass door china display, lots of cabinets with a plant shelf above, hardwood floor, 2 pantries, built-in microwave & oven, Jenn-Air grill cooktop, and more.

Just off the family room is a sequestered guest suite with a generous closet, pretty vanity area and a pocket door to the separate bath. Down the hall is a roomy utility area and access to the oversized alley-entrance 3 car garage which includes several storage closets.

On the opposite side of the house there are 2 large bedrooms with a Jack & Jill bath between them. You will truly enjoy the master suite... exhilarating jacuzzi tub, separate vanities and a cavernous closet that includes nifty shoe shelves and a place for sweaters.

This home is priced at $219,900 and is offered by Vicky Garrett, Re/Max of Midland. Call Vicky at 570-8889 or 682-8820 for more details.

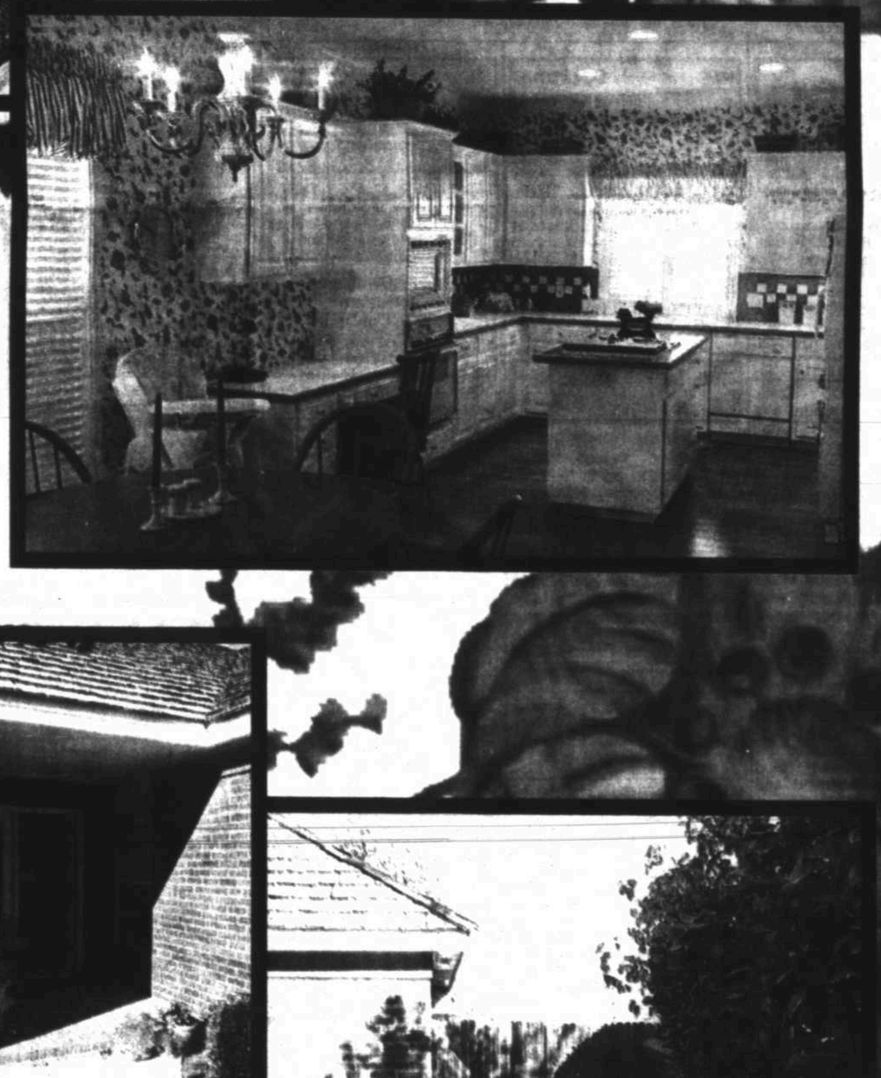
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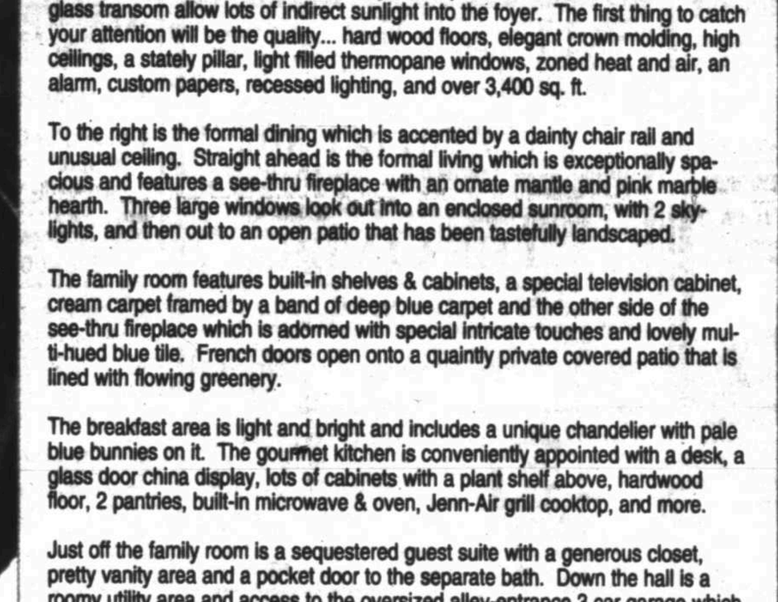














SEASON TO SELL

Many families ready to sell their homes mistakenly think that the holidays are not a good time to try and market a home. Just the opposite is true. When a home is brightened with holiday decorations, festive lighting, greenery, and poinsettias it is very likely more appealing than at any time of the year. For this reason, sellers often find that the holidays are a wonderful time to market a home.


Sutton

Experienced sellers listing their homes at the end of the year often find that home sales will flourish during this busy time for one simple reason. Homes never look better than when they are decorated for the holidays.

Just as CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton Realtors' sales associates advise home sellers to make the most of seasonal flowers and shrubs during spring, summer and fall, they also advise sellers to make the most of winter themes. This is a warm, sentimental, time of year that lends itself to creative designs in a home. Homeowners with homes listed during the holidays are urged to make a survey of their homes to determine how they can spread the festive season through every room.

There are also buyers who want to close house purchases before the end of the year for tax purposes. With all this going for them, sellers should take advantage of this very favorable period and provide prospective buyers with every reason to fall in love with their home.

A good rule of thumb when preparing a home for sale is to remember that a buyer always examines a home with his or her senses. Mrs. Sutton offers a few simple ideas to help homeowners prepare their homes for holiday sales.

The most obvious idea is to turn the house into the most attractive vision possible. From the first moment a home buyer sees a home it should be a pleasant experience. Front door wreaths are popular and it is amazing how a simple addition like this says "welcome".

Fresh pine garlands draped over doorways and mantels add a lovely touch and beautiful fragrance to the house. There is an abundance of arts and crafts stores in the Permian Basin. A stroll through one of these stores will give homeowners dozens of ideas that can be adapted for their own homes. Whether you opt for a stylized, contemporary design or an old fashioned country look, there are countless figurines, ornaments, ribbons and bows available to turn your house into a delight.

One of the most important elements in a home is a clean, fresh smell. There are many ways to make a home smell good -- from sprinkling cinnamon in a warm oven to small potpourri cookers, scented candles and holiday fresheners.

None of these additions need to be expensive and many of the decorative ideas -- such as a front door wreath -- are easy for home owners to make themselves. It is actually a nice way to get involved in the sale of your house and enjoy the improvements yourself.

(Story submitted by Kay Sutton, broker/owner of CENTURY 21 Kay Sutton, Realtors)

BUYERS AND SELLERS BENEFIT FROM HOME WARRANTY PLANS

Home sellers are discovering the benefits of purchasing a home warranty, both before and after the sale. While the house is on the market, Sellers gain peace of mind by knowing that a service contract covers most of the major built-in appliances and mechanical components of their home. For example, if the dishwasher springs a leak, most home warranties will cover these repairs during the listing period. In addition, Buyers are more attracted to resale homes that offer a home warranty plan because Murphy's Law typically means once you've spent all your ready cash on closing costs, the air conditioner will go on the blink. About 60 percent of home buyers ask whether a home is covered under a warranty plan, according to the National Home Warranty Association. Most plans provide coverage for a 12-month time period and cost several hundred dollars. Not all home warranty plans have the same coverage, however, it's important to review the contract with a real estate professional. Some warranty plans require that an appliance inspection be done before the policy is issued, while other offer coverage of pre-existing conditions for an additional fee. Other variables you'll want to consider include the amount of the deductible, payment caps for any single repair and who will make the repairs (the warranty company's service contractors or one of your own choosing). If you have questions about home warranties and their impact on selling a home, please contact your Realtor at your convenience.


Pine

This article submitted by Norma Pine, owner of Chaparral Realtors.

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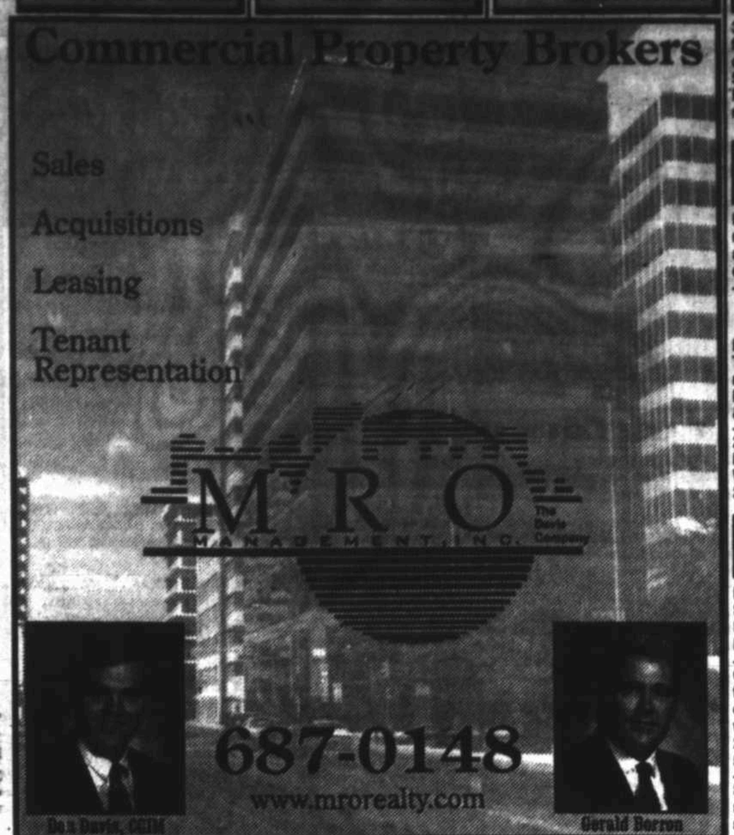
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322 WILLOWOOD; 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace. $625 monthly, $500 deposit. No pets. 699-7316 after 6 pm.

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath duplex. Stove, refrigerator, washer/ dryer connections, 1 car garage, fenced yard. 1106 Carrizo B, $385/ month, $300/ deposit. 697-4831

3 BEDROOMS, 2 bath brick. Clean, double garage. $675 monthly. $675 Deposit. 713 W. Dormard. 682-0602.

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FOR SALE or Lease: 4 Bedroom, 2 bath, 2 story home. $500 Month/ $500 Deposit. Call xxx-xxxx.

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VERDE GLEN	New Whitley Plan: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-4 Car Gar	$	254,000
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RIDGEBORO	Beautiful New Graham! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Open/Airy	$	212,000
HATHAWAY			UNDER CONTRACT
CRANSTON	Fantastic New! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Completed & Beautiful	$	207,000
DEVLIN	Big Pretty Graham: 5 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Wonderful Kitchen-Pick Colors	$	206,500
CRANSTON			UNDER CONTRACT
SUNRISE	On The Course!: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Sequestered In-Law Plan	$	204,900
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DUKES	Pretty in Polo Park: 5 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Separate Formal Dining	$	189,500
CRANSTON	Pretty New Graham: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Light/Bright-Shutters	$	188,900
CRANSTON	Great New Graham: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors Now!	$	188,900
COUNTRY CLUB	NEW LISTING	$	179,900
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RUSTIC TR	On the Course: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Skylights-Separate Formal Dining	$	168,500
STERLING	Great New Graham: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors	$	165,000
CROWLEY	Great Liveable Home: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Wonderful Kitchen w/Island	$	164,500
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	Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Cul-de-Sac Close to Midland College		
GREENRIDGE	Beautiful Morris Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plantation Shutters	$	154,900
HEATHER	REDUCED ! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Hobby Room + Bonus Room	$	154,900
STERLING CT	Wonderful Graham: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Shutters/Miniblinds-Pick Colors	$	149,500
MOUNT VERNON	Picture Perfect! 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Gourmet Kitchen	$	149,000
McCLINTIC	"New Look" in "Old Midland" 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pretty Pool	$	144,900
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Game Room	$	139,500
WHITMAN	By Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Can be 5 BR	$	138,950
DARTMOUTH	Beautiful: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Corian Countertops-Solar Tube Lighting	$	135,000
LOCKHEED	Patio Home! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Updated-Bonus Rm	$	134,500
METZ PL	Wonderful: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Enc.Patio w/Hot Tub	$	134,000
CRISTA LN	New Canton Home: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Many Extras-Ready to Move Into	$	129,900
WHITMAN			UNDER CONTRACT
SAND HILL			UNDER CONTRACT
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Roomy Plan	$	125,950
GODFREY	Trinity Estates: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-High Ceilings-Sequestered Master	$	124,900
WHITMAN	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Plan	$	118,675
GODFREY	New Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Amenities	$	117,000
GODFREY	New Hoffman Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$	117,000
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WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Room to Grow	$	110,500
MARMON	Unique 2-Story: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-ManyBltins-Updated Kitchen	$	109,900
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Master	$	105,500
HYDE PARK	Great Drive-Up! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Mature Trees!	$	104,500
NOEL	Fantastic Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Upgrades-Pretty	$	99,900
PURPLE SAGE	Cute Private Backyard: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Master Suite	$	99,500
STUTZ	Wonderful Home: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Seq.Mster-Many Recent Updates	$	99,500
PINE	One-Owner Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Spacious	$	94,900
ABBEY PL	Wonderful: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Cul de Sac-Breezeway	$	93,900
WARD	Glassed Atrium: 3 bd-2 ba-1 Extra Large Living-Workshop/Storage	$	92,500
MARK LN	Water Well! 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pool Size Backyard	$	92,500
WHITNEY	Lots of Updating: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Great Home	$	89,900
PINE	Location/Location/Location: 3 bd- 2 ba-2 liv-Many Built-Ins!	$	89,900
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FAIRHAVEN	Open Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Master Suite	$	89,500
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Model Home	$	88,446
IDLEWILDE	NEW LISTING	$	88,000
	Beautifu Large Kitchen: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open/Bright-Lots of Storage		
RIO GRANDE			UNDER CONTRACT
CASPER	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Could be 4 BR	$	81,500
SPENCE			UNDER CONTRACT
GLENEAGLES	NEW LISTING	$	79,900
	Very Clean: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-AON Home Warranty-Nice Master Bedroom		
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DORA	Cute/Clean: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Access-Fresh Paint/Wallpaper Touches	$	77,000
MICHIGAN	One-Owner: 3 bd-2 ba-Fresh Paint-Fresh Carpet!	$	76,900
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Huge Master	$	76,244
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan	$	76,244
MISSOURI	Great: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Will Consider Owner-Carry	$	75,000
CASPER	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$	74,744
GRAHAM			UNDER CONTRACT
FLOYD	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plan Yours Now	$	74,244
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Your Amenities	$	73,900
TREVINO	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$	71,900
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 3 Bdrm	$	70,225
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Options Available	$	70,225
DENGAR			UNDER CONTRACT
TREVINO	New Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for Retirees	$	68,225
CASPER	By Whitehead: 3 ba-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$	68,225
HUGHES	Great One-Owner: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Nice Beginner Home-Great Location	$	67,500
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SPENCE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan	$	66,704
GRAHAM	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours	$	65,704
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MCDONALD	Pretty: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Much Updating-Open/Bright	$	64,000
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ROOSEVELT	Specially Renovated Duplex-Compact	$	55,750
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PARKDALE	Roomy: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Study-Ceramic Tile in Kitchen	$	54,900
N. D	Wonderful: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Old Fashioned "Texas" Neighborhood	$	52,000
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THOMASON	Cute: 3 bd-1.5 ba-2 liv-Ask About H.I.P. Financing	$	48,000
LOUISIANA	NEW LISTING	$	46,900
	Nice Area: 2 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Come See to Visualize Potential		
WESTBEND (Odessa)	Much Recent Incl. Foundation: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Cent. AC/Heat	$	39,900
WEATHERFORD			UNDER CONTRACT
WAVERLY	Investment Possibility: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Two Story!	$	34,900
BRUNSON	Investment or Beginner: 1 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Call to See	$	25,000
BRUNSON	Investment Potential: 1 bd-1 b-1 liv-Poss. Starter	$	25,000
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RIO GRANDE — $ 76,244
CASPER — $ 74,744
FLOYD — $ 74,244
SPENCE — $ 73,900
TREVINO — $ 71,900
SPENCE — $ 70,225
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TREVINO — $ 68,225
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FM 307	Greenwood: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Apprx 5 Ac-5-Stall Barn-Pretty	$	201,500
S. CO RD 1128	Sunset Estates in Greenwood! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv	$	165,000
S. CO RD 1218	Near Air Strip: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Mstr=Fpl/Jacuzzi	$	143,500
S.FM 1788	Large 5-Bay Wrkshp: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Great Metro Access	$	127,000
S. CO RD 1184	Nice & Roomy! 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Great Workshop	$	104,900
W. CO RD 53	Affordable Country Living: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv	$	40,000
W. CO RD 118	Cute Mob.Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Fabulous Wrkshp	$	37,000
E. CO RD 83	Cute/Clean: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Apprx .49 Ac	$	29,900

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JASMINE	Zoned IPI	$	10,000
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E. HWY 80	Apprx 1.47 Ac-Service Rd Frontage-Easy Access/Great Visibility	$	35,000
META	Great Retail Location	$	50,000
KENTUCKY	Zoned C-3	$	108,000
MICHIGAN	Office Building-Lighted/Paved Parking-Meeting Room	$	225,000
FRONT	Zoned LI/RR Spur	$	450,000

LOTS & LAND

HAMBY	12 Lots	$	1,500 ea
WALNUT LN	2 Blocks	$	3,500 ea
ALAMO DR	2 Lots	$	4,500 ea
GARDEN LN	2 Blocks	$	4,500 ea
BOWIE DR	1 Lot	$	4,500
FLOYD CT	Residential Lot in Fairway Park	$	5,000
W. 87th (Odessa)	Residential Lot - Approx .53 Acre - Golf Course Lot	$	8,000
W. CR 123	Apprx. .42Ac	$	9,500
S. CR 1122	20 Lots	$	10,000 ac
	Reata Ranch Estates - 2.5 Ac to 4.04 Ac - Residential - May be Sold Individually		
S. CR 1204	Apprx 2 Ac	$	11,900
W. CR 123	Apprx .66 Ac	$	19,500
CHERRYWOOD	Corner Lot	$	25,000
E. CR 1090	Greenwood	$	34,400
WHITMAN	+/-11 Ac	$	130,000
W. CR 2950	Martin Co.	$	220,000
I-20	22+Acres	$	285,000
COWDEN ADDN	10 Lots	$	400,000
PARKLEA ADDN	12 Lots	$	450,000
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Lovely five bedroom, three bath, two living area home with lots of updating. Fabulous kitchen and huge master suite. Shown by Lee Denny.



1:30-2:30 **1805 BATES**
4 bedroom, 2 baths, many updates to this home! Our 2200 sq. ft. HUGE garage, sprinkler system, satillo tile decks! Shown by Becky Penny.



SOUTH L-Classic "Old Midland Museum District," updated to perfection! Over 3600 sq. ft. with apartment in rear. Call for private showing. Listed by Lee Denny.



3408 CRESTMONT-Light and bright home with open floor plan, just perfect for entertaining. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas. Incredible master suite with jacuzzi and huge closets. Recently reduced. Listed by Lee Culver.



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NEW LISTINGS

SOUTH L-Fabulous Old Midland classic plus apartment in back. Lots of new! $190,000
DODSON-Commercial building near hospital, almost 5000 sqft $110,000
MEADOWBROOK-Large 4/bd 2.5/ba, open floorplan, great for entertaining $126,000
BATES- 4 /bd 2/ba, 2/la, Super nice older home. Off Andrews Hwy near Loop $89,500
CLOUDCROFT-3/bd 2/ba . Precious home, buyer can choose new carpet color $74,000
DOUGLAS DR. Spacious 2/bd 2/ba in established area. Charming home.New a/c $69,900
MISSION CT-Super neat 2/bd 2/ba townhome. Refrigerator remains $69,500
S CR 1220-Spacious 3/bd on 2 acres. South on Midkiff to W CR 118, north 1 mi $49,900
STOREY-Inexpensive "Old Midland" 3/bd 2/ba $47,900
CEDAR SPRING-Nice 3/bd 2/ba 2/la, water softener with R/O. Lots of space $47,900
DEVONIAN-Complete remodel, new carpet, paint, 3/bd 1.5/ba Ready to move in $39,000
MORGAN WAY-Large 4/bd 2.5/ba Nice large house for the money $38,000



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SENSATIONAL HOMES OVER $100,000

CR 1130-Hill country charm-4/bd 2/ba 3/la indoor pool & recreation room on 5.8 acres $290,000
S HWY 349 - 31.2 ac land with 2 houses $250,000
HWY 176-ANDREWS-Cowboys paradise,3/bd 2/bd on 16.92 acres, arena, 250 trees $205,000
CHERRYWOOD-Fantastic custom Graham home, 4/bd + study 3/ba, Briarwood $177,500
S CO RD 1130 - Lots of new in this 3 br/2 ba/2 la/2 fp & 3 car gar - 2.63 ac $169,900
E CO RD 120 - 2 story office bldg. Corner Rankin Hwy. $150,000
W CO RD 56 - Superior 3 br/2 ba/2 la/2 car gar, huge workshop, 3 ac. ..... REDUCED! $139,500
MARMON-Charm and beauty throughout, 4/bd 3/ba 3/la ..... SOLD
LOCKHEED - Beautiful with so many possibilities in Old Midland over 2900 sqft $135,000
PARKHURST - Super 3 or 4 br & 3 ba with great SHOP! Won t last long! $129,500
SHANDON-Fabulous 5 bedroom, 3/ba 2/la. Lots of tile, super kitchen, ... REDUCED!! $125,000
CARDINAL LN - Horse lovers home w/2 acres, 3/bd 2/ba 2/la $125,000
CASADY CT-Great one owner home in Trinity Estates. 4/bd 3/ba 2 /la. ..... REDUCED!!$119,500
FANNIN-4/bd 2.5/ba Large family home in established Fannin neighborhood $112,500

TERRIFIC VALUES UNDER $100,000

CRESTMONT-Perfect! 3/bd 2/ba 2/la. Brightest gem in Fairmont ..... REDUCED!! $109,500
AUBURN - 4/br 2/ba, located on cul-de-sac, great landscaping ..... PRICED SLASHED$89,500
MICHIGAN - Old Midland charm. Lots of sq. footage, Berber carpet, 10X24' OS $92,500
S CR 1130-No better value under 90K-3/bd 2ba. on 1.25 acres ..... UC
PROVIDENCE-3/bd 2/ba 2/living areas-Great value, clean, open, pretty yard ..... REDUCED!$79,900
MICHIGAN-Beautiful Austin Stone 3/bd 2/ba 2/la, home warranty recent a/c & roof $74,900
PRINCETON-Lovely Old Midland 2/bd 2/ba 2/gar. Convenient locale $79,500
FANNIN-Neat and loved. 3/bd 2/ ba 2 car garage, fireplace $76,950
FLARE- 3/bd 2/ba 2/la. Great floorplan with huge sequestered master ..... REDUCED$75,000
S CR 1160-Southeast of Midland-2.8 acres, 3/bd 2/ba, fireplace. Sharp property! $72,500



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GERALDINE-Great townhouse with low maintenance, 2/bd, 2/ba, 2/la, 2 car garage ..... SOLD
BEECHWOOD - 3 Duplexes -2 br/2 ba For Sale or Lease $70,000
CR 105-Greenwood-Fabulous 3/bd 2/ba, new roof and paint, excellent condition $69,500
STOREY-Charming 3/bd 2/ba 2 car garage, 2 patios, large lot ..... REDUCED! $61,900
PRINCETON- 3/bd 2/ba 2/car garage, enclosed patio could be gameroom/2nd living $54,900
COUNTRY CLUB-3/bd 2/ba with lots of new, plus carpet allowance ..... UC
GLENWOOD-Charming & nicely decorated, 3/bd 2/ba 2/garage $49,950
KANSAS - Neat & clean 3/bd 2/ba with huge covered patio $49,900
BOYD - 3 bd/ 2 ba, lots of storage ..... SOLD
MADERA - Odessa- 3/bd 1/ba new roof, siding, thermo windows, large backyard $45,000
LONGSHORE-in Big Spring, Forsan Schools!3 br/2 ba, superb condition $42,500
BAIRD-3 br/2 ba/2 car garage $41,000
CUTHBERT-Good buy on 3/bd 2/ba separate dining w/recent a/c. Approx 1200 sq ft $37,900
TRAVIS-Large 2/bd 2/ba plus office or second living area, high ceilings, fireplace $39,900
DELANO-Pristine and charming, 2/bd, fireplace. Excellent condition ..... SOLD
KENTUCKY - 4 br/2 ba converted duplex $32,000
SPRAYBERRY-Under construction, complete remodel-2/bd 1.5/ba w/20X30 workshop $32,000
HOLLOWAY - 2 br/1 ba, with exceptional potential. Great investment! $27,560
CANYON-Solid starter home. 2/bd 1/ba 1/garage ..... REDUCED!! $22,000
CEDAR SPRING-Great starter home. New carpet & interior paint, large trees ..... SOLD
MARIANA-Great investment opportunity. 4 duplexes w/2 br/ ba ..... $22,260 to $24,380
E CR 140-Mobile home lots, some w/ septic & water well Starting at ..... $8,000-$14,000

COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES & VACANT LOTS

COMMERCIAL-8th St. in Odessa-Great visability $180,000
COMMERCIAL - Andrews Hwy - super office bldg, 4 units or 1 large ..... REDUCED!! $140,000
COMMERCIAL - Lot on Big Spring $150,000
E CO RD 120 - Office bldg w/ parking $150,000
10 ACRES - Middle of Greentree North $150,000
MEDICAL/OFFICE BUILDING -Approx 4975' one story office in "Old Town" $110,000
E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.47 acres) $13,000
E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.0 acres) - $12,000
TEJAS - 1 Lot on 2.5 acres, Ranch Estates- ..... REDUCED!! $5,500
LOTS OF LOTS - within your budget! ..... $600-$8,000
W. SHANDON - One lot $2,950
W. SHANDON - Three lots ea $2,100-2,800
LOTS - Several lots near Big Spring St. from $995-$2,950 call for info
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1600 W. Kentucky-3/1, New Listing	U/C	$31,500
1805 Louisiana-3/2		$59,500
3305 Princeton- 3/2/2	REDUCED	$73,500
3507 Boyd-2/2, Townhouse	U/C	$89,000
3809 Crestridge-5/4-New Listing		$139,000

SUBURBAN

Greenwood, 3 Bedrrom, 1.25 Bath, New Listing		$27,500
9901 S. Co. Rd. 1218-New Listing, 4/3, 41+ acres, custom		$199,000
5203 E. Hwy 158-2/2, New Listing		$119,000
5205 E. Hwy 158-4/2, New Listing		$39,900
7001 W. Co. Rd. 68-4/3/Pool, New Listing		$146,750
6801 E. Co. Rd. 95-4/2.5	U/C	$54,200
5105 S. Co. Rd. 1183 1/2-2/2, Owner Finance		$40,000
7403 E. Co. Rd. 90-3/1.5		$79,900
5608 S. Co. Rd. 1200-3/2		$123,000
10611 E. Co. Rd. 95-3/2 - Greenwood	REDUCED	$89,900
217 Carol Lane - 4/3 beautiful pool		$117,000
6005S.Co. Rd. 1065-3/2 with 68 acres		$119,900
3812 Cottonflat-2BR/2BA, 10 Acres	REDUCED	$58,000
13912 W. Co. Rd. 123-3/2 5/1, beautiful	REDUCED	$94,950
2400 W. Co. Rd. 123-New Listing, 10 acres, 3/2/2		$74,000
1405 S. Co. Rd. 1130-New Listing, 3/2/Out buildings	REDUCED	$109,950
3314 WCR 185-4/3, Skywest Airport		$199,500
20 Acres near Skywest Airport on Cty. Rd 1218		$60,000
10014 S. Co. Rd. 1213 3/2 at Skywest Airport		$259,000

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Lyle Conyers $66,500



209 W. PILOT
Prime Airport location w/central access to Midland & Odessa! Large shop plus additional office building. 1.11 acres & 2514 sq. ft., completely fenced. Hurry & call.
Gloria Farmer $155,000

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3316 NEELY-Beautiful 4BR, 2BA home in Hyde Park area. Looks like new. Relax outside on this wonderful porch.
Linda Slate • OPEN 2-3:30



3608 EDGEMONT-Spacious Robert Graham 4BR, 2BA home in Fairmont Park. Seq. master w/his & hers walk-in closets. New tile, paint, carpet & back sprinklers. Fabulous!
Alice Howard • OPEN 2-4



4711 BISHOPS CASTLE-Super formal home in Polo Park. 4BR, 2BA, 2 great liv areas, front sunny kitchen, much new added throughout. Just in time for the Holidays!
Gloria Farmer • OPEN 2-4

Some of our outstanding listings!

NEELY ..... SOLD
BOULDER $14,250
Perfect investment-condo, w/1BR, 1BA & formal living room
ILLINOIS AVE $17,000
Good investment townhouse. Lots of updating - new carpet, paint & tile
SCHARBAUER ..... $10,500-$26,500
Efficiency units. Great Investment Property!
FRANKLIN $29,900
Gracious 3BR home with lots of updates-berber carpet, vinyl & new interior paint.
WASHINGTON $36,000
Great Starter home! 3BR, 1BA, 2LA. Front kitchen nice & roomy
CUTHBERT $36,900
3BR, 2LA, 1BA or 4BR, 1LA. Hardwood floors, spacious rooms, large lot.
KESSLER ..... NEW LISTING! $37,500
Excellent Condition 3BR, 1BA. Lots of new & ready to sell!
THOMAS AV $37,500
Great 4BR, 2BA for the Price! New roof, insulated windows, counters & more.
FM RD. 1788 ..... $39,900
3BR/2BA, living area country home! Circle drive, storage shed & fireplace!
SEMINOLE $41,500
Wonderful 3BR, 2BA & 2LA. Workshop, dog run & 3 car garage
LAURA $42,900
Absolute dollhouse with many updates throughout! 3BR, 2LA, 2BA
WILSHIRE $45,000
Charming 3BR, 2BA. Storage shed & park like backyard. PRICE REDUCTION!
AMIGO $45,000
Adorable 3BR w/Jack & Jill bath. 2LA & Charming Black & white kitchen
11TH ST ..... UNDER CONTRACT
AVONDALE $52,000
Delightful house. Central heat & air, 3 BD, 2 BA, big kitchen, corner lot.
HARLOWE $55,900
Super 3BR, 2BA, w/huge formal liv. & dining, sep. den w/fp.
SIESTA LN $59,500
Duplex w/wonderful cash flow & many improvements.
N. A ST $59,900
Close to everything! Huge living-dining w/fireplace, 3BR, 2BA, 2GA
MONTERREY ..... NEW LISTING! $59,900
Cute 3BR, 2BA, 1LA, townhouse. French doors, 2 car garage, formal dining, dry bar, FP, & vaulted ceilings. $1000 decorator allowance. Easy maintenance!!!
LOOP 250 ..... PRICE REDUCED $69,500
Formal liv. w/fp, 3BR, 2BA. Wkshp, carport, apprx 1 @ acres
SAN ANTONIO $72,000
Cute & Contemporary 3BR, 2BA & formal liv., 2 car garage & dog run
WHITNEY WAY $73,000
3BR, 2BA, 2 car garage, screened in porch & satellite dish
DOUGLAS $75,000
Enormous 3 bedroom, 2 BA w/hobby room & 2 liv areas.
TERRACE $78,900
Contemporary "Old Midland" 4BR, 2.5BA - Tons of storage & courtyard.
PLAINS AVE $81,400
Wonderful 1 yr. old home. Just like new. 3BR, 2BA w/fp. HOLIDAY PRICE!
GREENWOOD $85,000
Wonderful country home-4BR, 2BA home w/pool, horse stalls & workshop.
QUINCE ..... NEW LISTING! $87,900
Super 3BR, 2BA, 2LA & study w/french doors. Open kit, skylights, open kitchen & storage bldg
NEELY $89,000
Beautiful 4BR, 2BA home! Looks like new! Won't stay on market for very long!
SINCLAIR $89,500
Magnificent "Old Midland"! Enormous 5BR, 3LA, 3BA. PRICE REDUCED
CLUB DR $92,500
Incredible 4BR, 2BA, 2LA home in "Old Midland" Gorgeous wood floors
PRINCETON ..... PRICE REDUCED! $99,900
Wonderful "Old Midland" 5+BR, 3BA, 2LA
SANDHILL CIR ..... UNDER CONTRACT
HUNTINGTON ..... NEW LISTING! $107,500
Super family home! 5+BR, 3BA & 2LA. Great workshop, garden room & game room.. Fresh paint in den & kit. Pretty sequestered master.
PECAN $109,000
Spacious, low maintenance 3BR, 2BA, 2LA, townhouse. Formal liv. w/FP.
COTTONFLAT $115,000
Country living! 4BD/2BA home on 3 acres + pool!
EDGEMONT $119,900
Gorgeous & spacious 4BR, 2BA Robert Graham home in Fairmont Park.
BISHOPS CASTLE ..... PRICE REDUCED!$122,500
Perfect for Christmas! 4BR, 2BA, 2LA, front kit., circle windows, alarm system, new ceramic tile.
HIGHLAND ..... NEW LISTING! $140,000
New construction in Grasslands. Beautiful 4BR, 2.5BA, 1LA, 2 car garage. Still time to pick out your own colors. Wonderful price, won't last here!
RUSTIC ..... ON LEASE! ..... $133,400-$145,000
Incredible new GTN Gardenhomes! 4BD/2BA!
NEELY ..... PRICE REDUCED! $126,500
Absolutely Perfect 4BR, 3BA custom home!
TEAKWOOD $145,900
Astonishing Greentree home! 4BR, 3BA, 2LA. PRICE REDUCED!
CENTERVIEW ..... SALE PENDING
SEQUOIA ..... Owners want offers!! $162,000
Stunning splendor in this 2 story, 5 BDR/3.5BA
HARVARD $189,500
One-of-a-kind home in "Old Midland"! Huge 4BD, 3.5BA, 2LA. PRICE REDUCED!
RUSTIC $238,500
Golfers paradise! Exquisite floorplan-4BR, 3.5BA, 2LA & lots more! PRICE REDUCTION!
LAKES DR ..... NEW LISTING! CALL OFFICE
Custom 4BR, 3.5BA home by Paul West in Saddle Club. Incredible view of the fountain, huge open windows & pool sized yard. Lots of new in progress!

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BIG SPRING $1,000/MO
Commercial For Lease! Approx. 2500 sq. ft. Minimum 2 yr. Lease.
BIG SPRING $1,250/MO
Commercial For Lease! Approx. 4500 sq. ft. Professional office space.
HOGAN ..... UNDER CONTRACT
IDLEWILDE/LOT $13,000
Perfect for Garden home! Last lot left! Clearance priced.
KING RICHARDS ROW/ORIOLE ..... CALL OFFICE
Great lots to build dream home
NORTH LOTS/ODESSA ..... $9,900-$18,500
Wonderful north locations to build new construction!
SADDLE CLUB RANCH ESTATES $32,500
One Lot-2.5 acres on Dunbarton. Ready to build!
SADDLE CLUB RANCH ESTATES $35,000
Premium lot on Edinburgh - 2.5 acres
HARVARD $44,000
Eleven residential lots in Wilshire Park! Possible rezoning potential.
CRANE/ODESSA $45,000
Commercial property - will sell with or without business. Around 1800 sq. ft. Great investment property!
CO. RD. 123 ..... $70,000
Great farming & hunting area in Comanche! Big oak trees, gotch tank & well.
PUEBLO $80,000
Commercial. Wonderful showroom & warehouse. Call for more details!
ANDREWS HWY $97,500
Desirable location! A lucky find. Owner finance this 2250' w/$30,000 down.
S. CO. RD. 1285 ..... $224,000
50 acres between Midland & Odessa!
ANDREWS HWY/NW ..... CALL OFFICE
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SANTA SAYS....Call Anita about the great deal you can get on this 3 bedroom, 1 car garage with fireplace. Big kitchen/breakfast rm, garden room in backyard. Recently replaced carpet and some fresh paint $44,500

HANG YOUR STOCKINGS HERE... 3 bedroom, 2 bath in quiet established neighborhood has large living area with corner fireplace, indoor utility, 2 full baths, no back yard neighbors. Call Anita for more $57,500

TREE TRIMMING TREASURE!...Great location on spacious corner lot, this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has 2 living areas plus a garden room overlooking landscaped back yard. Updates include fresh exterior paint and replaced carpeting. Don't miss this one! ..... $72,900.

FIVE GOLDEN RINGS...Shine brightly around this home located on a beautiful tree-filled street. 3 bedrooms with sequestered master, 3.5 baths and 2 living areas plus formal dining. Lovely tile flooring, spacious rooms, 2 back yards with easy maintenance. This home is one of a kind! Fresh interior paint, carpet in progress $89,900

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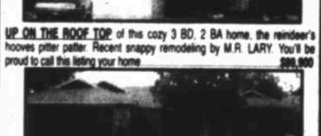


TIE A BIG RED BOW!...Around this special 4 bedroom home in desirable neighborhood with 2 living areas plus formal dining, sequestered master, low maintenance front yard and fenced, covered back porch. Call Anita for more! $89,900



WINTER WONDERLAND..5 spacious bedrooms plus bonus room/office makes this immaculate custom home a wonderful bargain. 2 large living areas plus formal dining, island kitchen, 3 car garage and beautiful yard with sprinklers all located on a quiet culdesac within walking distance to pool and clubhouse. **RECENTLY REDUCED** $199,000

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CUTE AS A CANDY CANE Sweet deal awaits you in this delightful 3 BD, 2 BA home. Den, study/office, seq. master, and formal dining. $99,900

5 BEDROOMS

YOUR BEST PRESENT EVER!! Unwrap this immaculate home in Mockingbird Heights. PAUL WEST's custom-built 5 BD, 5 1/2 BA, 2-story home. Formals, den, study/office, hobby/shop room, fabulous pool and many more wonderful features! $925,000
THE GIFT NO ONE WILL RETURN A beautiful TROY HUNT home under construction. 5 BD, 3 1/2 BA, study/office, formals, den, plus buyer has time to make selections! $229,900

4 BEDROOMS

HANG YOUR STOCKINGS HERE Custom built, prestigious TROY HUNT home in Green Tree. Unwrap stocks has 4 spacious BD, 4 BA, formal living, formal dining, den, study/office, 4 car garage, sprinkler system, security system, 2 fireplaces, hot tub, plus 4 more! 3,3 BA, 2-story home with formals, den, study/office, 4 car garage $399,900
THE COMPLETE CHRISTMAS LIST Everything you've been wishing for is under the tree in this 4 BD, 2 1/2 BA TROY HUNT home. Spacious floor plan includes: Formals, living, & media/game rooms, ... $139,900
LIGHT UP YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE in the living room, den, or game room of this 3 BD, 2 BA home. Wet bar, workshop, and RV parking. Short drive to downtown for special holidays. $97,900

3 BEDROOMS

FOR 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS Gorgeous "Old Midland" home has plenty of room for all your Holiday festivities. 3 BD, 2.5 BA, formal living, den, spacious kitchen, plus beautiful landscaping and enormous patio $132,500
YULETIDE CHARM Enjoy the holidays in front of the warm fireplace in the spacious living area or guest bedroom of this 3 BD, 2 BA, 2 story home. Large garage and shop facilities. 2.5 acres otherwise $84,900
CHRISTMAS CONVENIENCE 3 BD, 3 BA home is in a great location! Second living area a great game room or office. Plenty of square footage. Recently updated. Close to downtown. Wonderful home in "Old Midland". Excellent kitchen with large pantry $79,900
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2 BEDROOMS

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5607 Fenway $209,000

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3404 Choate $293,500
5404 Hillcrest $173,500
5706 Greenridge $169,900
3409 Woodhaven $154,900
4909 Los Alamitos $145,000
5118 King Richard $131,500
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1204 N. Pecos $27,500

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4 OR MORE BEDROOMS

Fairwood $526,000
Fabulous 5 BD, 5 1/2 Baths, Zoned HVAC, Formals, den, study/office, hobby/shop, intercom, sec. system, jacuzzi-style tub. Call Marilyn Jo Smith at 682-6820, to view this exquisite home.

Oriole $425,000
Absolutely Breathtaking View of the golf course from this Spectacular 5 bedroom, 3 LA home, a place for everything here. Call Deborah Pierce 520-2112 for your private viewing.

Island Drive ..... Reduced $415,000
SPECTACULAR Mark Payne custom. Five bedroom plus study. Pool & yard on wall. Shows like new with a fabulous view! Call Donna Pehl 697-0490.

Rustic Trail-Reduced $409,000
Builder's own home in Greentree. Spacious living in 4BD, 4BA, steam shower in master. Fabulous built-in TV wall, 5 car garage with workshop. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Greenlands-5719 Hillcrest $294,900
5 bedrooms, 4 baths, 3 liv., 4 car garage - custom one owner. Call Jo.

Choate-Trinity Estates $293,500
4 bedrooms + study or 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths. Call Jo.

Fairwood $269,000
Harvy Nickolson custom, 3 full baths, 2 half baths, 3 car garage, many, many lavish extras. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Co. Rd. 1244 ..... $245,000
Gutted & remodeled & additions & beautiful 4 BD, 3 1/2 baths, 2.2 acres. Have to see to believe. Denise 697-1799- ask for as-is price.

Ridgefield Ct. $235,000
Gorgeous 5 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, 2 living areas, study & 3 car garage. Only 1 1/2 yrs. old. Hurry! Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Devlin $229,900
5 bedrooms plus a study/office, 3 1/2 BA, formal living, den, formal dining, jacuzzi-type tub, and zoned heat & A/C. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Redcliff Ct. $219,900
Mark Payne resale in mint condition, superb finish work, large bedrooms, in-law plan, gourmet kitchen, sunroom. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Heartland-Reduced $218,500
5 BD, 3 BA, 2 LA and absolutely stunning! Too many amenities to list, so please call for info. 1 block to club house & Elementary. Denise Underwood 697-1799.

Sunrise Ct. $214,900
Gorgeous home with wonderful view of 6th green-Greentree North. 4BR, 2LA, 3 baths, formal dining, double fireplace, 3 car garage. A/C rep 98, roof 97, carpet & paint 97. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Devlin $207,900
4 Bd, 3.5BA, 2LA Keith Antilley home under construction. Security System and so many extras. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Devlin $204,900
Call Marilyn Jo Smith to find out the details on this Keith Antilley home under construction.

Heartland $199,000
Immaculate 5 bedroom + bonus rm has 2 living & formal dining, beautiful built-ins, and so much more. Beautiful cul-de-sac location. Call Anita.

Teakwood In Greentree C.C. $199,000
Picture perfect, this 4BR/ 3 BA or 3 BR w/lovely study. Looks like a house beautiful magazine layout in every room. Call Joyce Brickey 682-3191 for all the bells & whistles. It's loaded!

Stonewood Circle $197,500
Beautiful new family home in quiet, old-fashioned neighborhood. 4 BR's, 3 baths, 1 LA, formal dining - Meadowland Estates. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Grassland $196,900
New construction by Troy Hunt! Buy now to pick your own colors on brick, carpet, tile & cabinets! 4 bedrooms, 2 living plus a study, 3.5 baths, 3 car garage, sprinkler system, plantation shutters, etc! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Grassland $188,500
Keith Antilley is building another one! 4BD, 3.5BA, 2 LA, and so much more! Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

"Old Midland"-DON'T MISS THIS! $179,900
Fabulous 4 bedroom located on Princeton, tons of windows overlooking gorgeous yard with pool. Call Deborah 520-2112. Decorating allowance too!

Cypress Ct-REDUCED! $178,900
Spectacular view of the course from this 3 or 4 BD, 2 or 3 living area home w/formal dining &/or study, double fireplace, 2 car garage & more! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Highland Ct. $179,900
Beautiful 11 month old 4 bedroom, 3 full bath, 2 living area home on cul-de-sac. Den plus gameroom, sequestered master and in-law plan. 3 garage. Hurry! Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Grassland Blvd. $178,000
Only lived in 3 mos. - Seller transferred - 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 LA, 3 garage, shutters, RO, water softner, security, landscaped, Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Cherrywood-New Listing $172,500
Brisr'wood -Beautiful Kahler Resale! Four large bedrooms, three baths, one living area. High ceilings, built-ins, great closets, three car garage. Call Sam House at 682-6820.

Greenridge $169,900
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 1 living area. WOW! Super custom cul-de-sac, large lot, spacious kitchen, tile floor, large utility, approx 200' sq./work area in garage, gorgeous homes with many upgrades. Call Ruth 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Teakwood Trace $169,900
4 BD, 3.5 BA, 2 story home with formals, study/office, and balcony. Covered patio and hot tub outside. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Castleford-Reduced $164,900
Impressive, elegant, and surprisingly warm & inviting, 4 bed, 2 LA, 3 1/2 BA in Saddle Club South, 2 1/2 fireplaces, enormous country kitchen, call Denise 697-1799.

Crowley Blvd-New Listing $163,900
Wonderful 4 bedrooms, immaculate one owner home - beautiful condition. Jo Braden 683-1425.

Pote Park-New Listing $163,900
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living. Immaculate Call Jo.

Coventry Lane ..... Reduced $160,000
Fantastic R. Graham resale in Fairwood with all the amenities, 4 BR's, 3 baths, 2 LA, formal dining, 3 car garage, 2 fireplaces, beautiful landscaping - immaculate condition. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Tottenham $163,000
Drive by and call to see this pretty 4 bedroom, 4 bath, 1.10 acres, 2 water wells and a large house in back, seller is accepting offers! Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Green Tree Blvd-Reduced $159,900
4 bd, 3 full baths, 2 half baths, 2 fireplaces, 2 living areas, 2 dining, study, pool, 2 car garage, 2 story w/balcony! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Highland ..... Reduced $157,900
Fabulous Grassland Resale! Like new, includes study, security, R.O. & softener - Immaculate! Call Donna Pehl 697-0490.

Woodhaven $154,900
Versatile plan for 5 bedrooms or 4 plus an office. 3 full baths and 3-car garage. Delightful home in beautiful condition. Call Marilyn Jo Smith TODAY!

Greentree $154,900
Be in for the holidays! Join in the fun...kitchen overlooks spacious family room, cozy formal living room, seq. master suite, each to his own bath, light & bright study, exceptional. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Brighton ..... Reduced $149,900
Relax by the fireplace in seq. master suite. Gorgeous hardwood floors in family room with fireplace & built-ins. Gracious formal dining room for entertaining. 3 full baths is a real crowd pleaser. Very spacious. Ask for Larry or Debbie 684-0369.

Beautiful 5 Bedroom-Open-Light & Bright $149,900
Trees, pool, near park. Great house. Please call Jo.

Highsky $148,000
Beautiful TH recent tile fence, SOLD, wallpaper, plantation shutters, tile & carpet & paint, 4 BR's, 3 full baths, 1 LA, formal dining & sparkling pool. Too Gorgeous for words! Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Woodhaven $147,500
Beautiful and spacious 4BD, 3 BA U/C Great floor plan can be 4 BD or 3BD/2LA. Completely updated. Charming courtyard w/pond! Plenty of parking space. Call Marilyn Jo Smith at 682-6820.

Los Alamitos-New Listing $145,000
Saddle Club, 4BR/3BA, recently updated. Great floor plan & landscaping. Call Sam.

Stonsleigh-New Listing $144,900
Wonderful 4 bedroom, Polo Park, sequestered master, formal dining, great! Please call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Goldenrod, Gardendale (W. Co. Rd. 30) $143,900
Nestled among the pines! 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA, 2 Liv., formal dining. Over 200 trees! Located on 2.498 acres. Inground pool. Call Joel Oldham at 682-8820 or 689-9696 to see this lovely home today!

Humble ..... Reduced $139,900
Beautiful "Old Midland" 4 bd, 3 bath, 3 living areas, low maintenance yards, 2 car garage, circle drive & more. Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Miller ..... Reduced $138,500
Enormous studio, gym, office, sep. living quarters let your imagination flow. Main house quite charming, country style kitchen, formal liv. & dining, massive bedrooms, loads of charm. Alot for your money. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Melville $134,900
Beautiful Bob Tinney home - 4 BD, 2.5 bath, large master. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

E. Co. Rd. 109 ..... $133,900
New construction in Windmill Ridge, 1 AC Lot, Call Clemmie.

King Richard $131,500
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, open concept plan - still time to choose your own colors! Call Deborah 520-2112.

Lancashire ..... Reduced $129,900
Newly decorated, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, formal dining, plantation shutters, brick flooring - must see. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Crestwood $128,900
Popular Robert Graham plan. 4 bedrooms, two and a half baths and immaculate condition. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Rebel Drive $127,900
Quality 4 BR plus office. 2 Liv., formal dining, U/C SUPER 50's-60's "soda fountain" gameroom. 1 BR guest house. Excellent condition. Near Lee High. Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appt. to see this beautiful home.

King Richards Row $126,900
Immaculate 4 bedroom Kahler built home has wonderful kitchen w/huge built-in china cabinet/desk, berber carpet, large rooms, lite, brite and beautiful! Call Anita.

Melville $126,500
Very nice four bedroom that was U/C. Many amenities such as large kitchen with island, sprinkler system, rear entry garage and formal dining. Call Kirk at 682-8820.

Dawn Circle $125,000
Immaculate four BD, two SOLD level w/unique floorplan. Combination formals, study, gameroom. Tons of built-ins, hardwood floors! Call Sam House at 682-8820.

Sherwood $123,500
4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, brand ne U/C for you. Whitewash cabinets & tiled floors, sprinkler system, blinds throughout too! Call Deborah 520-2112.

Emerson Heights ..... Reduced! $114,900
Practically perfect, 4 bed, 3 1/2 baths, 2 car gar, 2 carport, swimming pool, garden room, tile floors, totally updated, great location, walk to school. Seller will pay $1,000 of buyer's closing costs, plus $3,000 decorating allowance. Hurry! Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Mellor-New Listing - WORKSHOP ..... Reduced $114,900
4 bedroom, 2 living, immaculate, workshop. Please call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Fairfax Ct. $114,900
Wonderful cul-de-sac location. Great plan with huge bedrooms and lots & lots of windows! Beautiful yard with mature trees. Call Billie 697-5545.

Skyline Terrace $107,900
4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 liv. areas, recent upgrades, tile floors & new tile countertops & pretty backyard. Call Ruth Young 682-7884.

Teakwood ..... Reduced $104,900
Fabulous price in Greentree! Owner Firm! 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 1 living area. Nice size yard. Many recent updates! Must see! Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Keswick $103,500
Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 bath, SOLD covered master, extra large living, covered patio, large utility, 2 car garage & more! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Metz-Reduced & Fantastic $99,900
A home for the holidays! Room for everyone, spacious bedrooms, large family room, separate formal dining. Skylights make this a cheerful home, loads of storage. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Stanolind $99,700
Great floorplan, big bedrooms, formal living & dining, great price for over 2700 sq. ft. home! Always call Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Bedford $97,800
4BD, 2BA, formal living area, and den. Covered patio, workshop, and an auto sprinkler with separate water well. 1-car attached garage and 2-car detached. 2% Buyer's Allowance. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Kearsland $96,500
This property has been recently updated with all new carpet and paint, extra room has been converted back to a two car garage. .63 acres. Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Cuthbert $96,500
Very nice 4BR, 3 bath, 2 LA's, plus sunroom, 2 CG. Lots of Room! Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Metz Dr. $89,900
Spacious 4 bedroom, 2 living area home has sequestered master, lg. indoor utility, easy maintenance front yard. Call Anita!

Sentinel-WORKSHOP $89,900
Think Bargain & Buy This! Wonderful 4 bd 3 bath home w/updated kitchen & baths, sprinklers, 2 car garage, RV parking, brick fence & state-of-the-art workshop! Unbelievable! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Culver ..... Reduced $79,900
Mom will love the country kitchen, dad the workshop & the kids their huge bedrooms, with over 3000 sq. ft. What's not to love. Call Vicky.

Wilshire Park-If you rent you can afford this $51,500
4 bedrooms, 2 liv., 2 baths, workshop, tile floor in kitchen. Extra insulation, much new in this home. Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or Larry Hatfield 684-0369.

Harlowe Drive $49,500
Cute 4BR, 2 liv. areas. Much U/C throughout. Enclosed sunroom, RV parking in rear. In great condition! Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appointment.

3 OR LESS BEDROOMS

Crescent Place $335,000
Gorgeous Crescent Place SOLD of updating, kitchen redone - 3 fireplaces, 3 BR's, 2 1/2 bath, so much charm! Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Fenway $209,000
Creme-de-le Creme: Exubia Living! Grandeur formal living & formal dining. Superb layout in kitchen with such detail to cabinet work. Seq. master suite with lush appointments. Low maintenennce of course, 3 c garage. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 664-0369.

Greentree Country Club ..... Reduced $153,000
Builder's home feature rich, Bright open floor plan w/gorgeous master suite bath. Includes Country Club Membership. Careful it's loaded! Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Juniper ..... Reduced $149,900
One-of-a-kind home, 3 Bd, 3 bath, w/soaring ceilings, fabulous lawn, walls of pella windows, extra parking, tile, berber, etc! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Nealy Ave. $145,000
Fabulous custom townhouse! Three bedroom, 2.5 baths, combination formals. Amenities incl. recent carpet, paint. Call Sam 682-8820.

Meadowood Ct. $142,900
Great 2 BR, 2 bath, 1 LA Patio home, great location, lots of amenities - must see. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Cessna (POOL!) ..... Reduced $139,900
Stunning & roomy 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath with 3 living,formal dining, beautiful landscaping. 2 fireplaces & pool! Hardwood floors! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Castleford $137,500
Outstanding finish work & ceiling treatments, huge rooms, great built-ins, 2 1/2 baths, lovely landscaping - exceptional! Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Country Club $122,500
3BD, 2.5BA, 2LA, & beautiful landscaping. You will love it. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Nealy-New Listing $127,500
Large patio home priced to sell. Call Clemmie.

Crestridge $126,900
Spacious living in Crestgate! 3 bed, 2.5 bath, large living w/sitting area, formal dining, huge gameroom, 2 car rear entry garage, cul-de-sac & more! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Lafayette Place $125,000
New Orleans in Midland! Lovely townhome with recent paint, tile, a/c, roof, dishwasher & HWH. 2 BR's, 2 LA's, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage. Pride of ownership shows! Please call Jane Petree 682-1995 or 425-7255.

Wedgewood-Reduced! $122,900
STUNNING Garden home SOLD abulous patio - all amenities - call Donna 697-0490.

Spring Meadow #2 ..... Reduced $114,900
Owner ready to deal! 3 SOLD , 1 LA, 2 CG -townhome, low maintenance. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Western-Pool $109,900
WOW! $2,400 buyer incentive. Need a home/office? Second living area is PERFECT! Cute kitchen, breakfast area, cozy family room, super bedrooms, updated bath. So much space for your money. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Haynes-PICTURE PERFECT ..... Reduced $105,000
Gorgeous patio home w/some yard. Spacious 3BR, 2 1/2BA with so much new! Call Sandy Scott 684-0370 or 686-8323.

Brunswick-Patio Home $104,900
3/2 - low maintenance, wet bar, large master suite! Plus formal dining...Please call Donna 682-8820, ext. 158.

Edgemont-New Listing $103,000
Large sequestered master, great floor plan. Call Clemmie.

Wyclewood $99,900
READY TO MOVE? Then see this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with den, study/office & formal dining. It's a winner!! Call Marilyn Jo Smith 682-8820.

Mark Ln $97,500
David Baker new construction - super neighborhood, extra nice kitchen w/built-ins & white washed cabinetry! Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Mark Lane $97,000
Bonus room off breakfast area, oversized bedrooms, huge living area, house out back for teenagers. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Nelson Road $95,000
Wonderful family home with sparkling pool. Lots of recent updating - carpet, ceramic tile, kitchen appliances, pool equip., 3 BR's, 2 baths, 1 LA, "Big bedrooms" - 2 car garage plus large carpet. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

#6 Mariner Ct. $94,900
Spacious 3 BD, 2 bath home w/formal dining, 2 car rear entry garage, cul-de-sac, Fannin area & new carpet! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Sherwood-Reduced! $93,500
Wonderful three bedroom SOLD home near Green Tree. Some features include: water softner, RO unit, sprinkler system and pool size backyard. Very Nice!! Call Kirk French.

Moss-Townhome $92,500
3/2 plus formal. Spacious SOLD - wonderful plan, some grass, low maintenance - AHS Warranty. Hurry!! Call Donna Pehl ext. 158.

Fannin Terrace $89,900
Unique 3 bedroom/3.5 baths, with trees!! 2 living + formal dining. Beautiful tile flooring. Call for more! Anita Noles.

Club Drive $89,900
Charming "Old Midland" location - Hardwood & brick floors, 2 BR's, 2 baths, formal dining, really neat kitchen opens on glassed sunroom and fireplace/plus guest house with fireplace & knotty pine. Charming & Affordable. Jane Petree.

Lavaca $89,900
3 BD, 2 BA home with den, w U/C r, R/O, covered patio and breakfast area. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Edgemont $89,500
Lite, brite, 2 BR, 2 BA, high ca U/C fireplace, recent flooring in kichen & living area, great curb appeal. Call Clayton Alexander 682-9494.

Wedgewood $89,000
Townhome - super low maintenance and utility bills, 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, soaring ceilings with loft in Trinity. Deborah 520-2112.

Joy Dr.-Shows Like A Model Home! $88,500
Picture Perfect 3 bed plus sitting area in master, 2 living areas with fireplace, large bedrooms. Lovely yard. Walk to school. Call Ruth Young 682-7884.

Wedgewood ..... Reduced $87,500
Patio home with vaulted ceiling, skylights, french doors, double patios in status neighborhood. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Fannin ..... Reduced Again $85,000
"Job there, house here" Owner has said sell! Reduced! Lots of new - light & bright - located where. You will never have car pools again. Call Deborah 520-2112. NON-QUALIFYING TOO! $1,000 ALLOWANCE TO BUYER.

Wyldewood-$5,000 Decorating Allowance $85,000
Big Big Big Rooms! Two story, MBR on ground floor, 3 BR, 2 BA, one LA, large kitchen w/island, breakfast area. Oversized 2 car garage. Call Sam House 682-8820.

Missouri - Large Yard $84,900
Museum area, with 2 bdrm, 2 bath plus a super rental in back, 2 living areas. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

N. B Street $79,900
3 BD, 3BA home in "Old Midland". Second living area is great game room or office. Excellent kitchen with large pantry. Plenty of square footage. Recent updating. Great location. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Maxwell-Great Kitchen, OWNER WILL LOOK AT OFFERS $79,900
Close to Midland College - super home with 3 large bedrooms, two baths. Call Mary Jo 684-4268.

Hoya $79,900
Very quiet street and just down U/C from Bush Elementary. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, new paint and carpet. Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Shell $79,900
3/2, 2 living areas, parquet floors & shutters, swings stay. Updated too! Call Donna 682-6820, ext. 158.

Cottage $77,900
"Museum" area cottage, 2 BR, 1-1/2 BA, 2 living areas, sunroom, converted garage into art office with loads of storage room. Please call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 to see today!!!

Fredna-Reduced $3,000 ..... $76,500
Must see this wonderful 3 SOLD ing area home with berber carpet. Newer paint & vinyl. Hurry! Call Sandy 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Washita $75,900
3BD, 2BA home with den, study/office, enclosed porch, hobby/shop room, satellite, workshop, formal dining, and much more! Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Fairbanks ..... Reduced $74,900
Great Fairmont Location! Super 3BR, 2 bath, formal dining, sequestered master, dry bar & 2 car garage. Hurry! Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Dentcrest $74,900
Immaculate! 2 BD, 2 bath townhome w/large kitchen, island, recent-appliances. Atrium, master has sitting area, 2 car garage, covered patio, etc.! Call Victoria printz 689-4800.

Sparks $74,500
3BR-3 bath, 2 car garage, sw U/C w/deck has its own private yard! 2 spacious living areas, separated by double French doors...formal dining room. Great FP. Call joyce brickey 682-3191.

Denger ..... Reduced $73,000
Darling home with 3 living areas - 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage. Lots of updates - great yard & close to everything. Call for appt. Denise 697-1799.

W. Denger $72,900
3 bedroom home on tree-lined street has recently replaced carpet & vinyl. Exterior fresh paint. Pretty corner lot. Don't miss. Call Anita Noles.

Humble $69,900
Workshop! Enjoy divided yard w/waterfall & hot tub! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large living area, office, sunroom, nice kitchen, w/extra large pantry! Landscaped corner lot w/sprinklers, 2 car garage & more! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Shell - Allowance ..... Reduced $69,900
Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 3 living areas or could be 4 bedroom. Seller w/allow $6,200 for new Heat/Air & carpet. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Haynes ..... Reduced! $69,900
Great starter home close to schools & shopping - 3 BR, 2 baths, 2 LA, fireplace, 2 car garage, storage house or workshop, 7' wood fence, AC & heating replaced '96 - Call Jane Petree 682-1995. Recent Paint.

Aimless-$2,000 Carpet Allowance $69,900
Three/Two, formal LR, large den, Beautiful backyard. Two car garage - very Homey! Call Sam 682-8820.

2606 Whitney $69,800
3 bedrooms, living, beautiful SOLD great closets & storage. Call Jo.

Princeton $69,000
Darling 3BR, 2BA, 2 Liv. areas, Refrigerator to remain. Shed/workshop. Established neighborhood. Near shopping. Water softener. Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appointment.

Louisiana $69,000
Non-qualifying assumption!! This three bedroom home has two bathrooms, a formal dining room, and a two car garage. Call Kirk to see at 682-8820.

Michigan $68,900
PLENTY OF TLC has been given U/C bedroom, 2 bath home. Recent carpet, interior paint, roof shingles replaced & shower retiled. Call Marilyn Jo Smith 682-8820.

Elma-Darling Townhome $65,500
Must see this beautifully decoSOLD bath, 1 LA - all neutral colors - recent carpet, paint, tile & range/oven. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Pleasant ..... Reduced! $65,500
Very nice! 3 bd, 2 ba, 2 living, updated kitchen w/tile & island, spacious rooms, divided yard, sprinkler system, patio off master! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Louisiana-Unbelievable Price $65,000
Will not last at this price...Hurry! U/C rooms, 2 fabulous dining areas, country kitchen, loads of storage, 2 car garage plus workshop for hubby. Ask for Larry or Debbie 684-0369.

Pueblo-New Listing $65,000
Pretty house on large lot, call Clemmie.

Preston $64,500
Townhome, with new carpet, 2bedrooms, 2 & 1/2 baths, large master bedroom suite. Low maintenance. Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Brookdale Drive $61,500
Adorable 3 BR, 2BA. In like new condition. Corner FP. Covered patio. Satellite dish & controls. Storage bldg. Call Joel Oldham at 682-8820 or 689-9696.

Ruidoso Ct. $60,000
Bush, Abell, Lee School District, cul-de-sac location, fireplace, 2 bath, rear entry garage. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Stanton $59,900
Darling inside & out! Country kitU/Cving area, seq. master, light & bright, great storage, great location! Call Larry or Debbie 684-0369.

Upland Street $58,950
Cute 3BR, 2 BA with 2 liv. areas. Large backyard. Open kitchen with breakfast bar. Water well for yard. Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appointment.

700 Alpine $58,900
Wonderful Dellwood 3 bed - country kitchen, large utility, trees. Call Jo.

Levaca Court ..... Reduced $57,900
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, formal dining area. Pain & carpet allowance. Must see to appreciate. Call Joel Oldham at 682-8820 or 689-9696.

Louisiana $57,900
3 BD, 2 BA, den, covered patio, great floorplan. 1-car garage plus a large 2-car parking pad. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

3618 Tampico $57,900
Lovely Townhouse, corner lot, great U/C Clemmie.

Sinclair ..... Reduced $57,500
3/2, 2 living areas, tiled baths and U/C large yard -Home Warranty! Call Donna 682-8820, Ext. 158.

Crenshaw $57,500
Spacious 3/2 in quiet, established neighborhood has large living area w/corner fireplace, indoor utility, 2 full baths, no bkyd neighbors. Call Anita!

Louisiana-Newly Painted Interior ..... Reduced $56,900
Over 1700 sq. ft. in the great 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in convenient location. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Golf Course $55,500
Hardwood floors, large den w/fireplace, formal dining, cinder block fence, covered patio. Call Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

Country Club $52,000
Light & bright & ready to move into! Plenty of cabinets in kitchen, two living areas or one could be formal dining. King size master. Cute! Cute!. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Idlewilde $49,900
Picture pretty, large master bdrm, water well for yard, call Clemmie.

Harlowe $49,900
New paint & carpet completed! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, workshop, screened in porch, 2 car garage, close to schools! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Ruby-Workshop $49,500
Spotless home - includes study, newer windows, porch, sprinkler system, plus wonderful shop with bath. Call Donna Pehl 682-8820, Ext. 158.

Bowie $48,900
Don't miss this great 3BR/2BA house w/1 car garage, large dining, sprinkler system, vinyl siding & more. Call now to see.

Nobles-Reduced to Sell $45,900
Was a Beast, Now A Beauty! 3B U/C ecent make-over, please come see me, Clayton Alexander 682-9494.

Erie $45,900
Warm and comfy 3 BD, 2 BA home. Living area w/recent carpet, beautiful yard, 2 storage buildings, and Windmill Gazebo. Lots of updating & loving care, plus home is bright and colorful. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Brooks Dr. $44,900
Cute 3 BR, 1.5 bath with fireplace, cozy kitchen and lg. dining area. Call for more! Anita.

Harlowe $43,500
Fantastic Inside! Two exceptional living areas plus study/nursery. Lots of storage in kitchen. Great bedrooms - don't miss out, hurry to see, you'll be impressed. Ask for Larry or Debbie 684-0369.

Dewberry $42,900
Updated with carpet/paint. Call Clemmie.

Harlowe $42,900
2 bedroom, 1 bath, loads of updating, picture pretty, call Clemmie.

Delmar-"WORKSHOP" $42,900
3 BD, 2 bath, sunroom, workshop w/2 garage doors, 1 car garage, brick fence, close to schools! Cute, cute! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Princeton $42,000
New paint & carpet in progress! Spacious 3 bed, 2 bath home w/fireplace, covered patio, fenced backyard, corner lot! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Holly $41,000
Absolute doll house. Has been completely remodeled, new carpet and paint, fans, cabinets, you must see it. Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Harlowe-New Listing $36,900
Darling 3 bedroom with nice size living area. Cute kitchen with breakfast area, 1 car garage. Workshop! Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Woodcrest $36,700
Great area - super home - 3 bU/C baths, large living area. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

217 "A and "B" E Circle Drive ..... DUPLEX $36,500
Investor delight or owner occupied, 2 bedrooms, 1 bath on each side. Must see to appreciate the value!!! Call Joel Oldham at 682-8820 or 689-9696 to see.

Harlowe-New Listing $34,900
Cute 2 bdrm w/2 living areas, fireplace, central air, call Clemmie.

Crockett $33,000
3 bedrooms, 1 bath, corner lot, Great home! Recent carpet & paint. Call Sam House 682-8820.

Keester-Sell or Lease! $33,000
3 BD, 1 Bath home with 1 car carport - new paint on the way! Large backyard w/cinder block fence. Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Tanner-New Listing $32,500
Sharp, immaculate 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 living area, 1 car garage in excellent condition. Great 1st home or investment property. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Crestview-Reduced $31,900
Well-cared for! 3 bd, 1 1/2 bath U/C ms, hardwood floors, big country kitchen! Pretty front yard & large fenced back yard. Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Cuthbert $29,900
2 BD, 1 BA, 1 LA. Great investment. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

N. Pecos $27,500
3 BD, 2 bath, 1 car garage, cU/C wonderful workshop or storage. All concrete block - house, garage & shop! SOLID! SOLID! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Thomason Dr. $26,000
Updated with paint and carpet. Two bedroom, one bath, one living area with nice kitchen. Very clean with lots of possibilities! To see, call Sam House, 682-8820 or 699-2163.

Sagewood Condo's $23,900
Fantastic! Super 1 bedroom, great closets, large living area, cute kitchen breakfast area. We have 3 to choose from - are great for investor! Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

SUBURBAN & COMMERCIAL

W. CR 60 ..... $650,000
Superior equestrian facilities, pool, tennis courts, 2 guest houses, 4 garages, RV garage, 17 acres, open to offers. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

16 unit Apartment Complex $200,000
Remodeled with central location - good income streatm with 15% cap rate. Call Bill Scott 682-8820.

N. Hwy. 349 ..... $180,000
A city home in the country where you can spread out - great barns, lovely 4 bedroom, 3 bath home - you will have to see it to believe it-Call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 or 682-8820. 10 acres.

FM 307 ..... Reduced $152,500
Choice location, excellent grounds - 5 acres - workshops, bonus room off kitchen, Texas-sized living room, large bedrooms. Vicky Garrett 570-8869/800-583-5923.

E. Co. Rd. 109 ..... $133,900
New construction in Windmill Ridge, Lots of tile, call Clemmie.

Wood Dr. $129,900
Approx 3.220 acres, plus a barn, 3 BD, 2 bath, bonus room. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

Co. Rd. 95 ..... $125,000
Attention Horse Lovers! 3 bd, 2 bath home w/formal dining, pool, stables, barns, steer chute, lighted areas, horse walker, could have commerical horse operation! WOW! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

S. Co. Rd. 1200 ..... $99,900
Lge. home updated, 4 AC, plus mobile home that is Leased. Call Clemmie.

1300 A E. Co. Rd. 130 ..... $94,900
3 BD, 2 BA, 2 story home. Large garage and shop facilities, horse pasture and small pen. Call Marilyn Jo Smith. 2.5 acres.

5415 Co. Rd. 83 ..... $78,500
Large workshop, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, metal roof. Call Lavone 694-0444.

5804 S. Hwy. 349 ..... Reduced $77,500
3 or 4 bedroom home located on 5 acres w/pecan trees. Need some TLC - could be great! Formal dining. 4th bd or gameroom upstairs, 2 car garage. Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Lake Colorado City $75,000
Perfect weekend getaway retreat! 2 or 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, formal dining, 2 car garage, 1 car carport, mature trees, on the Lake! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

3010 E. Co. Rd. 142 ..... $74,000
Fantastic double-wide surrounded by 22 pecan Trees. 4BR, 2 Bath, 2 Living with FPL. On .62 acres. Call Clayton 682-9494.

Co. Rd. 95 ..... $70,000
A super home nestled on a cU/C trees - 3 bedrooms, one bath - place for horses, great fences - Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

**F.M. RD. 715 ..... $69

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BOULDER #604
- Association dues $127.00
- Leased thru April $395.00
- Fairmont Condominiums
- 981 sqft. per MCAD

Offered at $17,000



MICHIGAN
- Two bedroom, 2 bath in "Old Midland"
- Hardwood floors under carpet
- Detached one car garage with automatic opener
- Would make great "investor special"

Offered at $29,900



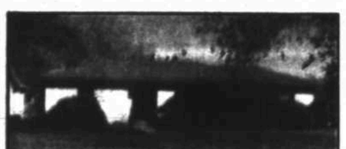
COLLEGE
- Good investment - triplex
- Mint condition
- Two bedrooms, 1 bath, 1 living area
- Close to schools

Offered at $39,500



N. CARRIZO "A"
- Cute duplex in "Old Midland" location
- Two bedrooms, 1 full bath
- Nice living area
- Carport in rear

Offered at $39,900



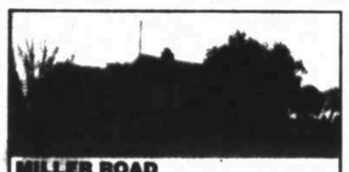
E. BROADWAY AVENUE
- Nice home in Older Midland, great
- Covered patio, utility area, water well,
- Sprinkler system, updated bedroom
- Corner lot, ceiling fans, central AC/Heat

Offered at $54,000



NORTH A
- Gorgeous hardwood floors
- Large corner lot
- Charming home with quaint features
- Long front porch for enjoyable "West Texas" nights

Offered at $74,900



MILLER ROAD
- Stucco home high on a hill
- Two bedrooms, 3 baths, 1 living area
- Barns, pens and kennel
- Drip system for trees

Offered at $80,000



CIMMARON
- So much Sq. Ft. for the price
- New carpet, paint inside and out
- Huge playroom
- Three bedrooms, 2 baths, 3 living areas

Offered at $82,000



DENTCREST
- 3 Bedrooms with sequestered master
- Tile flooring and bay window
- Two skylights
- Large breakfast area, plus formal dining

Offered at $84,900



CIMMARON
- Beautifully updated w/quality galore!
- Great workshop w/extra garage and bath
- Spacious rooms - 3 living areas - move in condition
- Many extras incl. Sprinklers, gas logs, dbl. ovens, R/O

Offered at $85,000



GLENEAGLES
- Darling four bedroom in Fairmont Park
- Sprinkler system
- Water softener and reverse osmosis
- Sequestered master bedroom

Offered at $87,500



BEDFORD
- Charming "Old Midland" home
- Excellent updating with hardwood floors
- Three bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas
- Great neighbors, pretty landscaping

Offered at $108,000



IMPERIAL AVENUE
- 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 car garage, oversized
- 2 living areas, formal dining and breakfast area
- Workshop with phone jack, electricity & evaporative unit
- Large washroom off kitchen. Den with gas fireplace.

Offered at $109,500



HARVARD
- Charming 3 bedroom plus bonus room
- Immaculate condition with quality updating
- Beautiful hardwood floors
- Corner lot in wonderland neighborhood

Offered at $112,900



CRESTGATE
- Very clean 4 bedroom home
- Wonderful den, living room and playroom
- Plus formal dining
- Great buy in Crestgate!

Offered at $117,500



GOLF COURSE
- Big and spacious with huge bedrooms
- Great front kitchen and cozy den area
- Beautiful tree shaded patio
- Workshop and RV parking

Offered at $118,000



FAIRVIEW
- Fabulous space in a 4 bedroom, 3 bath
- Some new paint and wallpaper
- Great formals and wonderful family room
- Super location in quiet Plantation Hills

Offered at $120,000



FAIRFAX
- Many recent improvements
- Great yard in quiet cul-de-sac
- 2 big living areas plus huge playroom
- 4 Nice bedrooms

Offered at $124,000



AMHURST COURT
- Super 2 story - 5 bedroom - 2.5 baths
- Spectacular landscaping
- Formal areas and large den
- Brick patio w/fountain

Offered at $135,000



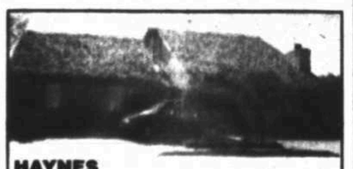
DUKES
- Three bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 living area with fireplaces
- High ceilings with sequestered master
- Kitchen open to den with sitting area and breakfast bar
- Formal dining and formal living area

Offered at $136,900



VALLEY DRIVE
- Spacious 4 bedroom
- Formals and den PLUS fabulous gameroom
- Completely up-dated and beautifully decorated
- Saltillo tile patio overlooking pecan shaded backyard

Offered at $139,900



HAYNES
- Beautiful pool w/pool house & 1/2 bath
- 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 large living areas
- Minimal yard care
- Great for entertaining

Offered at $144,900

SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1-3

2605 DENGAR — Jane Tucker — 102,000
4 BR/2.5 generous sized rooms in Fannin Terrace. Immaculate!

OPEN 2-3:30

5504 CROWLEY — Danny Norwood — 129,900
Immaculate new listing in Grassland Estates! You won't find a better priced 4BR home in this area!

3201 BOYD — RC (Skeet) Doss — 123,000
Here's one the Realtors have overlooked! Wooden & tile floors, 3BR/3BA/2FP, sun porch.

OPEN 2-4

1502 W. GOLF COURSE — Martha Manulik & Fran Billingsley — 199,900
Unique architecture and wonderful landscaping. 3BR/3BA. Oak cabinets, stone floors, atrium.

3302 LANHAM — Sharon Harris — 81,900
Reduced - 4BR w/lots of updating and remodeling throughout. Immaculate and in move-in condition.

$200,000 AND UP...THE CITY'S MOST EXTENSIVE SELECTION OF HOMES IN THE UPPER PRICE RANGES, CALL US!

BLUEBIRD LN-Extraordinary in every beautiful detail, 4BR/5BA on 3+ acres, pool, 5 fireplaces, fabulous formals, exceptional "great room", sunroom, gorgeous landscaping and terraces, private, secluded drive ..... CALL
COUNTRY CLUB-One of Midland's loveliest! Pool, cabana, exquisitely decorated. 4BR/5 baths, two offices 650,000
SADDLE CLUB ESTATES-Incredible space, style, appointments. 5BR/5BA, formals + study + den + playroom. Gorgeous newer pool, lavish landscaping and trees 650,000
OLD MIDLAND-One of the most gorgeous home's you'll ever see! Exquisite in every detail hardwood floors sumptuous formals, fabulous den, exquisite moldings, incredible garden room, beautiful pool, impressive quality 550,000
CARDINAL LANE-Country living, city convenience. The home is fantastic w/wonderful updating. The ultimate horse facility. 550,000
CARDINAL LANE-The most wonderful suburban home ever! Unbelievable amenities, great space, 10 ac 495,000
WINCHESTER CT-Incredible TH - indoor pool in fabulous living area; 4BR/6BA; MBR w/library, stunnng studio, office, 3FP, 5 garages, absolutely wonderful 495,000
FAIRWOOD-Absolutely stunning 5/4/3 with 3-car garage and 3FP's. Pool & the list goes on! Wonderful 460,000
TRINITY-Simply beautiful! One of a kind 5BR in Trinity Estates on beautiful lot 400,000
TATTENHAM CORNER-Most exciting home on mkt! 5BR/6BA, acreage, pool, incredible style, quality 395,000
LAKES-Lovely custom 2-story in gated subdivision. Fantastic lake view 349,900
FAIRWOOD-Wonderful Bill Brown resale. Spacious, like new 5/3+/3. Den, gameroom & formals. Must see this fabulous home. Ready to move into today 349,900
RACQUET CLUB-The "ultimate" dream home in Racquet Club South. Low maintenance, high quality 349,500
CITATION-Incredible Saddle Cub North TH! Pool, spacious formals, huge den, 2BR tuest house. Lovely 345,000
RUSTIC TRAIL-Beautiful & bright 4BR/3LA, fabulous kitchen, seq. master, the extras & details are terrific 315,000
CANONERO-Saddle Club North TH. 4/4/office. Fabulous quality and space 295,000
CITATION-High style in Saddle Club North TH. Too much new to list. Lovely, elegant 279,500
BAYBROOK-4BR/3+BA, gourmet kitchen, seq. master, Bill Brown construction, light & bright, ready for you! 278,000
L-Old Midland remodeled beauty, unique custom design, wonderful detail 278,000
RIDGEFIELD-Terrific 4BR w/3LA or 5 w/2LA + study and gorgeous pool 249,000
RUSTIC TRAIL-Spacious 4BR/3.5BA/3 garage and 3 super living areas plus newer pool, gorgeous golf course view 239,750
TEAKWOOD TRACE-Not just another house-dramatic, ultra contemporary w/soaring ceilings in GT 232,000
CUTHBERT-Gracious living at its finest - Old Midland, 3BR/3BA plus 3 half baths 229,000
DEVLIN-Fabulous home in Grasslands. Less than 1 yr old. 4BR/3.5BA w/2LA. Lots of upgrades 229,000
BASSWOOD-Owners says sell! Over 4000 sf. 2 level in GTCC. Huge rooms, wonderful condition 224,000
FENWAY-TH under construction. Excellent plan, light & open. 3rd garage w/room for workshop 223,000
SPRINGFIELDThis is it for lovely decor, light spaciousness, gorgeous decor, B. Brown quality! 4/3.5/3 garage 207,000

$100,000-$200,000...A WONDERFUL GROUP OF BEAUTIFUL HOMES, YOU'LL WANT TO SEE!

LOS ALAMITOS-Smashing custom built 4/3.5/3. This is a beautiful, spacious home. Don't miss it 198,500
CALEN CT-Sensational price on this gorgeous McPherson built better than new on great cul-de-sac 194,700
BOYD-Wonderful location w/lots of new, 4BR, gourmet kitchen, great pool. Lovely 2-story 189,500
STANOLIND-Fabulous 4/3/2 in "Old Midland". Totally redone. Master suite is unbelievable! 189,500
BRIGHTON-Super Bill Brown 4BR/2LA with fabulous trees 189,000
GREENRIDGE-Outstanding custom home in Grasslands. Gorgeous decor, beautiful landscaping 179,900
DARTMOUTH-Great space & style in popular area. 4BR/3LA, cabana & pool, lovely trees 179,500
TRINITY MEADOWS-Wonderful 5BR/2LA w/pool in Trinity Meadows 179,000
OAKWOOD-Big beautiful TH in Green Tree Oaks. 3BR/2.5BA, music, study, 2FP Smashing 177,900
POLO PARKWAY-Wonderful Mark Payne in Polo Park. 3 large LA, 3BR/2.5BA 177,500
BASSWOOD CIRCLE-Such a great plan, $3,000 carpet allowance w/acceptable offer, incredible condition 174,900
GOLF COURSE-Distinctive architecture + peaceful landscaping 3BR/3BA. Boguilos limestone floors & FP 159,900
NORTH H-Spacious & bright 3BR/2LA, recent updates, a gem with great pool & workshop. You'll love it! 159,500
PRINCETON-Classic "Old Midland" w/spacious room, 4/4, lots of windows, huge garden room 159,500
HACKBERRY-3 BR + study or hobby room on golf course, lush landscaping, large dining. Seller financing 155,000
CAROL LANE-Country living in the city w/space galore, horse stable, workshop. Mint condition 154,900
HATHAWAY-Inviting open plan, 4BR/3BA, so light and airy, beautifully priced 154,750
CUTHBERT-Fabulous home near stadium. 4BR/3BA w/shop and great living space 147,000
SUNDANCE CT-New Kahler construction in Grassland Estates! 4BR/2BA, 2 spacious living, great computer center 145,900
WOODHAVEN-Beautiful 4/3 with formal dining, gameroom, gorgeous landscaping. Priced to sell 145,000
LAFAYETTE-New Orleans style 2-story TH, secluded area with brick paved streets 145,000
HAYNES-Terrific 4BR/3BA/3LA with pool. Minimum yard maintenance, great for entertaining 144,900
FOXBORO-Meadowpark. 3/2 w/2 dining/2LA, sparkling pool. Low maintenance yard on quiet cul-de-sac 143,500
VALLEY-Just perfect! Large beautiful 4/2.5/2 PLUS fabulous gameroom. Gorgeous backyard & patio 139,900
CRESTRIDGE-Fabulous 5BR/3BA in Crestgage, super drive-up 139,000
DUKES-Beautiful red brick in Polo Park, 3BR/2.5BA with 2LA 136,900
AMHURST-Super 5/2.5/2 with den, fireplace, living, brick patio w/fountain, beautiful landscape 135,000
STUTZ-Generous 4BR, one-owner home, beautiful landscaping, numerous custom features 132,750
PINE-Ready right away! Completely updated Wallace TH, beautiful kitchen, great plan, a must see! 132,000
CROWLEY-Lowest priced 4BR in Grassland that is in mint condition 129,900
DAVENTRY PL-Smashing home in popular area w/tons of space and storage and super backyard 127,000
FAIRFAX CT-4BR/3BA/2LA/2 dining w/mature trees on quiet cul-de-sac w/updating. Workshop off garage 126,500
HARVARD-Enjoy the luxury of large sized rooms in this 3/2.5/2 living/2 car garage with over 2600sqft 125,000
FAIRFAX-You'll love the improvements in this 4/2 with 3LAs 124,000
BOYD-MaMar beauty. Touch of old with a new facelift! This house is beautiful. 3/3 123,000
WARD-Picture perfect patio home with big, bright rooms! 123,000
FAIRVIEW LANE-Seller will look at any offer. Also offering 2% towards buyer's CC or paint allow 120,000
BEDFORD-Charming Old Midland 4BR great location, updated kitchen 119,900
GOLF COURSE-Huge rooms! Spacious 3BR TH, RV parking in rear 118,000
MAXWELL-Immaculate home with gorgeous backyard in a super area 117,500
CRESTGATE-Very clean 4BR home w/large gameroom plus LR, den & FD 117,500
CASTLEFORD-Great plan in great neighborhood; 3/2 in great condition 116,000
NORTH L-Beautiful home located in mature area. 4BR/3BA w/3 large LAs. Charming inside & out 114,000
HARVARD-Outstanding 3BR in "Old Midland". Beautiful updating, large corner lot, bonus room 112,900
GODDARD-Quietly tucked away in Emerson Heights, 3BR/2BA - absolutely perfect home 111,000
GLENEAGLES-1998 model TH w/a maintenance free yard. 3BR/3BA 110,000
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IMPERIAL-4BR/3BA, formal living & dining, 2 garage, workshop w/electricity, phone jacks & more 109,500
BEDFORD-Charming "Old Midland" home with quality updating, hardwood floors & pretty landscaping 108,000
HERMITAGE-Super home on cul-de-sac. Fantastic pool, 3BR w/seq. master 104,900
DRIFTWOOD-Great location - Great Buy! Green Tree CC area, AC replaced, plantation shutters 104,500
DENGAR-Well maintained 4/2.5, spacious rooms. Hurry 102,000

UNDER $100,000...SMART BUYS...LOVELY HOMES...PERFECT FOR YOU!

GARFIELD-Quiet, well-maintained updated home in "Old Midland". Gorgeous swimming pool 99,999
NEELY-"Old Midland" charming, unique, tri-level. Study, workshop, gorgeous yd. Many updates 99,500
KANSAS-Spacious 4BR w/loads of new & dec allow, tile floors, convenient location, Make it your own today! 98,500
BRIGHTON-3/2 super home in Saddle Club South. Lovely w/yard & patio for lots of pleasure & entertaining 98,000
LOCKHEED-4BR/2.5BA, den, formal living & dining combo. "Old Midland", large home inside & out 96,000
NORTHRUP-Unique home across from Midland Christian School 3BR/2BA 94,500
OHIO-The charm of Old Midland w/complete remodeling and addition. Stunning 89,900
HUMBLE-4BR/2BA/1LA, built in 1987 in "Old Midland", mature area a Plus! 89,500
APPERSON-RV parking, shop & the biggest bonus is it's clean as a whistle and recent updates 89,000
VENTURA-Just right 2BR TH, new carpet, beautiful doors, easy care for you! 88,500
GLENEAGLES-Terrific 4BR in Fairmont Park. Won't last long so hurry! 87,500
DOWNING-Lots of class in popular area; 3/2 with great plan 85,000
CIMMARON-What a great home - quality updated in Fannin area. Super workshop offers 3rd garage, bath 85,000
HYDE PARK-Nice home in LHS area. Must see to appreciate 84,900
DENTCREST-Spacious & light 3BR, bay window, tile flooring, skylights and sequestered master 84,900
CIMMARON-Updating in baths, heating/cooling sys, wood fence & added storm windows. Must see 83,000
CIMMARON-Lots of new in this spacious, centrally located home in super condition 82,000
LANHAM-Absolutely charming 4BR w/lots of updating and remodeling throughout 81,900
CARPENTER-Stanton. Updated 3BR/3BA + 3LA. 3rd LA huge would make wonderful master 79,900
WESTERN-High on a hill-two large living areas, new appliances, custom designed 79,900
COMMUNITY LANE-Great location, spacious rooms, large yard w/pretty tree! Priced to sell quickly 79,500
AMISTAD-Immaculate 3BR/2BA on corner lot in Northgate 78,000
SENTINEL-Character & charm in this "Old Midland 3/2/2 home waits for you! Mature landscaping 77,500
SINCLAIR-Old Midland, great area, Fannin Elementary, comfortable home 76,000
NORTH A-Charming "Old Midland" home with tons of quaint features 74,900
CONCHO-You'll splash into summer now when you see this super, clean home w/its own swimming pool 73,900
PRINCETON-Wonderful home w/large rooms, nice FP in den/kitchen area. Great storage/shop 73,500
SHELL-Redone 4BR with lots of pizzazz! Listed below appraisal 73,000
MOGFORD-Lovely, well-cared for "Old Midland" home 72,500
FANNIN-3BR w/seq. master, approx 2000 sf, tile floors and countertops, newer AC, roof, DW & more! Owner Anxious! 71,900
ST PAUL-4BR, 1/2 acre, workshop, sprinklers, water well and more! 69,900
ASPEN-Charming floor plan, 2 or 3BR with pretty family room 69,000
GULF-Fabulously spacious condo, pool/courts nearby. Newer carpet, 2BR/2BA, huge office or play room 67,500
SINCLAIR-Spacious 3BR with lots of new tile. Large corner lot on pretty block 65,000
HARVARD-Centrally located close to schools. Spacious & open. Recently remodeled. 3BR/2BA 64,900
DELLWOOD-Towering shade trees in quiet neighborhood. Taupe & white kitchen w/cabinets galore 64,900
BRAZOS-Totally redone 3BR/2BA home in Northgate 62,500
BENTWOOD-Updated, exceptional large rooms, seq. MBR, FP, roomy baths 61,900
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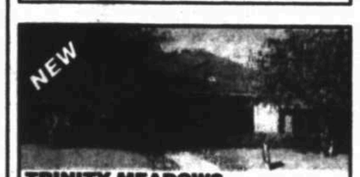
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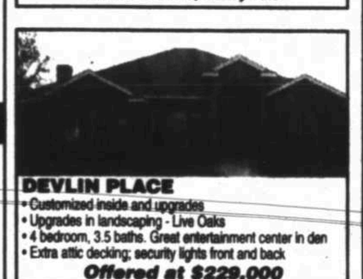
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FOCUS ON CO2

CO2 operators to take long-term view

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

When the 1998 CO2 Conference gets underway this week, participants will be marching to a different drummer.

"This is one tough environment," said Jack Rathbone, manager of Mobil's Permian Basin assets. "Today you have to be a low-cost producer and then some just to survive. On a cash basis some CO2 floods may make money, but on earnings basis they cannot make money." He said profitability for CO2 projects would vary from company to company and property to property.

Mobil both operates CO2 floods in the Basin and markets CO2 to other operators. Rathbone said it would take more of a financial and strategic effort to keep floods going at this price.

While the low oil price environment has slowed the march, it has not halted it, says Russell Martin, manager of marketing for Shell CO2. No new floods are planned to start this year, but one or two are expected to begin next year.

"If you are an operator, and you have a field that requires CO2 recovery, and if you think oil prices will return to the middle or upper teens in the next two years, now is the time to start planning," said Martin.

Despite low oil prices, he said the CO2 Conference set for the 8-10 should have the full attention of operators, because some of them are at the point where fields are mature enough that they "must" begin thinking about CO2, even though it is difficult to make a CO2 flood pay off in today's market.

Because of the long lead times, he said, CO2 recovery was never a business that could operate on a short-term view of energy prices. "It takes a long term view because it takes about two years from concept to injection to get a CO2 flood in operation." He noted that Shell CO2 was hopeful oil prices might turn upward sometime next year.

> **'The time to start thinking about CO2 is now.'**
> Russell Martin, Shell CO2

Martin called CO2 projects something for the "long haul," noting that you cannot turn them on and off. "Our customers are continuing to take CO2 under contracts. No one is turning off CO2, and most are still taking well above their take or pay from contracts signed several years ago."

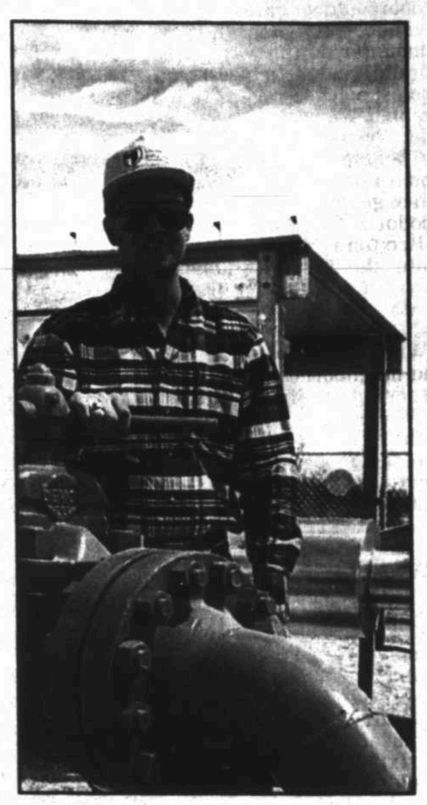
"Operators need to be looking at fields now to determine which ones will be amenable to CO2 flooding." He said engineering and reservoir studies need to be done now, so that when prices are right the projects will have already been identified and ready to implement. After the planning stage, he said it could take six months to facilitate a flood and another 12-18 months to see a response. The CO2 marketer pointed out that Shell CO2 will have a record year for CO2 sales this year, all because of projects that were started two years ago. "The time to start thinking about CO2 is now."

He said Shell CO2 had a screening program in place in which it uses reservoir and field knowledge to identify those fields with CO2 potential, to get operators thinking about and possibly signed for a project. Martin said Shell CO2 was still providing engineering and reservoir expertise to those operators, considering a flood. "We have a lot of history with some reservoirs, and we provide operators in the area with everything we have learned to reduce their risk in a CO2 flood."

"We have no hard evidence that price levels for services and supplies in CO2 floods are lower, but that would be a logical conclusion. For that reason it is sometimes more advantageous to begin projects in a low-price environment.

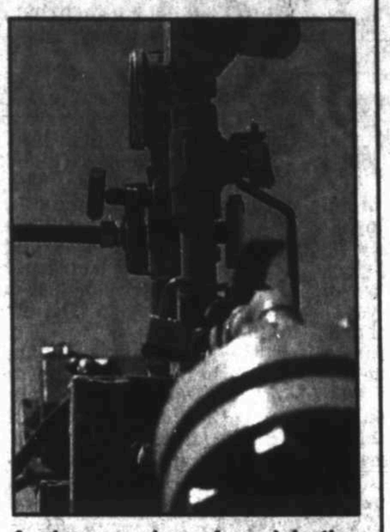
Martin said there has been full participation from vendors in past CO2 Conferences and there would be full participation at this conference to help operators with questions about applications and costs of equipment and services.

While it may be difficult to execute new deals in the present low oil price environment, Martin notes that Shell CO2 is still talking to some companies about trading CO2 for net interest, and expects to close on one or two of those projects in 1999. One will be a mid-sized field with five to eight injectors.



Russell Martin, business development manager for Shell CO2, at the El Mar CO2 project in Loving County. Martin played a crucial role in building the CO2 infrastructure in the Permian Basin.

BASIN BRIEFS



A close-up view of an injection header at a Fina CO2 project. The 4th annual CO2 conference gets underway this week

CO2 conference set

The fourth annual CO2 Conference and Exhibition is set to get underway this week at Midland Center. The three day affair will begin Tuesday, with a short course, and will conclude Thursday.

The Conference will feature over 50 service and supply exhibits associated with the CO2 recovery, and daily panel discussions on various aspect of CO2 floods.

The focus for the short course, this year, will be "plants and facilities." It will provide a practical approach to understanding the equipment and plant processes used to implement and recycle CO2.

The first panel on Wednesday, December 9 will focus on artificial lift in CO2 recovery and feature Chuck Fox, Shell CO2; Ken Nolen, NABLA Corp.; Lynn Rowlen, Amerada Hess and Robert Lanham, with Electrical Submersible Pumps. Topics covered in the session will include: an overview of CO2 recovery, beam pumping in CO2 projects, fluid level management and considerations for submersible pumps in a flood.

The afternoon panel will deal with contaminated gas within CO2 floods and will feature Robert Boomer, Texaco; Jerome Walker, Mobil and Mike Leach, Mobil.

The morning panel on Thursday will take a look at very mature CO2 floods and include Chris Peterson, Texaco; Robert Brooks, Amoco and Clay Wene, Spirit Energy 76. The group will provide case studies of the Mabee Unit in Andrews County, Dollarhide Devonian Unit in Winkler County and the Tensleep CO2 flood at Bairoil, Wyoming. The panel will provide an overview of what to expect from mature floods.

Topic for the final panel will be "Emerging Frontiers for CO2 Flooding, and will deal with floods, new technology and concepts and how best to create incentives. Panelists will include: Susan Hancock, PanCanadian Resources; Merle Steckel, Spirit 76 and Keith Maberry, Henry Petroleum Corp.

Lori Wrotenbury, director of the New Mexico Oil Conservation Division will be the luncheon speaker on Wednesday and Dr. Lynn Orr, Dean of the School of Earth Sciences at Stanford University will speak on Thursday.

CO2 economics thins

What are the economics of a CO2 flood within the framework of $9 and $10 oil?

"At $9.50 you cannot make money on a new flood, but you may be able to limp along on an existing flood," says Russell Martin, marketing manager for Shell CO2.

In a new flood, on average, it takes 5-6 mcf of CO2 to recover one barrel of oil. With an average cost of 75 cents per mcf, delivered to flood, CO2 cost alone can average $3.75 per barrel, providing the flood is within a reasonable distance of the current pipeline infrastructure.

To CO2 costs in a new project, add normal lifting cost, and the total cost per barrel of oil recovered from a CO2 flood could reach $6-$7 per barrel initially. Not much margin even before general and administrative and royalty costs are deducted.

In an existing flood, costs are greatly mitigated by the fact that it takes only 40 cents per mcf, for compression and treating costs, to recycle CO2 already in the reservoir instead of using new CO2. That reduces CO2 costs by 35 cents per mcf.

"Still, with a WTI posted price of $9.50, it doesn't leave much margin, after royalty, CO2 costs and lifting costs," says Martin. "It normally takes on the order of $15 oil to have a very profitable CO2 flood."

Permian Basin loaded with CO2 potential

By Chuck Fox
Vice President Technology
Shell CO2 Co.

There is a reason half of all the CO2 projects in the world are located in the Permian Basin. Despite low oil prices, the two-state producing area is still loaded with CO2 potential.

Of the 66 CO2 recovery projects in operation nationwide, 51 are in the Permian Basin. These floods stretching from one end of the Basin to the other, use nearly 1.5 billion cubic feet (BCF) of CO2 per day and contribute to more than 20 percent of the area's total oil production - more than 150,000 barrels of oil daily. But there is potential to dramatically increase this number, simply because there is still lots of oil in the Permian Basin and it can be recovered with CO2 injection.

A recent study by Mobil Exploration and Producing U.S. Inc. reports that more than 60 potentially economical CO2-floodable reservoirs still remain in the Permian Basin, representing incremental oil reserves of approximately 500 million barrels.

Since the first CO2 flood took place in 1972 in Scurry County, Texas, CO2 floods have successfully recovered approximately 600 million barrels of oil throughout the Permian Basin of West Texas and New Mexico and in Louisiana, Mississippi, Wyoming, Oklahoma, Colorado and Utah. Outside the U.S., CO2 floods are active in Canada, Hungary, Turkey and Trinidad.



File photo

An early CO2 injection manifolds at Denver City. The potential for CO2 recovery in the Permian Basin remains high, in spite of present low oil prices.

The economics of CO2 flooding have been radically impacted by technology such as improved reservoir simulation techniques, better approaches to reservoir management and significant cost reductions. This has allowed CO2 projects to be implemented on a smaller basis, and has helped make CO2 projects economically viable even with lower oil prices.

With Advances in screening and design techniques, more reliable predictive modeling, and improved management tools operators have been able to get projects off the ground quicker, reduce costs and risks.

A widely used program for providing preliminary field screening is the Shell CO2 Scoping Model. This program, which examines average porosity, net pay thickness, oil saturation, production data, well history, waterflood injection history and other data, gives operators a quick look at a field's flood potential.

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Infrastructure critical to success

■ The Permian Basin's supply of CO2 is among the world's largest, lending to the success of CO2 floods in the Permian Basin

By Chuck Fox
Vice President Technology
Shell CO2 Co.

Knowing that CO2 can do the job, and getting CO2 to the job are two different stories. One of the driving forces behind the continued growth of CO2 flooding in the Permian Basin is the area's significant and expanding supply infrastructure.

With some of the world's largest source accumulations of CO2 accessible, including the McElmo, Bravo and Sheep Mountain fields, the Permian Basin has no equal in supply.

Jointly owned by Shell (the operator) and Mobil, the McElmo Dome is one of the world's largest known accumulations of nearly pure CO2. This dome produces from the Leadville formation at 8,000 feet, with 44 wells that operate at individual rates up to 100 million cubic feet per day.

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Rich Kinder, left, and Tim Bradley sign an agreement earlier this year joining Kinder Morgan pipeline assets and Shell CO2 assets. The Permian Basin has the most comprehensive CO2 infrastructure in the world.

JOHN PAUL PITTS

Change has a way of changing things

Two advantages to being an oil editor (perhaps the only two) is: a lot of free lunches, and a lot of one-on-one interviews with some of America's most-successful, best-informed and articulate leaders in the oil industry. Many times, the words of these rich and famous, have been burned deep into my memory.

At Ranchland Hills Country Club, in 1983, when the price oil was $27 a barrel and going down, the chairman of a major service company, told me after his speech: "Oil prices have hit bottom and are on the way back up."

In 1997, when Parker & Parsley and Mesa announced their merger and there was great concern in Midland about the loss of jobs, Jon Brumley, following a luncheon at the Hilton, assured me: "Don't panic. Everything is going to be okay for Midland."



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I immediately walked back to the newspaper and told my publisher: "We can start planning a going away party for Parker & Parsley. They will be gone within a year." I could see change coming.

In the 1970s, at an awards luncheon in New Orleans, a well-known industry leader made this bold statement to me: "Give us $11 oil and we will find all the oil this nation can use. That's all we need $11 a barrel." That was when oil was $8 a barrel.

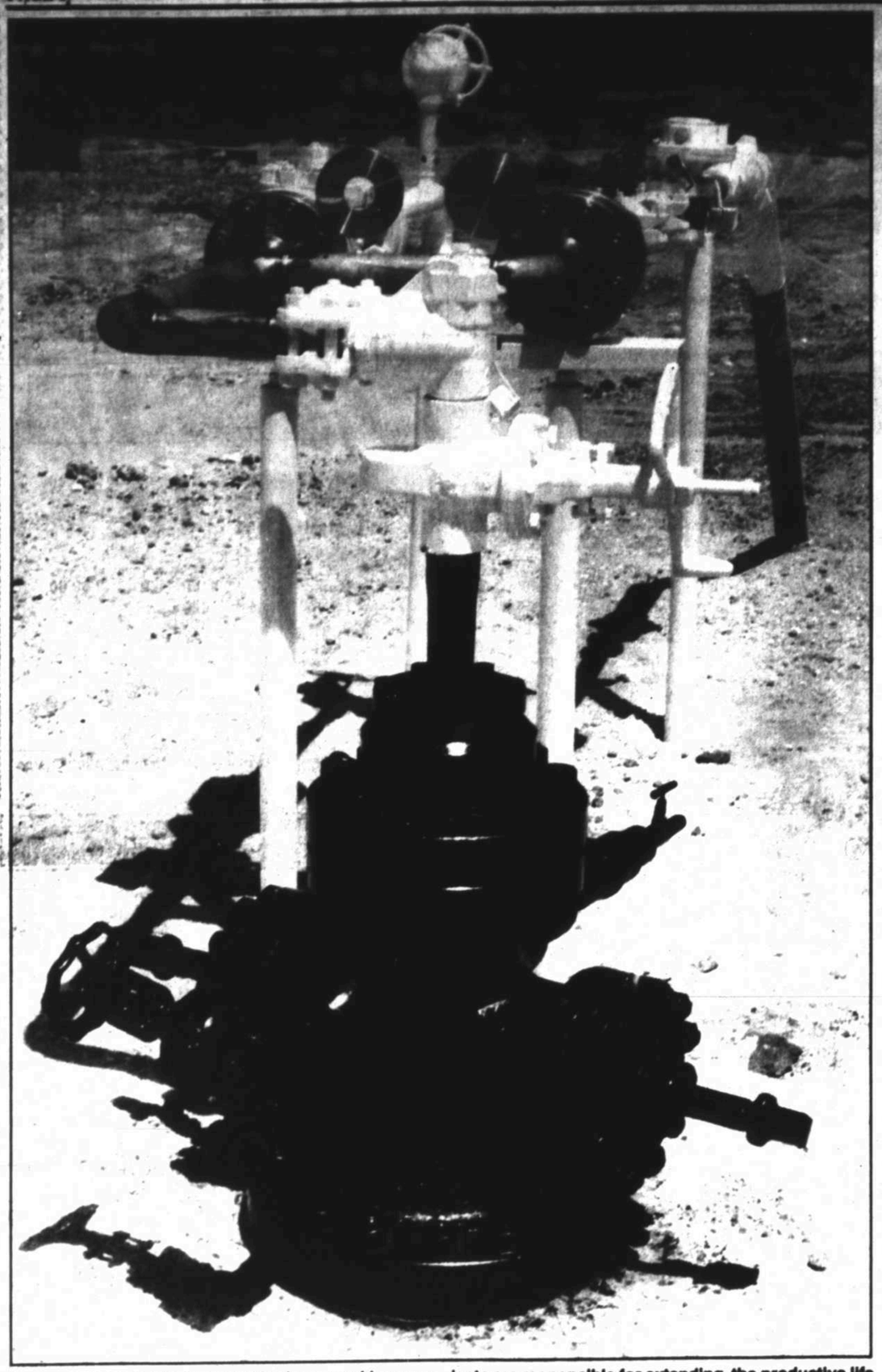
Following the crash of 1986, when oil prices were at $15 a barrel, the vice president of a major oil company, speaking at Mission Dorado Country Club, told me: "The CO2 industry is dead in the Permian Basin. We will need at least $27 a barrel to revive it, and we may never see $27 oil again."

Just two weeks ago, at a PBPA affair, I chatted with the service company chairman who told me in 1983 that oil prices had hit bottom a $27 and were headed back up. I reminded him of his comment in the early 80s. He grinned. "Things change, don't they?"

Indeed, they do. In this world of time, space and matter, change is inevitable. Nothing stays bad forever, and nothing stays good forever. Today, posted prices have fallen below $9, barely a break- even price for CO2 recovery. Does it mark the end of CO2 recovery in the Permian Basin? Probably not. CO2 recovery may be trapped between a rock and a hard place. It hard yes, fatal no, because things do change.

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A new and clean injection header in a spanking new CO2 project initiated by Shell in the 1970s. CO2 projects are responsible for extending the productive life of the Permian Basin by decades.

Oilpatch suffering, consumers gleeful

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices are scraping the bottom of the barrel, leaving U.S. consumers chortling but drillers and refiners glum.

"Those of us in the oil patch have seen much better days," lamented Tim Colwell, spokesman for Tulsa, Okla.-based Parker Drilling, a small contract driller that's suffering amid oil's drop to about $11 a barrel — its lowest level in the United States in 12 years.

With the United States the world's second-largest oil producer after Saudi Arabia, companies along the petroleum industry food chain are laying off workers and slashing capital expenditures.

The slump helped lead to the marriage of oil behemoths Exxon and Mobil, who said Tuesday they expect $2.8 billion in cost savings by merging.

Yet the steep drop in oil prices is also an early holiday gift for consumers. The retail price of regular unleaded gasoline fell to 97.4 cents a gallon this week, its lowest level in eight years. Last year, prices averaged $1.15 a gallon. Home heating bills, helped by mild temperatures, are also low.

Low oil prices are also keeping U.S. manufacturing costs down, contributing to cheaper electricity and otherwise dampening any trend toward inflation.

"It does help at the end of the month," Jeff Nelson of Dallas said of the gasoline prices. Nelson, a salesman, travels frequently in his gas-guzzling sport utility vehicle.

Oil prices aren't expected to shoot up any time soon, even if the unseasonably warm fall turns wintry, analysts said. There are simply too many difficulties weighing on the market.

Chiefly, Asia's rippling economic problems have cut demand for oil, and the divisive Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries has been unable to curb the glut. A meeting last week failed to reach agreement on further action.

Tuesday's big merger, while creating the world's biggest company, will have little effect on world oil prices, observers added. "It's Kuwait and Saudi Arabia that are the key players in the economic game, not Exxon and Mobil," said David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's DRI consulting group.

In future, the new Exxon Mobil Corp. — along with other consolidated oil companies — may be able to mark up consumer prices in some local areas where they will exert strong control, said Wyss.

For now, however, U.S. oil producers both big and small are trying to limit the fallout from the collapsing oil and gas markets. The United States produced 2.3 billion barrels of oil last year, half the oil it used, according to the American Petroleum Institute.

Parker Drilling has laid off 90 employees out of a global work force of 4,500, said spokesman Colwell. Drilling rigs are being idled in Asia and the Far East, he said.

Burlington Resources, a Houston-based oil and natural gas producer, meanwhile is canceling the rental of many drilling rigs for a major project off the Gulf of Mexico. Overall, the company will cut capital expenditures 75 percent, or up to $150 million, on that project alone.

"If oil prices stay down next year, not only our company but other companies will slow down projects, if not cut them out completely," said spokesman John Carrara.

Still, historically oil-dependent states such as Alaska and Texas aren't likely to be hit as hard as they were by the glut of 1986.

Retailers and service industries are booming in Alaska; The Gap opened a first store in the state this fall. In Texas, mining jobs — mostly comprised of oil and gas drilling — dropped from 5 percent of the state's jobs in 1982 to 1.9 today, according to DRI of Lexington, Mass.

"The economy is expanding. Things here are very positive," said Rick Douglas, president of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce.

But he added, "Oil is still a very important industry here. There are an awful lot of companies that do business with the major oil producers."

Infrastructure: Production boosted in fields

(From 1)

Due to increasing demand, both the McElmo Dome's producing capabilities and its pipelines have been expanded over the past few years. At present, approximately 1 BCFD can be delivered to the Permian Basin and another 60 MMCFD to Utah. Additional expansions are under consideration. Production at McElmo has increased by nearly 50 percent since 1995, and its operators hope to produce 1 BCFD by 1999.

With initial reserves of approximately 8 trillion cubic feet (TCF), the Bravo Dome covers an area of more than 1,400 square miles. This dome currently produces nearly 400 MMCFD from more than 350 wells. Production comes from the Tubb Sandstone at 2,300 feet. Recent developments at the Bravo include more than 40 new wells, as well as an upgrade to the compression plant. The major owners of this source are Amoco (the operator), Shell and Amerada Hess.

The Sheep Mountain Field, owned by ARCO and Exxon, is the smallest CO2 source field serving the Permian Basin, with published initial reserve estimates of 2 to 3 TCF. ARCO is the operator of this field, which produces from 6,000 feet in the Dakota and Entrada formations in Huerfano County, Colo. Production from the field has recently declined to 160 MMCFD.

One promising sign of CO2's future in the Permian Basin is joining this year of Kinder Morgan and Shell. In January, Shell and Kinder Morgan Energy Partners closed a joint- venture deal that gave the resulting entity, Shell CO2 Company, Ltd., significantly expanded resources in the area. Kinder Morgan's primary contribution to the venture was the Central Basin Pipeline, nearly 300 miles of pipeline that runs 140 miles down the Central Basin platform from Denver City, Texas to McCamey, Texas.

In exchange, Kinder-Morgan secured a 20 percent interest in the limited partnership, banking on continued expansion of CO2 floods in the area. "There is great potential for CO2's use in the maturing fields throughout the U.S., and that's why we entered into this agreement," said Kinder Morgan Chairman Richard D. Kinder. "This deal just made sense for us, especially when you look at the opportunities remaining in the Permian Basin."

"The addition of the Central Basin Pipeline to our infrastructure gave us another good anchor in the Permian Basin for future growth," said Tim Bradley, president of Shell CO2 Co..

Shell CO2 Co. presently delivers more than 900 million cubic feet per day of CO2 into the Permian Basin. "That's about a 33 percent increase in two years, made possible, in part, by operator confidence in CO2 flooding and by recent supply and transportation improvements," added Bradley.

Cabot Oil, Gas acquires Rocky Mountain property

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Cabot Oil & Gas Corporation announced the purchase of three producing wells and 5,400 acres located in the Lookout Wash Unit in Carbon County, Wyoming, from Oxy USA, Inc. for $5.2 million. Cabot Oil & Gas will receive proved reserves of 11.2 Bcfe, current daily production totaling 1 Mmcfe net, and more than 10 potential drilling locations.

"This acquisition expands our Rocky Mountain drilling operations to the east of the Moxa Arch area and increases our Rocky Mountain reserves by nearly five percent," said Ray R. Seegmiller, President and CEO. "By extending our holdings, within this core Rocky Mountain area, we increase the efficiency of our operations which maximizes our returns." Seegmiller added, "These are exactly the types of deals we are seeking which capitalize on our financial flexibility within our core areas."

Potential wells in the Lookout Wash Unit will be drilled to an average total depth of 11,000 feet and produce from the Almond formation. Nearly 100 percent of production, both from wells currently on-line as well as proved and probable reserves, will be natural gas.

Cabot Oil & Gas has been active in the Rocky Mountains since 1994. Production in the area comes from more than 420 wells, 47 percent of which are operated by Cabot.

PITTS: Outside box thinking saves day

(From 1)

When the major oil company vice president told that $27 oil was needed to get a CO2 project up and keep it running, it was not wishful, uninformed rhetoric, but the conventional thinking of the day. Fortunately it was wrong. Since that time dozens of CO2 projects have been implemented, and despite an $8.50 posted price, I don't know of a single one that is scheduled to be shut down.

New "outside the box" thinking, technology and practices have brought CO2 recovery today to the point where existing floods can break-even at $9, and new floods can make a profitable at $15. That's amazing!

Six months? A year? Two years? No one knows how long the present low-price environment will hang over the Basin. But one thing is certain, there will be adaptations and change. There is still too much oil in the Permian Basin not to be recovered, and CO2 remains one of the best recovery methods available.

If low prices linger, the CO2 industry will get "out of the box" once again and find new ways to adapt to an even lower, low-cost environment. But, this time, state and federal governments must help with some of that adaptation. Legislators must recognize the value of energy made in the U.S.A., and American oil and gas, and write creative policies and generous incentives to prevent the dissemination of a U.S. oil and gas industry brutalized by a world glut.

Of course, cheap energy is good for the general economy. Everyone loves 82 cent gasoline. Thanks to historically low oil prices, farmers are enjoying an economic revival, because of lower fuel costs, lower fertilizer costs, lower transportation and processing costs, but farming is only one sector.

Low oil prices are having a positive impact on nearly all sectors of the U.S. economy, from agriculture and automobile to manufacturing and transportation. Stock prices continue to rally on the heels of an economic revival fully financed by U.S. energy producers on the brink of economic disaster.

The U.S. oil and gas industry is indeed "in a very tough environment." New tax incentives are needed immediately, and they shouldn't be subjected to the "revenue neutral" test. The oil-made economic bloom, now enjoyed by America, negates that test.

If we can expect a little change from everyone, we can survive this demon called $8 oil.

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John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

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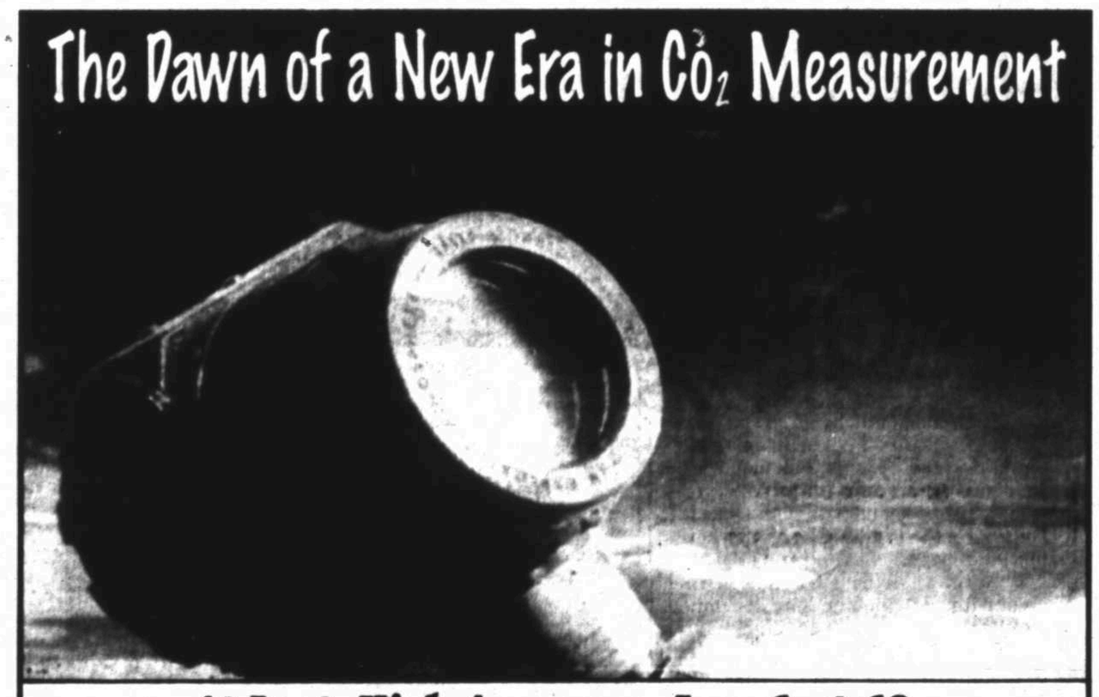
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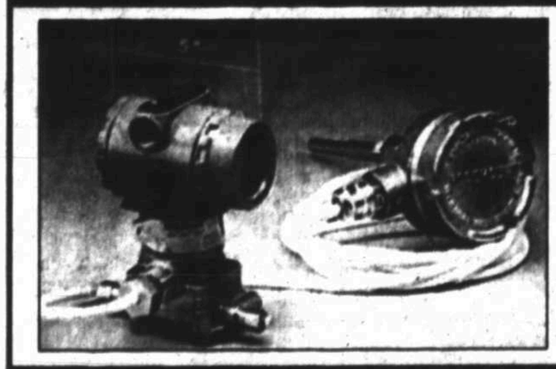
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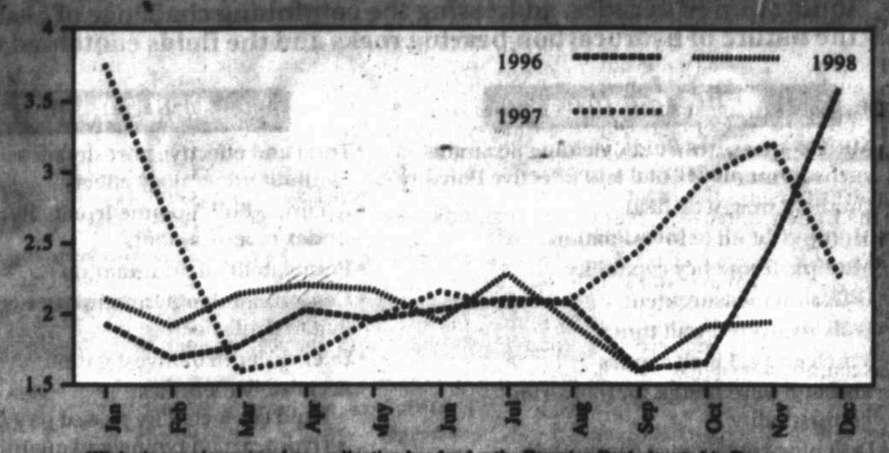


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SPOT GAS PRICE COMPARISON

Waha Price Profile



*Waha is a major natural gas collection header for the Permian Basin located in Pecos

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Waha Averages

This month	Last Month
$1.94	$1.90

Current Spot Prices

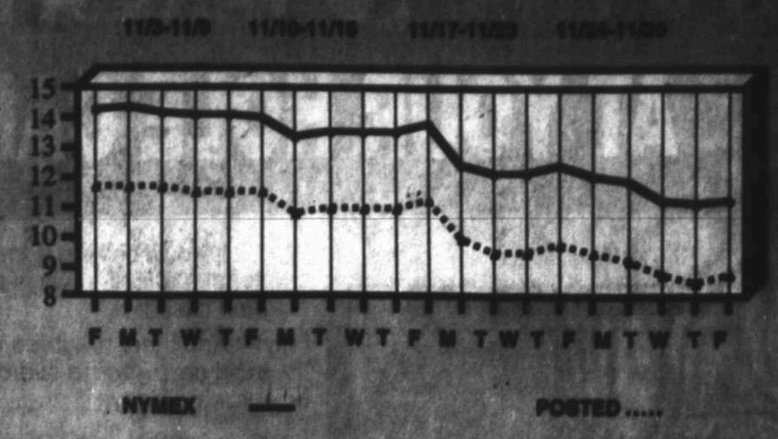
- Mid Continent (Arkoma) $1.93
- Gulf Coast (Louisiana) $2.00
- Rocky Mountain (Wyoming) $1.97

CRUDE OIL PRICES

This week's average

NYMEX $11.36

POSTED $8.81



Current WTI Posted

Amoco*	$10.25	Equiva	$8.50	Navajo Nlll	$8.50
Arco	8.50	Exxon	10.50	Phillips*	8.75
Genesis*	8.50	Koch*	8.50	Sourlock	
Chevron	10.50	Mobil*	9.25	Permian*	8.75
E.O.T.T.	8.50	Navajo WTI	8.50	Sun*	8.75

* Net Price without transportation charge

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CHAMA "8" FED #1
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CHI OPERATING INCOME
AMBER FED COM #1
LOGAN DRAW; T17S, R27E, SEC 11; 660 FSL 2105 FWL; 8 MILES E OF ARTESIA; ROT 9200 MORROW; API #30-015-300473
DEVON ENERGY CORP
LOGAN 35 FED #5
RED LAKE; T17S, R27E, SEC 35; 2210 FSL 1950 FWL; 9 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 3400 QU/BG/SA; API #30-015-30475
MACK ENERGY CORP
GOLD STAR FED #3
EAST EMPIRE; T17S, R29E, SEC 30; 430 FNL 2410 FEL 8 MILES SW OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 5800 YESO; API #30-015-30469
MARBOB ENERGY CORP
TONY FEDERAL #3
CEDAR LAKE; T17S, R31E, SEC 18; 2310 FSL 330 FWL; 4 MILES NE OF LOCO HILLS; ROT 6000 YESO; API #30-015-30470
DEVON ENERGY CORP
WINDFOHR 4 FED #1
RED LAKE; T18S, R27E, SEC 4; 2185 FSL 947 FEL; 7.5 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 3400 QU/BG/SA; API #30-015-30467
DEVON ENERGY CORP
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RED LAKE; T18S, R27E, SEC 4; 2199 FSL 2278 FEL; 7.5 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 3400 QU/GB/SA; API #30-015-30468
DEVON ENERGY CORP
WINDFOHR 4 FED #4
RED LAKE; T18S, R27E, SEC 4; 1650 FSL 2200 FEL; 7.5 MILES SE OF ARTESIA; ROT 3400 QU/GB/SA; API #30-015-30474
MEWBOURNE OIL CO.
CARLSBAD 15 FED COM #2
AVALON; T21S, R26E, SEC 15; 1780 FSL 1850 FWL; 3 MILES NW OF CARLSBAD; ROT 10,100 STRAWN; API #30-015-30471

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NEW MEXICO EQ STATE #1
NW SHOE BAR; T16S, R35E, SEC 16; 1980 FSL 1980 FEL; 6 MILES SW OF LOVINGTON; ROT 12,000 STRAWN; RE-ENTRY OF EXXON CORP. P&A, OLD TD 12600; API #30-025-29132
CHEVRON USA INCOME
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LOJON-D; GF SUCHART #1081, A-1221; 330 FN (RIVER)L, 330 FE (RIVER)L OF LSE; 330 FN-LYN (RIVER)L 330 FE (RIVER)L OF SURVEY; 1 MILES NE OF WALDRIP; OBJ: 1600 (STRAWN); PERMIT #418129; API #42-307-31084

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By increasing the amount of funds flowing into the national banking system, the Fed indirectly lowered the Federal Funds Rate—the interest rate charged on overnight loans between banks. In turn, the Fed's influence on this key short-term interest rate is likely to prompt big banks to cut their prime lending rates—the interest rate banks charge their best customers. As interest rates decline and loans become more affordable, consumers and businesses boost the domestic economy by spending money on everything from housing and television sets to airplanes and new manufacturing plants.

By cutting rates, the Fed signaled that it is concerned about the effects of the overseas financial problems on the U. S. economy. Faltering foreign economies are being blamed for the recent decline in the U. S. stock market and a slowdown in economic growth here at home.

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As you can see, rate cuts can influence everything from world economies to household budgets. Talk with your financial consultant to make sure your savings and investment plan accounts for fluctuations in interest rates.

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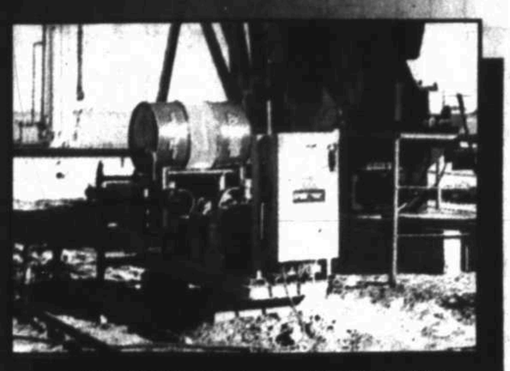
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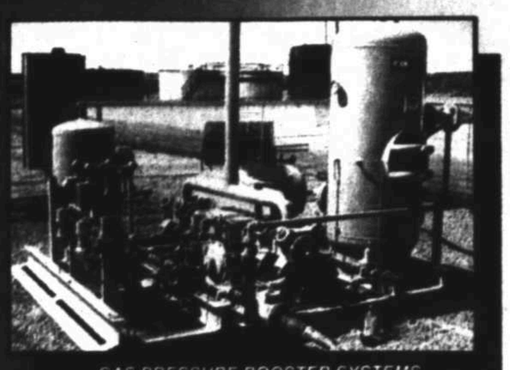
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Halliburton's Solution - Halliburton recommended running the Numar MRIL® Tool.

Details of Job - Depth – 11,600 ft. • Formation – Bone Spring • Temperature – 178°

Results - Using the data from the MRIL® log, it was possible to determine that all the production was coming from the sand intervals and not from the siltstones. The MRIL® MRIAN® analysis showed that the siltstones had a different pore size distribution and no permeability. The volumetric analysis confirmed that the siltstones had no free hydrocarbon.

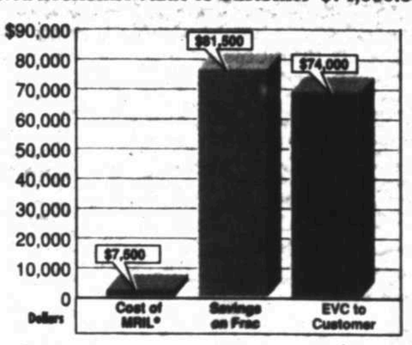
Uniqueness of the Job - The well was drilled with salt mud, which required a fresh pill to be spotted. The Geologist had not used the MRIL® tool before. The MRIL® provided them with answers that could not be obtained from core data.

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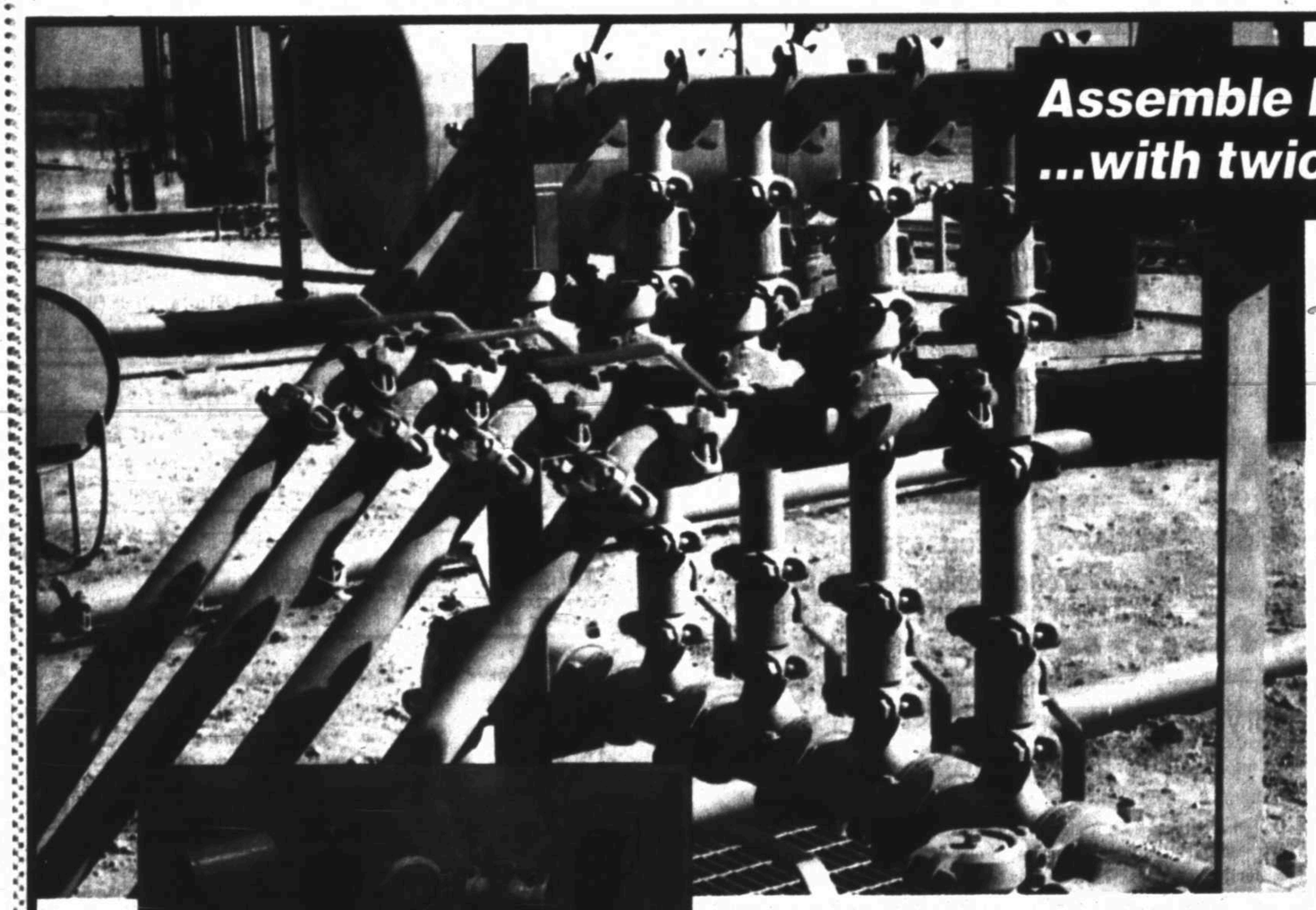
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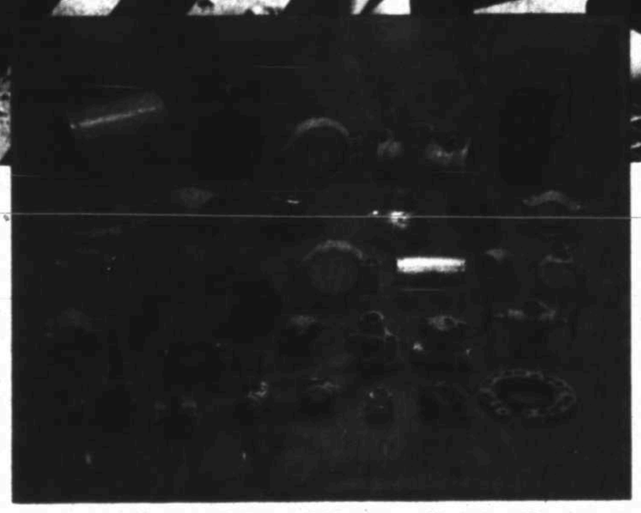
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	This Wk.	Last Wk.	Last Year
USA Land	563	563	854
USA Offshore	104	107	129
Canada	220	203	473
U.S. Directional	163	164	227
U.S. Horizontal	44	43	61
U.S. Gas	507	497	630
U.S. Oil	179	189	371

Permian Basin Rig Count One Year Ago: 174

This information updated November 25, 1998

Permian Basin

TEXAS

DIST. #7C

Coke	01
Concho	00
Crockett	01
Irion	00
Kimble	00
McCullough	00
Menard	00
Reagan	02
Runnels	00
Schleicher	01
Sutton	00
Terrell	01
Tom Green	01
Upton	03

DIST. #8

Andrews	02
Brewster	00
Crane	01
Culberson	00
Ector	00
Glasscock	04
Howard	00
Hudspeth	00
Jeff Davis	00
Loving	01
Martin	03
Midland	05
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Pecos	05
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Ward	01
Winkler	02

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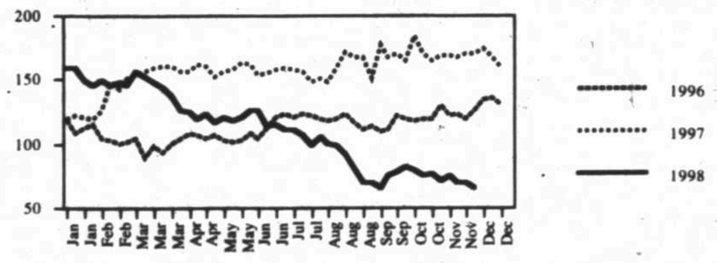
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Gaines	01
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Hale	00
Hockley	02
Kent	00
King	00
Lamb	00
Lubbock	00
Lynn	00
Motley	00
Scurry	00
Terry	00
Yoakum	00

TEXAS TOTAL 40

NEW MEXICO

Chaves	01
Eddy	12
Lea	12
Roosevelt	00
N.M. TOTAL	***25***

Rig Count Profile



Rig Count information provided by Hughes Christensen

WILDCATS

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CHAVES COUNTY

MARBOB ENERGY CORP
APACHE SPRING FED #1
WILDCAT; T10S, R30E, SEC 34; 1442 FNL 2174 FWL; EL 4091 GL; TD 10580, PBTD 8405; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7590-7610; IPF 0 BO, 315 MCFD; API #30-005-21152

LEA COUNTY

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WILDCAT; T19S, R35E, SEC 21; 2310 FNL 660 FEL; P&A; EL 3752 GL; TD 4276; API #30-025-34422

TEXAS RRCD 7C

SCHLEICHER COUNTY

DALLAS PRODUCTION INCOME
BLAYLOCK #1
WILDCAT-D; T.C. R.R. CO. #74/MRS. A. THOMSON SUR, A-1717, BLK TT; 2129 FNWL 2498 FNL OF LSE; 2427 FWL 2498 FNL OF SURVEY; 1 MILES SW OF HULLDALE; OBJ: 6800; PERMIT #481056; API #42-413-32054

DISCOVERY OPERATING INCOME
CLYDE #1
WILDCAT-D; T.C. RR CO./W.M. FINLEY SUR, A-1472, BLK LL, SEC 4; 467 FNL 700 FWL OF LSE; 467 FNL 1980 FEL OF SURVEY; 14 MILES NW OF ELDORADO; OBJ: 8000; PERMIT #480906; API #42-413-32053

UPTON COUNTY

OCEAN ENERGY

BARNETT "21" #4
WILDCAT-D; DIRECTIONAL; G.C.&S.F. RR CO. SUR, A-173, BLK &, SEC 21; 1346 FWL 958 FSL OF LSE; 1346 FWL 958 FSL OF SURVEY; 10.75 NW OF RANKIN; OBJ: 9500; PERMIT #481093; API #42-461-33958

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JASPER COUNTY SCHOOL AND #10
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STERLING COUNTY

AMPAK OIL COMPANY
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SCURRY COUNTY

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MARY JANE #1
WILDCAT-RE-ENTER; H&TC RR CO. SUR, A-362, BLK 2, SEC 265; 331 FWL 2156 FSL OF LSE; 2156 FSL 2328 FEL OF SURVEY; 10.5 MILES NNE OF SNYDER; OBJ: 5075; PERMIT #480987; API #42-415-33232

Exxon's Imperial Oil may buy Mobil Canada assets

TORONTO (Bloomberg) — Exxon Corp.'s Imperial Oil Ltd., the largest petroleum company in Canada, may be set to acquire Mobil Corp.'s assets in Canada, analysts said, a purchase that could cost Imperial more than C$4 billion (US$2.6 billion).

Toronto-based Imperial, 69.9 percent held by Exxon, is expected to acquire Mobil's Canada assets as part of the merger of their U.S.-based parents. Exxon, based in Irving, Texas, has agreed to acquire Mobil for US$79.3 billion is shares and assumed debt. Imperial would have to buy the Canadian assets of Mobil from Exxon because it has outside shareholders.

A combination of the two companies would add Mobil's oil production in Western Canada and its dominant position in the growing oil and gas exploration areas off Canada's east coast to Imperial's massive heavy oil and oil sands extraction operations.

"Canada is an important area for both the companies," said John Clarke, an analyst with Deutsche Bank Securities Ltd. "Imperial has been the biggest producer in Canada for years. Mobil's operations are smaller. but they do have a dominant position on the east coast of Canada."

Imperial shares rose C$0.35 to C$28.00 in Toronto trading. Exxon shares fell 3 3/8 to 71 5/8, while Mobil fell 2 1/4 to 83 3/4 in New York.

Clarke estimates Mobil's existing production would be valued at C$3.5 billion, with its stakes in projects off Canada's east coast adding at least another C$500 million to the costs.

Officials at Imperial said it was too early to say if the company would acquire the assets of Mobil Canada or if the merged Exxon Mobil would operate the businesses itself.

In an afternoon conference call with reporters, Lee Raymond, Exxon's chief executive, said it was "premature to comment" on his company's plans for its Canadian businesses. Those comments echoed those made by Imperial.

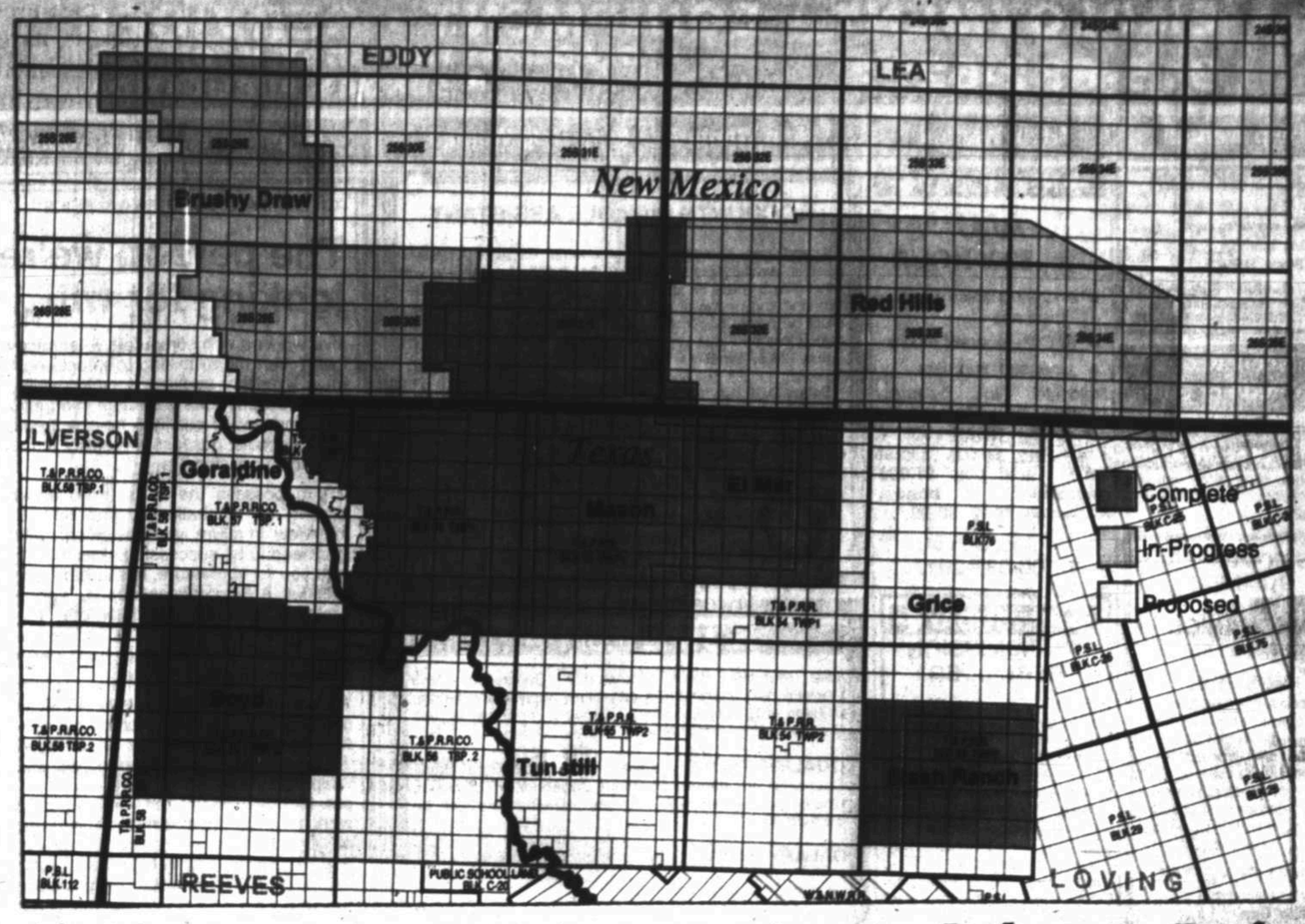
"What the implications are for Imperial have yet to be determined and in fact are not likely to be known for several months," said Richard O'Farrell, a spokesman for Imperial. "At this point we can't comment or speculate on how the merger might be implemented in Canada."

Costilla receives shareholders' support for acquisition of Pioneer assets

Costilla Energy Inc. said its shareholders approved proposals to issue new stock to partially finance its $410 million acquisition of Gulf of Mexico oil and natural gas properties from Pioneer Natural Resources Co.

Costilla, an oil and natural gas exploration company with 1997 revenue of about $76.5 million, agreed in September to buy the 425 properties, which are mainly in Texas.

Costilla received approval to amend the company's certificate of incorporation so it can issue more common shares. Costilla also got approval to amend its stock option plan, increasing the number of shares reserved for the plan.



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Henry initiates second CO2 flood injection

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Clayton Williams announces Reef test results

Clayton Williams Energy, Inc.announced the status of its first Pinnacle Reef Test, the Fazzino Unit 1 in Robertson County, Texas. On November 12, the Company announced that it had successfully sidetracked the well to a total depth of 16,175 feet. Subsequently, the Company encountered down-hole problems and began a second sidetrack, which has now been completed to 16,175 feet. The Company has cemented a four-inch production liner and is presently undertaking completion efforts. The Company anticipates that completion will require 30 to 40 days. The Company encountered more or less continuous gas shows with respect to the latest sidetrack, which established a high probability, but not a certainty, that the well can be completed as a gas discovery.

NATCO buys company with CO2 technology

NATCO Group Inc. has acquired The Cynara Company, which specializes in membrane technology solutions for bulk carbon dioxide separation from produced natural gas streams. Cynara leads the market in EOR applications and custom designs, manufactures, installs, operates and services membrane facilities worldwide. Cynara also owns and operates a number of membrane facilities in the United States. The company conducts ongoing research and development to further the knowledge of membrane separation for oilfield applications.

"NATCO is very pleased to add membrane technology to its gas dehydration and conditioning capabilities. This acquisition allows the company to provide removal solutions for the entire range of carbon dioxide concentrations," said Nat Gregory, chairman of the board and CEO of NATCO Group, Inc.

NATCO Group Inc. is a leading provider of wellhead equipment, systems and services used in the production of oil and gas.South Korea says prices to help spur demand

Texaco considering acquisitions says CEO

WHITE PLAINS, New York (Bloomberg)— Texaco Inc.'s Chairman and Chief Executive Peter Bijur said the third-largest U.S. oil company is looking at alliances and acquisitions, though it will not rush into a merger.

Bijur spoke after Exxon Corp., the largest U.S. oil company, agreed to buy Mobil Corp., the second-largest, for about $79 billion in stock and assumed debt to form the world's largest publicly traded oil company. The merger comes as oil prices linger at the lowest levels in 12 years, slashing oil company earnings.

"We are in the midst of a historic shift toward consolidation," Bijur said. "We have been examining growth through alliances and acquisitions in a very intense way."

Texaco, the third-largest U.S. oil company, also is initiating a cost-cutting program that it says will yield $400 million in pretax savings next year, and $600 million in savings by 2000, Bijur said.

South Korea says price will boost demand

SEOUL (Bloomberg) — South Korea said domestic oil consumption will rise by as much as 7.4 percent next year, after falling for the first time in 16 years this year, as low oil prices help boost domestic demand.

Korea, the world's sixth largest oil importer, will import between 700.53 million and 736.1 million barrels next year, said the Korea Petroleum Association. The country expects to import 681.9 million barrels this year.

"We expect weak global prices will help Korea" reach the higher range of the demand forecast for next year, said Kim Keon Heup, managing director at the association, which comprises SK Corp. and four other Korean oil refinery companies. "We wholly depend on imports, so stable prices will help domestic consumption."

Conoco upgrades Lobo portfolio

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Conoco announced the sale to North Central Oil Corporation of some producing natural gas properties in South Texas that were not compatible with recent major acquisitions made by Conoco in the same area.

The sale closed on Nov. 3 for $73 million, and had an effective date of Sept. 1, 1998. It involved the Hundido Field in Zapata County and the Vaquillas Ranch/Mujeres Creek Field in Webb County. The properties cover about 7,600 net acres, or 2 percent of Conoco's holdings in the area. North Central will take over operations of 58 producing wells with current daily net production of approximately 22 million cubic feet of gas per day.

So far this year, Conoco has augmented its holdings in the Lobo Trend by 17 percent, or 85,000 acres. Current daily gas production from Conoco's Lobo operations is about 725 million cubic feet -- more than triple what it was 18 months ago.

MEETINGS

The **PRODUCTION OPERATIONS STUDY GROUP** will meet Thursday, Dec. 10, at 11:30 a.m. at the Midland Center. Topic for the meeting is "Hydraulic Fracture Treatment Evaluation — Will the Real Frac Length Please Stand Up." Cost is $10.

Dr. K.E. Gray, University of Texas at Austin, will speak on "Some Current Wellbore Mechanics Research: Casing Loading and Lost Circulation" at the Tuesday, Dec. 8, meeting of the **DRILLING STUDY GROUP**. The meeting will be at 11:30 a.m. at the Midland Center. Cost is $15. Reservations should be called in to 915/683-2065 by noon, Dec. 7.

The **WEST TEXAS GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY** will hold its December monthly meeting at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 8, at the Midland Center. Joe Reed of Arcadis, Gerraghty and Miller will present "Acquifers of Texas and Their Environmental Susceptibility." To attend the $8 buffet, call the West Texas Geological Society at 915-683-1573 for reservations.

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ARCO PERMIAN
BLOCK 31 UNIT #V 2
BLOCK 31-RECOMP; UL SUR, BLK 31, SEC 26; 4620 FSL 1980 FEL OF LSE; 1980 FSL 1980 FEL OF SURVEY; 6 MILES NW OF CRANE; OBJ: 9069 (QUEEN); PERMIT #481125; API #42-103-32483
BURLINGTON RES O&G
W.N. WADDELL ET AL #143
SAND HILLS-RECOMP; PSL/W.N. WADDELL & CO. SUR, A-1273, BLK B-26, SEC 30; 2220 FSEL 17925 FNEL OF LSE; 2220 FSL 2085 FEL OF SURVEY; 18 MILES NW OF CRANE; OBJ: 4625 (MCKNIGHT); PERMIT #481039; API #42-103-02434

HOWARD COUNTY

MARALO INCOME
J.B. RYAN #11
LUTHER, S.E.-D; T&P RR CO./J.E. BATCHELOR SUR, A-612, BLK 32, T2N, SEC 34; 1980 FSL 660 FWL OF LSE; 1980 FSL 660 FWL OF SURVEY; 10 MILES N OF BIG SPRING; OBJ: 10100 (SILURIAN-DEVONIAN); PERMIT #480935; API #42-227-35323

MIDLAND COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
JUNE TIPPETT A7
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)-D; T&P RR CO SUR, A-296, BLK 40, T4S, SEC 7; 660 FSNL 660 FWL OF LSE; 660 FNL 1979 FWL OF SURVEY; 21 MILES SW OF MIDLAND; OBJ: 10150; PERMIT #418124; API #42-329-34132
AUTRY C. STEPHENS
PARKS "24" #1
PARKS (SPRABERRY TREND)-D; T&P RR CO/R.E. ESTES SUR, A-785, BLK 41, T3S, SEC 24; 467 FEL 467 FSL OF LSE; 467 FEL 467 FSL OF SURVEY; 13 MILES SW OF MIDLAND; OBJ: 11200; PERMIT #481081; API #42-329-34131
TEXACO E&P
BRYANT G (DEVONIAN) UNIT #24H
BRYANT -G-RECOMP; HORIZONTAL; T&P RR SUR, A-271, BLK 40, T2S, SEC 39; 3373 FSL 1995 FWL OF LSE; 1905 FNL 1995 FWL OF SURVEY; 10 MILES SW OF MIDLAND; OBJ: 13400 (DEVONIAN); PERMIT #481033; API #42-329-33202

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GARZA COUNTY

HAT OIL & GAS INCOME
CROOKED STICK B #1
ROCKER -A- SOUTH-D; H&GN RR CO/T.E. PAYNE SUR, A-931, BLK 6, SEC 38; 330 FNL 2000 FEL OF LSE; 330 FNL 2000 FEL OF SURVEY; 2.5 MILES SE OF JUSTICEBURG; OBJ: 3200 (GLORIETA); PERMIT #481040; API #42-169-33531

HOCKLEY COUNTY

TEXACO E&P INCOME
SUNDOWN SLAUGHTER UNIT #1320H
SLAUGHTER-RECOMP; HORIZONTAL; ZAVALLA CSL SUR, LGE 38, LAB 90, A-158; 5690 FSL 2833 FWL OF LSE; 126 FNL 181 FWL OF SURVEY; 5 MILES NE OF SUNDOWN; OBJ: 5780; PERMIT #481140; API #42-219-31313
TEXACO E&P INCOME
SUNDOWN SLAUGHTER UNIT #1319H
SLAUGHTER-RECOMP; HORIZONTAL; ZAVALLA CSL SUR, LGE 38, LAB 84, A-158; 5905 FNL 2743 FEL OF LSE; 90 FNL 91 FEL OF SURVEY; 4 MILES NE OF SUNDOWN; OBJ: 5780; PERMIT #481141; API #42-219-31322
TEXACO E&P INCOME
SUNDOWN SLAUGHTER UNIT #1318H
SLAUGHTER-RECOMP; HORIZONTAL; ZAVALLA CSL SUR, LGE 38, LAB 77, A-158; 2981 FNL 8027 FEL OF LSE; 73 FNL 71 FEL OF SURVEY; 4 MILES NE OF SUNDOWN; OBJ: 5780; PERMIT #481139; API #42-219-31321

KING COUNTY

MEDDERS OIL COMPANY
PITCHFORK-MAVERICK #1
PITCHFORK-D; SOMERVELL CSL, LGE 2, A-287; 2240 FWL 10158 FSL OF LSE; 2240 FW-LYW LINE 5689 FN-LYS LINE OF SURVEY; 12 MILES W OF GUTHRIE; OBJ: 4100 (TANNEHILL); PERMIT #481063; API 342-269-32329
MEDDERS OIL COMPANY
FORKS #1
BALT-D; SOMERVELL CSL, LGE 1, A-284; 416 FEL 2969 FSL OF LSE; 416 FE-LYE LINE 2969 FN-LYS LINE OF SURVEY; OBJ: 4100 (TANNEHILL); PERMIT #481062; API #42-269-32328
GAEA SERVICES INCOME
ED LOWRANCE #2
JUNIPER-D; W.J. MONTGOMERY #154 SUR, A-360; 660 FSL 660 FSL OF LSE; 660 FW-LYW LINE 660 FSL OF SURVEY; 18.75 MILES NE OF GUTHRIE; OBJ: 6100 (BEND CONGL); PERMIT 480964; PERMIT #42-26932327

SCURRY COUNTY

CHRISTEVE OIL COMPANY
JOHNSON #1
TONTO, NE-RECOMP; H&TC RR CO. SUR, A-362, BLK 2, SEC 265; 660 FSL 660 FWL OF LSE; 660 FSL 660 FWL OF SURVEY; 9 MILES NE OF SNYDER; OBJ: 5155 (FULLER); PERMIT #481078; API #42-415-30181

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SOUTHEAST NEW MEXICO

EDDY COUNTY

OXY USA
ROSCO FEDERAL COM #1
CROW FLATS; T17S, R27E, SEC 4; 1540 FNL 1760 FEL; EL 3448 GL; TD 9177, PBTD 9096; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH PERFS 8934-8958; IPCAOF 4751 MCF; API #30-015-30236
BURNETT OIL CO.
GISSLER A #16
LOCO HILLS; T17S, R30E, SEC 23; 660 FNL 680 FEL; EL 3674 GL; TD 5502, PBTD 5457; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH FRACTURED, TREATED PERFS 4548-4565, 4786-4898; IPP 37 BOPD, 76 MCFD; API #30-015-30275
MARATHON OIL CO.
PAGAN STATE #1
TRAVIS; T18S, R28E, SEC 28; 800 FNL 400 FWL; EL 3520 GL; TD 10,150, PBTD 10,039; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 9674-9786; IPF 343 BOPD, 425 MCFD; API #30-015-30316
STEVENS & TULL
LITTLE BOX #2
LITTLE BOX CANYON; T20S, R21E, SEC 36; 660 FSL 2310 FWL; EL 4432 GL; TD 8254; PRODUCTION NATURAL THROUGH PERFS 7927-7974; IPCAOF 18406.8 MCFD; API #30-015-30224
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
BRANNIGAN ANF FEDERAL #5
INDIAN BASIN; T22S, R24E, SEC 6; 1367 FSL 177 FEL; BHL 900 FSL 660 FEL; EL 4342 TL; TD 8890, PBTD 8822; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 8047-8403; IPP 36 BOPD, 2490 MCFD; API #30-015-30207
YATES PETROLEUM CORP
BRANNIGAN ANF FEDERAL #6
INDIAN BASIN; T22S, R24E, SEC 6; 1379 FNL 259 FEL, BHL 1379 FSL 660 FEL; EL 4364 GL; TD 8800, PBTD 8739; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7959-8127; IPP 60 BOPD, 3117 MCFD; API #30-015-30208

LEA COUNTY

YATES PETROLEUM CORP
RUNNELS ASP #2
NO SHOE BAR; T16S, R35E, SEC 11; 1650 FSL 2270 FEL; EL 3997 GL; TD 12620, PBTD 12409; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED, FRACTURED PERFS 12008-12025; IPF 86 BOPD, 2189 MCFD; API #30-025-34443
WISER OIL CO.
CAPROCK MALJAMAR UNIT #400
MALJAMAR; T17S, R33E, SEC 17; 1330 FSL 110 FEL; EL 4197 GL; TD 4900, PBTD 4876; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED, FRACTURED PERFS 4424-4455, 4526-4620, 4747-4802; IPP 13 BOPD, 10 MCFD; API #30-025-34224
RAND PAULSON ENERGY CO
SUMMERS NEAL #1
SO KNOWLES DEVONIAN; T17S, R39E, SEC 18; 2040 FSL 2040 FEL; P&A; EL 3656 GL; TD 12160; API #30-025-33893
BASS ENTER PROD
GEM 35 FEDERAL #1
EAST GEM YATES; T19S, R33E, SEC 35; 1980 FSL 660 FWL; P&A; EL 3585.4 GL; TD 3500; API #30-025-33572
CHEVRON USA INC
MONUMENT "14" STATE #21
NO. MONUMENT; T19S, R36E, SEC 14; 990 FSL 2308 FWL, BHL 999 FSL 2554 FWL; EL 3736 GL; TD 7500; PRODUCTION OPEN HOLE THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7232-7500; IPF 467 BOPD, 440 MCFD; API #025-34352
CHEVRON USA INCOME
MONUMENT "14" STATE #22
NO. MONUMENT; T19S, R36E, SEC 14; 1650 FNL 629 FWL, BHL 1645 FNL 340 FEL; EL 3739 GL; TD 7513; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH OPENHOLE TREATED PERFS 7283-7513; IPF 199 BOPD, 201 MCFD; API #30-025-34406
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
BRININSTOOL "4" STATE #1
JOHNSON RANCH; T24S, R33E, SEC 4; 1650 FSL 660 FEL; EL 3580 GL; TD 13800, PBTD 13722; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 13205-13642; IPF 9 BOPD, 1488 MCFD; API 30-025-34398
ENRON OIL & GAS
ENRON "9" STATE COM #2
JOHNSON RANCH; T24S, R33E, SEC 9; 1000 FNL 1100 FEL; EL 3580 GL; TD 13950, PBTD 13702; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 13208-13465; IPF 515 BOPD, 4599 MCFD; API #30-025-34441
ENRON OIL & GAS CO
JACKSON "10" ST COM #2
JOHNSON RANCH; T24S, R33E, SEC 10; 1980 FNL 1980 FEL; EL 3592 GR; TD 13660, PBTD 13621; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 13323-13452; IPF 100 BOPD, 6500 MCFD; API #30-025-34397

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CRANE COUNTY

ARCO PERMIAN
UNIVERSITY "35" #1
BLOCK 31 (QUEEN); PLUG BACK; ULS SUR, BLK 31, SEC 35; 660 FNL 660 FWL OF LSE; 6 MILES NW OF CRANE; TD 9350, PBTD 8480; PRODUCTION THROUGH TREATED PERFS 2964-2974; IPCAOF 87 MCF; PERMIT #479717; API #42-103-32746

HOWARD COUNTY

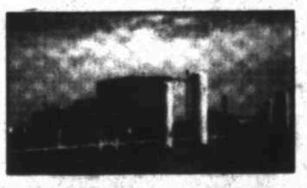
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SIGNAL PEAK (WOLFCAMP); T&P RR CO SUR, BLK 31, SEC 25; 817 FNL 467 FWL OF LSE; 7 MILES S OF COAHOMA; EL 2307 GL; CONTR: ROBINSON DRILLING; TD 7810, PBTD 7756; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED FRACTURED PERFS 7464-7529; IPCAOF 93.8 MCF; PERMIT #477282; API #42-227-35313
SANTA FE ENERGY RESOURCES
TEXACO "37" #1
HUTTO, SOUTH (WOLFCAMP); T&P RR CO. SUR, BLK 31, SEC 37; 933 FNL 1082 FWL OF LSE; 7 MILES S OF COAHOMA; EL 2349 GL; CONTR: ROBINSON DRILLING; TD 7813, PBTD 7773; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 7488-7575; IPCAOF 96.6 MCF; PERMIT #477317; API 342-

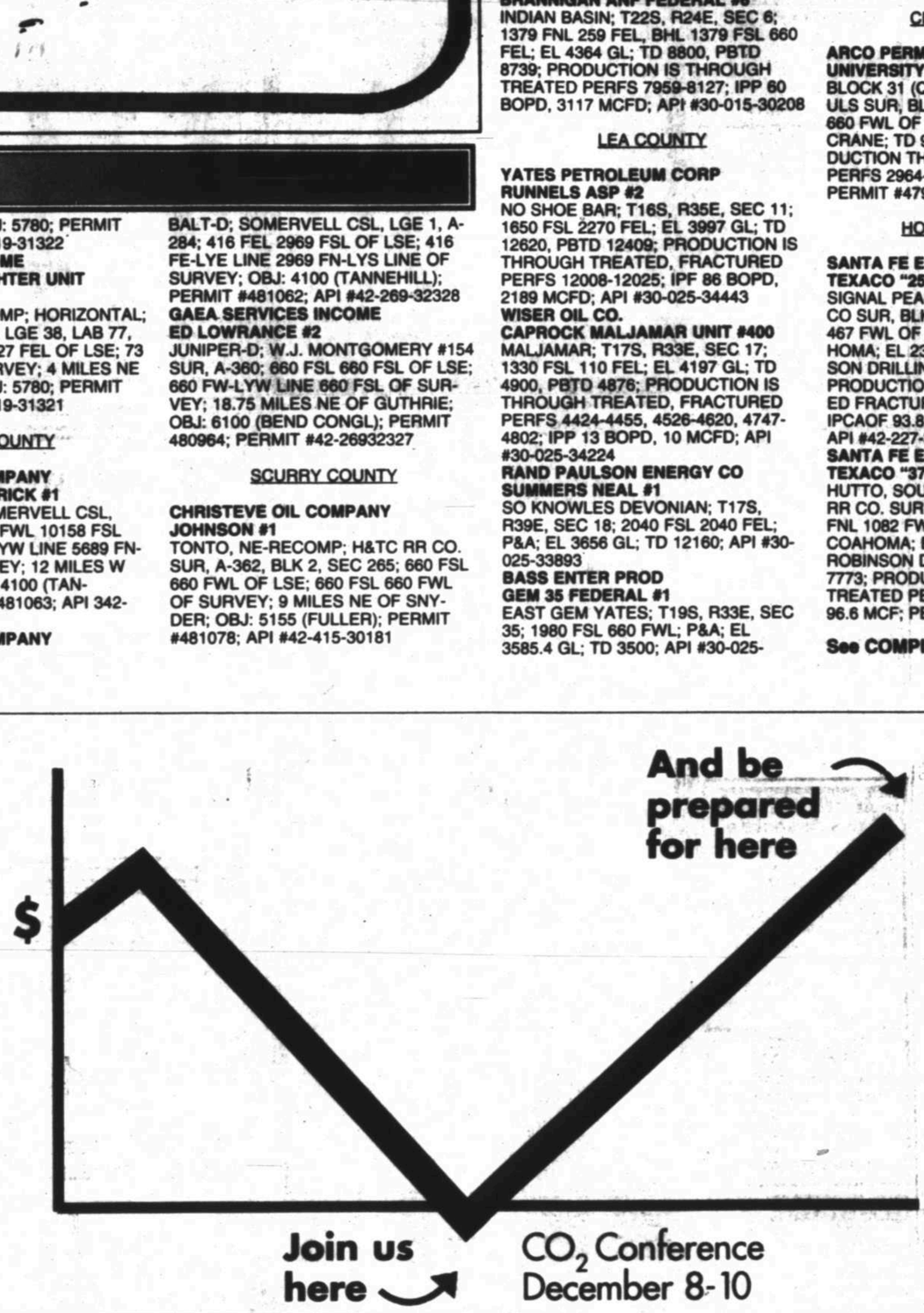
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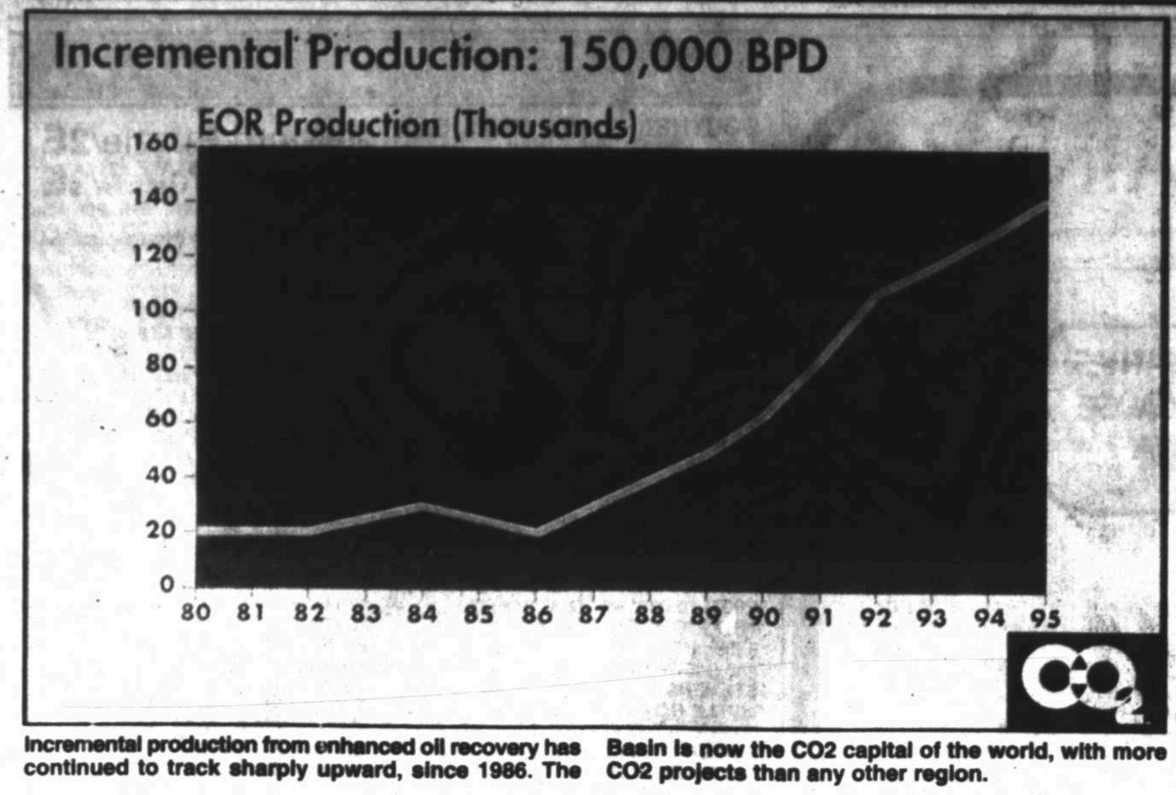
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• Morning session: Artificial lift in CO_2 floods
• Afternoon session: CO_2 processing
• Special luncheon speaker at the Petroleum Club: Susan K. Hancock, Project Manager, Weyburn CO_2 Miscible Flood, Pan Canadian Petroleum, Limited: *Weyburn CO_2 Flood – A Project for the Future*

Thursday, December 10
• Morning session: Case histories of mature floods
• Afternoon session: Emerging frontiers for CO_2 flooding
• Special luncheon speaker at the Petroleum Club: Dr. Lynn Orr, Dean of the School of Earth Sciences at Stanford University: *CO_2 Sequestration*

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Incremental production from enhanced oil recovery has continued to track sharply upward, since 1986. The Basin is now the CO2 capital of the world, with more CO2 projects than any other region.

CO2: Growth expected in use of CO2

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The model is available on Shell's Web site (www.shellco2.com) or by contacting Shell at 1-800-247-4122.

CO2 flooding has been successful in Permian Basin fields both as a secondary and tertiary recovery operation. Most fields are initially designed for a CO2 injection volume of about 30 percent to 40 percent of the hydrocarbon pore volume, but the total quantity of CO2 injected may be increased if the field shows good oil production response.

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CO2 flood starts have been on the increase in the Permian Basin since 1990, and it is expected that growth in the use of CO2 will continue from both major and independent producers when oil prices return to historical averages.

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LOVING COUNTY

FOREST OIL CORP
EL PASO STATE #1
MOORE-HOOPER (ATOKA); PLUG BACK; W&W NW RY CO. SUR, BLK 1, SEC 54; 1000 FSWL 1320 FNWL OF LSE; 5.5 MILES S OF MENTONE; EL 2716 GL; CONTR: DAWSON; TD 21951, PBTD 16509; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 15704-16400; IPCAOF 5823 MCFD; API #42-301-30019

MARTIN COUNTY

AUTRY C. STEPHENS
ORSON 4 #2
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO. SUR, BLK 38, T2N, SEC 4; 660 FNL 660 FWL OF LSE; 16 MILES NW OF STANTON; EL 2804 GL; CONTR: JSM DRILLING; TD 9700, PBTD 9573; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH FRACTURED, TREATED PERFS 7817-9553; IPP 20 BOPD, 15 MCFD; PERMIT #470953; API #42-317-34152

MIDLAND COUNTY

TEXACO E&P
MIDLAND AAR FEE #6X
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO. SUR, BLK 38, T4S, SEC 17; 1990 FNL 2140 FEL OF LSE; 21 MILES SE OF MIDLAND; EL 2767 GL; CONTR: NABORS; TD 8130; SI; PERMIT #466590; API #42-329-33866
ARCO PERMIAN
BARROW "28" #7
SPRABERRY (TREND AREA); T&P RR CO. SURVEY, BLK 39, T3S, SEC 28; 660 FWL 1980 FSL OF LSE; 10 MILES S OF MIDLAND; EL 2851 GL; CONTR: JSM; TD 10100, PBTD 9998; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH FRACTURED TREATED PERFS 7950-7970, 8710-8730, 9210-9230, 9600-9620, 9880-9900; IPP 48 BOPD, 40 MCFD; PERMIT #478577; API #42-329-34115

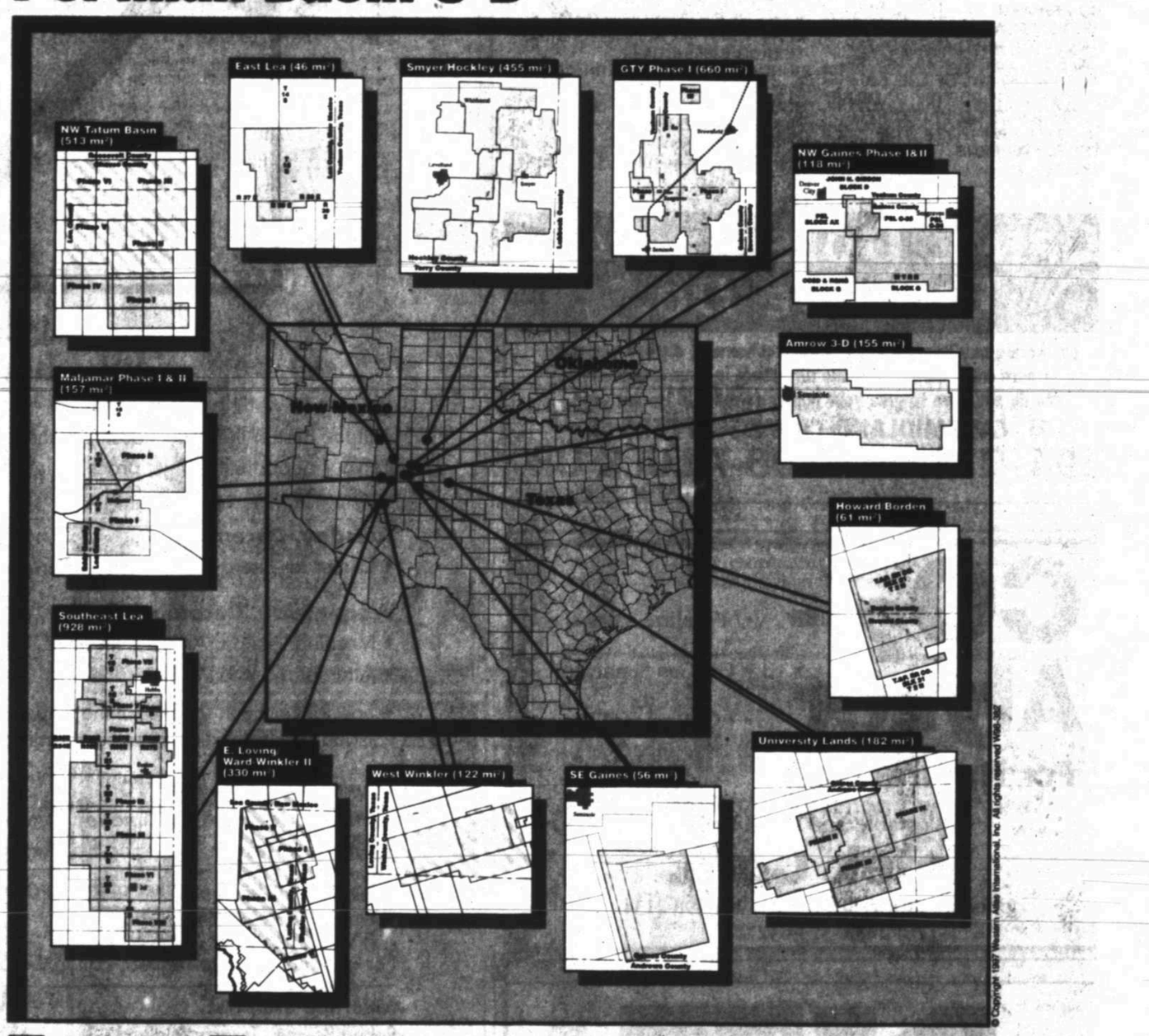
MITCHELL COUNTY

PLATINUM EXPLORATION
ENTERPRISE #1
ENTERPRISE (STRAWN); T&P RR CO. SUR, BLK 7, SEC 27; 499 FSL 467 FEL OF LSE; 8 MILES N OF LORAINE; EL 2329 GL; CONTR: PATTERSON; TD 7491, PBTD 7324; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH FRACTURED TREATED PERFS 7164-7212; IPP 99 BOPD, 140 MCFD; PERMIT #475789; API #42-335-34057

PECOS COUNTY

RIATA ENERGY INCOME
LONGFELLOW I46
BITTERWEED; J.H. SIMS/T.S. TALLEY SUR, BLK 600, SEC 4; 677 FEL 5,642.6 FSL OF LSE; 26 MILES S OF FT STOCKTON; EL 4189 GL; CONTR: LARIAT SERVICES; TD 7017, PBTD 6975; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH TREATED PERFS 5011-5226, 6,631-6788; IPCAOF 763 MCFD; PERMIT # 477315; API #42-371-36849
THE WISER OIL COMPANY
SIBLEY "45" #2
COYANOSA (CHERRY CANYON); T.T. RR CO. SUR, BLK OW, SEC 45; 660 FNL 2220 FEL OF LSE; 5.5 MILES S OF COYANOSA; EL 2675 GL; CONTR: TMBR/SHARP; TD 7550, PBTD 6718; PRODUCTION IS THROUGH FRACTURED TREATED PERFS 6446-6451; IPP 3 BOPD, 1 MCFD; PERMIT #473893; API #42-371-36821
MEXCO ENERGY CORP.
V.G. NEVILLE STATE #1
HUBER (5050 WOLFCAMP), RE-ENTRY; GC&SF RR SUR, BLK 194, SEC 70; 660 FNL 660 FWL OF LSE; 11 MILES S OF MCCAMEY; CONTR: SOL WELL SERVICE; TD 5900, PBTD 5141; PRODUCTION IS NATURAL THROUGH PERFS 5085-5087; IPCAOF 221 MCF; PERMIT # 477608; API #42-371-30568





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