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Midlanders confident of Bush's ability to heal nation

By Andy Hancock and Julie Jacobs
MRT Correspondents

With the five-week election saga finally concluded, and George W. Bush now president-elect, many Midlanders are breathing a sigh of relief.

As Bush and his team begin to set the course for the next four years of the second Bush administration, Midlanders are hoping George W. Bush will be able to heal the national wounds in the wake of his bitter battle with Al Gore.

"I am excited. I believe that the country will rally together and it will take a while to heal, but it will pull together," said Tammy DePauw as she took a break while shopping Thursday at Midland Park Mall.



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— Stephen Chandler



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Like most of America, she carefully scrutinized the pair of Bush-Gore televised speeches Wednesday night.

Kim Thackston gave the two political rivals the thumbs up on their performances.

"I thought that they both were very gracious," Ms. Thackston said.

But not everyone was as impressed with the politicians' remarks. And not everyone in Midland is cheering the hometown boy.

"This is the biggest mix-up in the world. Bush knows that he didn't win," said Berwin Wilson said. "The election was rigged."

Sergio Carrasco, who was at the Midland County Courthouse on Thursday, said he is afraid Bush will have a tough time trying to live up to his reputation as a uniter.

"I don't think that he will be able to do it," Carrasco said.

Although she voted for Bush, Rosemary Romero also is concerned about the political mountain Bush will have to climb.

"Personally I am not sure if we will be able to unite behind Bush," said Ms. Romero who was enjoying Thursday's sunshine out at Centennial Park.

Many Midlanders are saying it's time to move on.

"Al Gore drug it out, and the Supreme Court didn't decide the election," said Mike Smart. "Let's just forget about it, and let Bush do his thing."

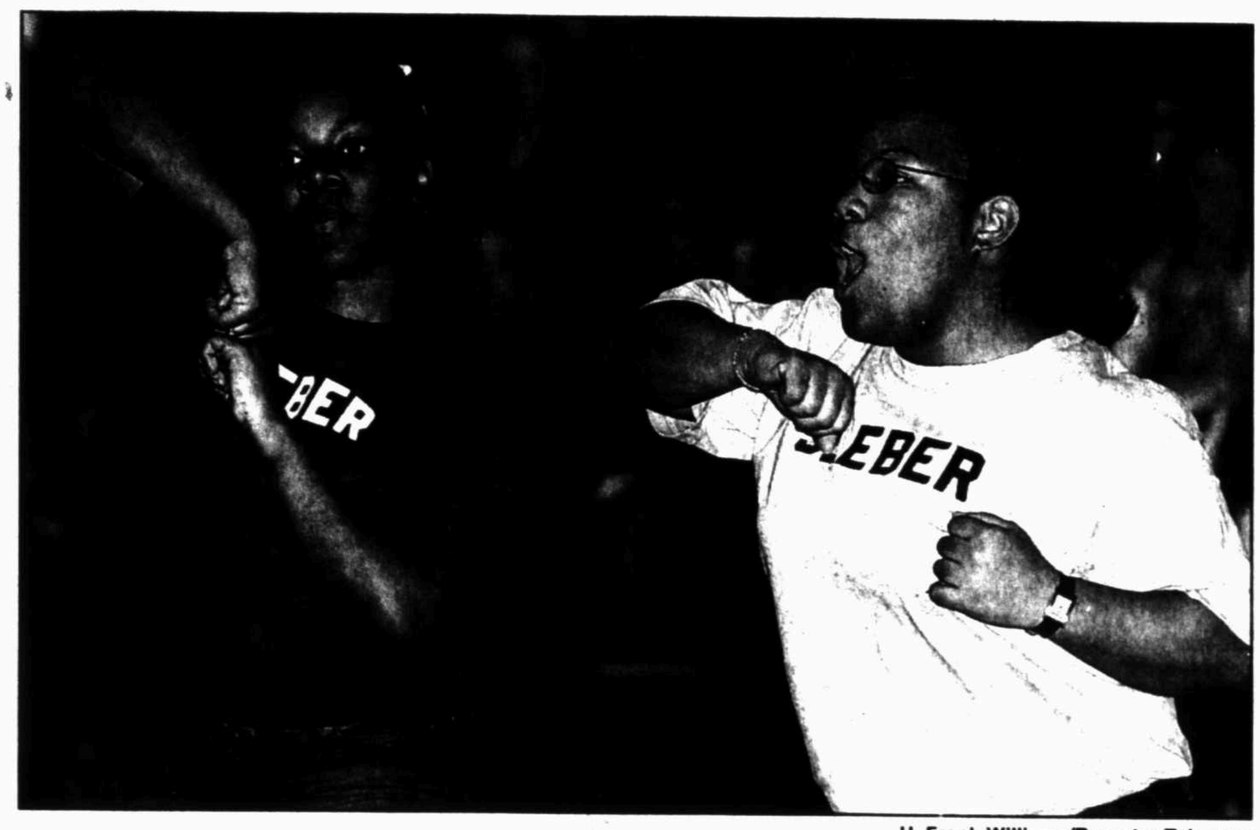
Tim Tindol voiced his opinion on the matter by confirming he is pleased with the outcome, and that "it took five weeks too long to decide."

Joanna Cowell of Brewster County said this "whole fiasco" has shown the strength of American democracy.

"We are not a dictatorship, we are governed by laws, Bush just needs to now get good people around him, Democrats and Republicans, and move on," said Ms. Cowell.

Stephen Chandler said he was happy to hear Bush's conciliatory message, but the five-week legal battle has left him wary.

"I would extend my hand, but not too far. He (Bush) should keep his format and his issues, if he sticks with that, there should be no reason to reach out too far," Chandler said. "He will do a fine job."



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Reantwennette Smith, left, and Summer Gransberry dance with the rest of their step team, Sleber, at a pep rally Thursday night at Lee High School. "Sleber" is Rebels spelled backwards.

State Championship Game

Opponents: Midland Lee (12-2) vs. Austin Westlake (14-0).
Where: Royal-Memorial Stadium in Austin.
When: Saturday, 12:05 p.m.
TV: Will be broadcast live on Fox Sports Southwest, Cable 43 in Midland, at noon, Saturday.
Radio: The game will be carried by both KCRS (550 AM) and KODM (97.9 FM) at noon, Saturday.
Rankings: Westlake is the No. 1 ranked team in the state. Lee is ranked No. 8. (High school rankings by The Associated Press at the end of regular season play).
Significance: Lee is seeking to become the first team at the highest classification of play to win three consecutive state titles since Abilene High turned the trick, 1954-56. Westlake is seeking its second state title, beating Abilene High in the state finals, 55-15, in 1996. So far, Westlake's only state title has come against another District 4-5A team.
Game day Austin forecast: High 73; low 46. Mostly sunny skies with a highs in the lower 70s.

Pep rally sends Rebels on their way for Austin 'business trip'

By Andy Hancock
MRT Correspondent

More than 1,000 fans filled the Lee High School gymnasium Thursday night to cheer on the Rebels in preparation for their Saturday matchup against Austin Westlake for the Class 5A Big School State Championship.

Only filled to half capacity just before 8 p.m., anticipation filled the air and fans filled the gym as pep rally time arrived.

The Lee High School band opened up the show and provided a fanfare for the football team before Lee High football coach John Parchman set the tone for the evening.

"I feel like we left a little unfinished business when we ended practice today," said Parchman. "We have one final duty on Saturday, and that is a business trip tomorrow."

After a number of dances, cheers and a skit, students rolled out a banner reading, "All I want for Christmas is a third state championship."

Rebels offensive lineman Hyatt Harvey echoed that sentiment, saying, "I know one thing, we are coming home with our third state title!"

Bands hoping for inaugration invites

By Julie Jacobs
MRT Correspondent

Now that a pair of Midlanders will be taking up residence in the White House, Midland and Lee high school bands are hopeful they will be asked to march in the Inauguration parade.

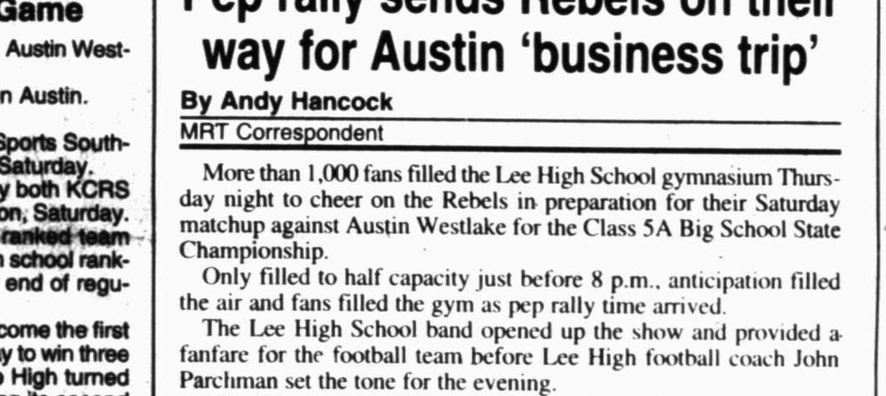
Although they have not been formally invited, the two bands have marched at inauguration events before. Lee has marched in President George Bush's inauguration in 1989 and Ronald Reagan's second inauguration in 1985. Midland and Lee high school bands have marched in both of Gov. Bush's inauguration parades.

Both bands and booster clubs will start raising money immediately if invited.

If invited, about 170 students from Midland High will be attending, with about 30 chaperones.

"It will cost about $1,000 per kid," said Gary Doherty, Midland High band director.

To help the students raise the money, there will be such things as Adopt a Band Student and making donations in the name of band students.



File photo

Midland High and Lee High bands are trying to raise money to cover the cost for a trip to play at George W. Bush's Inauguration.

Lee has already been raising the money in hopes of being asked to the special event.

"We would love to be invited to the parade," said Lee High Band Director

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TODAY
Partly cloudy with high in upper-60s. Weather on 4A.



Cuban President Fidel Castro escorts Russian President Vladimir Putin into the Palace of the Revolution for an official meeting in Havana, Cuba Thursday. Putin is on a two-day state visit to Cuba, the first official visit of a Russian leader since the fall of the former Soviet Union. See story page 6B.

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U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram

Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Timothy Collie investigates a one-car accident on Garden City Highway about six miles east of Interstate 20 Thursday. Sister Mary Overfield, of Midland, was driving west on Highway 158 when she lost control of her vehicle. She and her passenger, Sister Elizabeth Nasholz refused transport to a hospital. No charges were filed.

No new information in shooting death of Midland 4-year-old

By Timothy V. Kreitz
MRT Correspondent

One week after a 4-year-old girl was apparently accidentally shot inside her rural Midland home, Midland County Sheriff's Department investigators continue to piece together exactly what happened.

On Dec. 7 at approximately 3:15 p.m., 4-year-old Kourtney Cates was shot to death with a single gunshot to the head, police reported. The shooting occurred when the young girl's mother went to the house next door, leaving the child alone in the house with her 10-year-old brother and 11-year-old sister, sheriff's deputies said.

Preliminary autopsy reports arrived on Monday, but the release of more information may still be several days away, Midland Coun-



Kourtney Cates

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OBITUARIES



Ruth Rhodes

Ruth Rhodes died in a local nursing home on Thursday, December 14, 2000.

Funeral services have been scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, December 16, 2000, in the Glass Chapel of First United Methodist Church with Reverend C. Lane Boyd and Reverend Lee Weldon Stephenson officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Mrs. Rhodes was born April 13, 1913 in Carrizo Springs, Texas, to Noah Alson and Katie Elizabeth McCaleb. She graduated from Harlandale High School in 1930 and attended Southwest Texas Teachers College in San Marcus. She also attended Westmorland College (now Trinity). On March 20, 1932, she married Ferd Brady Rhodes in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Rhodes died June 1990, and Ruth returned to Midland in 1995. She was a member of First United Methodist Church since 941.

Ruth was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. She is survived by her daughter, Ruth Ann Stephenson, of Midland; a brother, Noah "Mac" McCaleb, of Austin; two granddaughters, Jennifer Walker and Sigrid Chavez; two great-grandsons, Austin Crawley and Karsten Neustifter; and one niece.

Serving as pallbearers will be Karsten Neustifter, Austin Crawley, Wilson Heidelberg, and Mark Kimball. Honorary pallbearers will be Dr. C.G. Smith and Jim Rasnick.



Rufina Martinez

Services for Rufina G. Martinez, 63, of Midland, are scheduled for 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, 2000, at Holy Redeemer Church with Father Frank Chavez officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

Mrs. Martinez died Thursday, December 14, 2000, at her home in Midland.

She was born June 3, 1937 in Poth, Texas. She was a homemaker, and a Catholic.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 23 years, Frank P. Martinez; and a son, Rudy Cervantez.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Sparks and Frank L. Martinez of Midland; eight daughters, Joann Burk of Odessa, Evonne Martinez, Linda Chavez, Lydia Smart, Virginia Holmes, Lorre Whitley, Diane Harrison, and Susie Martinez; four sisters, Maria Serna of San Antonio, Teresa Martinez of San Angelo, Fernanda Losoya of Odessa, and Elizabeth Martinez of Odessa; a brother, Otimio Garza of Odessa; and four stepsons, Carlos Martinez, Frankie Martinez of Snyder, Lupe Martinez of Chicago, and Sammy Martinez of Odessa; 24 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.



Mildred Long

Mildred Ellen (Lineman) Long, one of nine children born to Charles and Florence Lineman, April 18, 1910 in Dutch Hill, Pennsylvania, went to be with the Lord Wednesday, December 13, 2000.

Mildred married Clare William Long in 1927, and gave birth to three children while still living in Pennsylvania. The Long family moved to Midland, Texas in 1956. Mildred worked in the retail business as a Department Supervisor for Career Girl, S&Q Clothiers, and Grammer-Murphy, before retiring. The Longs moved to Roswell in 1967 due to Mr. Long's work; and they lived there until 1985, returning to Midland to retire.

Mrs. Long was a member of Kelview Heights Baptist Church and the Keenagers Class.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters, two brothers, her husband, two sons, and a grandson. She leaves behind her daughter, Mrs. Dixie Lee Bagwell and husband, Jack; two daughters-in-law, ten grandchildren, nineteen great-grandchildren, six great-great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Jane Eberfeld of Illinois and Geraldine Mourer of Pennsylvania; and a brother, Charles Lineman of Pennsylvania.

Services will be held in loving memory of Mrs. Long at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, Saturday, December 16, 2000, at 2 p.m. Services will be officiated by Reverends Curtis Hollis and Jay Mayo. Interment will follow in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jerry Pearce, Norman Sharp, Mike Casbeer, Gary Chastain, Marvin Zahn, and Manning Banks.

Bertha West

Bertha L. Buchanan West died in a local nursing hospital on Wednesday, December 13, 2000.

Graveside services have been scheduled for 12 noon, Saturday, December 16, 2000, at Fairview Cemetery with Reverend William "Lance" Greer, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Bertha West was born January 1, 1910 in Putnam, Texas, to William Andrew and Nancy Buchanan. She was of the Primitive Baptist faith, and was a member of the Eastern Star. Bertha was also a longtime babysitter for many children of Midland.

Bertha was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, William J. "Bill" West. She is survived by her daughter, Nancy J. Greer, and her husband, Lucian F. Greer, Jr., of Midland; her sister, Xeina Williams, of Conroe; two grandchildren, Lance Greer and family, of Conroe; and Jena M. Greer and family of Mesa, Arizona; and six great-grandchildren.

DEATH NOTICES

Willie Jones

Willie Mae Jones died Monday, Dec. 11, at a local nursing home.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, at Rose Hill Cemetery in Fort Worth under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Sept. 17, 1905 in Mart.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Claude Jones; and a daughter.

Survivors include a grandchild, and a great-grandchild.

Jerolean Chambers

Jerolean Chambers, 62, died Sunday, Dec. 10, at her residence.

Funeral services will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16, at Antioch Baptist Church, 1400 E. Golf Course Road, with the Rev. D.F. Johnson officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

She was born Jan. 16, 1938 to Willie Mae and Jessie Lee Johnson in Reagan County.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include her husband, Roland Chambers of Midland; three daughters, Carolyn K. Zachery of Midland, Regina Chambers of Dallas, and Andrea Robinson of Arlington; three sons, Roland R. Chambers, Raymond Chambers of Midland, and Michael Chambers of Dallas; 17 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; three sisters, Victoria McDonald and Annie Frison of Midland, and Lola Washington of Arlington; two brothers, Frankie L. Bridges of Midland and Clyde Gary of Irving.

Hoytt Jones

ODESSA — Hoytt Jones, 79, died Wednesday, Dec. 13, at a local hospital.

Graveside services 2 p.m. today, Dec. 15, at Sunset Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Mark Lewis officiating.

He was born June 20, 1921 in Burkburnett.

He was a U.S. Navy Veteran of World War II. He owned and operated Odessa Van and Storage for 31 years. He was a member of First Methodist Church.

He was preceded in death by a sister.

Survivors include his wife, Bobbye Jean Johnson Jones of Odessa; two daughters, Janice Albaeck of Agoura Hills, Calif. and Pamela Jones Locklar of Odessa; a brother, Dr. Zane Jones of Sweetwater; a sister, Opalea Stuewer of Dimondale, Mont.; four grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Tommy Tucker

ODESSA — Tommy Tucker, 72, died Wednesday, Dec. 13, at a Dallas hospital.

Services will be 3 p.m. Saturday, at First Christian Church with the Rev. David Mindel officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Memorial Gardens.

He was born Feb. 28, 1928 in Odessa.

He was a lifetime resident of Odessa. He was a partner of Waddell & Blank Ins. Co., before retiring. He was past president of both Odessa Ins. Agents Association and Kiwannis Breakfast Club, and served on the board of directors of the Texas Independent Insurance Association.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Nash A. Tucker Jr.; and a sister, Virginia R. Hendrick.

Survivors include his wife, LaRue Hall Tucker of Odessa; a daughter, Terri A. Conner of Odessa; two grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Barbara Baca

HOUSTON — Barbara Anne Baca, mother of Midlander Nathan Baca, died Wednesday, Dec. 13, in Houston.

Services are pending with Cristo Rey Funeral Home, 713 237-1777.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast



Today	Saturday	Sunday
Partly cloudy	Sunny	Partly cloudy
High 68	High 66	High 73
Low 39	Low 34	Low 37

Today's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high near 70 and westerly winds blowing at 15 to 25 mph.

Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a low in the upper 30s.

Saturday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies with a high in the lower 70s. Saturday night will be partly cloudy with a low in the upper 30s.

After an over night low of 33, Thursday's high reached 65 as compared to the record high of 82 set in 1995. The record low is 14 set in 1985.

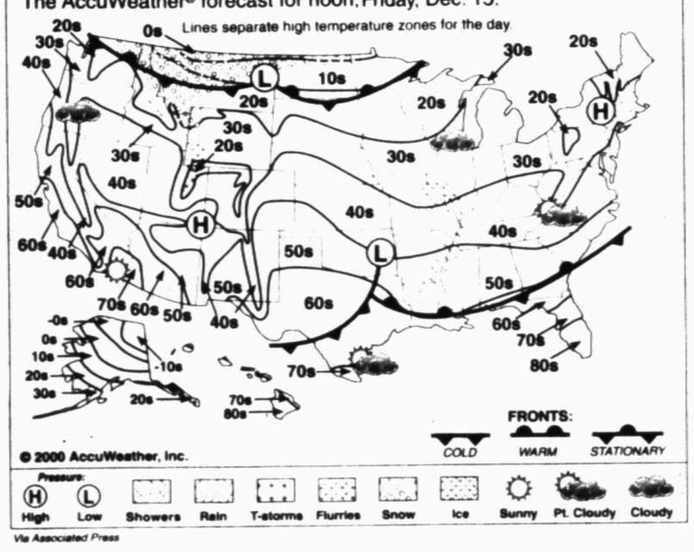
Yesterday's precipitation		Yesterday's temperatures	
Rainfall	0.00 in.	High	65
Rainfall	0.11 in.	Low	33
Total for month	0.27 in.	Normal high	59
Total for year	9.59 in.	Normal low	31
Normal total (year to date)	14.68 in.		

Sunrise ... 7:41 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:46 p.m.

National forecast

National weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Friday, Dec. 15.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

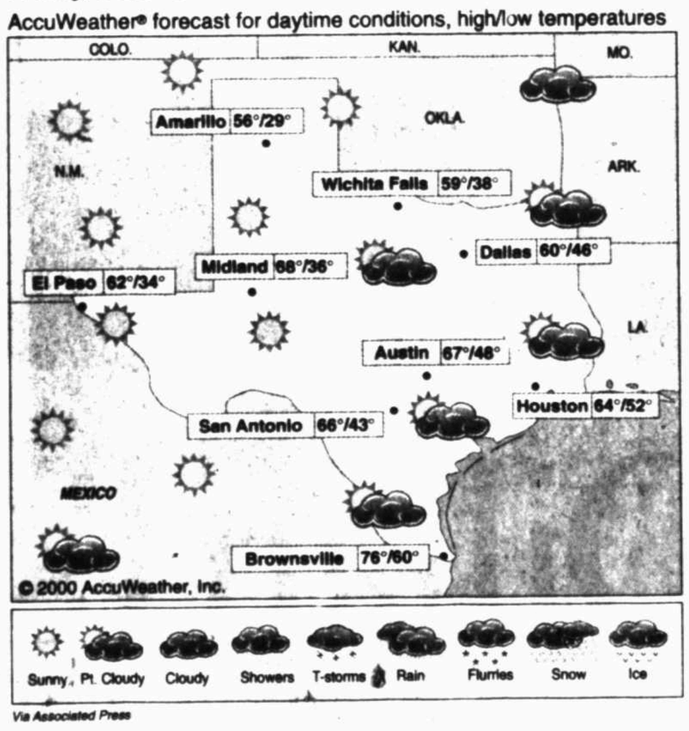
Temperatures indicate Thursday's high and overnight low to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Akron,Ohio	33	22	32	cdy
Albany,N.Y.	33	21	03	clr
Albuquerque	47	28	cdy	
Allentown,Pa.	39	26	04	clr
Anchorage	26	22	cdy	
Asheville	53	29	27	cdy
Atlanta	51	32	37	cdy
Atlantic City	55	28	59	clr
Baltimore	38	30	85	cdy
Baton Rouge	44	40	cdy	
Billings	27	1	clr	
Birmingham	44	44	43	rn
Bismarck	7	-12	cdy	
Boise	42	33	12	cdy
Boston	41	27	clr	
Bridgeport	43	28	29	clr
Buffalo	28	22	47	cdy
Burlington,Vt.	27	18	24	cdy
Caribou,Maine	20	3	34	clr
Casper	37	16	clr	
Charleston,S.C.	67	46	cdy	
Charleston,W.Va.	43	34	1.13	cdy
Charlotte,N.C.	48	32	18	cdy
Chattanooga	49	38	60	cdy
Cheyenne	41	17	clr	
Chicago	26	13	31	cdy
Cincinnati	32	29	35	cdy
Cleveland	27	23	36	cdy
Colorado Springs	47	8	cdy	
Columbia,S.C.	50	37	01	cdy
Columbus,Ga.	57	41	42	cdy
Columbus,Ohio	33	28	34	cdy
Concord,N.H.	28	20	61	clr
Dayton	29	26	23	cdy
Daytona Beach	82	61	cdy	
Denver	49	12	cdy	
Des Moines	17	2	cdy	
Detroit	28	20	28	cdy
Duluth	9	-2	02	cdy
Elkins	47	31	1.13	cdy
Erie	33	24	01	cdy
Eugene	50	44	31	rn
Evansville	26	26	15	cdy
Fairbanks	2	0	clr	
Fargo	11	-16	cdy	
Flagstaff	39	21	clr	
Flint	24	17	13	cdy
Fort Smith	32	30	rn	
Fort Wayne	26	22	08	cdy
Fresno	59	46	cdy	
Goodland	46	15	clr	
Grand Junction	39	27	cdy	
Grand Rapids	26	15	01	cdy
Great Falls	-1	-3	sno	
Green Bay	20	9	05	cdy
Greensboro,N.C.	43	30	11	cdy
Harrisburg	36	27	29	clr
Hartford Spgfld	33	24	28	clr
Helena	13	2	sno	
Honolulu	83	73	cdy	
Huntsville	39	39	86	rn
Indianapolis	27	26	14	cdy
Jackson,Miss.	36	34	rn	
Jacksonville	80	57	cdy	
Juneau	21	20	clr	
Kansas City	20	11	cdy	
Knoxville	47	35	74	cdy
Lake Charles	45	38	rn	
Lansing	25	17	13	cdy
Las Vegas	57	44	cdy	
Lexington	33	32	46	cdy
Lincoln	18	-5	cdy	
Little Rock	34	28	rn	
Los Angeles	62	51	cdy	
Louisville	33	32	24	cdy
Macon	53	39	18	cdy
Madison	22	8	02	mm
Medford	44	38	56	cdy
Memphis	34	30	cdy	
Miami Beach	81	72	cdy	
Milwaukee	27	18	02	mm
Mpls-St Paul	9	-5	04	cdy
Mobile	58	58	1.41	cdy
Montgomery	55	49	76	rn
Nashville	35	34	05	cdy
New Orleans	57	50	96	cdy
New York City	51	30	1.04	clr
Newark	50	31	1.10	clr
Norfolk,Va.	58	42	29	clr
North Platte	34	5	cdy	
Oklahoma City	32	15	cdy	
Omaha	19	1	cdy	
Orlando	83	65	cdy	
Paducah	26	25	01	rn
Pendleton	26	19	07	cdy
Peoria	24	8	03	cdy
Philadelphia	47	31	90	clr
Phoenix	65	43	clr	
Pittsburgh	36	28	56	cdy
Pocatello	37	27	01	clr
Portland,Maine	29	20	59	clr
Portland,Ore.	49	30	17	rn
Providence	38	27	53	clr
Pueblo	55	6	cdy	
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Richmond	49	31	17	clr
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Tallahassee	80	58	55	cdy
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Toledo	25	23	21	cdy
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Tucson	66	41	clr	
Tulsa	29	23	05	cdy
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W.Palm Beach	81	72	cdy	
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Yakima	22	8	cdy	
Youngstown	33	22	34	cdy
Yuma	66	48	clr	

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Via Associated Press

Bush may find Texas bipartisanship different from D.C.'s

By Jim Yardley
N.Y. Times News Service

AUSTIN — If President-elect George W. Bush's central message on Wednesday night was to promote healing and conciliation, the tonic he offered was bipartisanship, Texas-style.

"Here, in a place where Democrats have the majority," Bush said from the podium of the Texas House of Representatives, "Republicans and Democrats have worked together to do what is right for the people we represent."

The bipartisanship that Bush put on display Wednesday night when he chose the state's most powerful Democrat, House Speaker Pete Laney, is indeed genuine in the Texas Legislature. Bush enjoyed good relations with many Democratic legislators, some of whom even campaigned for him across the country. In part, he succeeded because his political style, built in part upon schmoozing and personal contact, played well in the backslapping culture of the Capitol.

But academics and even many lawmakers agree that bipartisanship is something of a misnomer in Texas if it is meant to suggest compromise and cooperation between two warring parties. The tenor of the Texas Capitol hardly resembles the divisiveness in Congress, where gridlock over issues like gun control and taxes exposes deep rifts between the parties.

In fact, many Republicans and Democrats in the Texas Legislature are fairly similar in ideology and are bound by a shared conservatism centering on limited government and low taxes. Many of the policies that Vice President Al Gore cited in criticizing Bush's record in Texas were approved with the help of Democratic lawmakers.

"A liberal agenda in Texas would be a mainstream agenda anywhere else," said Samantha Smoot, executive director of Texas Freedom Network, a group that monitors the religious right and that is one of the liberal organizations often frustrated with the status quo here.

Given Bush's narrow and protracted victory, and the nearly even political split in Congress, the president-elect has been urged to select some prominent Democrats for his administration to help forge a bipartisan spirit. U.S. Rep. Charles W. Stenholm, a Democrat, has been mentioned as a possible secretary of agriculture. Bush also has other potential Democratic allies in Congress. U.S. Rep. Ralph M. Hall, a conservative Democrat from East Texas, formally endorsed Bush in the campaign. And the governor called Rep. Gene Taylor, D-Miss., after Taylor said he would vote for Bush if the fate of the presidential race ended up in Congress.

In Texas, that sort of cross-pollination is common. A leading apostle was the late Bob Bullock, the former Democratic lieutenant governor who became Bush's political mentor and who helped smooth Bush's friendship with many Democrats.

Laney has appointed Republicans as chairmen of several House committees, while Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, a Democrat-turned-Republican who serves as presiding officer of the state Senate, has appointed Democrats to leadership positions there.

"He didn't invent bipartisanship in Texas," state Rep. Paul Sadler, a Democrat, said of Bush. "It kind of developed over the years because of the nature of the system."

The structure of Texas government alone, some have noted, lends itself to an atmosphere of cooperation. The Legislature meets every other year for a 140-day session in which all the business of one of the nation's most-populous states must be completed.

"Someone described it as trying to take a sip of water from a fire hydrant," state Rep. Steven D. Wolens, D-Dallas, , said of the pace of a session. He noted that there was not enough time to "try to one-up the other party so we can get an advantage."

State Rep. Patricia Gray, D-Galveston, said the political structure in Washington that has placed so much power in the hands of conservative congressional Republicans like Rep. Tom DeLay and Sen. Trent Lott does not exist in Texas.

"We don't have a minority and majority leader, or party whips, as they do in Congress and in many state legislatures," Gray said. "Bush doesn't have these party structures to go through to get to the right Democrat."

The few vocal critics of this Texas way of governing are those on the liberal and conservative extremes of both parties, who feel marginalized by the shared middle. Tom Pauken, a former chairman of the Texas Republican Party who was often critical of Bush, bristled when the governor defended Democrats whom Pauken and other party officials hoped to unseat. Pauken also helped defeat Bush's proposed tax overhaul in 1997, which many Democrats supported and many Republicans ultimately voted against.

Pauken said this style served mostly to preserve the status quo and frustrated factions of the Republican Party that wanted sharp change.

"The problem is in Washington you don't have people like Bullock," Pauken said, predicting a more difficult environment for Bush. "He's in for much tougher sledding trying to compromise in Washington. It will mean he will have to move a lot farther to the left than he did in Texas."

State Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, said the shared conservatism of lawmakers was often an impediment to progressive change.

"Even if something is bipartisan, it still often doesn't solve the problems of certain groups of people in Texas," Coleman said. "They would be people who don't have health insurance, working families, the vulnerable in our society."

During the campaign, Al Gore repeatedly criticized Bush's record in Texas, pointing to the state's large number of uninsured children and environmental policy that allowed companies operating outdated, heavily polluting industrial plants to decide whether or not they wanted to voluntarily come into state compliance, rather than mandating that they do. The bill sailed through the Legislature.

"It's that type of thing we often end up with," said Ken Kramer, executive director of the Lone Star Chapter of the Sierra Club. "A less-than-satisfactory and less-than-effective approach."

Bruce Buchanan, a professor of government at the University of Texas, said the state's political culture was directly connected to its business culture. In fact, Buchanan said, the boldest examples of progressive change in Texas, like education reform in the 1980s, have come only with the support of business.

In all, he said, the ethic of Texas bipartisanship is pretty basic: "Government shouldn't be activist. The less government, the better."

Bush claims pastoral influence led him to the White House

By Ken Herman
N.Y Times News Service

AUSTIN — To hear the preacher and the president-elect tell the tale, their relationship is the place where church met state and left a profound impact on each other and world history.

George W. Bush, who will be the most spiritual man in the White House since Jimmy Carter, says Pastor Mark Craig of Dallas helped convince him to seek the White House.

And Craig, in town Thursday for a morning prayer service for the president-elect, said Bush helped convince him that there are politicians worth believing in.

Two days after getting the good word from the Supreme Court, Craig was among those at the Tarrytown United Methodist Church putting in a good word for Bush with the supreme being.

Craig, who served as Bush's pastor at the Highland Park United Methodist Church in Dallas, has played an important enough role in Bush's personal and political life to rate a page-one reference in "A Charge to Keep," Bush's book.

Craig offered a sermon in January 1999 at a prayer service prior to the ceremony at which Bush was sworn in for a second term as governor, the book says.

"I've heard powerful sermons, inspiring sermons and a few too many boring sermons," Bush wrote. "But this sermon reached out and grabbed me, and changed my life."

The sermon, offered at the First United Methodist Church near the Capitol, included Craig's rhetorical offer of $86,400 to each person in the church.

"It's all yours, with just one small catch," he said, as Bush recalls in his book. "You have to spend it all, every bit, today. Use it or lose it."

But as the audience wallowed in thoughts of extravagant spending sprees, Craig re-tooled the offer and said he was talking about 86,400 as in the number of seconds in a day.

"The sermon was a rousing call to make the most of every moment, discard reservations, throw caution to the wind, rise to the challenge," Bush recalled.

"He talked of the need for honesty in government. He warned that leaders who cheat on their wives will cheat their country, will cheat their colleagues, will cheat themselves," Bush wrote.

Sometime during the sermon, Barbara Bush leaned over to her eldest son and said, "He's talking to you."

Bush wrote that the sermon "spoke directly to my heart and my life." And, at a time when he claimed to be undecided about a presidential race (though his team was months into laying the groundwork) Bush said Craig's remarks were influential.

"It seemed the pastor was challenging me to do more," wrote Bush, who two months later would announce the exploratory committee that led to his presidency.

"As I started my second term as governor I was struggling with the decision about whether to seek the presidency, worried about what that decision would mean for my family and my own life. And Pastor Mark Craig had prodded me out of my comfortable life as governor of Texas and toward a national campaign," Bush wrote.

Bush was in the front row on Thursday when Craig spoke again as Bush prepared to make another major transition.

"You changed my life," Craig told Bush. "I had been cynical and apathetic about politics and about the way elections go. I didn't like that I had become somewhat skeptical and cynical. In the third (presidential) debate, you changed my life."

Craig said Bush had impressed him at that debate by speaking from the heart. The pastor said it made him weep.

"I remember trying to hide it, I was very embarrassed. I never cried because of anything a politician had said," said Craig, drawing laughter in the church before he restored the somber tone. "You brought healing. You brought hope to the young and elderly."

"That's what Moses did. He was chosen by God, and you have been chosen by God to lead the people," Craig added.

Texas landowner uses portable toilets to dispute zoning rules

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — To hear landowners tell it, a Central Texas town's restrictions on zoning have let the neighborhood go to pot.

To protest what Don Holmes calls unfair zoning regulations for the main roads into Kerrville, he has placed 22 used portable toilets for sale at his own lot along Texas 16 this month.

The frustrated automobile salesman has been stewing ever since Kerrville's planning and zoning commission recommended the City Council deny him a conditional use permit for a "high-end" used car dealership.

"I'm trying to make a public statement about how messed up the zoning rules are," Holmes, 64, of Waring told the San Antonio Express-News in Thursday's editions. "I could literally do anything I want to over there but try to sell cars."

The yellow toilets, for sale at $150 each, next door to a new multimillion-dollar hotel along one main downtown approach, have caught the gaze of angry merchants and those devoted to promoting a more sanitary image for this city about 230 miles southwest of Dallas.

The manager of the new $2 million-plus Hampton Inn next door to Holmes' property says the toilets are hurting his business.

Tim Dolan, city planning director, said the "gateway district" zoning designation that dates from 1997 is designed to promote land uses that encourage tourism, recreation and visitation. But he said septic cleaning services and utensils are among acceptable uses.

"It is permissible," Dolan said of Holmes' loo lot.

But City Attorney Kevin Laughlin said a Jeep on sale on Holmes' property could present a problem.

Holmes has already sold two of the used "porta-cans," which he is also pitching as deer blinds.

"I'm on my way over there right now to put signs on them that say, 'one owner' and 'low mileage,' Holmes said Wednesday.

GIRL: Autopsy results expected soon

(From 1A)

ty Sheriff Gary Painter said Thursday.

"The investigation is still continuing at this time," Painter said. "We are currently interviewing people and otherwise moving forward, but it will be at least a week before we can offer any new details."

Earlier this week investigator Greg Galvan, who was initially placed in charge of the Cates investigation, said preliminary information seemed to indicate that the gunshot wound was not self-inflicted, but stressed that until the release of the autopsy results, it would not be possible to know for sure.

Kourtney Cates was laid to rest last Monday at Fairview cemetery in Midland.

BAND: Schools hope entire community will support effort

(From 1A)

Randy Storie. "The past students that went have always treasured the event and come back to tell me what a great opportunity it was for them."

The two bands also have connections on their side.

"It helps that Laura Bush went to Lee and the president-elect is from Midland," Storie said. The former Laura Welch graduated from Lee in 1964.

When asked to give his take on the possibility of going to Washington, Doherty said, "This is a bipartisan effort with Lee. The whole community will win."

The bands will try and coordinate with local radio stations, canvas neighborhoods to try and seek donations for both Midland and Lee high school bands.

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Thousands in East Texas still without power

By Susan Parrott
Associated Press

Downtown Marshall twinkles each holiday season with thousands of bright lights.

But not the past two days.

Marshall remained in the dark most of Thursday as crews worked to restore power to tens of thousands of residents left in the cold after ice-laden trees downed power lines throughout Texas.

About 130,000 AEP/Southwest Electric Power customers in East Texas, most in the Marshall and Longview area, lost electricity Wednesday. With temperatures below freezing, many families sought warmth out of the area or at Red Cross shelters.

By midday Thursday, power had been restored to about 24,000 customers, but tens of thousands more could be without electricity for days.

"It's very widespread," company spokeswoman Ali Davis said. "They are calling it a seven-day storm because it could be next Tuesday evening before power is back to everyone."

The company has 1,100 workers in the region to repair lines, including 138 crews to clear tree debris.

TXU Electric & Gas reported at midday that about 40,000 customers remained without power in Tyler, Jacksonville and along the Interstate 35 corridor south of Dallas to Austin.

"The trees in the Tyler and Jacksonville areas caused not only a greater number of outages but a more time-consuming restoration because of the tangling of limbs around poles, light fixtures and other electric equipment," said Rob Trimble, senior vice president of distribution operations for TXU.

Most TXU customers, including 300 households in the Dallas-Fort Worth area that were without power, were expected to have electricity by Thursday night, said Trimble. About 1,800 TXU repair personnel were at work.

In Tyler, power was restored to a nursing home that was evacuated by dozens of residents who stayed at a Tyler church Wednesday night.

"Everybody is fine," said Pat Wilson, an administrator at Camelot Skilled Nursing. "They think they had a party. It was a change for them."

Burton Stansbery of Longview said the small gas heater he owns has literally been a lifesaver for him and his wife.

"That's kept us from freezing to death," said Stansbery, 83. "I think this is the worse we've ever had it here. These great trees are just falling over. It woke everybody up, popping and banging. The dogs were just howling."

The Red Cross shelter in Marshall, which was without power for a time Wednesday, moved operations Thursday to East Texas Baptist University, where they expected to house up to 100 people.

"As long as they need us, we're going to have shelters open," said Red Cross spokeswoman Christy Stennis-Ball.

She said that while power was being restored to the city's core, which includes a hospital and city services buildings, many outlying areas were expected to be without electricity for days.

At the Marshall Wal-Mart, power was restored and business was brisk as customers bought up supplies of propane gas and lamp oil, said manager Bill Daniels.

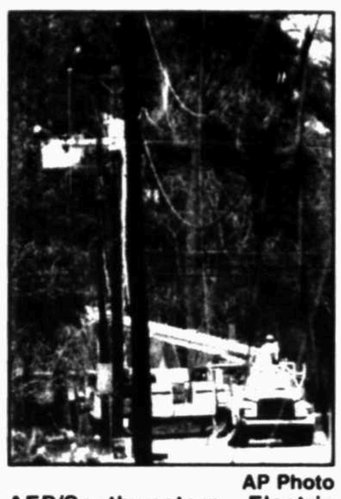
"A lot of people are doing their Christmas shopping too," he said. "This is always a busy week for us."

On Wednesday, the store allowed customers to enter the darkened store with flashlights to get emergency supplies.

Freezing rain and sleet began pelting much of Texas on Tuesday afternoon. On Wednesday, ice-laden branches began falling off trees, downing power lines. At one time, about 300,000 Texans were without electricity.

The outages included about 50,000 customers in the Tyler area; 25,000 in Dallas; 25,000 in the Waco and Killeen area; 65,000 in Austin; and, 130,000 in the Longview-Marshall area.

Outages also were reported in Kilgore, Henderson, Carthage, Paris and as far north as Texarkana.



AP Photo
AEP/Southwestern Electric Power repair crews replace one of three poles damaged by falling trees Thursday, in Longview. Citizens have been without power since an ice storm hit the region early Wednesday.

Bygones...



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Retiring County Commissioner Louisa Valencia, right, hugs Midland County Republican Chairman Sue Brannon. Mrs. Valencia and Henry Goulet were honored at a reception Thursday at Midland County Courthouse.

Police Reports

Train-vehicle accident

A Tarzan woman narrowly escaped what could have been serious injury Thursday at the interchange of Highway 80 and I-20.

Margaret Lindsay, 37, of Tarzan, tried to cross the railroad tracks as a train approached, Department of Public Safety troopers said. She realized she couldn't make it across before the train and put her pickup into reverse, officers said, and the train struck Ms. Lindsay's front bumper.

Ms. Lindsay was charged with disregarding a signal at a railroad crossing. DPS troopers said warning devices at the intersection were working.

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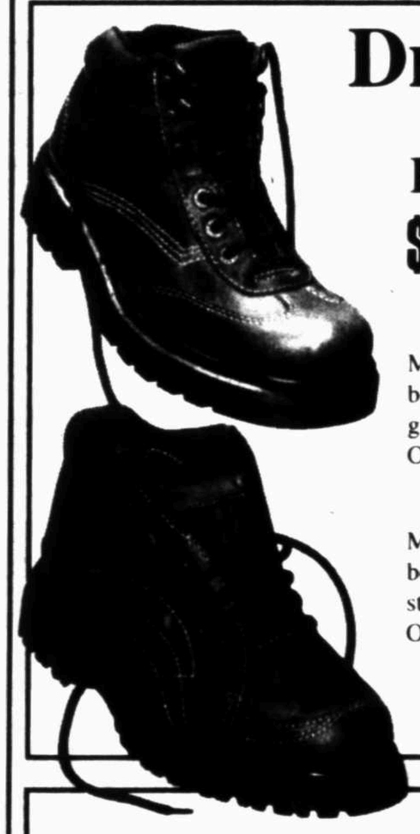
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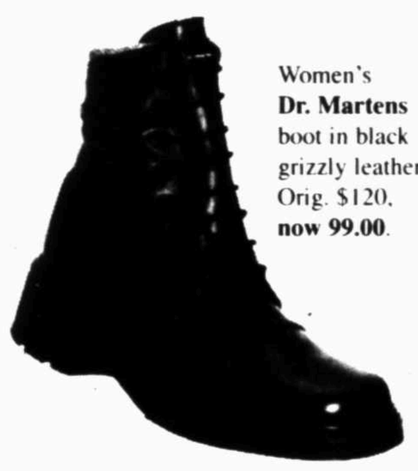
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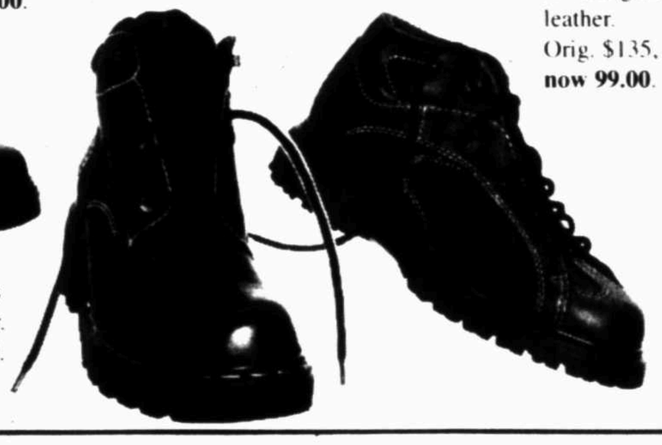
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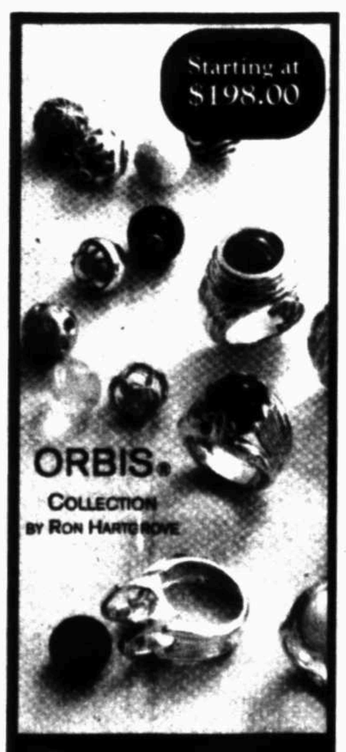
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Seven inmates escape from South Texas prison

By Michelle Koidin
Associated Press

KENEDY — Little trace remained on Thursday of seven heavily armed inmates, including two convicted murderers, who used cunning and force to break out of a South Texas prison.

Search teams using a helicopter, horses and hounds had come up empty more than a full day after the daring escape from the Connally Unit. Roadblocks and ground searches were discontinued Thursday afternoon as it became apparent the escapees likely no longer were in the area.

"We are effectively now committing this to the combined law enforcement resources of Texas and the nation," Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Glen Castlebury said.

Larry Todd, another spokesman for the prison system, added that there were no confirmed sightings or thefts reported in the area, but the few scarce leads were being "pursued with vigor."

"So we don't know where they are. It's a lot of theory and speculation that the inmates have left the area, but we don't know," Todd said. "But the search is continuing."

The men, who fled Wednesday afternoon in a stolen pickup truck, left the vehicle behind the Wal-Mart in Kenedy, five miles north of the prison. Kenedy, a town of 3,800 that relies on the prison and ranching, is 60 miles southeast of San Antonio.

Authorities are studying items left behind in the truck, possibly to figure out where they went next. Todd would not discuss what was found in the pickup.



AP Photo

Texas Department of Criminal Justice officers gather off Highway 99 in Karnes County, Thursday, where seven prisoners escaped from the John B. Connally prison facility in nearby Kenedy on Wednesday afternoon.

The inmates fled with 14 .357 Magnum pistols with 238 rounds of ammunition, a loaded automatic rifle and a loaded shotgun that they stole from a guard tower.

According to Todd, the inmates took 10 civilian employees, three fellow prisoners and a guard hostage as the workers returned to the prison's maintenance shop from lunch Wednesday. The prisoners, who reportedly threatened the workers with a metal object, roughed up some of the victims and stole jeans and work shirts off their backs, Todd said.

Some of the victims were treated for minor injuries.

Many of the workers reported they had wallets in their pants, Todd said, meaning the escapees might have gotten away with cash, credit cards and identification documents.

During the escape, the inmates bound the hostages' hands with tape and wire and locked them in a back room, Todd said. The escapees broke a key in the room's lock to buy time, he said.

Posing as the workers, the inmates then called the back gate guard tower and notified a guard they needed to perform work. The guard called back, Todd said, and the inmates answered and confirmed the work order.

Two inmates, dressed as civilian workers, drove to the back gate, climbed to the tower and overpowered the guard, Todd said. The others reportedly were hiding in the truck bed, covered with cardboard.

"These inmates are very cunning and knew exactly what they were doing," Todd said. "Some of the officers speculate they'd been practicing, planning and plotting this for several months."

Correspondence found in some of the inmates' cells also indicates an escape plan, Todd said, though the letters yielded few details.

The inmates stole the guns, which were stored in the tower because it is against policy to have firearms inside prison fences, Todd said. It was the last time the seven men were reported seen.

"There will be a serious incident review," Todd said. "But that's on the back burner right now. Our primary focus is to recapture the seven inmates."

Castlebury said that of 275 inmates who have escaped from Texas prisons over the last 16 years, only one remains on the loose. Free since 1997, Jose Salaz is thought to be in Mexico.

In addition to local and state police agencies, the U.S. Border Patrol and other federal law officers are on the lookout for the latest escapees. The nearest Mexican border crossing, Laredo, is about a three-hour drive from Kenedy.

All the escapees were convicted of violent offenses but had clean enough records behind bars to work in the shop, which is inside the unit, Todd said.

The prison system identified the escapees as:

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- Randy Halprin, 23, serving 30 years for child abuse in Fort Worth;
- Larry Harper, 37, serving 50 years for aggravated sexual assault in El Paso;
- Patrick Murphy Jr., 39, serving 50 years for aggravated sexual assault with a deadly weapon and burglary in Dallas.
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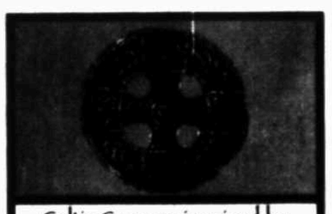
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Perry to move up to governor when Bush resigns

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, a farmer from West Texas and a diehard Aggie fan, isn't worried about succeeding one of the state's most popular governors.

At least, he isn't showing it.

Perry, 50, who moved forward Thursday with his plans to become governor once George W. Bush resigns the post, said the public will barely notice the difference between his administration and the one Bush has led for six years.

"Certainly, you are not going to see a great philosophical difference between Rick Perry and George Bush," Perry said. "We share the same type of philosophy."

But in style, the two men differ a bit.

"Maybe it will be the difference between a Yalie and an Aggie," Perry joked, referring to Bush's education in the East.

Perry, who for more than a year has been anxiously waiting to learn whether he will move up to governor, will be sworn in without an election to fill the remaining two years of Bush's second term.

Then the Texas Senate will select one of its 31 members to succeed Perry in arguably state government's most powerful job.

Perry was elected lieutenant governor in 1998, as Bush was reelected by an overwhelming margin and led a slate of Republican candidates into all the statewide offices.

Bush hasn't revealed when he will resign as governor.

Perry has taken the transition, and the five-week-long overtime election, in stride, joking once that his future as governor was in the hands of "chad" — the little bits of paper dangling from punchcard ballots.

"Now we know this election and my position will not be determined by either George Bush or Al Gore but by some guy they call hanging Chad," Perry said shortly after the Nov. 7 balloting.



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Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, center, stands between Dr. Priscilla D. Slade, left, and Robert A. Estrada, right, as he waits for a news conference to begin where he announced the appointment of a a bipartisan team of advisers to assist him with his transition to the Office of Governor.

Quietly, Perry put together a transition team that he unveiled this week. Made up of Democrats and Republicans, the team will focus on state-federal relations; Texas-Mexico relations; and appointments.

On Thursday, as he met with business leaders in Dallas, Perry sent out a news release saying he will announce his first appointment for his administration on Friday.

Wasting no time, he also announced the appointment of four co-chairs who will oversee his swearing-in ceremony when Bush resigns.

While Perry will take a higher profile position as governor, he leaves a powerful office that presides over the state Senate. The lieutenant governor names Senate committee chairs and controls the flow of legislation. He also sits on key legislative boards.

As governor, Perry will have to use his skills of persuasion to push for particular legislation, but he says he is not worried about losing influence.

"When the governor of the state of Texas stands up and makes very clear statements of principle and philosophy and direction relative to higher education, for instance, the people of the state of Texas will pay attention," Perry said.

Already, six state senators have emerged as candidates to be Perry's successor. Among them are Republican Sens. J.E. "Buster" Brown of Lake Jackson; Teel Bivins of Amarillo; Bill Ratliff of Mt. Pleasant; David Sibley of Waco; and Jeff Wentworth of San Antonio. Democrat Ken Armbrister of Victoria, a Bush ally during the presidential campaign, is another hopeful for the job.

Perry has said that he would promote issues that top his agenda — education and transportation — whether he ended up as governor or lieutenant governor.

"I think that the people of Texas can expect Gov. Perry to offer some very innovative ideas in a new direction for issues like education and transportation," said Robert Black, spokesman for the Republican Party of Texas. "He is a leader who will define the issues and determine a direction that Texas should go take."

Perry has proposed establishing high-tech scholarships at two-year colleges, training more teachers to use computer tools, providing incentives to attract more math and science teachers and getting the high-tech community more involved in classrooms.

With 80 percent of the nation's truck traffic from the North American Free Trade Agreement coming through Texas, the state needs new ways to confront transportation problems, Perry said.

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Feds attack Mexican-led cocaine, marijuana smuggling ring

By David Ho
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The government offered a $2 million reward Thursday for a Mexican drug kingpin known as "the friend-killer" as agents in three countries began arresting more than 100 members of his gang.

"I am confident that we will find him and bring him to justice," DEA Administrator Donnie Marshall said at a press conference to announce the move against the Mexican-led gang that smuggled tons of cocaine and marijuana into the United States.

Begun in October 1999, Operation Impunity II was the third major effort launched by the Drug Enforcement Administration since 1997 against the gang based in Reynosa and Matamoros, Mexico.

The gang's violent leader, Osiel Cardenas Guillen, stitched together remnants of two other gangs, formerly led by Amado Carrillo Fuentes and Juan Garcia Abrego, Marshall said.

"His capture is of paramount importance in this investigation," Marshall said. He noted that Cardenas Guillen has openly threatened U.S. agents and is known for purges of his own organization, which earned him the "the friend-killer" nickname in Mexico.

"Those drug traffickers that threaten our agents can expect to be pursued and brought to justice, no matter what the cost in time or effort," he said.

DEA and FBI agents were arresting people in New York; Chicago; Columbus, Ohio; Memphis, Tenn.; Louisville, Miss.; and Houston, McAllen and Brownsville, Texas. By late afternoon, 57 people had been arrested, DEA spokeswoman Ila Brown said.

Eight U.S. provisional arrest warrants were given to Mexican police, who were trying to arrest key figures there. Another warrant was forwarded to the Dominican Republic for their police to arrest a Dominican national.

The Mexican attorney general's office announced the arrest of three Colombians, Ruben Dario Nieto Benjumea, Gustavo Adolfo Londono Zapata and Elkin F. Cano Villa, who were allegedly coordinating a cocaine shipment with Cardenas Guillen. The Mexicans also seized various property belonging to Cardenas Guillen in the northern state of Tamaulipas.

"Today's arrests are expected to have a substantial impact on the volume of drugs entering South Texas from Mexico for distribution throughout the United States," Attorney General Janet Reno said. "Operation Impunity II has been extremely successful in disrupting sources of supply of cocaine and marijuana and identifying both the foreign and domestic managers of this trafficking organization."

The State Department offered a $2 million reward for the capture of Cardenas Guillen or either of his two lieutenants, Adan Medrano and Juan Manuel Garza Rendon, in case they elude Thursday's dragnet in Mexico.

Prior to Thursday's raid, Operation Impunity II had made 82 arrests and seized $10.8 million in cash, 9,000 pounds of marijuana and 5,266 kilograms of cocaine, Marshall said. Overall, the three operations had produced 248 arrests and seized $36 million, 25,000 pounds of marijuana and 46,200 pounds of cocaine from 1997 through Wednesday.

"The rules of evidence force us to periodically take down parts of this operation, but the three operations show we're not stopping. We keep hitting them," said Joe Keefe, DEA chief of operations. "We've affected them, and forced them into new alliances to keep functioning."

Keefe said the investigation was continuing in other Midwestern and Western cities.

The gang smuggled cocaine from Colombia into the United States hidden under tractor-trailer loads of carrots, cilantro, lettuce, limes and jalapeno peppers, said Rod Benson, assistant special agent of the DEA's special operations branch. Sixty percent of each shipment was moved to New York and turned over to Colombian and Dominican distribution cells.

The other 40 percent was kept by the Mexican-led gang as payment for the smuggling operation and was shipped to their cells in Chicago, Houston, Memphis, Tenn., and Columbus, Ohio, for distribution by their own people, a DEA official said.

Cardenas Guillen was indicted, along with seven associates, in a U.S. Customs Service case in March in Brownsville on charges of conspiracy to distribute drugs and of assault on federal officers. The indictments were unsealed Thursday.

One assault charge involves a June 9, 1999 attack on an investigator working undercover for the Customs Service in Brownsville. The other charges grew out of a Nov. 9, 1999, incident at midday on the busiest street in Matamoros. A DEA agent and an FBI agent had been followed by a car through the city until a truck cut them off.

They were quickly surrounded by about a dozen men armed with AK-47 and AR-15 assault weapons and gold-plated .45-caliber pistols, Benson said. Cardenas Guillen stuck his head and a submachine gun into the U.S. agents' car and told them he would kill them. While the other armed men aimed their weapons at the car, the U.S. agents convinced Cardenas Guillen it would not be in his best interests to kill them.

Reporters fined for not releasing notes

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Two reporters face fines of $40,000 each — tallied at $100 a minute — after refusing to turn over interview notes with a defendant in a murder trial.

Common Pleas Judge Jane Cutler Greenspan ordered the fines to begin at noon Wednesday and continue until the end of testimony on Thursday.

Prosecutor Emily Zimmerman told the judge she had understood that the fine would accrue overnight. But on Thursday, Greenspan said it would add up only while the reporters were in court. By the time testimony ended midday, each fine amounted to $40,000.

The Philadelphia Inquirer and Philadelphia Tribune, a twice-weekly black newspaper, said they would appeal the contempt fines imposed on their reporters.

Brian Tyson, on trial for the 1997 shooting death of 23-year-old Damon Millner, was under house arrest when he told the reporters he fired in self-defense after a gang of drug dealers shot at him and tried to blow up his car.

Inquirer reporter Mark Bowden, testifying Thursday, declined to answer questions unless they related to his 1998 three-part series on the case. He cited Pennsylvania shield laws and the First Amendment.

Tribune reporter Linn Washington Jr. was not asked to testify, though his notes had been subpoenaed.

"The job of a newspaper is not to serve as an investigative arm of the prosecution," Inquirer Editor Robert Rosenthal said.

Pennsylvania is one of 40 states with a shield law protecting journalists from divulging unpublished reporting. However, the state Supreme Court rejected the newspapers' appeal for a stay on Monday, saying the interview notes are not protected because Tyson did not request confidentiality.

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California scrambles for power; seeks federal help

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Power-strapped California's reprieve from the threat of blackouts proved brief Thursday as state regulators scrambled to find more electricity and looked to federal officials for more help.

At one point the energy officials said they were 1,000 megawatts away from declaring a Stage 3 alert that could trigger rolling blackouts. One megawatt is enough electricity for 1,000 homes.

But after trying to find more suppliers in the West, the Independent System Operator, keeper of the state's power grid, predicted at midafternoon that blackouts would be narrowly avoided for the second straight day.

"We expect to skate by at the peak with just under 5 percent operating reserves," said Kellan Fluckiger, the ISO's chief operating officer.

The scramble, again blamed on tight supplies and high costs, came a day before federal regulators were to provide a much-anticipated plan for scaling back skyrocketing wholesale electricity prices.

Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., and state Senate leader John Burton on Thursday asked U.S. Attorney Janet Reno to investigate whether power generators were conspiring to boost electricity prices and "gouge consumers."

On Wednesday, ISO officials credited intervention by Energy Secretary Bill Richardson with fending off outages. Richardson said he would order investor-owned wholesalers to sell power to California at a price he considered fair.

Richardson also asked two large power generating associations in the Pacific Northwest to send more electricity to California.

Gov. Gray Davis and Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., praised Richardson's move, but awaited more help from the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, which is expected to issue an order Friday. Davis and Feinstein are calling for a regional price cap — set at the cost of generating power, plus a reasonable profit — to prevent suppliers from gouging customers. Washington state Gov. Gary Locke urges similar action.

Davis and Feinstein also propose long-term contracts between power producers and suppliers at "reasonable prices" to smooth price spikes during hot or cold weather.

Consumer advocates favor long-term contracts and a regional price cap.

"We need to see hard price caps," said Michael Shames, executive director of Utility Consumers' Action Network in San Diego, a nonprofit watchdog group with 38,000 members.

Electricity suppliers say such a cap would discourage construction of new power plants because companies look to increase their profits by building more efficient plants.

"If you give people the economic incentive, they will do a better job," said Steven Greenwald, a San Francisco lawyer who represents power suppliers.

FERC Chairman James Hoecker has said only that the commission will take strong action.

"We believe in competitive markets," Hoecker said Wednesday. "We believe we can make them work, but they have to work responsibly and they have to produce reasonable prices."

Spokeswoman Tamara Young-Allen said commission members would not comment further until they issue their order.

Under a preliminary plan the FERC issued last month, companies offering to sell power at more than $150 per megawatt hour would have to file paperwork with FERC defending the higher price.

FERC officials also proposed requiring utility suppliers to buy 95 percent of their electricity from generators more than a day in advance, to blunt high costs. FERC would impose a fee of $100 per megawatt hour if a utility disobeyed.

ISO officials said financial problems faced by two of California's biggest utilities, Southern California Edison and Pacific & Electric Co., have hampered efforts to buy power from some suppliers.

Those companies or municipal utilities wanted more guarantees — such as letters of credit — that they would be paid, Fluckiger said.

Southern California Edison and PG&E say they've been caught between a retail rate freeze imposed as part of the state's transition to a deregulated market and soaring wholesale prices.

The two say they have spent $8 billion more than they have collected from their retail customers.

Richardson wants FERC officials to meet with investor-owned utilities, generators, marketers and state regulators to try and solve California's problems.

The power crunch over the past few months has been blamed in part on electricity deregulation. California approved a phased-in deregulation of the electricity market in 1996 to try to lower prices for consumers through competition, but so far it has led to higher energy prices.

Fluckiger said the state faces a long-term supply problem, driven in part by the rapid growth of Silicon Valley, that only more generating facilities or a drop in demand can solve.

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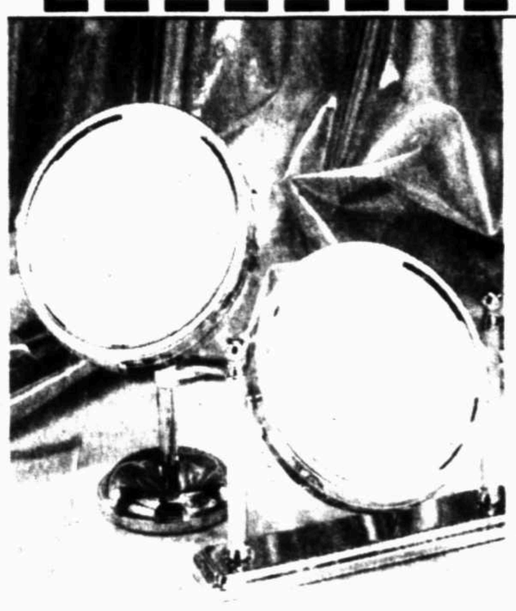
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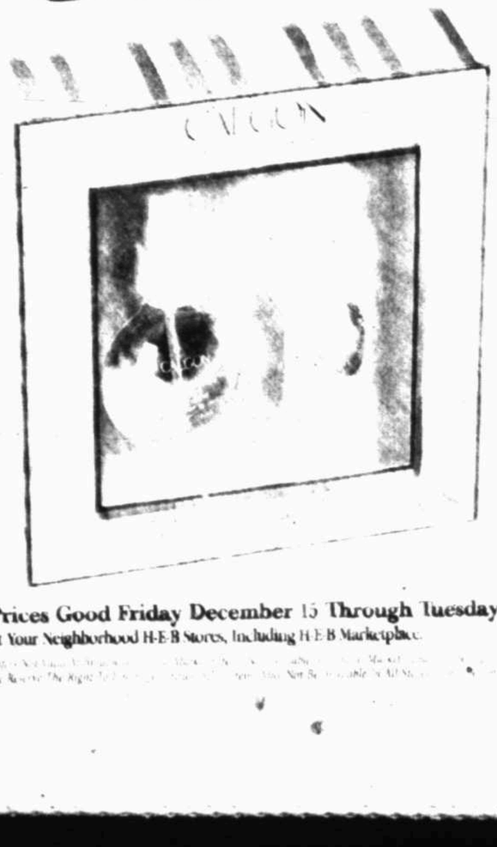
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Downtown Midland could get a boost from TIRZ plan

The eroding state of Midland's downtown has been a nagging concern for several years.

While our skyline still looks attractive from a distance, the cold, hard truth is many of the once-bustling downtown office buildings are standing empty. The only tenants are the ghosts of past prosperity.

The dirty secret is as these buildings decline in value, they serve as a drain on our city's overall tax base.

To confront this problem, the city is considering a downtown Midland Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ). City leaders and Downtown Midland Inc. have been planting seeds with regard to the TIRZ, and after the new year begins, the city will take up the matter in earnest.

Downtown Midland Inc. is stressing a TIRZ does not represent a "give back" or "abatement" of taxes. Instead, a TIRZ works by capturing the value generated in the TIRZ above the base year value and "reinvesting" that revenue back into public improvements within the TIRZ.

The TIRZ can be successful, but leaders from the city and Downtown Midland Inc. know they have a pair of tough public relations obstacles to overcome.

The word "tax" is an especially dirty word here in Midland. In reality, the word tax with regard to the TIRZ could actually indicate tax relief for homeowners who end up paying the freight for underperforming properties.

Secondly, the TIRZ is not intended to pit the downtown area against the Loop 250 retail district or any other section of town. The TIRZ is part of an overall economic strategy that could help improve our entire city over the long haul.

Surveys have shown that Midlanders still hold a warm spot in their hearts for downtown. They don't want to see it in a state of decay. But many of these same Midlanders rarely find themselves visiting our downtown.

We know we probably won't be able to turn back the clock and restore the glory days of our downtown when office buildings were bulging and finding a parking spot was a tough chore.

But with a sound strategy, we can rethink the downtown area and envision it has a haven for the arts, nightlife and some residential living.

Over the next couple of months, Midlanders will have the opportunity to learn more about the proposed TIRZ.

The TIRZ makes sense and if employed properly could have a tremendous impact on our overall quality of life here in Midland.

Today in History

Today is Friday, Dec. 15, the 350th day of 2000. There are 16 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Dec. 15, 1791, the Bill of Rights went into effect following ratification by Virginia.

On this date:

In 1890, Sioux Indian Chief Sitting Bull and 11 other tribe members were killed in Grand River, S.D., during a fracas with Indian police.

In 1916, the French defeated the Germans in the World War I Battle of Verdun.

In 1938, groundbreaking ceremonies for the Jefferson Memorial took place in Washington D.C.

In 1939, the motion picture "Gone With the Wind" had its world premiere in Atlanta.

In 1944, a single-engine plane carrying bandleader Glenn Miller disappeared over the English Channel while en route to Paris.

In 1948, former State Department official Alger Hiss was indicted by a federal grand jury in New York on charges of perjury. (He was convicted in 1950.)

In 1961, former Nazi official Adolf Eichmann was sentenced to death by an Israeli court.

In 1965, two U.S. manned spacecraft, Gemini 6 and Gemini 7, maneuvered to within 10 feet of each other while in orbit.

In 1978, President Carter announced he would grant diplomatic recognition to Communist China on New Year's Day and sever official relations with Taiwan.

In 1989, a popular uprising began that resulted in the downfall of Romanian dictator Nicolae Ceausescu.

Ten years ago: European Community leaders wrapped up a historic summit in Rome committed to creating a politically unified federation. With one month left before a U.N. deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait, Iraq gave no indication it was prepared to pull out.

Five years ago: President Clinton defied a deadline for turning over a former aide's Whitewater notes, prompting a deeply divided Senate investigative committee to vote to challenge him in federal court. (The White House agreed six days later to turn over the notes.) French rail workers voted to end a three-week-old strike.

WILLIAM SAFIRE

Gore concedes with grace, diginity

WASHINGTON — Nothing concedes like concession. In his pre-comeback valedictory address, Al Gore (unlike another defeated candidate in 1962) did not bitterly lash out at his opponents.



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On the contrary, Gore rose to the historic occasion like the patriot most of us expected him to be. "I accept the finality of this outcome. ... I offer my concession," he said gently, not flinching from the painful word. "This belatedly broken impasse can point us all to a new common ground."

Vice President Gore will, with equally good grace on Jan. 6, 2001, discharge his responsibility as president of the Senate to chair a joint session of the House and Senate to announce the official result of the vote of the Electoral College — and thereby to proclaim the election of the man who defeated him.

That's what Vice President Richard Nixon good-naturedly did for John F. Kennedy in 1961 (R.N.: "I detect a trend here") and what Vice President Hubert Humphrey just could not abide doing for Nixon in 1969. Tradition calls for the electoral result to be announced state by state, and the cameras will zoom in to a close-up of Gore's face when it comes to Florida; a medium sigh followed by discreet eye-rolling would be well received.

That, following a cordial meeting of the former political combatants, should help along the process of public acceptance of George W. Bush, the nonloser who is president-elect.

For the next few days, until the naming of the cabinet dominates the news, we can expect much learned hand-wringing about the "wound" the Supreme Court inflicted on itself by daring to hear, and to rule on, the hottest political case imaginable — and under record time pressure. Now the justices know what it's like to write against a deadline.

The whole court did itself proud. The close majority opinion that denied an unconstitutional recount; the 7-2 agreement that the Florida Supreme Court, in failing to provide statewide standards for recounts, had denied "equal protection" to all voters; the vigorous dissents of the liberal quartet that partly concurred with one another — all these were the products of fine legal minds thinking fast, unafraid of complexity, unsullied by rancor. (Justice John Paul Stevens was a tad intemperate, but we geezers are permitted some passion.)

The central complaint of the losing side is that the nation's highest court stopped the counting and then said time had run out. But it was the Florida Supreme Court that shortened the contest period from four weeks to two, and reaffirmed, in its slow-walking response to the U.S. Supreme Court's urgent questioning, the state election law's inexorable Dec. 12 deadline.

Though the Rehnquist court can expect much law-school derision for its activism in enforcing judicial restraint, it can lick its "wound" by considering how much tension it saved the Republic.

Were it not for the court's willingness to take the case and the heat, internecine mud-wrestling would have gone on for at least another month. If Gore had edged ahead in the counting of "undervotes," Bush would have contested unexamined "overvotes." If the Florida Supremes had named a Gore slate of electors, the Florida Legislature would have named its own; some electors in other states may then have been seduced into faithlessness; ultimately, the ever-more-angry dispute would have wound up in Congress.

At the end, with the GOP in control of the clear majority of states, we would have ended up exactly where we are today: with President-elect Bush. Along the way, many now-reasonable opponents would have become implacable enemies, and the electorate would have been not just evenly divided but angrily polarized. The Supreme Court, at some cost to its own serenity but not to its historic reputation, saved us from that.

After the court acted, Gore did the right thing within 24 hours. Only then did the man Gore called "president-elect" play his part in the necessary coming-together:

"I hope the long wait of the last five weeks," Bush said, "will heighten a desire to move beyond the bitterness and partisanship of the recent past." He reiterated Gore's theme of a "common ground," and drove it home with: "I was not elected to serve one party, but to serve one nation."

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DAN RATHER

Court's reputation tarnished by split decision in case

Even with the presidential race finally settled, it seems clear the debate will continue for some time to come. Not debate over whether George Bush or Al Gore was the actual choice of more voters in Florida and elsewhere; there will be plenty of that, yes, but it will winnow as events make this argument increasingly pointless. The debate that will last is the one over the divided Supreme Court decision in Bush v. Gore that essentially handed the election to Bush.

In the immediate aftermath, it's easy to see Bush as the winner and Gore as the loser in the Court's ruling. But in the long run, it may become clearer that this was a decision with more than enough in it to disappoint everyone.



Rather

Surely President-elect Bush and his supporters cannot be pleased with the withering language of Justice John Paul Stevens' dissent, the by-now oft'-quoted: "Although we may never know with complete certainty the identity of the winner of this year's presidential election, the identity of the loser is perfectly clear. It is the Nation's confidence in the judge as an impartial guardian of the rule of law." Indeed, Gore partisans started repeating these words before the ink was even dry on the 65-page decision. Especially the part about never knowing the winner with certainty.

The thing is, we do now know the winner with certainty: George Bush. Justice Stevens of course meant the winner in terms of actual votes cast. But by ruling that the so-called undervotes could not be counted, a majority of the Supreme Court (slim though it may have been) made the winner evident.

This — the practical determination of the presidency by another branch of the federal government — may be the biggest problem. Justice Stevens' dissent, joined by Justices Ginsburg and Breyer, addresses what he sees as the absence of a compelling federal question to justify the Court's involvement. The "equal protection" issues of conflicting standards for divining voter intent could be resolved, the dissent says, by independent judges in Florida. The above-quoted language from Justice Stevens concludes that, to rule as the majority did, one must believe that Florida justices cannot be trusted to rule impartially.

But many have read Justice Stevens' words as applicable to the Supreme Court, too, and this is a mighty shame. Historically, there have been times when, at least in hindsight, the High Court has acted with a discernible political character. Seldom, though, has the Court weighed in on matters so squarely in the political arena, and when it has — the Watergate tapes decision comes to mind — it has generally done so with unanimity.

You may not hear many Bush supporters talking about the partisanship of the dissenting justices, but Gore supporters would be mistaken to think that they were the only ones who perceived partisanship in the Court's opinions, dissenting and majority. The true failure of the Court, and of Chief Justice Rehnquist in particular, lies in not finding some agreement that would have brought at least clarity, if not unanimity, to the post-election muddle.

Too much to ask from a Court bitterly divided along partisan lines, in a nation split down the middle? Perhaps. But with its confusing and sometimes contradictory decision in Bush v. Gore, the Rehnquist Court damaged its own reputation and that of the Court. Not necessarily by what it decided, but how.

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HELEN THOMAS

Court plays 'dirty pool' with tactics

WASHINGTON — Now that the U.S. Supreme Court has ruled, the American people will have one clear view of the presidential 2000 election contest: Gov. George W. Bush did not want all the Florida votes counted. That's the bottom line. That's the story that will go down in the history books.

When it eventually handed down its decision Tuesday night, the high court played "dirty pool." First, the court stopped the vote recount last Saturday and then waited until 10 p.m. Tuesday night to render its opinion that there was not enough time to count the votes and meet the deadline of midnight Tuesday. Well, no kidding!



Thomas

The 5-4 decision was unsigned and the justices slipped out through an underground garage before the opinion was passed out to the media. Nice going, your honors.

So the U.S. Supreme Court anointed Bush the winner of the closest election ever in U.S. history.

But hear what Justice John Paul Stevens had to say in a bitter dissent: "Although we may never know with complete certainty the identity of the winner of this year's presidential elections, the identity of the loser is perfectly clear. It is the nation's confidence in the judge as an impartial guardian of the law."

The high court suffered a huge self-inflicted wound by transparently playing politics. The conservative majority appeared to know what conclusion it wanted to reach — Bush's victory — and then worked backward to design a legal rationale to justify its conclusion.

Bush could have taken the high road and let the chads fall where they may. In other words, he could have welcomed a full recount of the Florida ballots.

But that would have been asking too much of a candidate who wanted the presidency as passionately as Vice President Al Gore did but who tried to act nonchalantly about it all.

The record should always show that it was the Republicans — those self-proclaimed guardians of states' rights — who went to the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn a Florida Supreme Court ruling and to stop the vote count. What were they afraid of? A more accurate count perhaps?

There was no guarantee that Gore would have won more votes in Florida, or would have captured the electoral vote to put him in the White House, if there had been a full Florida recount. But the Texas governor was not about to take that gamble.

Instead he mustered all his legal weapons to stop the hand count.

The American people have been cheated of their moment of truth by the U.S. Supreme Court's nakedly political decision halting the hand count in Florida. The people of Florida have been deprived of their democratic rights. And the world has witnessed a dubious outcome in the leadership of the world's only superpower.

It's tough to contemplate that we are beginning the 21st century with a leader who was outgunned in the popular vote and who has no mandate from the people.

Have the justices become politicized in this ordeal? Some legal observers think so. Since they have lifetime jobs and have to account to no one, or even explain themselves at times, the majority conservatives do not seem to care that they have forever imprinted in the public mind that they do not rise above politics.

A liberal Warren-style court would have taken a broader view of the will of the people. But that court, judicial activism in support of civil rights and the rights of the disadvantaged notwithstanding, was never accused of pulling a fast one on the public.

Before the court ruling there was strong speculation that some of the GOP-appointed justices, were anxious to retire but not willing to step down if Gore had won.

The old adage that the Court follows the election results have may a different twist now. It could read, the Court determines the election results.

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Bush interviews Democrats for Cabinet, prepares White House, security

WASHINGTON (AP) — Victory secured, President-elect Bush invited a Democratic senator to Texas for a job interview and tinkered Thursday with the final components of his White House and national security teams.

Sen. John Breaux, D-La., under consideration for energy secretary, will visit the incoming president Friday in Austin, Texas, as part of his promise to reach across party lines after the fiercely contested campaign against Vice President Al Gore, advisers said.

Plucking a Democrat from the Senate would embolden Republicans in the chamber, which will be split 50-50 next year. Republican Gov. Mike Foster has been put on notice by the Bush campaign that he might be called on to appoint a replacement for Breaux, GOP officials said on condition of anonymity.

The senior White House staff is pretty well set, and soon to be announced: Condoleezza Rice, national security adviser; Karen Hughes, a senior adviser; Josh Bolton, policy director; Larry Lindsey, top economic adviser; and Ari Fleischer, chief spokesman. Each worked on the campaign.

Texas Supreme Court Justice Al Gonzales, former lawyer for Bush in the Texas governor's office, is mentioned as a potential White House counsel. Campaign strategist Karl Rove's role has yet to be determined.

Bush's choice for secretary of defense is less certain, though former Sen. Dan Coats of Indiana has emerged as a leading candidate, according to senior Republicans with ties to the Bush campaign. He is friendly with Vice President-elect Dick Cheney, who is running Bush's transition team.

Once the president-elect turns to the economic posts, campaign chairman and Bush pal Don Evans is a virtual lock for commerce secretary unless he decides he doesn't want the job, according to advisers.

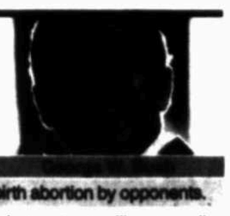
Bush has promised a diverse Cabinet, prompting Republicans to circulate names of women, minorities and Democrats. Powell and Rice are black. Rep. Tillie Fowler, R-Fla., Rep. Jennifer Dunn, R-Wash., and Texas attorneys Harriett Miers and Terry Lacie are among the women mentioned by GOP sources.

In addition to Breaux, Democrats whose names have been floated include: Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas; former Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La.; and former Dallas Democratic Party Chairman Sandy Kress.

Breaux has not ruled out accepting a Cabinet post, though officials familiar with preliminary discussions between Bush and the senator say they suspect Breaux won't take it. He may be more likely to promote Johnston as a candidate and bend Bush's ear about Medicare reforms.

The next president

Here are campaign promises by Republican George W. Bush, the 2000 presidential winner.



ABORTION	Sign ban on procedure called partial-birth abortion by opponents.
DEFENSE	Build robust missile defense system that protects allies as well as United States. $1 billion more a year for military pay raise, giving average soldier additional $750 in first year. Favors cuts in nuclear arms, possibly even if Russia does not do the same.
EDUCATION	Education reforms to be first legislation sent to Congress. Tougher performance standards on states and schools, and money for poor parents whose children are in persistently failing schools to transfer to another public school or private school. More charter schools. $5 billion more for literacy over five years. $8 billion more for college scholarships and grants over 10 years. Let families save, tax-free, $5,000 per year per student for education expenses at all ages.
ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT	Increase domestic oil and gas production and exploration, including in the protected Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska. Halve capital gains taxes when landowner sells property for conservation. $50 million in matching grants with states for landowners to restore habitat or protect species while farming or ranching. Opposes ratification of Kyoto agreement on global warming.
GUN CONTROL	Raise age for handgun possession to 21. Background checks at gun shows if they are instant. Would sign bill requiring child-safety locks to be sold with guns.
HEALTH CARE	Tax credit of up to $2,000 per family to help low-income people buy health insurance. Expand tax-free savings accounts that can be used to pay for health expenses. Add 1,300 rural health care centers. Money to states to provide free prescription drugs for the elderly poor while setting up program over four years to subsidize choice in drug plans for other Medicare beneficiaries.
IMMIGRATION	More visas for highly skilled workers and temporary farm laborers. $500 million over five years to speed processing of immigration applications. Split INS into two separate agencies to welcome legal immigrants and crack down on illegal ones.
INTERNET	Extend moratorium on new Internet sales taxes at least through 2006. $400 million over five years to improve education value of Internet use in schools.
RETIREMENT	Let younger workers stay entirely in Social Security or invest a portion of their Social Security taxes in individual retirement accounts. Ruled out further increase in age for receiving Social Security benefits for people near retirement, but has not ruled it out for younger workers.
TAXES	Cut all income tax rates, with lowest rate dropping to 10 percent and highest to 33 percent. Double child tax credit to $1,000. Charitable deductions could be taken by people who don't itemize. No increase in personal or corporate tax rates. Eliminate inheritance tax. Reduce marriage penalty.
TRADE	Negotiate more trade agreements, giving priority to free-trade agreement for Western Hemisphere.
WELFARE	$8 billion plan in first year to encourage churches and other groups to assume more responsibility for needy through tax breaks and other incentives.

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Throughout Washington, Republicans were trying to guess who would get what jobs. Names and rumors were swapped at warp speed.

Cheney suggested that Bush could have his Cabinet in place by Christmas, though he said, "I don't want to set artificial deadlines."

Ahead of him still:

ATTORNEY GENERAL: Montana Gov. Marc Racicot impressed Bush with his loyalty and smooth touch as a chief advocate during the recount dispute. Conservatives prefer Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, a former FBI agent and Justice Department official, or outgoing Missouri Sen. John Ashcroft. Virginia Gov. James Gilmore has been mentioned, too.

DEFENSE SECRETARY: Other than Coats, Paul Wolfowitz, Richard Armitage, Sen. John McCain of Arizona and former Sen. Sam Nunn of Georgia, a Democrat, have been mentioned. McCain and Nunn say they don't want the job. Wolfowitz and Armitage served under Cheney when he was defense secretary. Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Ridge is another prospect.

TREASURY: No favorites here. Walter Shipley, retired Chase Manhattan Corp. chairman, PaineWebber chairman Donald Marron and John Hennessy have been mentioned. Hennessy served as a top policy-maker on international matters at the Treasury Department in the Nixon administration and his was a big donor to Bush.

EDUCATION: Kress has been mentioned, along with other Democrats. Massachusetts Gov. Paul Cellucci, a GOP ally of Bush, is under consideration for this and other administration posts.

TRANSPORTION: Rep. Dunn's name has made the rounds, along with outgoing Michigan Sen. Spencer Abraham.

HUD: Stephen Goldsmith, former Indianapolis mayor and longtime Bush booster, is mentioned most for the post.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: Gov. Tommy Thompson of Wisconsin and Gail Wilensky, a former Health Care Finance Administration chief, get a lot of attention.

INTERIOR: Republicans like to mention Racicot, and the governor's stock rose during the Florida recount.

AGRICULTURE: A good place to put a conservative Democrat, possibly Stenholm.

LABOR: Dunn and former Reagan administration civil rights commissioner Linda Chavez are among dozens of names circulated.

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Dodging ice from above is part of life in the city

By Charles Sheehan
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Sonny Skinner and a 4-foot chunk of ice crossed paths Thursday. The ice whistled downward from a Chicago skyscraper, missing Skinner by less that a foot.

"It's only by the grace of God that I wasn't killed," he said. Skinner cringed as shards of ice hit his legs, but then pulled his jacket over his head and ran.

Skinner was part of a seasonal ritual in Chicago that has people sidestepping, weaving or flat-out sprinting down sidewalks to avoid falling ice. Warning signs crop up around city buildings at the first freeze and remain until spring.

Skinner, however, was well outside the area roped off with yellow "Caution Falling Ice" signs. "They didn't do me much good right there," he said. "There's nothing they can do."

While most of the ice falls harmlessly to the pavement, one downtown hospital reported treating six people for falling ice-related injuries Thursday.

And in the Windy City — where ice can fall, say, 40 to 60 floors and get blown sideways the length of a city block before crashing to the ground — such accidents can have tragic consequences.

A Wisconsin family settled a $4.5 million lawsuit last year after a microwave-size piece of ice fell from the Neiman Marcus building, crushing the skull and vertebrae of Donald Booth, 48. He was killed instantly.

Chicago lawyer David Wise, who represented Booth's family, said his office is almost always handling a case involving falling ice.

New York and Minneapolis also report injuries from falling ice. In central Moscow, with its many slanted roofs, people die every year, horribly stabbed or smashed by icicles. And in Kiev, Ukraine, hundreds of workers with shovels, ropes and crowbars try to avoid the problem by climbing on roofs to loosen accumulated ice and snow.

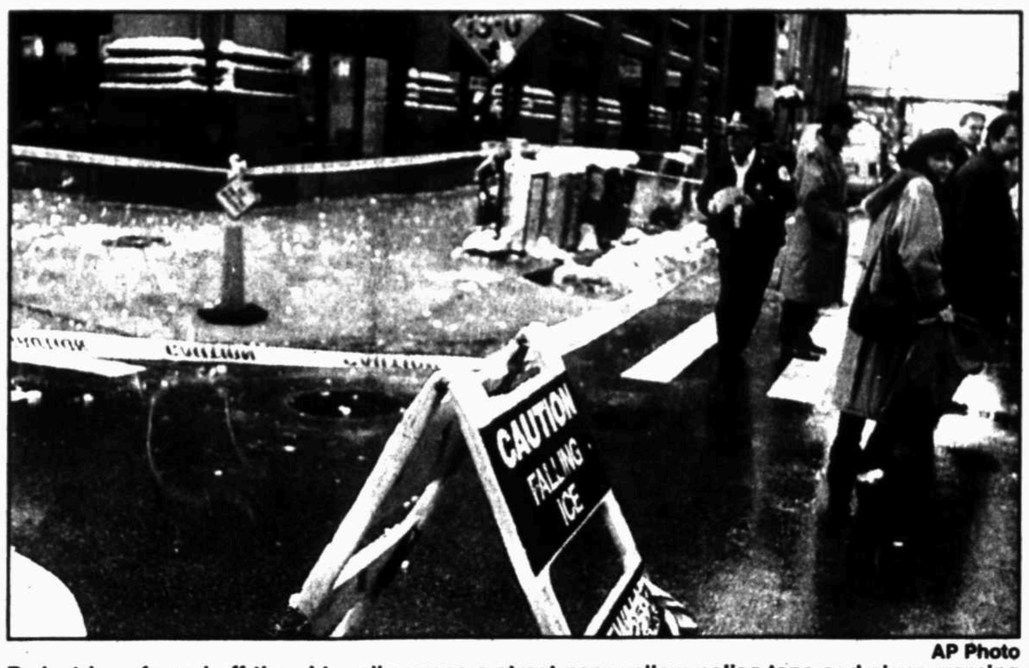
The city of Chicago in the past has closed hazardous sections of downtown, but that hasn't happened so far this year. After a major storm dumped more than a foot of snow on the city this week, the city issued a reminder to building owners to watch for buildups of ice and snow.

"City inspectors assigned to monitor facades of downtown buildings for cracks or fissures also look for snow buildup or dangerous ice," said Kristen Lobbins-Cabanban, spokeswoman for the Buildings Department. "They go into buildings and speak with building managers about potential problems."

But Lobbins-Cabanban said responsibility for the problem falls squarely on the shoulders of building owners. Otherwise, the problem can fall squarely on pedestrians.

Kim Johnson, who works in a downtown law office, said she was standing next to man who was struck on Wednesday. "He had a big gash and blood all over his coat where a piece of ice had fallen from this building and gashed his head," Johnson said.

Asked how she gets between the train station and her office every day, Johnson said, "Very quickly."



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Pedestrians forced off the sidewalks cross a street near yellow police tape and signs warning of falling ice Thursday, in downtown Chicago. In the Windy City, it's a seasonal ritual — people sidestepping, weaving or flat out running down sidewalks to dodge falling ice.

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Backers hold slim hopes for proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amtrak supporters who this week celebrated the debut of high-speed rail service are bracing for defeat of legislation to fund additional routes for the 150 mph trains.

Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., declared himself "despondent" and frustrated over opposition from fellow lawmakers to help Amtrak raise $10 billion to develop up to 11 additional high-speed train routes.

Lautenberg and other Amtrak backers met Thursday afternoon with Senate leaders from both parties as well as opponents of the proposal.

House and Senate leaders planned to push a year-end budget pact through Congress on Friday, then adjourn.

Amtrak supporter Ross Capon, executive director of the National Association of Railroad Passengers, said he was not ready to give up.

Amtrak on Monday began regular passenger service aboard Acela Express, a train that reaches a top speed of 150 mph in the Boston-New York-Washington corridor.

Lautenberg's proposal would authorize Amtrak to issue $10 billion in bonds over 10 years, with most of the money going to develop 11 other high-speed rail corridors. Rather than Amtrak paying interest, the federal government would provide tax credits to bondholders.

The Amtrak bill has 56 co-sponsors in the Senate and 171 in the House. But it also has influential opponents.

Senate Banking Committee chairman Phil Gramm, R-Texas, and Senate Commerce Committee chairman John McCain, R-Ariz., both demanded time earlier this year for hearings to investigate whether the bond deal represented "yet another bailout for Amtrak."

White House spokesman Elliot Diringer said President Clinton still backs the measure.

Amtrak, which has consumed more than $22 billion in federal operating subsidies since its creation in 1971, is under orders from Congress to become self-sufficient by 2003 or risk being liquidated.

Supporters of the legislation say high-speed trains will be necessary regardless of whether Amtrak survives as the nation's provider of long-distance rail service.

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A man who listens?

By Georgia Temple

The lethal weapons Mel Gibson has wielded and faced with a brave heart in his warrior roles won't help him in the oldest human campaign — the war between the sexes. But something else can, and Gibson, as the high-living bachelor Nick Marshall, sets out to use his latest weapon to his greatest advantage in the romantic comedy "What Women Want."

The film, which opens nationwide today, costars Helen Hunt as his new boss, Darcy McGuire, a recent divorcee and reputed "man-eater" with a great set of legs. She has the job he thought should be his. However, Nick acquires an unusual ability. He becomes a man who can hear the innermost thoughts of every woman with whom he comes in contact. He hears what women think and knows "What Women Want."

The intriguing premise of this film prompted an informal survey of women from the ages of 14 up to get their on-the-spot comments. Almost all of those questioned admitted to being fans of Mel Gibson, citing such movies as "Braveheart," "The Patriot," "Bird on a Wire," "Hamlet," "The Man Without a Face" and "The Year of Living Dangerously" as among their favorites.

Many had not paid attention to the story line in "What Women Want," and when told what it was, laughed. Actually, laughter before, during and after the comments that follow was the norm.

"Oh, my gosh," said Jeannine Donnelly. "That would be extremely difficult, especially around him."

"I'd probably get away from him as fast as I could," said Karen Putman.

"Oh, my gosh," said Carol Deats. "That's not good, is it?"

"Oh, no," said Gina Coldwell. "How funny. Wouldn't that be awful?"

"It might prove as interesting as 'Ghost,'" said Judy Coleman. "I don't know."

"He's in a world of hurt," said Melissa Burnett. "I don't even want to hear what all the women around me are thinking."

"It's a fun idea, but I think it's simplistic," said Linda Bond.

"It makes for good movie material," said Janene Lain.

"It's funny," said Rachael Martinez.

"I have got to see this," said Charlotte Martin.

Although most agreed that the premise of the film was amusing, they laughed even more when asked: What if that were true in real life?

"If men could really do that, I think, it would probably be pretty much a disaster," said Jo Ann Hughen.

"That would be great," said Ms. Martinez. "Men have a hard time understanding. It would be good if they knew because they don't always ask."

"There's a thousand thoughts I would like to share with men so I wish that were actually true," said Darcy Georges. "It would save me from having to tell them to open the door for me or tell them I'd like for them to buy dinner. Think how many men would stay out of hot water if we could remind them it's our anniversary, and they better come home with flowers."

"I'd be personally horrified," said Ms. Deats. "I like to guard my speech, but what can you do about your thoughts. Yes. I personally could be in trouble. I don't think they'd understand. I'd rather not divulge my thoughts."

"Men are confused by what we say much

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The Bar: today & Sat.: (9 p.m.): Blue Midnight. No cover Fri., Sat. $5. 606 W. Missouri Ave. Call: 685-1757.

Blakemore Planetarium: today: Sky Show: "The Star of Bethlehem: a Mystery Revealed," 8 p.m. Fri. & 3 p.m. Sun. 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Cost: $3 adults, children 12 & younger $2. Children 12 & under welcome with an adult.

Doc's Bar: today & Sat.: Organize Chaos. $3 cover. Wed.: Karaoke, 4519 N. Garfield, 620-8130.

Midland Community Theatre: today & Sat.: "A Christmas Carol," 8 p.m. Sun. 2 p.m. Davis Theatre 1. Call: 682-4111 or 570-4011. Cost: $12 adults, 12 & younger $6.

The New Sans Souci: today & Sat.: Vance Lane. Wed. is ladies night. Full dinner menu available. 106 S. A St. Call: 683-6944.

Riley's Bar & Grill: today & Sat.: Clockwork Orange. 3421 W. Wall. Call 520-0006 for cover.

Your Place: today: Broken Spoke Band. Sat.: Just Us Karaoke, 9-1:30 p.m., no cover. 3704 W. Wall. Call: 689-3022.

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Chelsea Street Pub: today & Sat., Karaoke with Reed Boyd. 9 p.m. Mon.-Thurs.: Music City Mall. Call: (915) 368-0949. No cover. Outside entrance after mall hours.

Graham Central Station: today: Free buffet. No cover till 7 p.m. for 21 & up. Sat.: T-2001. 4240 Preston Smith Rd. Call: 552-0552.

Incredibles: today & Sat.: Live music, 600 N. Grandview Ave. Call: (915) 332-1812.

Kay Kay's Blues Club: today: Kay Kay & The Rays featuring Abner Burnett, $5 cover. 9:30 p.m. Sat.: Baby Jason & The Spankers, $5 cover, 9 p.m. 2117 E. 8th St. Call: (915) 333-3133.

Opening: "What Women Want," "Emperors New Groove" & "Dude Where's My Car." Tall City 10.

Saturday

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: Sat.: Celebrations Around the World, include Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Las Posadas, a Victorian Christmas & nativity. 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri. 683-2882. Cost: $5 per family.

Midland Festival Ballet & Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: Sat.: The Nutcracker, 8 p.m., Sun.: 2:30 p.m., Lee High Auditorium, 3500 Neely. 682-2653. Admission: $10 adults, $7.50 seniors, students with college ID & children under 18. Tickets on sale at Ann McCann's Children's Wear, Garfield & Loop 250.

Museum of the Southwest: Sat.: Christmas at the Mansion through Jan. 2: Bring cameras: pictures with Santa, 2-5 p.m., Christmas shop, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri. Thurs.: tea/music. 3-4:30 p.m. Free. Tickets for Southwest Express Train, $3 adults; $1 children 12 & under. Wed.: lunch/$12.50. Call: 683-2882.

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The Globe Theatre: Sat.: Christmas Through the Years, featuring Cindy Ward, David Ward, Larry Purkey, Jane McKeel & friends, 8 p.m., 2308 Shakespeare Rd., 580-3177. Cost: $8.

Sunday

Crestview Baptist Church: Sun.: The Choir will present Christmas Music, 8:30 a.m. & 10:50 a.m., 694-7701. Free.

First Presbyterian Church: Sun.: The Sanctuary Choir & Agape Ringers will present music at both services, 8:15 & 11 a.m., 800 W. Texas, 684-7821. Free.

Monday

Midland County Public Library: Mon.: Program: Entertainment for library patrons provided by Crestview Handbell Choir, noon, 301 W. Missouri. Free.

Midland Independent School District: Holiday: Classes resume Jan. 3, 2001.

Tuesday

45 Plus Dance Club: Tues: country western band, Midland Downtown Lions Center. non-smoking/non-alcoholic. 7:30-10 p.m. members: $4. Guests: $5. Guests welcome without member. Call: 699-5202 or 694-1869.

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Wednesday

Seniors Over 50 Dance Group: Wed.: 8-10:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, 501 Air Park Road. Country western. Professional bands. Admission: $4. Call: 682-5511, 694-3236, 687-1633.

Thursday

ArtWalk Midland: Thurs.: Caroling in the City, 6-9 p.m., downtown, 697-0701. Free.

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FILM: Many women not crazy about thought-reading concept

(From 1B)

less if they knew what we were thinking," said Cherri Timms.

"It probably wouldn't bother me as much as it would bother them," said Brenda Myers.

"I'd probably be kind of embarrassed," said Lorraine Wilson. "I am just one of those women, my thoughts are exciting all the time. My hormones are like 100 percent in gear."

"Some things are better left unsaid," said Ms. Putman.

"If I knew that they could hear my thoughts, I would always be thinking 'Put the toilet seat down,' 'Take out the trash,'" Ms. Martin said.

"It would be wonderful because men don't listen to what women are saying," said Ms. Coleman. "So, it would be wonderful if they could listen to and understand our thoughts and be in our place and know where our thoughts are coming from and what we are feeling."

"I don't think that would work out too well," said Ms. Coldwell. "There would just be so much distrust, and I know the divorce rate would go up. I think there'd be a lot of angry men."

"I don't think I'd want that to be true in real life," said Ms. Lain. "You always have men saying they never can figure women out, and now you don't have to, they'd know what we were thinking. I'd rather leave some things a mystery.

"And if that were true, women need equal time. Some men's minds I wouldn't want to read. Others I'd be interested in."

"That's kind of a tough question," said Kristen Payton. "Some of them (her thoughts) might be kind of embarrassing."

"Probably I'd be embarrassed," said Carissa Oei. "If you say something funny or something embarrassing to yourself and they can hear it, well, that would be kind of embarrassing. They can know what you think when you do not say it to them."

"Knowledge is good, but too much is perhaps not a good thing," said Ms. Hughen. "Better leave a lot to the imagination."

"There's a line in a Ricky Martin song that says a woman has one thing on her mind," said Ms. Bond. "I think women have around 10 or 20 or 30 things on their minds all at once at any given time, and anyone who presumes to think they know what women think is just deluding themselves. ...

"If you want people to know what you think, you have to tell them. And that's why I think a movie like this is probably appealing because maybe people wish they were more honest with people than they really are."

Then again, as one of the women interviewed suggested, "I think there would probably be hell to pay, don't you?"

THE MOVIE GUYS'

Black Gold Review



By David R. Allen, MC drama instructor, and Tim Jebsen, MCT executive director

A gusher: good to excellent

Dry well: Fair to poor

Last week Tim and I wrote about the consequences of expectations created by the hype surrounding a movie. In that case it was "Unbreakable" and in this case it is "Proof of Life," which opened around the country last week, starring Meg Ryan and Russell Crowe.

I must admit I am a big fan of Meg Ryan's. Her work is uniformly excellent, and besides (with apologies to my wife) she's really cute. She is able to play light comedy ("You've Got Mail," "French Kiss") and hard-edged drama ("Courage Under Fire," "When a Man Loves a Woman") equally well.

Russell Crowe ain't no slouch either. His work in "L.A. Confidential," "The Insider" and "Gladiator" exhibits the ability to make each of his characters completely different from the other. This is an ability that most of the great film actors have had.

Because I have such respect for both these actors and because of the hype surrounding their personal relationship that began with the making of this movie, I was looking forward to seeing them together in "Proof of Life."

"Proof of Life" tells the story of a kidnapping that takes place in a fictitious, small South American country (brilliantly played by Equador). Peter Bowman, terribly overplayed by David Morse, is abducted by terrorist/drug dealers who like to make money on the side from kidnapping. His wife, Alice (Ryan), must work with an expert in the recovery of kidnapped executives, Terry Thorne (Crowe), in order to get Peter home safely.

After seeing the film, I still respect Ryan and Crowe as actors. I only wish they had found a better project or a better director.

The problem with "Proof of Life" is there is no proof of life in the film. It is empty of anything besides a fairly lame, and utterly predictable plot. Taylor Hackford's directing is sluggish and his editing seems to have cut the heart out of the film.

The romantic relationship that is supposed to exist between Alice and Thorne is only implied. We never see when, why, or how that relationship develops.

She touches his shoulder once. They buy food in a market place. They laugh at a joke. They each share a not so intimate story about their life. That is it. They never speak of their romantic relationship. Except for one kiss, we never see anything beyond their business-like relationship. Even the one kiss tells us nothing concrete other than he has feelings for her.

The movie never sets the proper foundation for the payoff it is trying to force at the end. The constant cutting away to scenes of Peter's cruel existence with his kidnappers only serves to interrupt the development of the romantic plot.

The result is a film that has neither the excitement of an action film that the kidnapping, escape attempts, and rescue mission should bring, nor the heart-tugging, passionate romance that the Alice-Thorne relationship should bring.

Finally, the subtitles that kept reminding us of how much time had passed in the movie (over 4 months by the end of the film) only reminded me of how long (4 months?) I had been watching this extremely disappointing and very dry well.

Ed Todd

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Vertical Limit — $15.5, one week, 2,307 screens	$15.5
Proof of Life — $10.7, one week, 2,705 screens	$10.2
Unbreakable — $77.4, three weeks, 2,682 screens	$7.5
Dungeons and Dragons — $7.2, one week, 2,078 screens	$7.2
102 Dalmatians — $44.3, three weeks, 2,704 screens	$6.2
Rugrats in Paris — $60.5, four weeks, 2,840 screens	$4.0
Meet the Parents — $157.1, ten weeks, 1,934 screens	$3.0
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By Emily Baker

Review of CD: "Place I Call Home" by James Hyland

The Texas songwriters are a group of musicians who can be likened to Waylon Jennings, Kris Kristoferson, Willie Nelson and Merle Haggard of the Outlaw movement. In fact, Texas songwriters are often called the Texas Outlaws.

Their music is a little rougher than contemporary country, and their popularity is increasing dramatically.

James Hyland is the newest Texas songwriter. His CD, "Place I Call Home," was released Nov. 14.

Hyland is from Austin and is a University of Texas grad. He grew up in Corpus Christi and left for UT right out of high school. Hyland flunked out his first semester and wound up working at a convenience store. He returned to UT a second time and graduated with a degree in sociology.

Hyland may never use his sociology degree because he is quite a country-music artist. If the Texas songwriters are ever invited out of the bars and into the mainstream, this guy will surely be on top of it all.

Hyland has a sarcastic edge that makes his songs more intelligent than most. Like other Texas songwriters, the songs are about the party life, wild women, hard drinking, working for the weekend and life in the bars and are full of straight-at-you lyrics.

One song, "Part-Time Girlfriend," is a good example. He finds a girlfriend who doesn't mind going to the dollar movies and doesn't mind his dog and doesn't keep her clothes in his closet. She is there when he needs her but doesn't demand a great deal of his time. Consequently, he likes the relationship better than a usual one that is full of commitment.

"Honky Tonkin" and "White Trash Women" is another excellent example. The title of the song says it all. This is a song about the "finer" points of bars — honky-tonk songs and white-trash women. The song oozes sarcasm.

The CD offers a bonus track that is absolutely hilarious. Hyland says it is about watching too many Jerry Springer Shows. In the song, a man goes from bar to bar hitting on women. He doesn't have much luck so he gives one more bar a try before he calls it a night. He finds a cute "girl" and introduces himself. Turns out he hits on someone named Billy. The rest of the song is about how embarrassed he is about his encounter with the "silly drag queen." He wonders just what Billy has in that wonder bra, and why he didn't see Billy as the drag queen he is at first.

Musically, the CD is star-studded. It features Rich Brotherton and Earl Poole Ball, who are musicians who play with Robert Earl Keen. Also, fiddle player Warren Hood is part of the CD. Hood plays with Charlie Robison and is considered a fiddle-playing prodigy. The 17-year-old was trained in classical violin, and his style reflects a little more classical violin than backwoods hillbilly fiddle. That adds a nice touch to the smarter lyrics. Hood performs with the Austin Youth Orchestra and has played on stage with Lyle Lovett, Junior Brown and Asleep at the Wheel.

This CD sounds a lot like Pat Green and has some Robert Earl Keen-esque songs.

The eighth song is the only letdown. "Early Days With You" is a duet with Toni Price. The song is nice but Price ruins it. In some parts of the song, she sings the same words as Hyland and is supposed to sing in unison. She doesn't quite make it at times and slows up as if to let Hyland catch up. If that was on purpose, it sounds terrible. If it was an accident, it should have been recut.

Hyland's CD is a good time and musically and lyrically genius. Expect great things in the future from James Hyland. He is already turning out incredible music.

PARENT TO PARENT

a family guide to current movies

By Tom Laney

This column rates current movies for parents and others who want help in choosing films that reflect traditional values and are suitable for family viewing. Films are rated in two categories: Entertainment (rated 0 to +4) and Acceptability (rated -4 to +4). I'll add brief comments to clarify the reasons for the ratings. Movies listed are currently playing in Midland and/or Odessa as of this writing.

THE FAMILY MAN (PG-13; 4, 2) I guess it's only fitting that we celebrate the last Christmas of the millennium with a thoroughly modern version of "It's a Wonderful Life." After all, we're on the verge of the 21st century, and Hollywood has had a bad case of remake fever lately, trying to modernize all the cultural icons we Baby Boomers grew up with. Well, in the case of "The Family Man," Hollywood has scored a home run, even though I'm not at all convinced that "It's a Wonderful Life" actually needed updating. Nicolas Cage delivers the performance of his career, making an unbelievable situation thoroughly believable. If you've missed all those previews on TV, Cage plays a self-made, self-centered Wall Street single guy who is given a glimpse of what his life could have been like had he chosen marriage and family over the pursuit of money. Tea Leoni does a great job as the college sweetheart he should have married. Unfortunately, "The Family Man" is not a family film. "In keeping" with its thoroughly modern context, the movie contains partially obscured nudity, sexual situations, and language that are unnecessary and inappropriate for children. Leave your younger children with a sitter and respect the PG-13 rating. But see the film yourself. It'll touch your heartstrings this Christmas season.

VERTICAL LIMIT (PG-13; 3, -2) I loved this movie. Unfortunately, I can't let my kids see it. Stunning mountain photography and relentless excitement make it a great action film, but raw language and raunchy sexual comments make it a film for adults. An unexpected twist adds interest and conflict to an otherwise predictable plot. Enjoy it, but spare your kids.

PROOF OF LIFE (R; 3 1/2, -2) Well, it's about time. Even more exciting than "Vertical Limit," this is the first real edge-of-your-seat thriller to come along in many moons. Russell Crowe, Meg Ryan, and David Morse (St. Elsewhere) turn in great performances, and the Ecuadorian scenery is truly amazing. The "R" rating reflects language, violence, and some incredibly gruesome scenes depicting Morse's injured feet and leg. Add to this Meg Ryan's incessant smoking and a flirting-with-adultery subplot, and you have a film your kids don't need to see. But you adults won't want to miss this non-stop adrenaline fest. And stay for the closing credits, which are accompanied by more of the breathtaking, Oscar-worthy cinematography of the Quito area and the Ecuadorian mountains.

BILLY ELLIOTT (R; 3, -3) The ads make this look like a charming and humorous little film about a 12-year-old British boy who realizes his passion for ballet. When I actually saw the film, I was shocked by the incessant barrage of F-words coming from all the characters, especially the children. Added to this is a gay transvestite classmate with a crush on Billy. Along with the smoking, drinking, and sexual situations, the language and mature themes make this a film for adults only.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS (PG-13; 2, -2) Based on the controversial fantasy role-playing game of the same name, this film is a thankfully watered-down rendering, without the highly offensive demonic content that makes the game so controversial. Actually, the film's two villains are laughable — Jeremy Irons in a shameful bit of overacting, and a bald-headed sidekick who wears blue lipstick. Even worse, the usually enjoyable Thora Birch plays the most wooden teen empress since Natalie Portman in "The Phantom Menace." I guess it's a basically harmless little fantasy film, but the dragons and violence will scare the younger kids. I don't consider it a family movie.

FILMS TO AVOID ENTIRELY: Scary Movie (will this awful film never leave?); The Ladies' Man; Little Nicky; Nutty Professor 2: The Klumps; . These are raunchy, sex-filled, tasteless, dirty movies which nobody under 17 should see under any circumstances.

FILMS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY: Remember the Titans; Rugrats in Paris; The Grinch; 102 Dalmatians; Godzilla. (I'm sure The Emperor's New Groove will go in this category)

FILMS FOR THE SLIGHTLY MORE MATURE: Unbreakable; Vertical Limit; Proof of Life; Dungeons & Dragons; Bring it On; Bedazzled; Charlie's Angels; The Legend of Bagger Vance; Bounce; Red Planet; The Sixth Day; Men of Honor, The Family Man.

FILMS FOR ADULTS ONLY: What Lies Beneath; Meet the Parents; The Exorcist; Billy Elliott; The Cell.

FAMILY FILM STATISTICS REVISITED: Of the 25 films currently playing in Odessa, 6 are rated "R," 14 are rated "PG-13," 3 are rated "PG," and two are rated "G." The 15 Midland films include: 4 "R," 8 "PG-13," 1 "PG," and two "G" films. More than half of the films playing are rated PG-13, and I strongly caution you to see any of them first before taking pre-teens.

COMMENTARY ON FILM RATINGS: As I've said before, I'm alarmed that most parents don't really understand the different ratings and what they mean. I've been asked to print again this simpler and more accurate explanation of the ratings as follows:

G: NO objectionable content.

PG: SOME mildly objectionable content WILL be present.

PG-13: STRONG objectionable content WILL be present.

R: EXTREME objectionable content WILL be present; anyone under 17 MUST be accompanied THROUGHOUT THE MOVIE by a parent or a court-appointed legal guardian. You may NOT simply purchase your child's ticket; you must watch what you are exposing them to.

NC-17 Patently adult content. NO ONE UNDER 17 WILL BE ADMITTED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, EVEN WITH A PARENT.

Please don't assume that PG or PG-13 films are OK for all ages just because kids can legally buy tickets to them. My purpose in reviewing these films for you is to help you protect your precious kids from the harmful content of the majority of today's films.

Next time, we'll look at some more new releases, including "The Emperor's New Groove" and the definitely-not-for-kids "What Women Want." As always, I recommend three good Web sites for information on new movies: www.screenit.com, www.gospelcom.net/preview, and www.upcomingmovies.com. Don't hesitate to check out any of these sites for further information, or e-mail me with your comments and questions at tlaney@apex2000.net. Thank you for all the positive comments I've received so far — it's a pleasure to be of service to you.

Celebrity birthdays

Associated Press

Dec. 17: Actor Ernie Hudson ("Ghostbusters") is 55. Actor-comedian Eugene Levy is 54. Actor Bill Pullman is 47. Musician Mike Mills of R.E.M. is 42. Singer Sarah Dallin of Bananarama is 39. Actor Giovanni Ribisi ("Saving Private Ryan") is 26. Actress Milla Jovovich("The Fifth Element") is 25.

Dec. 18: Musician Keith Richards of the Rolling Stones is 57. Director Steven Spielberg is 54. Movie critic Leonard Maltin is 50. Actor Ray Liotta is 45. Actor Brad Pitt is 37. Rapper DMX is 30. Actress Katie Holmes ("Dawson's Creek") is 22. Singer Christina Aguilera is 20.

Dec. 19: Actor Tim Reid is 56. Actor Robert Urich is 54. Musician Kevin Shepard of Tonic is 32. Actress Kristy Swanson is 31. Actress Alyssa Milano is 28. Actress Marla Sokoloff ("The Practice") is 20.

Dec. 20; Musician Peter Criss of Kiss is 55. Actor John Spencer ("The West Wing") is 54. Actor Michael Badalucco ("The Practice") is 46. Singer Billy Bragg is 43. Singer Chris Robinson of the Black Crowes is 34.

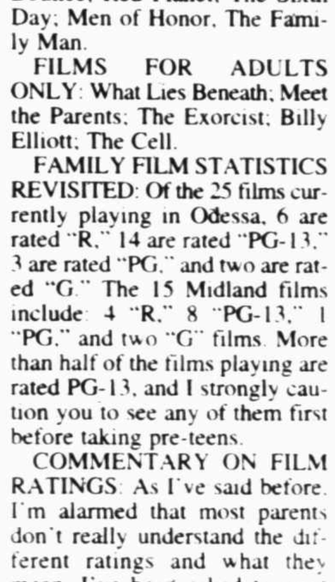
Dec. 21: Former talk-show host Phil Donahue is 65. Actress Jane Fonda is 63. Actor Samuel L. Jackson is 52. Actress Jane Kaczmarek ("Malcolm in the Middle") is 45. Actor-comedian Ray Romano ("Everybody Loves Raymond") is 43. Actor-comedian Andy Dick is 35. Actor Kiefer Sutherland is 34. Actress Julie Delpy is 31.

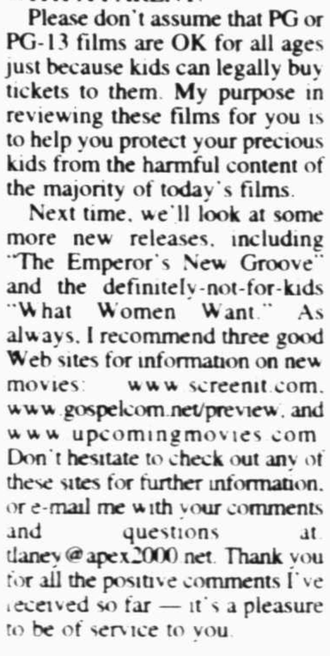
Dec. 22: Actor Hector Elizondo is 64. Singers Robin and Maurice Gibb of the Bee Gees are 51. Rapper Luther Campbell is 40. Actor Ralph Fiennes is 38. Actress Heather Donahue ("The Blair Witch Project") is 26.

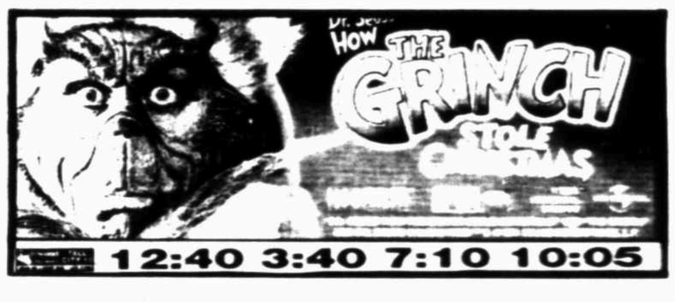
Dec. 23: Actor-comedian Harry Shearer ("The Simpsons") is 57. Musician Dave Murray of Iron Maiden is 42. Actor Corey Haim is 29.





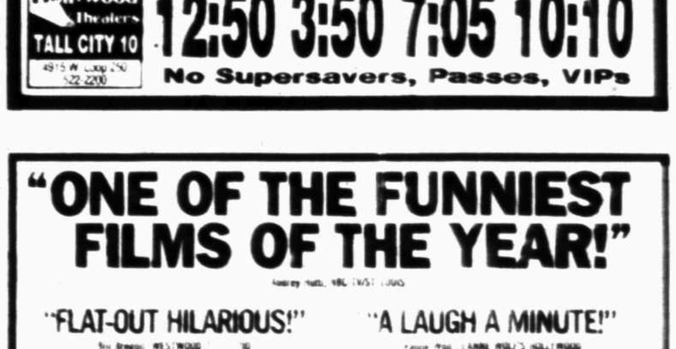


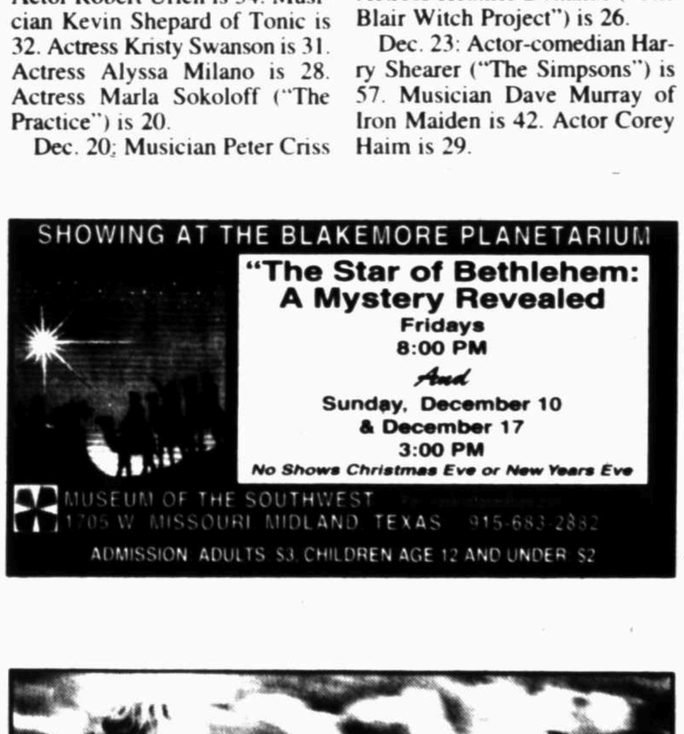


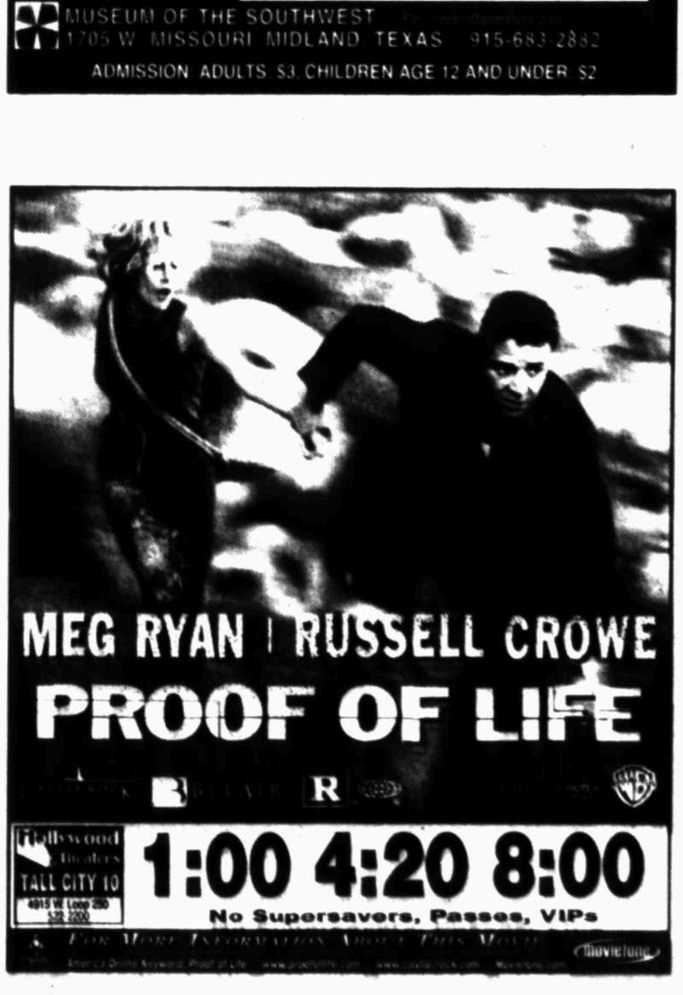


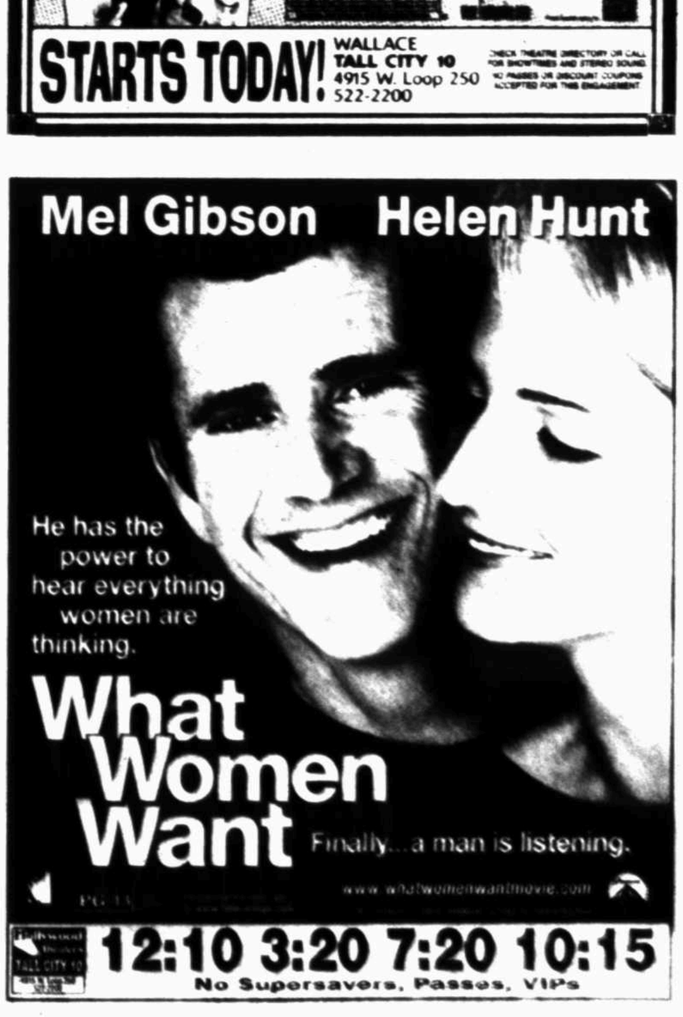












LIFESTYLE

Prime Time Calendar/5B
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AROUND TOWN

■ **CLER Ministries** is presenting its 15th annual Biblically-based human sexuality course for high school youth from January 7 to April 1. The non-profit organization will hold 10 sessions with 20 students per class to be held weekly in local churches. On Sunday afternoons two classes will be held 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and one class from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Parent orientation will be held at 7 p.m. Jan. 3 at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 2800 W. Louisiana. For scholarship information or to register call Stacy Schroeder at 684-8600. The cost is $75 per student.

■ **Midland County Public Library** Children's Department will hold "Christmas and Holiday Fun," come-make-and-go craft projects for children instead of Storytime from Dec. 18 to 22. A different craft will be offered each day (Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwaanza crafts will be included). For information call 688-8991.

■ **Midland Society of University Women** will meet at Trinity Towers, 2800 W. Illinois Ave. at 10 a.m. today. Mary Lou Cassidy will present "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever." Colleen Mahoney Meinke, of Pueblo People Studio donated an original Christmas saint clay sculpture to be raffled at the meeting. Residents of Trinity Towers will be honored guests. Hostesses will be the MSUW board members with chairwoman Carolyn McGaha.

■ **Kappa Delta Alumnae Association** will have its annual Mother/Daughter Christmas Tea Dec. 17 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at 1004 Stanolind. All area KD collegiates are invited. Call 682-3376 for information.

■ **Alpha Delta Pi alumnae** will hold their annual Mother-Daughter Christmas Tea from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 17 at Belfield Court. All local alumnae and collegians are invited to attend. Please call 685-4125 for more information.

■ **The Midland County Public Library**, 301 W. Missouri, will host Crestview Handbell Choir at noon Dec. 18.

■ **Delta Delta Delta alumnae** chapter will hold its annual Mother-Daughter Christmas Coffee at 11 a.m. Dec. 19 at 903 Harvard. Midland Tri Delta collegians and their mothers and alumnae and their daughters are invited.

■ **Seniors Over 50** club will present Sunset Express from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. Dec. 20 at the American Legion, 501 Airport Road. Admission will be $4 per person. In Full Swing will perform Dec. 27.

■ **The Midland Zeta Tau Alpha Alumnae Chapter** will hold a Mother-Daughter Holiday Tea from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. December 21 at 903 Bedford. Donations for Midland Community Partners' Rainbow Room, which serves abused and neglected children, will be accepted. For more information call 682-0936.

Senior citizens are susceptible to 'holiday blues'

By Judy Lin
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Divorced and with most of his family in England, John Loader is reminded each holiday season how alone he is.

His feelings of isolation have deepened since last year, when he suffered a stroke that forced him into a Pasadena retirement home. His only nearby relative is a son he sees occasionally.

He's hoping Christmas Day will be one of those times.

"He's very busy, and I don't get to see him that much," said Loader, 63, a former platemaker at the Los Angeles Daily News. "But people have their own lives to get on with."

While the holiday season means family gatherings for many, it can lead to depression, anxiety or lethargy among millions of others who find themselves alone. Senior citizens, who often are without immediate family or a strong network of friends, are particularly susceptible.

"The loss of a spouse, friends or social network leaves you with nowhere to go. The holidays remind you of happier times when you had a lot of people around you," said Anand Kumar, a geriatric psychiatrist at the University of California, Los Angeles.

Researchers have not been able to show a conclusive link between suicides and the holiday period, but some psychiatrists believe feelings of isolation this time of year can evolve into clinical depression. The phenomenon is likely to increase as the country's senior population grows, they said.

The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that about 13 percent of Americans, roughly 34.4 million people, are 65 or older. About 28 percent of them live alone. In 15 years, the number of seniors is expected to reach 47.3 million.

The signs of a holiday letdown often resemble depression and can be marked by agitation, anxiety, headaches and changes in appetite, Kumar said. That's why it is important for family and friends to take special care of their elders during the holidays, he said.

"Sometimes it's just picking up the phone or sending them flowers," he said. "Obviously, it's best to spend time with them during the holidays."

Poor health and lack of money also contribute to feelings of isolation, in part because they prevent many seniors from traveling, said Claudia Bramlett, head of a seniors program at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles.

"I used to enjoy (Christmas) very much," said 85-year-old Maria Callejo, who suffered a stroke two years ago that put her in a wheelchair.

She now lives in a Los Angeles-area retirement home and sees her husband once a week.

"I loved shopping and wrapping the gifts," she said. "Now I don't do those things anymore."

As the country's senior population increases, health organizations, community centers and agencies that cater to the elderly increasingly are reaching out during the holidays to those who don't have loved ones or close friends nearby.

Frances Voorhees, 80, volunteers with Long Beach-based Senior Care Action Network, a nonprofit HMO. Several years ago, she joined a walking group to combat her own feelings of loneliness during the holidays.

She said the Christmas season has been difficult for years since her mother died in December.

"That was my first encounter in handling the holidays," she said. "Since then, I can find it can get overwhelming. It really is a dark phase."

A widow for 18 years, Ms. Voorhees said she'll spend Christmas with her sister, who recently lost her daughter to cancer. But she won't see her son, who lives in New Mexico, or her daughter who lives in Georgia.

"We'll create our own Christmas celebration," she said. "We'll probably touch base. We feel it's all right to be alone."

Volunteering or staying active in other ways, as Ms. Voorhees does, is the best remedy to feeling depressed during the holidays, according to counselors and seniors.

If low self-esteem persists, however, it's best to seek help.

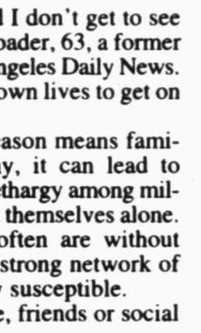
"If you really feel like you can't handle it, don't be afraid to tell your doctor," Ms. Voorhees said. "Confide in a friend."

FAMILY MATTERS

Moodiness may be caused by form of depression

By Jim May

DEAR FAMILY: Every year starting with Thanksgiving my best friend starts getting really moody. It's hard to be her friend when almost every day she's unhappy until after Christmas. That is a long time to try and cheer her up almost every time I talk to her. I don't know what I should do. I love her all the rest of the year because she's a dear, considerate, sweet person. But then for about a month she's just plain mad, criticizing everyone and being real sarcastic.


May

I've tried cheering her up, encouraging her to count her blessings, going to see the Christmas lights, and shopping but nothing seems to work. I know that some people get depressed at Christmas but she's not depressed; she's mad! Have you ever heard of this before? Do you have any suggestions for something I might try? My instinct is to avoid her but I can't do that either without hurting her feelings. — BEST FRIEND BLUES

DEAR BEST: I have heard of the problem that you are describing and it is actually a form of depression — the agitated form. It often happens that feelings associated with problems from childhood will present themselves as depression. For example, if a person grew up in an alcoholic home wherein holidays were a time that the alcoholic was around more, they may have bad feelings associated with that time of the year. It can also take the form of "disappointment" wherein the media conveys the idea of happy and special times at Thanksgiving and Christmas yet they experienced just the opposite. Under this explanation, the mind "keeps track" of triggers that bring forth feelings and/or memories of past events (some of which may have been traumatic). When the brain gets the trigger — say, Thanksgiving themes, Christmas songs, etc. — then it generates a biochemical response — depression.

I would suggest you to encourage your friend to talk to a professional about her situation — her minister, priest, or a counselor knowledgeable about family-of-origin issues. Point out to her that she is so wonderful all of the year but then at what should be a special time of the year she is clearly upset. I believe that she would have some awareness that she is unhappy or at least "not herself." This approach may not have the desired effect this year but done in a loving and caring manner it sets the stage for future improvement. I would strongly encourage you to pursue this avenue with your friend. My professional and personal childhood experiences have taught me the importance of listening to other's observations of behaviors. As strange as it seems, sometimes these behaviors are masked or unknown to us — we are only responding to a feeling without consciously thinking.

Another potential explanation is that your friend suffers from a cyclical depression and this unfortunately is the cycle — once every 10 months for two months. This possibility could be explored with a professional also. The present generation of anti-depressant medications are often almost miraculous in their ability to relieve many forms of depression — including the agitated form.

Encourage your friend to make this the year that things are going to be different -- it may well be the best gift she has ever received.

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The Centers for Children ans Families offers the following tips for holiday shopping with your children:

■ Discuss ahead of time appropriate behavior with your child that is expected of him while shopping. For example, running in the store is completely unacceptable and the consequence for running is...

■ Ask your child for any suggestions that she might have for what will make a shopping trip more fun for her.

■ Try to avoid shopping when you are having a bad day or your child is having a bad day.

■ Try to avoid shopping with your children if your are tired or your children are tired and irritable.

■ Develop some form of "sign language" at home with the child. Create signals for "Stop," "Come Here," and so on.

■ Be "developmental realistic" that is, younger children have shorter attention spans and should not be expected to willingly participate in a boring activity like shopping.

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Jim May is the director of the Family Wellness Center.

Questions for this column should be addressed to Family Matters, P.O. Box 51638, Midland, 79710-1638.

DEAR ABBY

Etiquette rules can help diners survive any social situation

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Oh, my gosh — the letter from Bob Buckles' mom listing the rules for good table manners was the best! What a great woman. She included everything you need to survive a social dinner anywhere.


Van Buren

I am a social phobic — there, I've said it out loud. And those rules will help me remember what to do. In case I missed a rule or two while raising my girls, I'll pass that list along. You can be sure it'll be posted on my fridge. Thank you, Bob — and thanks to you, Mom. And thank you too, Abby. — CHERI IN GIG HARBOR, WASH.

DEAR CHERI: Thank *you*. Mrs. Buckles' list of table manners generated still more of them. It's a subject people can sink their teeth into. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: People chomping on their food with open mouths is a pet peeve of mine. It is disgusting.

May I add a 21st suggestion to Mrs. Buckles' 20? "Keep your mouth closed when chewing your food, lest you resemble a cow chewing its cud." — WESLEY WOOD, MELBOURNE, FLA.

DEAR WESLEY: Your pet peeve is shared by many others. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: May I offer another rule for Mrs. Buckles? It is: Remove your hat before sitting down at the table. This includes BASEBALL CAPS! — NANCY IN HAMMONDSVILLE, OHIO

DEAR NANCY: You're right — in polite society the hat should come off, unless it's there for religious reasons. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The list of table manners was great! I'd like to add a few of my own bugaboos:

(1) Wash your hands before you're asked to sit down at the table.

(2) Be sure your hosts know about any dietary requirements well *before* the meal.

(3) Spoon up and out of a serving dish instead of shoveling the food over the edge to the plate.

(4) Don't feed the dog under the table. — ANOTHER MOTHER, PHOENIX

DEAR A.M.: Excellent suggestions. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Mrs. Buckles' rules were the same ones my parents raised me with in the 1960s and '70s. I would like to add one other: Eat whatever the host has prepared, *no matter what*. If you're not sure you'll like it, take only a small portion. That way no food will be wasted.

Because of that rule, I have tasted many foods I might have refused to try — and my opinions are based on experience, not ignorance. — KERRY MERRILL, MIKANA, WIS.

DEAR KERRY: Very sensible! Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Reading the letter from Bob Buckles, I thought how much I would enjoy spending Thanksgiving with my children and their families. I wouldn't care where or how we ate, as long as we could be together.

We were "transplanted" away from our home and family in 1981. We have spent Thanksgiving with them only once in nearly 20 years. Holidays away from home and family aren't easy. Ask anyone whose job has taken them to other places, and I'll bet they would trade all of Helen's "rules" for a loving family dinner.

It makes me appreciate all the more what our armed forces — who are away from home for our benefit — do for us.— ALSO A MOTHER, BUT NOT PICKY, GRAYSON, GA.

DEAR ALSO: I appreciate your sentiments, but I can't help but conclude that there isn't one "right" answer here. You and Mrs. Buckles both have a point.

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Abigail Van Buren's column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

Ed Todd

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River cruise offers view of American Bald Eagle

From Staff Reports

BURNET — The first American Bald Eagle of the 2000-2001 eagle-viewing season was spotted from the decks of the Texas Eagle, the flagship of Vanishing Texas River Cruise.

Captain Shawn Devaney said he caught sight of the majestic bird sitting on its tree top roost high above the Texas Colorado River.

Passengers had a chance to see the eagle as the captain maneuvered the vessel toward the tall cliffs of the Llano uplift and Fall Creek Falls. The majestic bird sat while passengers viewed the eagle and the boat slowly slipped past and continued upriver .

"We are very excited about this year's eagle season," Devaney said. "The lake and river levels are back to normal after a 16-month drought, which allows us access to all parts of Lake Buchanan and the Texas Colorado River Canyon. We expect eagle sightings to rival those in years past."

The Vanishing Texas River Cruise is a unique way to view the American Bald Eagle, all in the comfort of one of the lower enclosed and heated decks aboard the Texas Eagle.

The 20-year old company offers 2 1/2 hour trips most days at 11 a.m. and a four-hour Ultimate Eagle Cruise beginning 9 a.m. weekends. Lunch is served on the weekend cruise.

Reservations are required. For more information or to make a reservation, call 1-800-4-RIVER-4.

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PRIME TIME

PRIME TIME CALENDAR

CASA DE AMIGOS

Casa de Amigos is located at 1101 E. Garden Lane. For more information about services provided call 682-9701. Activities include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards/bowling; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. gem and mineral; 10:15 a.m. sing-a-long; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. bingo.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10:15 a.m. advisory meeting; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. table games.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards; 9:45 a.m. adult classes; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. games.

■ Friday: 9 a.m. billiards; 10:15 a.m. crafts; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 12:15 p.m. Bible study.

MIDLAND YMCA

Midland YMCA has many activities scheduled for Prime Time adults. Contact Central YMCA 682-2551. Scheduled activities are:

■ Low impact aerobics: 8:15 a.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday; 6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.

■ YMCARDIAC (YCT) Therapy, call for appointment before beginning class.

■ Senior water aerobics, 8-8:45 a.m. Monday through Friday.

■ Water arthritis classes, 10:15 a.m., 2 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

■ Deep water aerobics, 6:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday;

■ Hydro-fit and water aerobics, 9 a,m. Monday through Saturday.

■ Hydro-fit aerobics, 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

■ Lap swim/water walking, 5:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday; 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday; 7 p.m. 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Saturday; and 1:15 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. **Certified lifeguard is on duty during lap/open swim times and water classes.**

Weights and exercise equipment available during hours of operation.

SOUTHEAST SENIOR CENTER

The Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana, is open 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information about services offered, call 685-7231. Activities for **December 18-22** include:

■ Monday: 10 a.m. ceramics and billiards; 10:20 exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and painting.

■ Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. clinic; 9:45 a.m. choir; 10 a.m. ceramics and billiards; 10:20 exercise; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games and painting.

■ Thursday: 9:30 a.m. singing; 9:45 a.m. exercise; 10 a.m. quilting and billiards; 11:15 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. table games.

■ Friday: HOLIDAY

MIDLAND SENIOR CENTER

The Midland Senior Center is located in Kingsway Mall, 3303 W. Illinois, Space No. 18. For more information call 681-7636. Activities for **Dec. 18-22** include:

■ Monday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards and dominoes; 9:30 a.m. art class; 10 a.m. Kitchenettes; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.

■ Tuesday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes and ceramics; 11:30 a.m. lunch/nutrition talk; 1 p.m. Tuesday art class; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.

■ Wednesday: 9 a.m. billiards, cards, dominoes, ceramics class and exercise; 10 a.m. Gospel singing; 11:30 a.m. lunch/December birthday party; 1 p.m. bridge, dominoes and cards.

■ Thursday: 9 a.m. billiards, exercise, cards, dominoes; 9:30 a.m. country and western dancing and Tall City Dancers; 11:30 a.m. lunch; 12 noon "42" domino tournament; 12:30 p.m. art for fun; 1 p.m. bridge, cards and dominoes.

■ Friday: Center closed Friday through Dec. 25 for Christmas holidays.

MISSION ADULT DAY CARE CENTER

Mission Adult Day Care Center of Midland is open 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 5212 Sinclair. The center is closed for major holidays. For more information call 522-1221. Weekday schedule includes:

■ 8 a.m. light breakfast or snacks; 9 a.m. visitation, special events; 10 a.m. exercise, R.O.M., singing or live music; noon lunch; 12:30 p.m. rest period; 2:30 p.m. snacks.

■ Activities include visits from Gospel groups, line dancers and country groups, and golfing.

Skilled nursing services with registered nurse director and certified activity director. Medicaid licensed, with adequate, caring skilled staff and transportation available.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul assists Midland's poor with rent, utilities, food and clothing. Volunteers are needed to work one to four hours each week in the agency's Thrift Store, 701 N. Fort Worth. Store hours are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Call 687-2343. Meetings are 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at St. Ann's Catholic Church parish office, Texas Avenue at M Street. Call 688-3999 for more information.

COM AQUATICS SENIORS AND THERAPEUTIC EXERCISE

City of Midland Aquatics has programs of water exercise for seniors. The schedule is:

■ Monday: 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. water walking; 10:15 a .m. to 11 a.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); noon to 12:45 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

■ Tuesday: 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. water walking; 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. arthritis plus; 12:15 p.m. to 1 p.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. arthritis plus.

■ Wednesday: 7:30-11:30 a.m. water walking; 10:15 a.m. to 11 a.m. therapeutic aerobics (deep pool); noon to 12:45 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. arthritis exercise.

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The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is recruiting persons 55 years and older to volunteer with non-profit agencies. RSVP will match volunteers' skills and interests to community agencies' needs. The program is sponsored by Community and Senior Services, 3301 Sinclair. For more information, call 689-6693. A sample of current opportunities include:

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Woman finds hidden talents at senior center

By Lana Cunningham
MRT Correspondent



TimFischer/Reporter-Telegram
Marjorie Evans is active at the Midland Senior Center and plays tambourine in the Kitchenette Symphony.

Her eyes closed, she could almost imagine the winter scene with snow-covered trees as her hand tossed the tambourine in rhythm to the song, "Winter Wonderland."

That was followed by "Jolly Old St. Nicholas" and "Jingle Bells." The silver bells jingled, the washboard ribbed and the tambourine bounced to the beat. Marjorie Evans smiled and joked as she played the tambourine with other members of The Kitchenette Symphony.

She walked through the doors of the Midland Senior Center on April 29,1996, and found a place that not only uncovered hidden talents, but also revived buried pastimes.

Her husband, Alfred V. Evans died in July 1995. Mrs. Evans had completed grief recovery classes at Hospice and decided it was time to find ways to fill the empty hours in her days. She was involved in activities at Crestview Baptist Church, but that only kept her busy on Sundays.

"I needed something to fill in my week," she said.

At first, she came for the gospel singing sessions each week. Over the months, Mrs. Evans expanded her involvement. She can be found at the Senior Center almost every weekday, whether it's working at the reception desk, playing in the Kitchenette Band, singing, dancing or compiling volunteer hours for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

"It (the center) sure keeps you from being so lonely," she said.

"I love religious music. I have sung in the choir at Crestview Baptist Church. We sing (at the senior center) at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays. Sometimes we go to hospitals or nursing homes."

A friend then talked her into trying the Kitchenette Symphony. Not only does she enjoy playing the tambourine, but Mrs. Evans gets the chance to perform for other groups. "I like the tambourine and found it easy to handle. I'm good with rhythm. And, I like to get out and meet people," she said.

She serves on the center's hospitality committee, sits at the reception desk and helps in the office. On Thursday mornings, she's picking up a pastime from her youth — dancing. "It's good exercise," she said with a laugh.

Sometimes, women will dance with each other. And the few men who show up do not lack for partners. "Men are scarce," she noted.

The Senior Center has given Mrs. Evans a new set of friends since her husband's death five days short of their 52nd wedding anniversary. She still smiles at the memories of how they met and their lives together.

"I was raised in Fairhaven, Mass.," said the woman who graduated from high school in 1942 as the country was enveloped in World War II. One day, while walking with her father, a member of the American Legion, to the cemetery to place flags and flowers on the veterans' graves, they were stopped by two Coast Guard servicemen.

"The American Legion there had a custom of inviting servicemen to dinner" and the two men took up her father's invitation for a home-cooked meal. "After dinner we listened to records and played dominoes or cards."

She wasn't intending to fall in love with this handsome young man. "It just happened. We met May 30, 1943, and we were married July 24, 1943.

"Now, I don't recommend getting married that quick under normal circumstances. But this was during the war."

Evans, a native Texan, returned to the state after the war and finished his education at Baylor University. He taught at San Benito, Port Isabel and Pearsall before settling in El Paso, where the couple raised two daughters and a son. He retired after 39 years in education, then moved to Midland to work part-time. Their two daughters also live here.

During those years of marriage, Mrs. Evans never pursued her love of dancing, a talent taught by her father. "My husband had two left feet," she said, chuckling.

Today, she enjoys dancing the waltz and fox-trot. And if she didn't get so winded, jitterbug would be listed on her repertoire.

Occasionally, Mrs. Evans is called to help deliver Meals-on-Wheels, and she volunteers with Hospice of Midland. She also telephones two friends who are unable to get out of the house.

"Mrs. Evans is a very sociable person," said Kathleen Gilully, director of Midland Senior Center. "She really likes people, and she has embraced RSVP as a volunteer opportunity."

As the pianist's hands flowed up and down the keyboard, Mrs. Evans shook the tambourine in a steady rhythm. It was a reminder of horses and holiday bells, of mountains and tall trees covered in snow — of her life as a child, then as a wife and mother, and now as a very active volunteer.

DR. HENRY PAGE

Significance of Pearl Harbor day fades as time goes by



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As a Pearl Harbor survivor it proved disheartening to see the "date that will live in infamy" pass by without scarcely a whimper as to its present day significance as an historical learning experience. As the sentimental aspect faded with time, the American response has followed the dictum of Will Rogers "to rid oneself of an enemy make him your friend," a pragmatic position well-taken. In retrospect, we failed to appreciate the intensity and ruthlessness of an expanding power that had destroyed the Russian fleet without warning in 1904; raped Nanking (100,000 deaths alone); pillaged both Manchuria and Indonesia in the late 1930s; and then needed to destroy the U.S. fleet to protect its ill-gotten gains. It attempted to accomplish this on Dec. 7, 1941, with a surprise, massive attack on ships lying at and/or tied up at pier on a Sunday morning while buglers were calling "attention to colors" and "church call." More than 2,000 Americans died in a blazing inferno, something a bit hard to accept and forgive.

In retrospect the above scenario should have been anticipated.

The importance of remembering lies in determining the basic cause of the unpreparedness. This involves the White House, State Department executives, political activists, and Army and Navy brass with their intelligence handlers — all so involved in protecting their own trees they failed to perceive the forest. Instead of being recognized and getting better, this trend appears to be worsening with the military becoming a social, politically correct institution with many of its members on food stamps and overextended. This constitutes a dangerous situation considering that the globe remains full of other ruthless souls equipped with sophisticated weapons.

To lighten the view and maintain perspective, a quixotic Pearl Harbor episode has recently been revealed. It concerns an American dentist who "put the bite" on Togo, who was awaiting trial in a Sugamo prison and had difficulty in speaking due to bad dentures. The dentist,who was an amateur ham-radio operator and knew Morse code — was ordered to modify the dental plate, and while so doing inscribed a short, encoded message. When the prank was discovered the doctor was disciplined — but the false teeth worn by Togo are now on display at the Dental Corps Historical Museum in Bethesda, Md. Engraved therein is the message "Remember Pearl Harbor."

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Castro, Putin agree to revive Russia-Cuba relationship

By Vladimir Isachenkov
Associated Press

HAVANA — Reviving a friendship that withered after the collapse of the Soviet Union, Russian President Vladimir Putin met Thursday with Cuban leader Fidel Castro, promising little by way of economic aid but pledging to strengthen ties.

"We decided we will build a relationship between our countries based upon the warm feelings and high level relations that already exist," Putin said after their morning meeting. "We agreed to give a new push to solving problems that have piled up during the last years."

But the only solid economic agreement from talks between the two leaders was $50 million in commercial credit from Russia to Cuba — an amount that pales in comparison with the multibillion-dollar subsidies of the Soviet era.

The generous Soviet-era aid to Cuba ended abruptly in the early 1990s when Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev cut subsidies shortly after his 1989 visit to Cuba. He added to the insult by deciding to withdraw Soviet troops without consulting Havana.

Former Russian President Boris Yeltsin, Putin's predecessor, never even visited Cuba.



AP Photo
Russian President Vladimir Putin, left, and Cuban President Fidel Castro speak through a translator during Putin's official arrival ceremony in Havana Thursday morning. Putin is on a two-day trip to Cuba, the first visit of a Russian leader since the fall of the former Soviet Union.

Putin has made a point of restoring ties with old Soviet allies alienated by his predecessor. There were none of the bear hugs and kisses typical during Soviet times, but after meeting Castro, Putin extolled the old friendship and pledged to strengthen it.

"We must clearly and precisely realize what in our relationship has perspective and what is the heritage of the past," Putin said.

Russian and Cuban officials signed agreements in the economic, legal and medical spheres but failed to reach a solution on uncompleted Soviet-era projects in Cuba that would cost billions of dollars to finish. There also was no agreement on how to eliminate part of Cuba's $11 billion Soviet-era debt with Russia.

But the two leaders found common ground in international politics, discussing the need to develop the multipolar world — a reference to what they see as U.S. attempts at global domination. In a joint statement, they condemned the United States' economic embargo against Cuba.

Meeting at the Palace of the Revolution, where a military band struck up both countries' anthems before they went inside for talks, Putin and Castro also agreed to further political dialogue, economic cooperation and trade.

The two countries do about $1 billion in trade a year, down from about $3.6 billion in 1991, Putin said Thursday.

The Soviet Union valued Cuba during the Cold War, and considered it a strategic outpost. Twenty percent of Cuba's gross national product is estimated to have come from Soviet subsidies. But today, in a country much changed since the Soviet collapse, politics are now second to economics.

Later Thursday, Putin was to attend a ceremony honoring Cuba's monument to the Unknown Soviet Soldier, then meet with Ricardo Alarcon, president of Cuba's National Assembly and Castro's point man on Cuba-U.S. affairs.

A state dinner, not listed on the original agenda, was scheduled for the evening, Russian officials said.

The Russian delegation included Gen. Valentin Korabelnikov, head of military intelligence, who apparently will accompany Putin on his visit to the Russian electronic intelligence center in Lourdes, the only remaining Russian military facility in Cuba.

Today, the Russian president was to play tribute to Cuban independence hero Jose Marti and visit Cuba's Institute of Genetics and Biotechnology. He then heads to Cuba's Varadero beach resort for a two-day rest before going to Canada on Sunday.

Chirac denies charges of corruption

PARIS (AP) — French President Jacques Chirac denied he was involved in an kickback scheme, saying he was profoundly hurt by the claims Thursday in his most extensive comments so far on the ongoing scandal.

In a hour-long television interview, Chirac blasted those who have linked his name to a twisted tale of illegal party financing allegedly centered on Paris City Hall, where he was mayor for 18 years. He called for a halt to the allegations and asked the media to respect each individual's right to be presumed innocent.

"You will never find anyone who will say I am a money man, or a man who could compromise his honesty," Chirac, 68, said on the scandal that has gripped the political scene in Paris for several weeks.

"When I see that people claim that I went to the office of one of my colleagues to watch the delivery by someone, with whom I never had any personal relationship, of a suitcase full of money, well, I tell you, first I am stupefied and I am also profoundly hurt," Chirac said.

Most major political parties have been tainted by the scandal. The media reports claim that Paris City Hall during the late 1980s and early 1990s accepted millions of dollars from building firms in exchange for contracts to build schools and funneled the funds to the political parties.

But Chirac, who was mayor of Paris from 1977 to 1995, has been hardest hit ever since the transcript of a videotaped interview allegedly made by a now-deceased official from his center-right Rally for the Republic party implicating Chirac in corruption was made public in September.

In the taped interview, Jean-Claude Mery, the self-described banker for the alleged kickback scheme, said Chirac had been present when a suitcases full of money was handed over to party officials.

Chirac denied that he knew about the kickbacks.

"I did not know for a very simple reason ... as president of the RPR party, I did not deal with issues of financing," he said.

Chirac enjoys immunity from prosecution, except in cases of treason, while in office. He is expected to run for a second term in 2002 elections.

In the interview on the private TF1 television channel, Chirac highlighted the difference between laws on party financing now and in the past. It was only in 1995 that France passed a law banning companies from donating to political parties.

The French president joins the ranks of politicians from former German Chancellor Helmut Kohl to former Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who have come under scrutiny for past party financing practices.

In Germany, Kohl had been reduced from a national hero to a man reviled by his own party over slush fund allegations.

After leading the conservative Christian Democrats for a quarter century, Kohl admitted last year that he accepted about $1 million in off-the-books donations while in office. He refused to name the donors and denies selling favors.

In Russia, investigators had accused a Swiss construction firm of paying kickbacks to members of Yeltsin's close circle, including his family, for contracts to renovate the Kremlin and presidential properties. But the case was dropped this week, with investigators citing a lack of evidence.

Spain's Socialist Party also paid for the sins of the past when it was voted out of office in 1996, after 14 years in power, largely because of corruption scandals.

Tourism official sentenced for misuse of funds

MEXICO CITY (AP) — A former federal tourism official was sentenced to 4 1/2 years in prison for awarding illegal contracts to family-linked companies.

Andres Sigfrido Paz Paredes was convicted on a charge of abuse of power during his time as assistant tourism secretary from 1994-1996, the Mexican Attorney General's office said. He was sentenced on Tuesday.

Paz issued several illegal contracts to companies owned by friends and family including the Commercial Horizons Group of Mexico, one of whose stockholders included his daughter Ana Cristina Paz Paredes.

Paz also transferred funds designated for federal tourism-related programs to private accounts, the Attorney General's office said.

The former official was fined 326,665 pesos (dlrs 34,750) and prohibited from holding any public position for the length of his sentence.

Another ex-tourism official, former Tourism Secretary Oscar Espinosa, is accused of embezzling dlrs 45 million during his 1994-1997 term as mayor of Mexico City, prior to entering the cabinet.

He was arrested Tuesday in Nicaragua in compliance with an extradition request from Mexican officials.

Espinosa, a member of Mexico's former ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, has said the charges are an attempt at political revenge by the center-left Democratic Revolution Party, which won the city mayorship in 1997.

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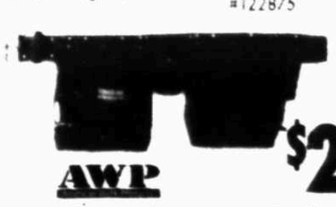
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U.S. businessman Edmond Pope freed by Russia

By Melissa Eddy
Associated Press

LANDSTUHL, Germany — Pardoned by Russia after being convicted of espionage, U.S. businessman Edmond Pope flew to freedom in Germany on Thursday and declared, "It's great to be back in the real world."

Looking tired, Pope clutched an American flag and held his wife tightly as he shouted to reporters from a balcony at the U.S. military's Landstuhl Regional Medical Center.

Pope, 54, the first American convicted of espionage in Russia in 40 years, arrived at Ramstein Air Base in Germany hours after Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered him released from Moscow's Lefortovo prison. Just last week, he had been sentenced to 20 years in jail.

Since his April 3 arrest, he has steadfastly maintained his innocence on charges that he illegally obtained plans for a Russian navy torpedo, saying what he purchased was not secret because the technology already had been sold abroad. Pope sent a letter to Putin asking for clemency on the eve of his conviction, his wife said.

Denied visits with her husband since the Dec. 6 verdict, Cheri Pope went to the prison Thursday morning only hoping to see him, said Jennifer Bennett, spokeswoman for Rep. John Peterson of Pennsylvania. But two hours later, she and her husband were leaving the country on a chartered plane.

The Russian Security Service said Pope was given his personal belongings and a chance to ask questions about the pardon. He had none, the service said.

Pope was quoted by Russia's state-controlled ORT television as being concerned about the diplomatic implications of his ordeal. "On the one hand, I'm glad, on the other, I regret that it happened like this. I wouldn't want to damage Russian-American relations."



AP Photo

Holding a U.S. flag, American Edmond Pope, accompanied by his wife Cheri, right, waves to reporters from a balcony of the Landstuhl, Germany, military hospital, 135 kilometers (85 miles) southwest of Frankfurt, Thursday. Pope, the first American convicted of espionage in Russia in 40 years, landed at Ramstein Air Force base in Germany hours after Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered him released from Moscow's Lefortovo prison. He had been sentenced to 20 years in jail by a Moscow court last week.

His release came hours after George W. Bush accepted victory in the presidential election; some experts suggested Russia made the move in the hopes of garnering the president-elect's favor.

A Putin spokesman told The Associated Press the Russian leader pardoned Pope for humanitarian reasons, and to preserve good relations with Washington. The pardon cited "the health condition of the convict and his personal appeal, and also ... the high level of ties between the Russian Federation and the United States of America."

President Clinton, traveling in England, welcomed the release, saying, "it is important that humanitarian considerations prevailed in the end."

Pope — who has suffered from a rare form of bone cancer — was to have a complete medical examination before heading home, Landstuhl commander Col. Elder Granger said.

"He's in great spirits. When he got here, he requested a cup of black coffee and to talk to a chaplain," Granger said. "At this point he looks healthy and does not appear malnourished."

Pope reportedly lost 25 pounds during his 253 days in jail, but gained some of the weight back after his wife and U.S. Embassy officials began bringing him food, said Peterson.

Pope's family became concerned that his cancer — in remission when he initially traveled to Russia on business — had returned after a lump appeared in his neck and he began suffering back pain, Bennett said. He was to have thorough cancer screening at Landstuhl, she said.

Landstuhl, about 85 miles southwest of Frankfurt, has become a way station for Americans in trouble since the end of the Cold War — from sailors injured in this year's terrorist attack on the USS Cole in Yemen to soldiers hurt in 1993 fighting in Somalia.

From the hospital, Pope called family and friends in Grants Pass, Ore., where his mother, Elizabeth Pope, is caring for his ailing father. His two grown sons and a business partner are also there, waiting for him to arrive, Bennett said.

"I will be much happier when I see him and I am able to put my arms around him," his mother told AP. "It's like waking up from a horrible nightmare."

Keith McClellan, a partner in Pope's business, TechSource Marine Industries of State College, Pa., said Pope sounded like he was "in great spirits" during a telephone call.

"I could see the smile on his face all the way through the phone. He was thankful for all the support that we were able to give him from this end," McClellan said.

Putin, who was on a state visit to Cuba at the time of Pope's release, had indicated last week that he would likely follow a recommendation from his pardons commission to grant clemency.

Liliya Shevtsova, a political analyst with the Carnegie Moscow Center, suggested Putin had pardoned Pope in hopes of favorable treatment by Bush. "It looks like there was some kind of trade-off," he said, adding that Pope's guilt "clearly was not proven."

Mexican president congratulates Bush, invites him to Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's new president, Vicente Fox, called George W. Bush on Thursday to congratulate him on election as U.S. president and invited him to a meeting in Mexico.

Fox "expressed warm congratulations for his electoral victory as well as for the manner in which the U.S. people and institutions managed to settle a complex post-electoral process," according to a statement read by his spokeswoman, Martha Sahagun.

She said Fox invited Bush to visit Mexico as soon as the agendas of the two men permit. She said it was not clear if the meeting would occur before or after Bush's inauguration next month.

Fox thanked Bush for "the sympathy and interest he always has shown for Mexico, particularly during his term as governor" of Texas. During his campaign, Bush cited his relations with Mexico as proof of his foreign-policy abilities.

Fox's Dec. 1 inauguration ended 71 years of government by the Institutional Revolutionary Party — a political domination that had caused many U.S. analysts to consider Mexico less than fully democratic.

Asked why Fox might be able to have a better relationship with the United States than did past leaders, Sahagun said: "Full democracy in Mexico, total openness to dialogue, the desire for improvement of both countries."

She said Fox told Bush that "the fact both leaders begin their administrations simultaneously will permit them to build a frank and open dialogue" on bilateral topics. Those include immigration, anti-narcotics efforts and a multitude of issues involving the long, shared border and trade.

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Newsmaker 2000



Cedric Benson, Lee running back



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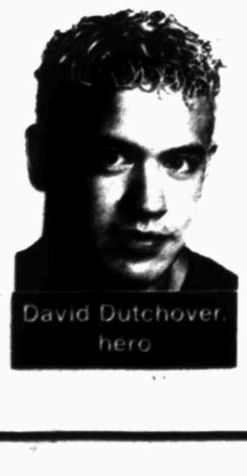
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Below are a few of our nominations. Vote for one of them or let us know if you think someone else deserves the recognition.

Newsmaker 2000 entry

I think Midland's Newsmaker 2000 should be:

- ❑ Cedric Benson
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- ❑ David Daniel
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- ❑ Don Evans
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- ❑ Keith Weiser

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Israelis kill Palestinian; Palestinians call it another assassination

By Greg Myre
Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israeli soldiers shot a Palestinian militant to death Thursday when he pulled a pistol at a military checkpoint in the Gaza Strip, the army said — the fourth killing of a known Palestinian activist in as many days.

Despite the deaths, high-level political contacts resumed. Israeli Foreign Minister Shlomo Ben-Ami traveled to Gaza to meet Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in Gaza late Thursday. Ben-Ami's spokesman, Moshe Debi, said the meeting was taking place at the Erez crossing point between Israel and Gaza.

Palestinians claimed Thursday's shooting was part of a concerted Israeli effort to assassinate Palestinian activists. "It's a kind of state terrorism organized and used with the approval of the prime minister and the Israeli government," said Ahmed Qureia, a senior Palestinian negotiator.

Israel's Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh said this week that the military was targeting Palestinians responsible for attacks against Israelis, and that the army has acknowledged launching several recent attacks to kill militants.

However, the army said it was only trying to arrest Hani Abu Bakr, a member of the militant Islamic group Hamas, when they stopped the taxi he was driving at a checkpoint in the southern Gaza Strip.

Abu Bakr drew a handgun, prompting the soldiers to open fire, the army said. Abu Bakr was killed and two passengers in his car were wounded, the military said.

Israeli authorities had been searching for Abu Bakr, an Israeli security source said on condition of anonymity.

Hamas confirmed that Abu Bakr was a ranking member of the group's underground military wing — a secretive organization that has been behind many of the deadliest bomb attacks against Israel in recent years. Abu Bakr, 31, also was a taxi driver, the group said.

A known Palestinian activist has been shot dead each day since Monday.

Shai Feldman, director of the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University, said the new Israeli policy was an effort to avoid "indiscriminate punishment" in the ongoing conflict.

"This policy comes from a desire, first of all, to be more accurate in striking forces that are identified as those responsible for the violence," Feldman said. "The second motivation is to prevent as much as possible, casualties among bystanders."

The Israeli actions also appear related to the changing nature of the conflict, which has raged for 11 weeks and has left nearly 320 people dead, most of them Palestinians.

Stone-throwing clashes involving large groups of Palestinian youths facing off against Israeli troops have become increasingly rare.

Palestinian gunmen are now regularly taking aim at Jewish settlers on roads in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, and roadside bombs also are becoming more common. An Israeli motorist was shot and seriously wounded Thursday in the West Bank.

Israel has been insisting that the violence must be substantially reduced before negotiations can resume, but the meeting between Ben-Ami and Arafat appeared to signal the resumption of the peace talks, which have been stalled since July.

Israeli media said that the late-night meeting in Gaza could pave the way for a meeting between Arafat and Barak, their first since a summit meeting in Egypt in October. The reports said this would be part of an all-out push by Barak to sign an agreement with Arafat before Israeli elections, set for Feb. 6.

Asked about the latest violence, including Thursday's killing, Arafat said, "It's part of the crimes that have been carried out by the Israelis against our people. This is a very serious and dangerous escalation."

Also Thursday, Israeli said it was easing its closure of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and would allow 10,000 Palestinian workers to enter Israel starting Friday for the first time since shortly after the unrest began, Israel radio reported. Before the violence, about 150,000 Palestinians came to Israel each day, most of them to work.

Kuchma vows shutdown of nuclear plant

CHERNOBYL, Ukraine (AP) — Ukraine pressed ahead Thursday with preparations to close the Chernobyl nuclear power plant, despite angry protests by plant workers and last-minute parliamentary calls to postpone Friday's shutdown.

"For the entire world, Chernobyl stands as negative symbol that should have no place upon the Earth," President Leonid Kuchma said.

Earlier, Kuchma took foreign dignitaries, including the prime ministers of Russia, Belarus and Georgia, on a tour of the plant, where reactor No. 3 has been kept running just enough to give authorities something to ceremonially bring to a stop.

Rainy weather gave an even more ominous look to the gray concrete sarcophagus encasing Chernobyl's ruined reactor No. 4 — the one that exploded 14 years ago in the world's worst nuclear accident. In nearby Pripyat, a town evacuated after the disaster, raindrops fell on empty apartment high rises with gaping holes instead of windowpanes.

The faces of Chernobyl workers reflected the gloom: many of the 6,000 employees will lose their jobs when the plant shuts down.

At Slavutych, dozens of people silently held placards reading: "Dec. 15 is a tragedy for Slavutych" and "No to tomorrow's show in Ukraine."

"I don't pity myself. But I have two small children and I worry about their future," said Yevhen Laptsov, a Chernobyl electrician who was among the protesters. "That is what I fear."

A weary-looking Kuchma later said he heard "many bitter and mostly just words about myself and the government. The energy workers were absolutely right — I had almost nothing to tell them."

For years, Ukraine resisted international calls to close Chernobyl, saying it couldn't do without the electricity and demanding foreign aid in return. Kuchma pledged to close the plant during President Clinton's visit earlier this year.

Last week, the European Commission approved a $585 million loan to help Ukraine build two new reactors to generate electricity.

Even as preparations for the closure were in full swing, Ukraine's parliament on Thursday adopted a Communist-sponsored nonbinding resolution urging the government to postpone the shutdown at least until April. Kuchma dismissed the step as "political games."

Kuchma is to issue the shutdown command Friday from Kiev, 80 miles away, through a television link with the plant.

The Chernobyl tragedy began April 26, 1986, when reactor No. 4 exploded and caught fire, contaminating vast areas in Ukraine, Russia and Belarus, and spewing a radioactive cloud over Europe.

More than 4,000 Ukrainians who took part in the hasty Soviet cleanup effort have died and 70,000 were disabled by radiation, according to the government. About 3.4 million of Ukraine's 50 million people, including some 1.26 million children, are considered to have been affected by Chernobyl.



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Balance: Chaps have it; Rebs need less of it

Westlake boasts more potent offense than The Woodlands

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

Written somewhere on the tombstone at the head of The Woodlands' fresh grave is "a team with a balanced offense."

The Woodlands, indeed, was balanced, not unlike Austin Westlake, Midland Lee's opponent in Saturday's Class 5A Big School state championship game. However, while The Woodlands was capable of running and passing, Westlake is better at both. The Chaps' offense is balanced and capable.

Looking down Westlake's list of offensive weapons, it is easy to see why this team is averaging just more than 38 points a game. Its leading rusher is Scott Ballew. He has 1,169 yards and 17 touchdowns. Backfield mate Brendan Dewan isn't a 1,000-yard rusher. He has 781 yards and 19 scores. Dewan, though, has only played in nine games this season.

When the Chaps throw the ball, they depend on Duke Hasson, a senior. Hasson has followed in the footsteps of prior Westlake standout quarterbacks including Drew Brees. Hasson has thrown for 1,739 yards and 19 touchdowns. Maybe his most incredible statistic is that Hasson has thrown only one interception in 188 attempts. Not bad for a guy who hadn't thrown a pass coming into this season since he was on the freshman "B" team.

"He's a late bloomer," Westlake coach Ron

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Three Rings

LEE

The Midland Lee Rebels will go for their third straight state title Saturday. They will face Austin Westlake at noon at Darrell K. Royal-Texas Memorial Stadium in Austin.

Lee will need more rushing production against Westlake

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

Ask Midland Lee head coach John Parchman what his team has to do better against Austin Westlake in Saturday's Class 5A Big School state championship game. He'll tell you what you already knew.

"We've got to get the running game going better than we did last week," Parchman said.

He is not trying to hide anything. It is just the truth. Thanks to a heroic effort from guys like fullback Shawn Murphy, Jacoby Kendrick and quarterback Nick Hand, Lee escaped elimination. They dodged a huge bullet. Lee is not supposed to win when Cedric Benson doesn't run for 100 yards or doesn't score a touchdown. They did, though, and Parchman is ready to roll the dice again, but not under those circumstances.

So when the Rebels go after title No. 3, which in itself would be history making, look for the Rebels to again hop on the back of their history maker. And when they do it, look for the Rebels to go back to the basics.

"We have to have a simpler plan," Parchman said. "We can execute better against whatever people might throw against us and figure out ways to make first downs."

Moving the ball could be key in what should be a high-scoring game and against

Please see **LEE**/4C

STANTON IN THE SEMIFINALS

Rematch of Destiny

Buffaloes see Celina again after 2 years

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

ABILENE — At the beginning of the year, Stanton coach Mark Cotton thought his Buffaloes would be in today's 7:30 p.m. Class 2A Small School state semifinals. So did Celina coach G.A. Moore when he first looked at the Small School playoffs bracket. Somehow, Moore knew that his team would have the chance to meet the Buffaloes during this postseason.

In a rematch of the 1998 semifinals won by Celina, both of these schools will meet again to determine who will go to the state championship game next week. No. 2-ranked Celina comes in with a record of 14-0, while Stanton is here with a 12-2 mark.

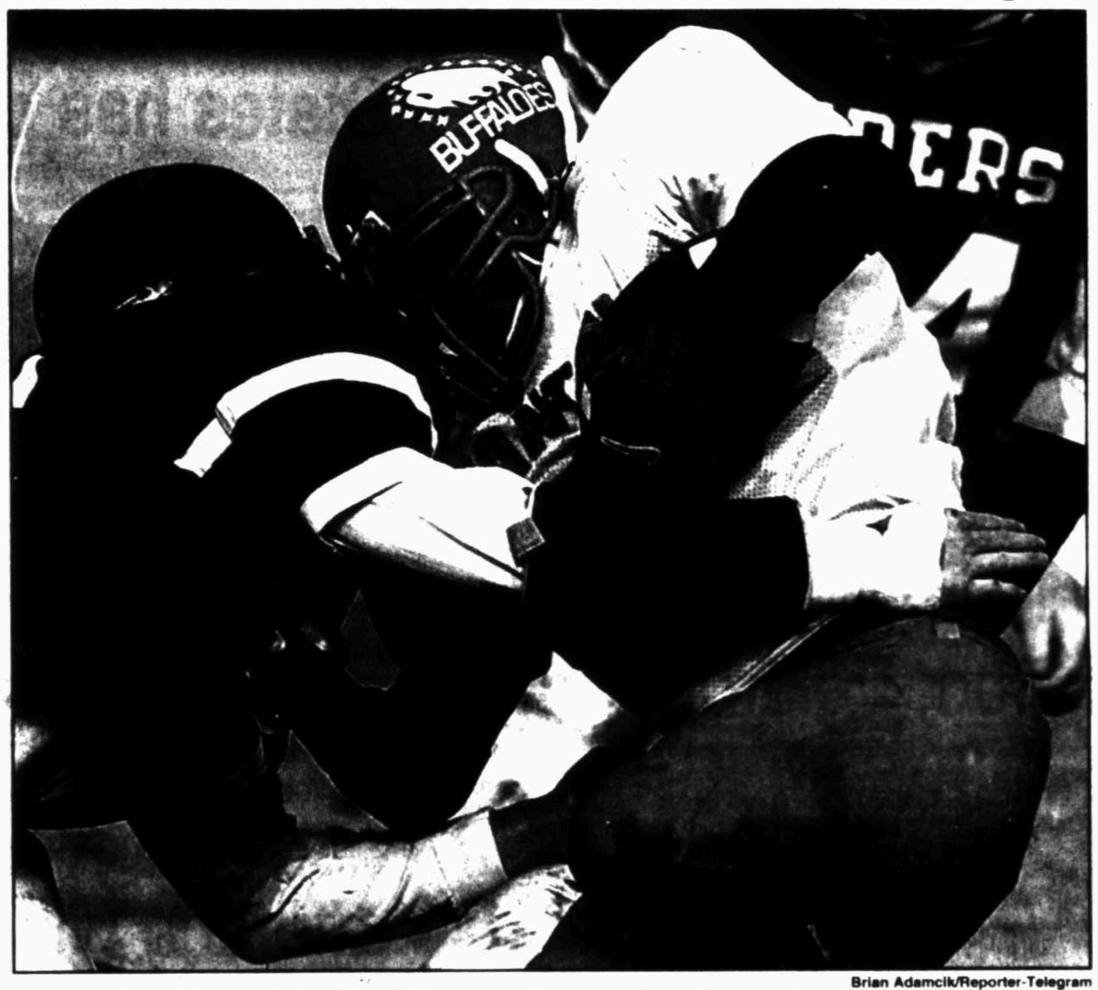
This time the setting is Shotwell Stadium, the site of one of Stanton's most exciting victories in the history of its program. During the 1997 state championship run for the Buffs, Stanton defeated Lockney 21-20 in the regional round of the postseason — a game many considered to be the state championship game of that season in Class 2A. Stanton escaped with the win because its defense stopped Lockney on a two-point conversion late in the game to secure the victory.

Stanton is hoping to have that same luck against the juggernaut known as the Celina Bobcats, winners of 39 straight games and the last two Class 2A Small School state titles.

"They've been No. 1 or No. 2 all year, and they deserve it," said Cotton about the Bobcats. "Their talent base is incredible."

That talent base for Celina starts with three-year starting quarterback Adam Herrin, who's completed 108 of 181 passes for 1,645 yards, 21 touchdowns and just six interceptions this season.

"He's been a great one," said Moore, who's been one of the great ones himself as the winningest active coach with a record of 372-71-9 (an .823 percentage) over 37 years. "Adam has been one of the reasons we've been successful. But we're certainly not a one-man team."



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

Stanton players like quarterback Keith Cook used hard-nosed running to get past Hamlin two weeks ago. The Buffs will try the same approach against Celina tonight in the Class 2A Small School semifinals.

Road to the Semifinals

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Stanton 35, Greenwood 34	Celina 35, Hillsboro 7
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Stanton 52, McCamey 12	Celina 44, Sanger 0
Stanton 31, Iraan 26	Celina 52, Dallas Pinkston 6
Midland Christian 24, Stanton 12	Celina 28, Lake Dallas 0
District 3-2A	**District 12-2A**
Stanton 39, Plains 6	Celina 49, Gainesville Calisburg 0
Colorado City 21, Stanton 18	Celina 13, Pilot Point 8
Stanton 34, Coahoma 6	Celina 51, Prosper 0
Stanton 46, Forsan 6	Celina 47, Valley View 7
Stanton 28, Seagraves 8	Celina 41, Aubrey 0
Bi-District	**Bi-District**
Stanton 27, Sundown 6	Celina 38, Boyd 0
Area	**Area**
Stanton 40, Ozona 18	Ceina 38, Goldthwaite 7
Regional	**Regional**
Stanton 40, Hamlin 14	Celina 41, Cooper 14
Quarterfinals	**Quarterfinals**
Stanton 31, Albany 13	Celina 31, Whitewright 14

Herrin has plenty of help around him, like an offensive line which averages 230 pounds per man, a running back in Adam Harvey who's rushed for 1,325 yards, and a six-pack of talented wide receivers led by Stuart Tudor and tight end Randall Cherry (6-foot-4, 215 pounds), an Arizona State commitment.

"They've got a lot of weapons," said Cotton about the Bobcats' offense. "They're about 70-30 (percent) run-pass. They use multiple formations, everything from double-tight wishbone to spreading it out all over the field."

The Bobcats' defense has been rather stingy all season, giving up just 70 points in 2000 — 35 of those points, however, have come in the four playoffs games.

"To be honest, some of the people we were playing early in the year weren't real strong," said Moore, about his team giving up just 35 points in the 10 regular season games. "We've given up 14 points in each of the last two weeks. Our defense is just going to have to play better if we expect to slow Stanton down."

The Bobcats are led by linebacker

Please see **STANTON**/4C

Texas deals Clayton to White Sox

By Jaime Aron
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON — Royce Clayton knew his days with the Texas Rangers were over as soon as the team signed Alex Rodriguez and hoped for a trade to a winning team.

Living up to their promise of treating him kindly, the Rangers sent Clayton to the Chicago White Sox on Thursday for right-handed pitchers Aaron Myette and Brian Schmack.

"Once I found out I was traded to the White Sox, I was basically overwhelmed," Clayton said. "I was very positive about going to a place where I could win. That was my first and foremost concern."

Texas general manager Doug Melvin called Clayton before he began negotiating with Rodriguez. Clayton said that if a deal was struck, he'd rather be traded than change positions.

The Rangers agreed Monday to give Rodriguez a record $252 million, 10-year contract. It took Melvin three more days to take care of the displaced Clayton.

"I know I have a lot of good years left at shortstop," Clayton said. "I know I can help. Doug

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■ **Astros ink Jackson/2C**

Franchione won't coach Frogs in bowl

By Arthur Garcia
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH — The Dennis Franchione reign at TCU is officially over.

Franchione will not coach the No. 13 Horned Frogs in the GMAC Mobile Alabama Bowl. New TCU coach Gary Patterson will assume the reins for the bowl game against Southern Mississippi on Wednesday night.

After Franchione accepted the Alabama coaching position on Dec. 8, TCU athletics director Eric Hyman said that Franchione should coach in the game. In the days leading to the hiring of Patterson as Franchione's replacement, Hyman repeated that Franchione would coach in the game.

On Dec. 15 when Patterson was introduced as the new coach, Hyman and Patterson released a statement that Franchione would coach in Mobile. Since then, Hyman has reversed field and said in

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TERRY WILLIAMSON

Rebels can improve on 2-1 record in title games

Taking the last stroll through the land of District 4-5A football:

At the State Game: Midland Lee is 2-1 in state championships, winning the last two. The other trip was a loss to Converse Judson in 1983 at Texas Stadium. Austin Westlake has made the state round twice, splitting those decisions. The Chaparrals defeated Abilene Cooper, 55-15, in the state title game in 1996, but lost to Tyler, 35-24, in 1994.



Williamson

State Streaks: Only three teams have won three consecutive state football championships at the highest classification. Waco won three, 1925-27 while Amarillo High won three straight, 1934-36. Abilene High was the last to do it, 1954-56.

Big Record: Westlake coach Ron Schroeder owns a 163-22-3 overall coaching record. He has only been a head coach at Westlake. The Chaps have scored in 285 consecutive games, dating back to 1978, and that is the longest scoring streak in the state.

El Ced Loves State: Lee running back Cedric Benson just loves the state game. He is the only player in state history to have scored five touchdowns in two state title games. That's 10 career TDs just in the finals alone.

And the Favorite Is: Westlake has been tabbed as an eight-point pick over the Rebels in a game that matches No. 1 against No. 8 in the final Associated Press poll that came out at the end of regular season play.

Lee for Three: Lee has a 15-game winning streak going in the state playoffs. The Rebels are 42-3 (.933) during this three-year glory stretch run.

Very Few Close Ones: The 13-3 margin of victory over The Woodlands last week was the closest game Lee has had in the last three playoff seasons. Lee had a 20-7 (13-point) win over South Grand Prairie in 1998. Lee has outscored playoff opponents 603-185 in the last three seasons. Lee has averaged 40.2 points per game while opponents have averaged 12.3 per game over the three-year period.

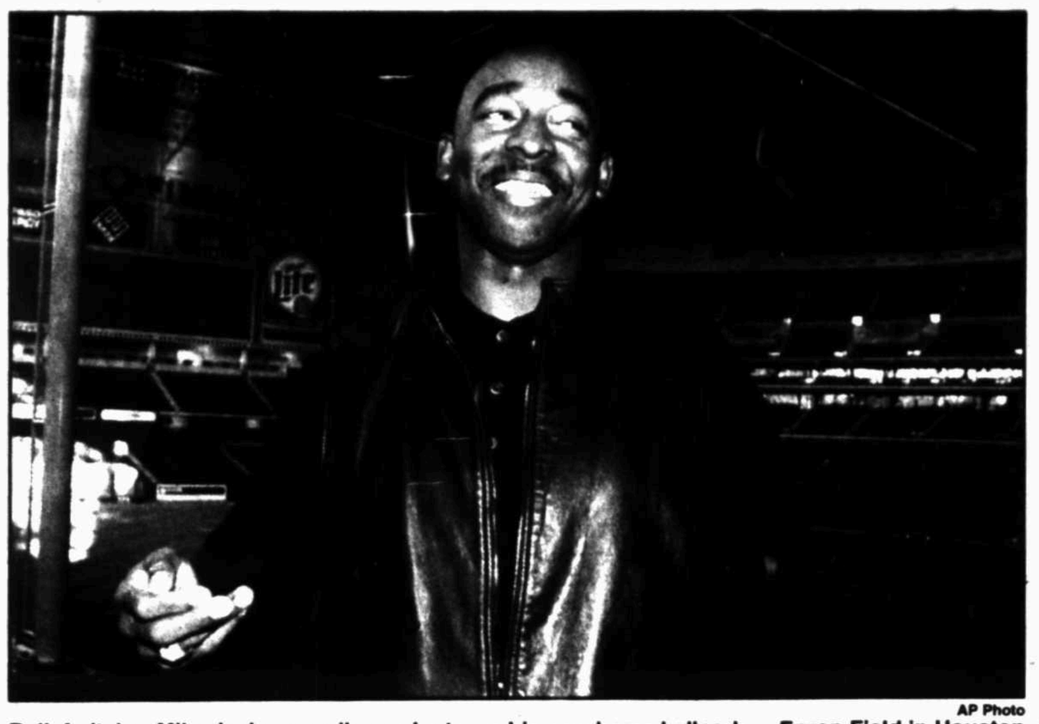
Almost in West Texas: Lee coach John Parchman tried to become a local legend last week. When Lee and Westlake flipped for the site of the state game, Parchman chose Odessa's Ratliff Stadium as his home field. Westlake took Royal-Memorial. A rare West Texas state championship game was only a flip of the coin away. Naturally, Parchman lost the flip. Legendary status is now on hold. Still, Parchman felt it was a no-lose situation. If his team lost the flip, which it did, Parchman felt that his kids would feel good about playing in Austin since they won the state title there last season and would have another win under the belt in Austin (against The Woodlands) last week if they were to play at Royal-Memorial. Westlake hasn't played at Royal-Memorial since 1995.

Another Overtime: Abilene Cooper fell out of the Small School playoffs Saturday with a 34-28 loss to Arlington Lamar in two overtimes. That was the eighth overtime for 4-5A teams. Cooper also played the league's first overtime in 1996, beating Lake Highlands, 24-21, in the state semifinals. 4-5A is now 4-2 in overtime games against outside opponents. Two other overtime games came in district play. 4-5A was 1-1 in overtime games this year with Midland High beating Amarillo High, 17-10, in two overtimes.

There is only one game left to prognosticate in the District 4-5A picking game for 2000, so here goes.

Midland Lee 21, Austin Westlake 17 (OT): I've never picked a game to go overtime, so why not end a phenomenal season with something crazy. Lee has never had an overtime game, but this just might be the one. This one may even make you forget The Woodlands.

Terry Williamson is sports editor of the Reporter-Telegram.



AP Photo

Relief pitcher Mike Jackson smiles as he tours his new home ballpark — Enron Field in Houston — Thursday after signing a one-year contract with the Houston Astros.

Reliever Jackson comes back home to play with Houston

Associated Press

HOUSTON — After eight stops on a 14-year major-league road, Mike Jackson arrived home Thursday, agreeing to a $250,000, one-year contract with the Houston Astros.

"I kind of feel like a kid in a candy store," said Jackson, a Houston native who still lives in the northern suburb of Spring. "I don't know how to act."

The Astros are hoping the 35-year-old right-hander can overcome the shoulder surgery that sidelined him for the entire 2000 season after he signed with the Philadelphia Phillies. Jackson insisted Thursday he is ready to play.

General manager Gerry Hunsicker said the only way Houston was able to acquire a reliever with Jackson's resume, including 94 saves as the Cleveland Indians' closer from 1997 to 1999, was because of uncertainty about his health.

"Mike's a leader," Hunsicker said. "He's not bashful about being vocal. I think he's going to help the attitude and competitiveness of our bullpen."

If Jackson is added to the opening day roster, his base salary increases to $750,000. He could earn an addition $4.3 million in bonuses.

The arrival of Jackson, along with the acquisition earlier this week of fellow middle relie ers Doug Brocail and Nelson Cruz in a six-player trade with the Detroit Tigers, is part of an overhaul of a bullpen battered by injuries a ineffectiveness in 2000.

The closer remains left-hander Billy Wagner, whose season was cut short by surgery to his throwing elbow. If he and Jackson can bounce back, Hunsicker said the Astros will have a formidable relief corps with Brocail as the other set-up man.

"I'll put those guys up against any three guys in baseball," Hunsicker said.

The Astros told Jackson they were looking for a reliever with experience closing games who has played in the postseason. Jackson helped lead the Indians to the 1997 World Series.

"I'm sure if Mike Jackson is the Mike Jackson of old, that will address both needs," Jackson said.

St. Louis nearly signed Jackson after the 1999 season, and he then agreed to a $3 million, one-year contract with Philadelphia, the organization in which he came up. He also has played in San Francisco, Cincinnati and twice for Seattle.

For his career, Jackson has a 3.26 ERA and 138 saves in 835 appearances.

To make room for Jackson, the Astros designated right-handed reliever Marc Valdes for assignment, meaning they have 10 days to trade him, release him or send him outright to the minors.

The Astros are still interested in adding a starting pitcher, Hunsicker said, but said there is "not a high probability" such a deal can be worked out.

Cards send Tatis, Reames to Expos for Hermanson, Kline

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — With prices on the free agent market out of their reach, the St. Louis Cardinals turned to the Montreal Expos to fill their pitching needs.

The Cardinals dealt third baseman Fernando Tatis and right-handed reliever Britt Reames Thursday to the Expos for pitchers Dustin Hermanson and Steve Kline.

"We're better served by dealing in trades than with free agents," Cardinals general manager Walt Jocketty said. "We've had better success with that. I think we gave up some value here, but I think the return that we get is significant."

The move came less than a week after St. Louis — focusing on adding pitching during the offseason — failed to sign Mike Hampton, who agreed to a $121 million, eight-year contract with the Colorado Rockies.

"But it just got to the point where it got out of hand," Jocketty said. "I think we were still in it at the end, but we were millions away from where he ended up."

Instead, the Cardinals moved on a deal in the works for at least a month, finally agreeing to package Reames with Tatis to get the two pitchers.

With the additions, St. Louis has six experienced starters — Darryl Kile, Garrett Stephenson, Andy Benes, Rick Ankiel, Matt Morris and Hermanson — plus a solid bullpen, anchored by closer Dave Veres, Mike Timlin and Kline.

Hermanson, 27, was 12-14 with a 4.77 ERA in 30 starts and eight relief appearances with the Expos last season. He has a career 47-48 record and 4.17 ERA in 170 games, 122 as a starter.

Hermanson won a career-high 14 games in 1998 with a 3.13 ERA. He has struck out 559 batters in 805 career innings, walking 292.

"I believe he could be a No. 2 or some day a No. 1 (starter)," Jocketty said. "He's got the stuff to do it."

Kline, 28, fills a void for a quality left-handed reliever. He had 14 saves in 18 chances while serving as the Expos closer for three months this year. He went 1-5 with a 3.50 ERA in 83 games, leaving his career record at 15-19 with a 3.84 ERA.

"This is a guy we've been searching for for years," Jocketty said. "He's really the first left-hander we've gotten under 30 years of age — actually under the age of 40 — since I've been here."

Both are signed through the 2002 season with club options for 2003.

Tatis, who on March 11 agreed to a $15 million, four-year contract, is the first player to hit two grand slams in an inning, accomplishing the feat in 1999 at Los Angeles. He hit .298 that season with 34 homers, 107 RBIs and 21 steals.

"He hits the gaps. He hits the ball hard," Expos general manager Jim Beattie said. "He runs well. Across the board, he's an excellent athlete."

Tatis started strong this year, batting .375 with 28 RBIs in April. But he tore a groin muscle in a game at Philadelphia, missed 54 games, and hit just .204 upon his return.

He struggled so badly that he was benched for much of the postseason in favor of Placido Polanco. Tatis wound up hitting .253 with 18 homers and 64 RBIs.

Asked to explain the decline, Jocketty bluntly said Thursday: "He signed a contract.

"There is some risk involved in trading a guy like Tatis, because of his potential and what he as done in the past," Jocketty said. "But we were concerned about his approach to the game this year and his work habits."

USOC reassures bid cities that United States has chance in '12

Associated Press

On the eve of the deadline for U.S. cities to bid on the 2012 Summer Games, a top U.S. Olympic official tried to reassure the eight cities vying for the event that their bids aren't a waste of time.

In doing so, U.S. Olympic Committee president Sandra Baldwin took a swipe at the head of the Salt Lake City Olympics for suggesting no U.S. city stood a chance of getting the 2012 Games.

"I assure you that the USOC would not be devoting its limited resources to the bid process if it were not absolutely confident that the U.S. candidate city would be a leading contender to host the 2012 Olympic Games," Baldwin said in a letter faxed Wednesday to the eight bid cities.

The letter was sent following recent comments by Mitt Romney, chief executive officer of the Salt Lake Organizing Committee, that he believes the games will not be back in the United States for another 20 years.

"While Mr. Romney obviously is entitled to his opinion, he neither speaks for nor represents the view of the USOC," Baldwin said in the letter, a copy of which was obtained Thursday by The Associated Press.

Friday is the deadline for U.S. cities to bid for the games. The USOC will pick its nominee in the fall of 2002. The International Olympic Committee will pick the host city in 2005.

The eight bid cities are Dallas, Houston, New York, San Francisco-San Jose, Tampa, Washington-Baltimore, Cincinnati and Los Angeles.

The top organizer of the Dallas bid, Richard Greene, said he was always convinced the United States had a chance at landing the games, but was glad Baldwin sent the letter anyway.

"I didn't need to know it, but it's nice for the public to know the winning city has the unequivocal support of the new USOC chairman," he said.

Romney could not be reached for comment, but SLOC spokeswoman Caroline Shaw reiterated his view that it was unlikely the United States would get another games so soon after hosting the 1996 Summer Olympics and the 2002 Winter Olympics.

"He personally does believe it will be a good generation before it comes back to the United States," Shaw said. "It was a bit unusual that they would go to Atlanta in 1996 and then to another U.S. city in 2002."

Baldwin said she wrote the letter because the bidding cities were upset over the comments Romney made earlier this month.

"A number of our bidding cities had some concerns that no one would be supportive of this," Baldwin said. "That's why I felt it necessary to give them encouragement that we want them to have."

RANGERS: Texas clears room in middle infield for A-Rod, Velarde

(From 1C)

extended me the courtesy of trading me to the White Sox to secure their infield and do just that."

Chicago won the AL Central and had the league's best record last season. Although the White Sox led the AL in double plays, Jose Valentin committed more errors than any shortstop in the majors.

Valentin recently was resigned to a $15.5 million, three-year contract knowing he might be changing positions. He'll become either an outfielder or a "super utility" player who plays almost every day but not always at the same spot.

"Royce is a proven veteran shortstop and Jose Valentin is versatile enough to play several positions," Chicago general manager Ken Williams said. "I called Jose before we made this move and he was all in favor of anything that improved our club."

Having Valentin's blessing means a lot to Clayton, who had the unenviable task of replacing Ozzie Smith in St. Louis.

"This is definitely a different situation," Clayton said.

Clayton was heralded as the best shortstop in Texas history when he was acquired from St. Louis at the trading deadline in 1998. The Rangers won the AL West that season and in the winter Clayton signed a $22 million, four-year contract.

"I thought we had a chance to win the World Series," said Clayton, who is owed $4 million in each of the next two years. "It didn't work out."

Texas won the division again in 1999, but lost to the Yankees in the first round of the playoffs, as they'd done in '98.

Clayton closed '99 on a tear at the plate, earning him the chance to hit leadoff in 2000. The experiment flopped. He was dropped toward the bottom of the lineup after six weeks and wound up hitting .242, fourth-lowest among AL qualifiers. He tied his career-high with 14 homers, but had none in his last 68 games.

Clayton also feuded with teammate Chad Curtis, who objected to music containing profanities that was played in the clubhhouse, and the Rangers finished last in the West.

Through it all, Clayton remained solid in the field, leading AL shortstops in putouts while committing 16 errors — 20 fewer than Valentin.

Valentin's value to the White Sox was on offense as he hit a career-best .273 with 25 home runs, 92 RBIs, 107 runs and 19 stolen bases. He hit for the cycle in April and a month later missed it by a single.

"The addition of Royce gives Jerry Manuel a great deal of flexibility both offensively and defensively," Williams said. "We can be a better defensive club with more range on the left side of the infield, or we can choose to go with a more offensive-oriented lineup in certain instances."

While Clayton has known White Sox slugger Frank Thomas since high school, he's especially excited working for Manuel.

"To me, Jerry Manuel is one of the best managers in baseball," Clayton said. "If you don't want to run through a wall for him, something is wrong."

The Rangers knew they wouldn't get full value for Clayton. This deal gave them a legitimate prospect, though not Chicago's top young arm, in Myette and a fringe player in Schmack.

The 23-year-old Myette pitched 2 2-3 hitless innings in two days with the White Sox last season. A sandwich pick between the first and second rounds of the 1997 amateur draft, he went 5-5 with a 4.35 ERA in 19 games, all but one as a starter, for Triple-A Charlotte.

The 27-year-old Schmack has spent six years in the minors. He was 11-7 with a 2.78 ERA and one save in 51 relief appearances last season at Charlotte. He'll be assigned to Texas' Triple-A affiliate in Oklahoma.

TCU: Patterson will coach Frogs

(From 1C)

a release Thursday that Patterson would coach the game.

The players were to be told of the coaching change at a team meeting Thursday. One player, senior linebacker Shannon Brazzell, was not happy with the decision. "I feel like we're not together, for some reason," Brazzell said. "He 1/4RFranchione 1/4S is our head coach and he is supposed to be coaching this game. I don't like this, and I don't know who made that decision.

"I don't understand what's up with all this. I didn't see it coming. It's just a lot of distraction. We should be focusing on our opponent and not on this coaching stuff."

"Coach Patterson and I met with the team this afternoon," Hyman said in a TCU release. "Having Gary coach the team is the right thing to do for TCU and for the student-athletes. We were fortunate to hire a head coach in just seven days, and we have been able to keep the stability and continuity in the program, making this an easier transition. Although Coach Franchione will not coach the team, he would like to attend the Mobile Bowl to support the Frogs."

Patterson said he is ready to put this behind him.

"I would like to have finished what we started," Patterson said Thursday. "But I appreciate the opportunity to get started now."

Though Franchione will not coach, the coaching staff will maintain a level of continuity. The seven TCU assistants who left with Franchione to Alabama will be on Patterson's staff in Mobile. Franchione had returned to Fort Worth on several occasions from Alabama to conduct practices.

"I want to do what's best for TCU and the players on the team," Franchione said in the release. "I care very deeply about the players and only desire what's best for them and for the university. I'll be a very interested observer at the game."

Franchione, who took over a team that went 1-10 in 1997, finishes with a 25-10 record over three seasons at TCU. The Frogs went 7-5 in 1998, 8-4 last season and are 10-1 this year. The Frogs had not won at least 10 games since the national championship season of 1938.

Franchione also led the Frogs to bowl victories after the 1998 and '99 seasons, and the Mobile Bowl marked the first time in school history that TCU was invited to three consecutive bowls. TCU defeated Southern California in the 1998 Sun Bowl and East Carolina in last season's Mobile Bowl.

Schilling signs extension

PHOENIX (AP) — Curt Schilling, who grew up a 20-minute drive from Bank One Ballpark, signed a $32 million, three-year contract extension with the Arizona Diamondbacks on Thursday.

The deal means the 34-year-old right-hander will be under contract to Arizona through the 2004 season.

He is scheduled to earn $6.5 million next year under his current contract, and the extension calls for salaries of $10 million in each of the first two years and $12 million in 2004, with half of each year's salary deferred.

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Standings

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	14	10	5	0	33	97	72
Pittsburgh	14	12	3	1	32	88	88
Philadelphia	13	12	6	0	32	81	86
N.Y. Rangers	15	16	0	0	30	104	109
N.Y. Islanders	8	15	4	2	22	67	85

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	18	8	4	0	40	95	69
Toronto	17	7	4	2	40	103	68
Buffalo	16	9	2	1	35	80	70
Boston	10	15	3	3	26	76	107
Montreal	9	19	3	0	21	74	93

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	12	11	6	1	31	72	77
Atlanta	11	12	6	1	29	83	95
Carolina	11	12	4	1	27	66	80
Tampa Bay	9	15	3	2	23	81	103
Florida	5	13	6	5	21	62	85

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	20	4	3	0	43	95	51
Detroit	17	11	2	2	38	97	86
Nashville	11	14	6	1	29	71	85
Chicago	10	17	2	2	24	77	97
Columbus	9	18	2	2	22	63	98

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	21	5	5	0	47	97	67
Vancouver	16	9	4	2	38	107	82
Edmonton	16	13	4	0	36	97	89
Calgary	9	14	6	4	28	73	94
Minnesota	8	17	5	2	23	61	79

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	17	6	4	0	38	82	59
Dallas	16	8	4	1	37	80	61
Los Angeles	15	9	6	0	36	102	86
Phoenix	14	8	8	0	36	77	67
Anaheim	11	15	4	3	29	80	100

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss

Thursday's Games
Late Games Not Included
Washington 2, Minnesota 1
Ottawa 4, Calgary 2
Edmonton 6, Nashville 2
Phoenix 3, Tampa Bay 2
N.Y. Rangers at Los Angeles, (n)
Columbus at San Jose, (n)

Friday's Games
Buffalo at Carolina, 6 p.m.
St. Louis at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Montreal at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Capitals 2, Wild 1

Minnesota	0	0	1 — 1
Washington	0	2	0 — 2

First Period—None
Second Period—1, Washington, Gonchar 5 (Oates, Simon), 7:11. 2, Washington, Bondra 11 (Oates, Khristich), 16:19 (pp).
Third Period—3, Minnesota, Gavey 3 (Sekeras, Hendrickson), 1:42.
Shots on goal—Minnesota 7-13-9—29. Washington 4-12-4—20. Power-play Opportunities—Minnesota 0 of 1; Washington 1 of 3. Goalies—Minnesota, McLennan 1-12-3 (20 shots-18 saves). Washington, Kolzig 12-9-4 (29-28). A—11,392 (18,672).

Senators 4, Flames 2

Calgary	1	0	1 — 2
Ottawa	2	1	1 — 4

First Period—1, Ottawa, Bonk 11 (Hossa, Rachunek), 1:00. 2, Ottawa, Havlat 7 (Prospal, Schastlivy), 9:43. 3, Calgary, Stillman 11 (Bure, Lydman), 17:21 (pp).
Second Period—4, Ottawa, Havlat 8, 3:42.
Third Period—5, Calgary, Bure 5 (Savard), 15:03. 6, Ottawa, Dackell 8 (Bonk), 19:56 (en).
Shots on goal—Calgary 6-7-8—21. Ottawa 11-13-7—31. Power-play Opportunities—Calgary 1 of 6; Ottawa 0 of 5. Goalies—Calgary, Brathwaite 2-6-3 (30 shots-27 saves). Ottawa, Lalime 12-5-1 (21-20). A—16,060 (18,500).

Oilers 6, Predators 2

Edmonton	2	1	3 — 6
Nashville	0	1	1 — 2

First Period—1, Edmonton, Poti 4 (Marchant, Weight), 5:39 (pp). 2, Edmonton, Weight 9 (Smyth, Laraque), 16:07.
Second Period—3, Nashville, Timonen 5 (Kjellberg, Walker), 1:55 (pp). 4, Edmonton, Horcoff 2 (Moreau, Smith), 4:06.
Third Period—5, Edmonton, Moreau 2 (Smith), 7:51. 6, Edmonton, Nieminen 4 (Weight, Carter), 9:48. 7, Edmonton, LaCouture 2 (Pitts, Kilger), 10:41. 8, Nashville, Cisar 3 (Ronning, Berehowsky), 14:15 (pp).
Shots on goal—Edmonton 11-11-10—32. Nashville 9-13-16—38. Power-play Opportunities—Edmonton 1 of 3; Nashville 2 of 8. Goalies—Edmonton, Salo 14-12-4 (38 shots-36 saves). Nashville, Dunham 3-4-2 (32-26). A—14,184 (17,113).

Coyotes 3, Lightning 2

Tampa Bay	1	1	0 — 2
Phoenix	1	1	1 — 3

First Period—1, Phoenix, Roenick 12 (Green, Lemieux), 5:54 (pp). 2, Tampa Bay, Modin 14 (Richards), 6:13.
Second Period—3, Tampa Bay, Johnson 9 (St. Louis, Lecavalier), 4:39. 4, Phoenix, Lemieux 1 (Tkachuk, Roenick), 7:37.
Third Period—5, Phoenix, Lemieux 2 (Vaananen, Lumme), 6:24.
Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 10-8-4—22. Phoenix 12-13-11—35. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 0 of 6; Phoenix 1 of 4. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Weekes 7-10-1 (35 shots-32 saves). Cloutier (18:43 third, 0-0) Phoenix, Burke 11-5-7 (22-20). A—11,944 (16,210).

All-Star Voting

NEW YORK (AP) — Voting for the NHL All-Star Teams with country, NHL team and votes as of Dec. 11 (The All-Star game will be held Feb. 4, 2001 in Denver):

North American Team
Wings

Paul Kariya (CAN), Anaheim 79,097. Theoren Fleury (CAN), NY Rangers, 65,538. Brett Hull (U.S), Dallas, 58,286. Brendan Shanahan (CAN), Detroit, 53,310. Luc Robitaille (CAN), Los Angeles,36,042. Adam Deadmarsh (U.S), Colorado, 33,837. John LeClair (U.S), Philadelphia, 33,030. Owen Nolan (CAN), San Jose, 32,180.

Keith Tkachuk (U.S), Phoenix, 29,696. Tony Amonte (U.S), Chicago, 26,629. Bill Guerin (U.S), Boston, 26,313. Mark Recchi (CAN), Philadelphia, 19,675. Jeff Friesen (CAN), San Jose, 12,183. Ray Whitney (CAN), Florida, 9,037. Jarome Iginla (CAN), Calgary, 8,284. Jeff O'Neill (CAN), Carolina, 4,023.

Goaltenders

Patrick Roy (CAN), Colorado, 73,378. Curtis Joseph (CAN), Toronto, 56,821. Ed Belfour (CAN), Dallas, 37,121. Martin Brodeur (CAN), New Jersey, 34,863. Ron Tugnutt (CAN), Columbus, 19,979. Mike Richter (U.S), NY Rangers, 12,525. Chris Osgood (CAN), Detroit, 11,873. Brian Boucher (U.S), Philadelphia, 10,776. Mike Dunham (U.S), Nashville, 7,547. Byron Dafoe (CAN), Boston, 6,231. Guy Hebert (U.S), Anaheim, 4,163. Jeff Hackett (CAN), Montreal, 2,742.

Centers

Joe Sakic (CAN), Colorado, 50,199. Mike Modano (U.S), Dallas, 31,587. Steve Yzerman (CAN), Detroit, 30,517. Mark Messier (CAN), NY Rangers, 21,373. Jason Allison (CAN), Boston, 19,476. Doug Weight (U.S), Edmonton, 17,142. Pierre Turgeon (CAN), St. Louis, 16,921. Jeremy Roenick (U.S), Phoenix, 15,806.

Scott Gomez (U.S), New Jersey, 14,413. Chris Drury (U.S), Colorado, 12,874. Vincent Lecavalier (CAN), Tampa Bay, 12,666. Vincent Damphousse (CAN), San Jose, 9,278. Joe Nieuwendyk (CAN), Dallas, 7,966. Keith Primeau (CAN), Philadelphia, 7,845. Ron Francis (CAN), Carolina, 6,457. Adam Oates (CAN), Washington, 5,916.

Defensemen

Ray Bourque (CAN), Colorado, 88,543. Chris Pronger (CAN), St. Louis, 87,386. Rob Blake (CAN), Los Angeles 45,822. Brian Leetch (U.S), NY Rangers, 43,271. Al MacInnis (CAN), St. Louis, 39,826. Scott Stevens (CAN), New Jersey, 39,620. Adam Foote (CAN), Colorado, 38,035. Derian Hatcher (U.S), Dallas, 31,647.

Chris Chelios (U.S), Detroit, 28,650. Darryl Sydor (CAN), Dallas, 21,182. Scott Niedermayer (CAN), New Jersey, 19,412. Jason Woolley (CAN), Buffalo, 18,966. Eric Desjardins (CAN), Philadelphia, 17,247. Wade Redden (CAN), Ottawa, 14,508. Kyle McLaren (CAN), Boston, 8,132. Phil Housley (U.S), Calgary, 6,706.

World All-Stars
Wings

Jaormir Jagr (CZE), Pittsburgh, 123,478. Pavel Bure (RUS), Florida, 64,368. Teemu Selanne (FIN), Anaheim, 54,040. Zigmund Palffy (SLO), Los Angeles, 50,670. Milan Hejduk (CZE), Colorado,39,074. Marian Hossa (SLO), Ottawa, 32,345. Jere Lehtinen (FIN), Dallas, 22,955. Markus Naslund (SWE), Vancouver, 22,184. Miroslav Satan (SLO), Buffalo, 21,283.

Patrik Elias (CZE), New Jersey, 19,763. Petr Sykora (CZE), New Jersey, 17,702. Pavol Demitra (SLO), St. Louis, 17,203. Sergei Berezin (RUS), Toronto, 16,662. Valeri Bure (RUS), Calgary, 16,626. Daniel Alfredsson (SWE), Ottawa, 12,699. Mariusz Czerkawski (POL), NY Islanders, 9,015. Sergei Krivokrasov (RUS), Minnesota, 7,374. Sami Kapanen, (FIN), Carolina, 6,204.

Goaltenders

Dominik Hasek (CZE), Buffalo, 96,796. Tommy Salo (SWE), Edmonton, 60,834. Roman Turek (CZE), St. Louis, 60,388. Olaf Kolzig (GER), Washington, 35,058. Arturs Irbe (LAT), Carolina, 23,876.

Centers

Peter Forsberg (SWE), Colorado, 89,075. Sergei Fedorov (RUS), Detroit, 42,784. Mats Sundin (SWE), Toronto, 3[illegible]. Alexei Kovalev (RUS), Pittsburgh, 18,210. Radek Bonk (CZE), Ottawa, 15,445. Bobby Holik (CZE), New Jersey, 12,902. Alexei Yashin (RUS), Ottawa, 11,377.

Petr Nedved (CZE), NY Rangers, 10,985. Michal Handzus (SLO), St. Louis, 14,413. Alexei Zhamnov (RUS), Chicago, 9,454. Martin Straka (CZE), Pittsburgh, 9,298. Saku Koivu (FIN), Montreal, 6,292. Viktor Kozlov (RUS), Florida, 6,179. Patrik Stefan (CZE), Atlanta, 4,041.

Defensemen

Nicklas Lidstrom (SWE), Detroit, 99,590. Sergei Zubov (RUS), Dallas, 67,898. Sandis Ozolinsh (LAT), Carolina, 66,582. Darius Kasparaitis (RUS), Pittsburgh, 39,172. Roman Hamrlik (CZE), NY Islanders, 36,315. Teppo Numminen (FIN), Phoenix, 30,877. Dimitri Yushkevich (RUS), Toronto, 29,941. Mattias Ohlund (SWE), Vancouver, 29,653.

Tomas Kaberle (CZE), Toronto, 24,308. Jiri Slegr (CZE), Pittsburgh, 23,720. Oleg Tverdovsky (RUS), Anaheim, 21,592. Jyrki Lumme (FIN), Phoenix, 18,411. Kenny Jonsson (SWE), NY Islanders, 13,905. Robert Svehla (SLO), Florida, 10,714. Bons Mironov (RUS), Chicago, 10,323. Jaroslav Spacek (CZE), Chicago, 8,036.

WPHL

Eastern Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Austin	17	7	2	36	99	68
Monroe	17	9	1	35	96	84
Bos.-Shrevprt	16	10	1	33	88	76
Tupelo	16	13	1	33	121	91
Corpus Christi	15	14	1	31	89	107
Lake Charles	14	13	1	29	88	107
Central Texas	10	12	4	24	76	85
Fort Worth	8	19	2	18	81	106

Western Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Lubbock	16	9	4	36	109	93
New Mexico	14	7	2	30	95	93
Amarillo	13	10	4	30	94	98
Odessa	**12**	**7**	**5**	**29**	**85**	**78**
San Angelo	11	12	4	26	72	104
El Paso	10	10	5	25	73	76

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; shootout losses earn one point and are referred to as ties.

Thursday's Games
Bossier-Shreveport 9, Amarillo 2
Austin 8, Corpus Christi 1
Lake Charles 3, Fort Worth 2, SO

Friday's Games
Central Texas at Monroe
El Paso at Odessa
Bossier-Shreveport at New Mexico
Lake Charles at Tupelo
Corpus Chrsti at Austin
San Angelo at Fort Worth

NFL Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Miami	10	4	0	.714	283	182
N.Y. Jets	9	5	0	.643	294	277
Indianapolis	8	6	0	.571	378	303
Buffalo	7	7	0	.500	263	314
New England	4	10	0	.286	239	301
Central						
x-Tennessee	11	3	0	.786	291	191
x-Baltimore	10	4	0	.714	286	138
Jacksonville	7	7	0	.500	328	282
Pittsburgh	7	7	0	.500	263	231
Cincinnati	3	11	0	.214	161	329
Cleveland	3	12	0	.200	161	395
West						
x-Oakland	11	3	0	.786	403	263
x-Denver	10	4	0	.714	440	340
Kansas City	6	8	0	.429	322	318
Seattle	5	9	0	.357	270	339
San Diego	1	13	0	.071	226	376

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
N.Y. Giants	10	4	0	.714	283	208
x-Philadelphia	10	5	0	.667	335	238
Washington	7	7	0	.500	258	242
Dallas	5	9	0	.357	281	313
Arizona	3	11	0	.214	200	410
Central						
x-Minnesota	11	3	0	.786	359	307
Tampa Bay	9	5	0	.643	336	217
Detroit	8	6	0	.571	277	277
Green Bay	7	7	0	.500	303	281
Chicago	4	10	0	.286	193	318
West						
New Orleans	9	5	0	.643	310	272
St. Louis	9	5	0	.643	479	412
Carolina	6	8	0	.429	271	236
San Francisco	5	9	0	.357	362	384
Atlanta	3	11	0	.214	216	377

x-clinched playoff spot

Saturday's Games
Washington at Pittsburgh, 12:30 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Detroit at N.Y. Jets, noon
Denver at Kansas City, noon
San Diego at Carolina, noon
Atlanta at New Orleans, noon
New England at Buffalo, noon
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, noon
Tennessee at Cleveland, noon
Green Bay at Minnesota, noon
Chicago at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Indianapolis at Miami, 3:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Arizona, 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 7:35 p.m.

Open: Philadelphia

Monday's Game
St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

Tennis

World Doubles

BANGALORE, India (AP) — Results Thursday of the $750,000 ATP Tour World Doubles Championship:

Round Robin
Red Group

Jaime Oncins, Brazil and Daniel Orsanic (6), Argentina, def. Ellis Ferreira, South Africa, and Rick Leach (1), United States, 1-6, 7-5, 7-5.

Simon Aspelin, Sweden, and Johann Landsberg, Australia, def. Joshua Eagle, and Andrew Florent (4), Australia, 7-5, 7-6, (4).

Gold Group

Paul Haarhuis, Netherlands, and Sandon Stolle (2), Australia, def. Alex O'Brien and Jared Palmer (3), United States, 5-7, 6-2, 6-4.

Mahesh Bhupathi and Leander Paes, India, def. Piet Norval, South Africa, and Donald Jonson, United States, 6-4, 6-4.

Volleyball

By The Associated Press
Semifinals
Thursday, Dec. 14
At Richmond, Va.

Nebraska def. Hawaii 3-1 (15-3, 15-12, 9-15, 15-10).

Southern California (29-2) vs. Wisconsin (32-3), (n)

Championship
Saturday, Dec. 16
At Richmond, Va.

Nebraska (33-0) vs. Southern California-Wisconsin winner, 2:30 p.m.

NBA Results

Standings

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	17	5	.773	—
New York	14	9	.609	3 1/2
Miami	12	11	.522	5 1/2
Boston	9	12	.429	7 1/2
Orlando	9	13	.409	8
New Jersey	8	14	.364	9
Washington	4	18	.182	13
Central Division				
Cleveland	13	7	.650	—
Charlotte	14	9	.609	1/2
Toronto	12	10	.545	2
Indiana	11	11	.500	3
Milwaukee	11	11	.500	3
Detroit	10	12	.455	4
Atlanta	5	17	.227	9
Chicago	3	19	.136	11
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	16	6	.727	—
Minnesota	13	9	.591	3
San Antonio	13	9	.591	3
Dallas	14	10	.583	3
Houston	12	9	.571	3 1/2
Denver	11	13	.458	6
Vancouver	7	15	.318	9
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	15	6	.714	—
Sacramento	14	6	.700	1/2
Portland	16	8	.667	1/2
L.A. Lakers	15	9	.625	1 1/2
Seattle	12	12	.500	4 1/2
L.A. Clippers	7	17	.292	9 1/2
Golden State	6	16	.273	9 1/2

Thursday's Games
Toronto 70, New York 68
Denver 102, San Antonio 96
Houston at Golden State (n)

Friday's Games
Charlotte at Washington, 6 p.m.
Cleveland at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Utah at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Miami at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Orlando at Portland, 9 p.m.
Vancouver at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

Nuggets 102, Spurs 96

DENVER (102): Posey 1-3 2-2 4, McDyess 6-16 7-8 19, LaFrentz 10-15 5-6 28, Lenard 2-10 2-2 8, Van Exel 6-17 3-4 18, Clark 1-3 6-6 8, Bowen 1-2 0-0 2, Pack 0-3 2-2 2, McCloud 6-12 1-1 13, Strickland 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 33-83 28-31 102.

SAN ANTONIO (96): Elliott 2-11 0-0 4, Duncan 7-14 2-2 17, Robinson 10-16 3-7 23, Daniels 5-12 1-2 12, Anderson 2-6 7-8 11, Ferry 3-4 0-1 9, Rose 2-6 2-4 6, Kerr 1-4 3-3 6, Porter 2-5 3-4 8. Totals 34-78 21-31 96.

Denver	**21**	**30**	**25**	**26 — 102**
San Antonio	**24**	**31**	**23**	**18 — 96**

3-Point Goals—Denver 8-19 (LaFrentz 3-4, Van Exel 3-6, Lenard 2-6, Bowen 0-1, McCloud 0-2). San Antonio 7-16 (Ferry 3-3, Duncan 1-1, Kerr 1-1, Porter 1-2, Daniels 1-4, Anderson 0-1, Elliott 0-4). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 51 (LaFrentz 13), San Antonio 56 (Robinson 12). Assists—Denver 22 (Van Exel 11), San Antonio 22 (Daniels 6). Total fouls—Denver 23, San Antonio 25. Technicals—Van Exel, Pack. A—15,248 (20,557).

Raptors 70, Knicks 68

NEW YORK (68): Rice 4-12 1-2 10, Johnson 0-4 4-4 4, Camby 2-6 1-3 5, Houston 4-14 1-1 9, Sprewell 7-16 2-2 18, Thomas 6-10 0-0 12, Childs 4-9 0-0 8, Longley 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 28-73 9-12 68.

TORONTO (70): Williamson 8-15 0-0 16, Oakley 6-11 2-2 14, Davis 1-8 3-4 5, Carter 8-22 6-8 24, Jackson 1-9 1-2 4, Peterson 1-5 0-0 2, Williams 1-5 0-0 2, Willis 0-6 3-4 3. Totals 26-81 15-20 70.

New York	**19**	**18**	**15**	**16 — 68**
Toronto	**20**	**19**	**19**	**12 — 70**

3-Point Goals—New York 3-9 (Sprewell 2-2, Rice 1-3, Johnson 0-2, Houston 0-2). Toronto 3-15 (Carter 2-4, Jackson 1-7, Oakley 0-2, Peterson 0-2). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—New York 43 (Camby 13), Toronto 65 (Oakley 11). Assists—New York 13 (Childs 6), Toronto 22 (Jackson 7). Total fouls—New York 16, Toronto 17. Technicals—Childs. A—19,800 (19,800).

College Basketball

Top 25 Men

No. 16 WISCONSIN 66, TEMPLE 58

WISCONSIN (6-1): Kowske 2-4 1-2 5, Wills 2-3 0-0 5, Penney 1-6 0-0 3, Kelley 2-2 4-4 9, Boone 5-11 0-3 15, Vershaw 1-7 8-8 10, Bower 6-11 1-2 19. Totals 19-44 14-19 66.

TEMPLE (4-6): Wesby 2-7 0-1 4, Lyde 3-5 0-0 6, Rollerson 3-3 0-0 6, Greer 5-14 2-2 16, Hawkins 4-9 2-3 11, Blackshear 5-9 1-2 15, Jefferson 0-0 0-0 0, Cellou-Barry 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-47 5-8 58.

Halftime—Wisconsin 26, Temple 25. 3-Point goals—Wisconsin 14-28 (Bower 6-11, Boone 5-8, Wills 1-1, Kelley 1-1, Penney 1-6, Vershaw 0-1), Temple 9-25 (Blackshear 4-7, Greer 4-11, Hawkins 1-2, Wesby 0-5). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Wisconsin 31 (Kowske 7), Temple 24 (Wesby 8). Assists—Wisconsin 16 (Kelley 7), Temple 10 (Lyde 4). Total fouls—Wisconsin 11, Temple 17. A—6,287.

XAVIER 69, No. 17 CINCINNATI 67

XAVIER (6-2): Frey 4-12 5-6 15, Price 2-3 5-9 9, West 4-8 15-19 23, Sato 5-13 1-2 14, McAfee 2-9 1-2 6, Chalmers 1-4 0-0 2, Young 0-1 0-0 0, Brown 0-1 0-2 0, Butler 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 18-51 27-40 69.

CINCINNATI (4-2): Davis 5-8 0-2 10, Stokes 7-12 0-1 16, Little 0-1 0-0 0, Satterfield 8-18 7-10 26, McElroy 0-2 1-2 1, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 1-3 0-0 2, Logan 3-12 0-0 8, Crawford 0-5 0-0 0, Grove 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 26-65 8-15 67.

Halftime—Cincinnati 40, Xavier 33. 3-Point goals—Xavier 6-23 (Frey 2-5, Price 0-1, Sato 3-10, McAfee 1-4, Chalmers 0-2, Young 0-1), Cincinnati 7-24 (Stokes 2-5, Satterfield 3-9, Jones 0-2, Logan 2-7, Crawford 0-1). Fouled out—Little. Rebounds—Xavier 43 (West 13), Cincinnati 37 (Crawford 9). Assists—Xavier 8 (McAfee 3), Cincinnati 16 (Satterfield 4). Total fouls—Xavier 20, Cincinnati 28. Technical foul—Little. A—13,176.

Men's Scores

MIDWEST
Xavier 69, Cincinnati 67

FAR WEST
BYU 58, S. Utah 52
Montana 79, Idaho 56

SOUTH
Alabama St. 78, Grambling St. 74
Campbell 75, Coastal Carolina 72
Memphis 83, Arkansas St. 60
N.C.-Asheville 84, Appalachian St. 64
Tennessee St. 86, Fisk 70

EAST
Army 70, Albany, N.Y. 66
Massachusetts 68, Boston U. 52
New Hampshire 84, Hartford 66
Rutgers 46, Princeton 44
Villanova 79, La Salle 72
Wisconsin 66, Temple 58

Women's Scores

MIDWEST
Chicago 72, Milwaukee Engineering 56
Illinois Wesleyn 93, Benedictine Ill. 81
Ind.-Pur.-Ft. Wayne 71, Grace 43
Lakeland 67, Silver Lake 39
Wis.-Green Bay 57, Valparaiso 51
Wis.-Milwaukee 62, Chicago St. 46
Wisconsin 86, Evansville 71

FAR WEST
Colorado 99, Sam Houston St. 60

SOUTH
Coastal Carolina 75, Jacksonville St. 63
Coll. of Charleston 63, N.C.-Asheville 47
Johnson C. Smith 86, S.C.-Aiken 70
Louisiana-Monroe 73, Nicholls St. 70
Mississippi 69, Arkansas St. 54
Newport News 97, Averett 61
Northwestern St. 59, SE Louisiana 50
William Carey 64, Louisiana College 53

EAST
Army 93, Coast Guard 28
Central St., Ohio 74, Charleston W.Va. 62
Grove City 60, Wheeling Jesuit 57
Mount St. Vincent 96, Yeshiva 71
St. Peter's 85, Iona 52

TOURNAMENT
Georgia State Tournament
First Round
Chattanooga 94, Southern U. 46
Georgia St. 105, Morris Brown 45

Boxing

Fight Schedule
By The Associated Press
National TV in parentheses
Dec. 15

At Madison, Wis. (ESPN2), Eric Morel, vs. Gilberto Keb. 12, for Morel's WBA flyweight title.

At Montreal, Dingaan Thobela, vs. Davey Hilton, 12, for Thobela's WBC super middleweight title.

Dec. 16

At Sheffield, (England) Arena (SHO), Joe Calzaghe, vs. Richie Woodhall, 12, for Calzaghe's WBO super middleweight title; Paul Ingle, vs. Mbulelo Botile, 12, for Ingle's IBF featherweight title.

Baseball

Remaining Free Agents

NEW YORK (AP) — The 76 remaining free agents (a-offered arbitration and may negotiate with former team through Jan. 8):

AMERICAN LEAGUE

ANAHEIM (3) — Kent Mercker, lhp; Kevin Stocker, ss; Matt Walbeck, c.

BALTIMORE (1) — Mark Lewis, 3b.

BOSTON (5) — Manny Alexander, ss; Hector Carrasco, rhp; Bernard Gilkey, of; Ramon Martinez, rhp; Steve Ontiveros, rhp.

CHICAGO (2) — a-Harold Baines, of; a-Charles Johnson, c.

CLEVELAND (3) — a-Sandy Alomar, c; Jason Bere, rhp; a-David Segui, 1b.

DETROIT (5) — Rich Becker, of; Willie Blair, rhp; a-Juan Gonzalez, of; Gregg Jefferies, of; Hal Morris, 1b.

KANSAS CITY (3) — Ricky Bottalico, rhp; Jorge Fabregas, c; Jeff Reboulet, 2b.

NEW YORK (5) — Jose Canseco, of; David Cone, rhp; Roberto Kelly, of; Luis Polonia, of; Darryl Strawberry, of.

OAKLAND (2) — Doug Jones, rhp; Mike Stanley, 1b.

SEATTLE (2) — Rickey Henderson, of; a-Tom Lampkin, c.

TEXAS (3) — Luis Alicea, 2b; Mike Simms, of; John Wetteland, rhp.

TORONTO (2) — a-Craig Grebeck, 2b; Mark Guthrie, lhp.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ARIZONA (1) — Matt Mieske, of.

ATLANTA (8) — a-Bobby Bonilla, of; a-John Burkett, rhp; a-Wally Joyner, 1b; a-Scott Kamieniecki, rhp; Greg McMichael, rhp; Reggie Sanders, of; Rudy Seanez, rhp; Walt Weiss, ss.

CHICAGO (4) — Rick Aguilera, rhp; Shane Andrews, 3b; Jeff Huson, 2b; Jeff Reed, c.

CINCINNATI (3) — Benito Santiago, c; a-Mark Wohlers, rhp; Deion Sanders, of.

COLORADO (1) — Jeffrey Hammonds, of.

FLORIDA (1) — Henry Rodriguez, of.

HOUSTON (1) — Tim Bogar, ss.

LOS ANGELES (2) — Jim Leyritz, c; Ismael Valdes, rhp.

MILWAUKEE (1) — Charlie Hayes, 3b.

MONTREAL (1) — Lenny Webster, c.

NEW YORK (2) — Mike Bordick, ss; a-Bobby J. Jones, rhp.

PHILADELPHIA (4) — Kent Bottenfield, rhp; Jeff Brantley, rhp; Brian Hunter, 1b; Tom Prince, c.

ST. LOUIS (6) — Eric Davis, of; Pat Hentgen, rhp; Thomas Howard, of; Jesse Orosco, lhp; a-Scott Radinsky, lhp; Rick Wilkins, c.

SAN DIEGO (4) — Bret Boone, 2b; John Mabry, of; a-Dave Magadan, 3b; Randy Myers, lhp.

SAN FRANCISCO (1) — Scott Servais, c.

Free Agent Signings

NEW YORK (AP) — The 60 free agents who have signed, with name, position, former club if different, and contract. The contract information was obtained by The Associated Press from player and management sources. For players with minor league contracts, letter agreements for major league contracts are in parentheses:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

ANAHEIM (3) — Re-signed Gary Disarcina, ss, to a $320,000 one-year contract; re-signed Tim Belcher, rhp, to a minor league contract ($750,000); signed Pat Rapp, rhp, Baltimore, to a $2 million, one-year contract.

BOSTON (4) — Signed Frank Castillo, rhp, Toronto, to a $4.5 million, two-year contract; re-signed Tim Wakefield, rhp, to a $6.5 million, two-year contract; re-signed Pete Schourek, lhp, to a minor league contract ($1 million); signed Manny Ramirez, of, Cleveland, to a $160 million, eight-year contract.

CHICAGO (2) — Re-signed Jose Valentin, ss, to a $15.5 million, three-year contract; re-signed Cal Eldred, rhp, to a $1 million, one-year contract.

CLEVELAND (1) — Signed Ellis Burks, of, San Francisco, to a $20 million, three-year contract.

KANSAS CITY (1) — Signed Doug Henry, rhp, San Francisco, to a $2.75 million, two-year contract.

NEW YORK (5) — Re-signed Paul O'Neill, of, to a $6.5 million, one-year contract; signed Joe Oliver, c, Seattle, to a $1.25 million, one-year contract; signed Mike Mussina, rhp, Baltimore, to an $88.5 million, six-year contract; re-signed Luis Sojo, inf, to a $500,000, one-year contract; re-signed Dwight Gooden, rhp, to a minor league contract ($500,000).

SEATTLE (2) — Signed Jeff Nelson, rhp, New York Yankees, to a $10.65 million, three-year contract; re-signed Jay Buhner, of, to a $1.85 million, one-year contract.

TAMPA BAY (1) — Re-signed Ozzie Guillen, inf, to a minor league contract ($550,000).

TEXAS (6) — Signed Andres Galarraga, 1b, Atlanta, to a $6.25 million, one-year contract; signed Mark Petkovsek, rhp, Anaheim, to a $4.9 million, two-year contract; signed Ken Caminiti, 3b, Houston, to a $3.25 million, one-year contract; signed Alex Rodriguez, ss, Seattle,

LOCAL SPORTS

Kellum signs with Harding

Ashley Kellum, a former player for Midland Lee, has signed a volleyball letter of intent with Harding University in Searcy, Ark.

Kellum finished her high school career with the Southlake Carroll Dragons of District 6-4A, where she earned the league's Setter of the Year award.

She had 21 aces, 876 assists and 45 digs, helping the Dragons to advance to the region quarterfinals.

Kellum was a member of Lee's District 4-5A champion in 1998 as a sophomore.

Fox team visits Truman

The Fox NFL pre-game TV show will be broadcast at noon on both Saturday and Sunday from the deck of the USS Harry S. Truman, now in the Mediterrian Sea.

Former Midland High football standout Patrick Mowles is aboard the Truman where he flies the F-14. Mowles is a graduate of the Naval Academy and got to fly over baseball's All-Star game in Atlanta last summer.

COM results

DALLAS — City of Midland Aquatics recently competed in a large meet hosted by the City of Richardson Swim Team at the Loos Natatorium. In the Boys 13-14 age group, Kyle Edens posted eight first place finishes in the 50 Free, 200 Free, the 1,650 Free, the 100 Fly, the 200 Fly, 200 IM and the 400 IM. The 13-14 Boys posted wins in the 800 Free relay and the 400 Medley relay. Here are the results.

More Sports/10C

Team Standings (top 10): 1. City of Plano 2,805; 2. Academy Tx Aquatic Champions 2,583.50; 3. Dallas Mustangs 1,488; 4. City of Richardson 1,402.50; 5. Metroplex Aquatics 864; 6. **City of Midland Aquatics 842.50**; 7. Grapevine-Colleyville AT 836; 8. Texas Gold 780.50; 9. Mid-Cities Arlington Swimming 771.50; 10. Lakeside Aquatic Club 678.

Individual COM results (top 6 finishers)

Girls

Ages 13-14

200 Freestyle — 3. McCall Keathley 2:03.85. 50 Butterfly — 4. Stephanie Strauss 28.92. 100 Butterfly — 6. Strauss, 1:05.12. 400 IM — 1. Keathley, 4:52.29. 1650 Freestyle — 5. Jill Granger, 18:23.79. 200 Butterfly — 6. Sarah Maurer, 2:18.28. 800 Freestyle Relay — 6. COM (Granger, Jess Ellis, Maurer, Laura Jelf), 8:31.57.

Senior

200 Freestyle — 2. Keleigh Wentworth, 1:55.62. 200 Butterfly — 6. Mallory Keathley, 2:09.94. 800 Freestyle Relay — 5. COM (Keathley, Catherine Jelf, Kellie Parker, Wentworth), 8:02.61.

Boys

Age 13-14

50 Freestyle — 1. Kyle Edens, 22.87. 200 Freestyle — 1. Edens, 1:51.16. 2. Travis Floyd, 1:52.13; 4. Andrew Kent, 1:53.79. 1650 Freestyle —1. Edens, 16:21.80. 100 Backstroke — 1. Floyd, 56.40; 5. Kent, 1:01.78; 6. Eddie Vanegas, 1:01.88. 200 Breaststroke — 2. Vanegas, 2:23.54. 100 Butterfly — 1. Edens, 55.38z; 200 Butterfly — 1. Edens, 2:00.03; 3. Floyd, 2:06.23; 4. Jared Miles, 2:06.23. 200 IM — 1. Edens, 2:04.12. 400 IM — 1. Edens, 4:21.83; 2. Floyd, 4:22.63; 3. Vanegas, 4:25.57; 5. Miles, 4:29.85. 800 Freestyle Relay — 1. COM (Floyd, Vanegas, Kent, Edens), 7:27.31. 400 Medley Relay — 1. COM (Floyd, Vanegas, Miles, Edens), 3:55.59.

Here are the results of the "C" level meet at the Mabee Memorial Aquatic Center hosted by City of Midland Aquatics. Participants in this meet included swimmers representing teams from Pecos, Monahans, Odessa, Lubbock, Big Spring and Midland. The results for City of Midland swimmers are as follows.

Girls

6 & under

25 Free — 2. Zoe Brock, 41.42. 25 Back — 3. Brock, 45.47. 25 Breast — 2. Brock, 46.52.

8 & under

50 Free — 2. Amanda Gray, 44.04; 3. Lindsey Miller, 53.44. 50 Back — 2. Gray, 44.04; 4. Miller, 53.44. 50 Breast — 2. Miller, 1:08.25; 3. Gray, 1:13.62. 25 Fly — 1. Gray, 34.16. 50 Fly — 2. Miller, 1:05.97.

10 & under

25 Free — 1. Allison Murray, 17.53; 2. Mercer Moore, 18.84; 3. Shasta Olazaba, 19.42; 4. Chelsea Jackson, 20.41; 5. Morgan Boswell, 21.32; 6. Devin Bohon, 26.13. 50 Free — 2. Laura McWilliams, 39.12; 5. Alice Harman, 43.65. 25 Back — 1. Murray, 21.97; 2. Olazaba, 23.19; 3. Jackson, 24.93; 4. Bohon, 24.97; 5. Moore, 25.81. 50 Back — 2. McWilliams, 47.56; 6. Harman, 53.80. 25 Breast — 2. Moore, 25.88; 3. Olazaba, 27.96; 4. Jackson, 28.13; 5. Bohon, 29.50; 6. Boswell, 34.38. 50 Breast — 3. Harman, 56.15. 25 Fly — 2. Moore, 26.04; 3. Jackson, 27.68; 4. Bohon, 32.77. 50 Fly — 1. McWilliams, 50.67; 3. Harman, 1:00.09. 100 IM — 1. McWilliams, 1:44.78; 4. Harman, 1:56.64; 5. Miller, 2:13.37; 6. Gray, 2:19.47. 100 Free Relay — 1. COM A (Boswell, Moore, Murray, Jackson), 1:16.63; 2. COM B (Harman, McWilliams, Miller, Bohon), 1:25.02.

11-12

50 Free — 2. Taylor Boswell, 35.11; 5. Caitlin Bewley, 47.98; 6. Jamie Printz, 48.55. 50 Back — 2. T. Boswell, 41.54; 5. Bewley, 47.98; 6. Adrianne Larson, 1:04.40. 50 Breast — 2. T. Boswell, 48.86; 3. Bewley, 53.27; 5. Printz, 1:08.06. 50 Fly — 2. Printz, 1:09.85. 100 IM — 2. Printz, 2:15.10. 100 Free — 2. T. Boswell, 1:17.59.

13 & over

50 Free — 2. Kathryn Bookhammer, 44.24. 100 IM — 3. Overton, 2:41.96.

Special Olympics

50 Free — 2. Betsy Overton, 1:02.56; 3. Misty Robinson, 1:23.30. 50 Back — 2. Overton, 1:30.41; 3. Robinson, 2:00.94. 50 Breast — 2. Overton, 1:28.71; 3. Robinson, 2:26.81. 50 Fly — 2. Overton, 1:19.40; 3. Robinson, 1:38.87.

Boys

6 & under

25 Free — 1. Tyler Printz, 33.61. 25 Back — 2. Printz, 34.50. 25 Breast — 2. Printz, 47.13. 25 Fly — 2. Printz, 46.38.

8 & under

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11-12

50 Free — 1. Sam Wehner, 32.54; 3. Matthew Harman, 38.57; 5. Alex Chambers, 39.74; 6. Matthew Cardamone, 43.56. 50 Back — 2. Wehner, 43.47; 3. Craig Cardamone, 45.45; 4. Harman, 48.98; 5. M. Cardamone, 55.78. 50 Breast — 1. C. Cardamone, 50.51; 2. Sam Sirgo, 51.07; 4. M. Cardamone, 1:06.24. 50 Fly — 1. Sirgo, 41.16; 3. Harman, 44.33; 5. M. Cardamone 58.75. 100 IM — 2. Sirgo, 1:34.27; 3. C. Cardamone, 1:34.95; 6. M. Cardamone 1:57.62. 100 Free – 1. Kyle Hudson, 1:13.87; 2. Sirgo, 1:16.84; 3. C. Cardamone, 1:23.97. 100 Back — 2. Sirgo, 1:28.31; 3. Hudson, 1:32.67. 100 Breast — 1. Hudson, 1:37.43; 2. Harman, 1:38.29. 100 Fly — 1. Hudson, 1:28.41; 2. Wehner, 1:32.96.

13 & Over

100 IM — 2. Hudson, 1:22.96.

Special Olympics

50 Free — 1. Cody Embry, 51.04; 2. Justin Anderson, 56.65. 50 Back — 1. Cody Embry, 1:07.31; 2. Justin Anderson, 1:09.66. 50 Breast — 1. Embry, 58.76. 50 Fly — 1. Embry, 59.40.

Basketball

Individual statistics are points unless otherwise specified.

Boys

7th Grade

Goddard Black 75, Alamo Red 58. For Alamo: Baker Johnson, 18; Dylan Butvin, 12; Rob Garner, 11.

Goddard Black 58, Alamo Red 41. For Goddard (9-0): Harold Uddley, 17; Adam Eby, 17; Austin Dover, 10; Sam Robinson, 10.

Goddard Red 57, Abell Maroon 49. For Goddard: Brian Leonard, 10, Orlando Rule, 10; Wes Shumskie, 15. For Abell: J. Goates, 17; B. Bright, 10.

Alamo White 41, Alamo Gray 37. For White: Nick Hudspeth 9, Josh Brown 9, Darren Schumacher 9. For Gray: Trent Hines 14, Travis Johnson 13.

Goddard Purple 54, Abell Silver 51. For Goddard Purple: Justin Whittenberg 24; Chris Hawkins 10 steals.

WESTLAKE: Chaparrals use multiple sets to confuse teams

(From 1C)

Schroeder said.

Two of the leading receivers are Jedd Johnston (29 catches for 376 yards and Chris Campbell (son of Heisman Trophy winner Earl Campbell). Campbell, a speedster, had 406 receiving yards and three touchdowns.

This group is balanced and runs an offense which tries to put its opponents in mismatch situations. The Chaps have done a good job of it this season. Westlake has scored 35 or more points in 10 straight games.

"They run a lot of different sets and motions," Midland Lee head coach John Parchman said. "The key is to get lined up right, because if you are not careful — they are like old Permian teams — they will run a whole bunch of sets and try to catch you lined up wrong. If they do that, they will be able to take advantage of you.

"You've got to be quick, be smart, be physical."

Lee has also got to keep the Chaps off the field. During the postseason, Lee has been the master of the three-and-out. Against The Woodlands, Lee forced seven of them. The same played out in games with El Paso Franklin and Duncanville.

On third down conversions, the Rebels have buckled down. Duncanville was 2-for-10 on third downs. The Woodlands was 0-for-10.

"You have to just try to survive," Schroeder said. "They are probably the best defense that we have seen. Your hear all this talk about Cedric Benson, which he deserves, but when you start analyzing them, you see the strength of their ball club is their defense. We have to see if we can hang in there with them."

Lee's defense has stepped it up, not allowing an offensive touchdown in the past two games. Against The Woodlands, the defense put together its best game of the season, keeping the team ahead or tied until the Lee offense could fix its problems.

Keeping Westlake off the field may prove to be more difficult. There is more than one running back to focus on, Hasson's completion percentage is better than 50 percent, and the Chaps don't make mistakes. Schroeder says his team has turned the ball over just six times.

Also, this is the best throwing team Lee has played in any of the past three postseasons. Westlake will resemble Abilene Cooper or Abilene High in that when Hasson goes back to pass it doesn't look awkward or like a mistake. It will be the Rebels' biggest test.

Parchman thinks this group is prepared.

"We have kind of evolved," Parchman said. "We are playing with seven DBs (defensive backs). All three linebackers (this year) at one time or another were safeties, so its style has evolved. It is more of a speed type defense than it is the old, physical kind of kids."

Parchman has always said that his teams can't get too high or too low. In the case of the defense, this is so true. This group came off a high of all highs against The Woodlands. Saturday, it has to keep the momentum going.

LEE: Benson shines in title games

(From 1C)

a team as difficult to stop as Westlake has been. Against The Woodlands, the Rebels couldn't get much going until the fourth quarter when variety became the flavor of the week. Murphy exploded on a huge run which broke the back of the stingy Highlander defense. It also set up a touchdown toss from Hand to Kendrick.

On the next drive, Hand completed two passes on third down to keep drives going and set up a field goal which iced the game. The effort was similar to 1998 and 1999 when Jon Rogers gave Lee that added dimension. It was also missing Benson, whose role in the fourth quarter was not that of the hero, but the decoy.

This week, Lee is back in the big game, where Benson has made a name for himself. In each of the past two state title games, Benson had scored five touchdowns (four rushing and one receiving). And in both cases simplicity was the key.

"You don't get too far away from what you do best," Parchman said. "Last year when we played (Aldine) Eisenhower in the state final we ran only four (running) plays. Against (San Antonio) MacArthur, out of necessity, we could only run four or five plays and look what we did in that game. Sometimes less is better.

"These kids have confidence in certain plays. We call them "hat rack" plays. If they are running plays they have confidence in, then they are more likely to make plays work."

For Lee (12-2), making them work against Westlake may be the toughest thing. The Chaps are giving up 203.7 yards a game and have allowed a team to score 10 or more points one time since week 3. Over the course of the season, the Chaps allow nine points a game.

"They are not real big, but they run to the ball real, real well," Parchman said. "If you can get body on body and keep the team tied up maybe you will have a chance for backs to get their yards. I don't think it is a matter of whipping someone who is 40 pounds heavier than us like it has been a couple times this year, but they are so quick. It is a matter of maintaining blocks long enough."

Westlake (14-0 this season) is obviously going to be looking to stop Benson right off the bat, just like The Woodlands did, but don't expect the Chaps to be caught off guard by Lee's other weapons.

"You have to play good solid defense and realize the fullback can kill you," Ron Schroeder said. "If you worry too much about Benson, they throw the ball. They haven't had a lot of practice but they definitely hurt people throwing the ball.

"Lee will be able to throw the ball or they wouldn't be back to back. I'm sure people tried everything imaginable to stop Benson and crowd the line of scrimmage and so on. When you go into a game like this you have to be careful that you don't overdo any one aspect. Lee's offense is well-balanced when it needs to be."

It is worth nothing that the balance maybe needs to be there right off the bat. Lee can not afford to get two touchdowns down to Westlake, and therefore, be taken out of its game.

Lastly, it is worth noting that for the first time in a long time the big question going into a game surrounds Lee's offense. It certainly will be interesting to see how this group responds.

STANTON: Celina will challenge Buffaloes' powerful rushing attack

(From 1C)

Clay Evans (5-11, 190), who leads the team with 134 tackles. Moore said that his defense is geared toward the linebackers making the plays, very much like Stanton does.

Another thing the Bobcats like to do is put 10 players in the box to stop the run, which means they will concentrate on stopping Stanton's running attack, which has been so potent over the last few weeks. Stanton's running game is led by senior tailback Jeremy Hull, who has 2,462 yards on 335 carries and 28 TDs. Hull's backfield mate, fullback Clay White has 1,335 yards on 207 carries and 16 scores for the year.

"We're going to have to sustain some offensive drives against them," said Cotton about his team's key to success. "That's something that nobody has done on them all year. We have got to run the football."

Coming into the contest, Stanton appears to be clicking while Celina has struggled along the way. Just last week, the Bobcats had to score two fourth quarter touchdowns to come out with a 31-14 victory over Whitewright.

"Whitewright spread the field and threw the ball a bunch," Cotton said. "You've got to give Whitewright credit, they're a very talented football team. Celina was still able to overcome a lot of bad things that happened to them in the ball game."

Moore hasn't been pleased with the way his team has played, but part of that is because of some nagging injuries. Still, his team has found ways to win despite not playing its best.

Cotton said even though Celina has a bunch of talent, it is the team's confidence which appears to be the Bobcats' biggest strength.

"I was watching their game tape against Goldthwaite (a 38-7 win by Celina in the area round), and Goldthwaite had a lot of good things happening for them in the first half while Celina had a lot of bad things happening for them," Cotton said. "You figure Goldthwaite should be beating them but Celina led 14-7 at the half and came back in the second half to destroy them."

"Our strength has been attitude," Moore said. "We may not always be as talented, but we've had kids that like to play and give a good effort. That's the reason that we've played above our heads the last two weeks. We're not taking anything lightly. Sometimes you have to be lucky in this game and we're hoping we can be lucky again."

Celina is considered the heavy favorite in this game but Moore just shrugs it off.

"Whoever is considered the favorite is more for people who read the newspapers or those who talk about it in coffee shops," Moore said. "Nobody on this team is talking about us being the favorite. Stanton is the best we've seen by far."

Cotton is just thrilled to be back to the state's final four. It really doesn't matter who they play.

"Making the final four is an incredible statement," Cotton said. "It was a personal goal of mine this year and the kids have made my goal into their goal. I felt at the beginning of the year we had the ingredients to get here. We've had some bumps along the road, there's no doubt about it, but we've gelled and we've played well this season.

"There's no doubt in my mind, we'll play as hard as we've played."

As far as talk about taking revenge for the loss in '98 goes, the Buffs say forget about it.

"I don't think we need much motivation for this game," said Stanton's senior tight end Jon Cotton. "I think just getting to the semifinals should be motivation enough. If that's not motivation enough, then you don't love playing football."

"Everybody talks about revenge, but I'm just excited about playing this game," Hull said. "I feel real confident. This team has come together and is looking great."

Notes: Injury-wise, the Buffaloes should be OK for tonight's game. Quarterback Keith Cook and offensive tackle/defensive end Ace Keele both twisted their ankles in last week's 31-13 win over Albany but Cotton said both should be close to 100 percent by game time... The winner of tonight's game will face the winner of the No. 1 Mart (14-0)/No. 3 Refugio (14-0) contest to be played Saturday in San Marcos. The date, time and site of the Class 2A Small School state championship is still to be determined.

Buff Leaders

Rushing — Jeremy Hull, 335 carries, 2,462 yards, 28 TDs; Clay White, 207—1,335 yards, 16 TDs, Keith Cook 69—207, 5 TDs.

Passing — Cook 52-92-2—873, 10 TDs; Ryan Kelly 9-19-1—188, TD.

Receiving — Ruston Pardue 14-321, 4 TDs; White 21-314, 3 TDs; Jon Cotton 11—183, 4 TDs; Hull 10—117, TD.

Scoring — Hull 184 points; White 132; Chris Flores 32.

Tackles — White 180; Hull 170; Cotton 154; Ace Keele 135.

Interceptions — Hull 6, White 5.

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Georgia Tech coach gets new contract

ATLANTA (AP) — Georgia Tech football coach George O'Leary signed a six-year contract Thursday for about $1.1 million a year.

O'Leary's annual package includes a $270,000 base salary, $366,000 from radio and television shows, $150,000 from apparel agreements, and $250,000 for speaking engagements to alumni groups.

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Crude low

NEW YORK — Crude oil and products futures skidded Thursday at the New York Mercantile Exchange, edged downward by reports that Iraqi crude continued to flow for a second day.

"There's been more liquidation of year-end positions coupled with expectations that Iraq is going back to export levels of a month ago," said Mike Busby, trader at trading firm Northville Trading Corp. in Melville, N.Y.

Iraq allowed two Swiss-chartered tankers to begin loading Thursday, United Nations officials said, just one day after two Indian-chartered tankers lifted Iraqi oil, triggering a sharp selloff.

January crude fell 75 cents to a four-month low of $27.99 a barrel on the Nymex.

Other products fell as well, including January heating which fell 2.08 cents to 88.89 cents a gallon, while unleaded gasoline futures fell 1.14 cents to 74.47 cents a gallon. Natural gas futures dropped 12.4 cents to $7.413 per 1000 cubic feet.

In London, Brent crude for delivery in January, rose 22 cents to $25.36 a gallon.

Despite the drop in prices, all analysts aren't completely writing off a comeback.

"Crude could find support from strength in heating oil," said Ed Silliere, marketing vice president at energy marketing company Energy Merchant. "But it broke its long-term uptrend last week."

A cold snap, thin heating oil supplies and soaring natural gas futures could combine to fuel a heating oil rally, Silliere said.

Others said an oversupply of crude could prove an illusion.

Dollar mixed

LONDON — The U.S. dollar was mixed against other major currencies in European trading Thursday.

The euro was quoted at 88.76 cents in late European trading, up from 87.54 cenrs Wednesday. Later in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at 88.68 cents

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Wednesday, included 112.30 Japanese yen, up from 112.24; 1.6948 Swiss francs, down from 1.7166; 1.5136 Canadian dollars, down from 1.5196.

The British pound was quoted at $1.4701, up from $1.4509.

In midday trading in New York, the dollar bought 112.40 yen, and the pound was worth $1.4648.

Based on euro rates, the dollar is worth 2.2015 German marks, down from 2.2342; 7.3836 French francs, down from 7.4932; 2.4805 Dutch guilders, down from 2.5174; 2,179.50 Italian lire, down from 2,211.87.

Gold rises

Gold dealers in London fixed a recommended price of $269.40 bid per troy ounce at closing, up from $269.15 on Wednesday. In Zurich the bid price was $269.15 up from $269.05. Gold fell 20 cents in Hong Kong to $269.95.

Silver opened in London at $4.62 bid per troy ounce, down from $4.63.

Regulators clear media merger

By Kalpana Srinivasan
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Antitrust regulators gave approval Thursday to the $111 billion merger of America Online and Time Warner — the largest media deal in U.S. history — with safeguards to ensure Americans will have broad choices as the Internet evolves.

The union would bring CNN, HBO, Time magazine and Warner Bros. together with the online service used by 26 million consumers. The companies, which hope to complete the deal by early next year, await expected approval from the Federal Communications Commission.

On Thursday, the Federal Trade Commission voted 5-0 to approve the deal but also required concessions meant to prevent the combined business from using its size and reach to thwart competitors.

Without the consent decree, the combined companies could have withheld their content and services from rivals, FTC Chairman Robert Pitofsky said. At the same time, they could have limited consumer choice on their own Internet and cable systems.

"Our concern here was with access, that these two powerful companies would create barriers that would injure competitors of Time Warner and competitors of AOL," he said at a news conference.

Agency officials feared the deal could stymie the development of Internet technology that has been characterized "by openness, by diversity, by easy access and by freedom," Pitofsky said. "If you don't block anticompetitive arrangement early on, then it becomes impossible or too expensive later on to do anything about it."

One leading concern involved consumer choice for Internet providers — besides AOL — delivered on Time Warner's super fast cable lines.

Under the five-year order, the companies agreed to offer at least three Internet providers, along with AOL, within three months of offering service in a market. Already the companies have forged an agreement to offer AOL's chief rival, EarthLink, on their cable Internet systems.

Pitofsky said he hopes this will set a blueprint for other industry players to follow. The companies agreed.

The "commitment to consumer choice embodied in the FTC agreement will become a model for other cable systems throughout the country," said AOL and Time Warner, the nation's No.2 cable company in a joint statement.

The condition is meant to ensure consumers could select from a variety of Internet providers in the high-speed online world.

"It may not be the choice of hundreds of Internet providers that consumers have in the dial-up world, but it will certainly by greater than the one choice they have today on cable systems," said Dave Baker of EarthLink.

The National Cable Television Association, the industry's lobby, asserted that the FTC's action is specific to the merger and does not set a precedent for broad government intervention.

The settlement also contains key provisions that bar the companies from discriminating against Internet companies, besides AOL, that want to carry Time Warner's popular content.

At the same time, AOL Time Warner cannot discriminate against content from other sources that it uses on its Internet systems or interactive television service.

"AOL and Time Warner thought they could take the Internet and interactive TV and become the sole gatekeeper," said public interest advocate Jeff Chester of the Center for Media Education. "They can't do that now."

The conditions even won praise from outspoken merger critics such as The Walt Disney Co. "We'd like to put all the warfare behind us," said company lobbyist Preston Padden.

AOL also agreed to conditions to ensure it would not withhold its popular Internet service from other companies that offer high-speed Internet access over competing mediums, such as phone lines or satellite systems.

The consent order includes some agency oversight to ensure company compliance.

At the FCC, regulators are working to finish their examination by year's end. Sources familiar with the FCC's review say the companies have been working to address agency concerns about the ability of AOL's instant messaging service to work with similar products offered by other companies.

The deal was initially worth about $165 billion when announced in January, the biggest U.S. merger at the time. Its value has shrunk, along with AOL's stock price, over the past several months to $111 billion. It is still the largest media deal, dwarfing the $34.5 billion CBS-Viacom merger.

The biggest U.S. merger was Pfizer Inc.'s $116 billion acquisition of rival drug maker Warner-Lambert Co. earlier this year.

Shares of AOL closed Thursday at $50, up $1.55, on the New York Stock Exchange. Shares of Time Warner were up $1.90 at $74.50, also on the NYSE.

AOL TIME WARNER MERGER APPROVED

A multimedia convergence

America Online Inc.'s acquisition of Time Warner Inc., which cleared a major regulatory hurdle Thursday with approval from the Federal Trade Commission, will create a sprawling entertainment empire. By combining the largest Internet company with the largest media company, AOL Time Warner executives are hoping to take an early lead in bringing traditional media outlets such as music, magazines and movies into the online realm.



Time Warner cable system
The nation's second largest cable system with access to about 21 million homes, Time Warner has been upgrading its systems to handle advanced services.

Warner Music Group
The linkup with AOL could vault Warner ahead of competitors such as BMG, EMI, Sony and Universal in distributing and selling music online. AOL already has two kinds of software for listening to digital music.

America Online
Already the nation's largest Internet service provider with 26 million subscribers, AOL will become a division within the combined company that will seek new ways to offer entertainment and news programming from Time Warner's media stable to online customers.

Time Inc.
The largest U.S. magazine company, AOL Time Warner will have plenty of opportunities for convergence with such popular and diversified titles as Time, People, Entertainment Weekly and Sports Illustrated. Cross promotions have already started.

Warner Bros. Studios
A major studio for producing movies and TV programs, Warner Bros. looks to implement the widespread delivery of movies, a key form of entertainment to be delivered over AOL and other online outlets.

Cable networks
News material from Time Warner's CNN as well as entertainment programming from HBO could provide key raw material for similar "channels" on AOL. TBS Enter-tainment includes the cable networks TNT, TBS, the Cartoon Network.

Sources: The companies; compiled from AP wire reports

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Hearst names new executive vice president

Hearst News Service

NEW YORK — The Hearst Corporation announced this week that Steven R. Swartz, 38, has been named executive vice president of Hearst Newspapers, effective Jan. 1.

The announcement was made jointly by Frank A. Bennack, Jr., president and chief executive officer of The Hearst Corporation, and George B. Irish, president of Hearst Newspapers and former publisher ot the Midland Reporter-Telegram. Swartz will report to Irish and serve as his deputy, joining Irish in the oversight of the company's 12 daily newspapers, including the Reporter-Telegram.

Currently, Swartz is president, CEO and editor-in-chief of SmartMoney, a joint venture between The Hearst Corporation and Dow Jones & Co. The venture publishes SmartMoney magazine and operates its extensive Web service SmartMoney.com. Prior to the launch of SmartMoney in March 1992, Swartz was a page one editor of The Wall Street Journal. From July of 1984 through May 1989, he was a reporter for the Journal in its Philadelphia and New York bureaus, in the latter assignment covering the securities industry.

"Steve Swartz comes to this important post in our newspaper group with extraordinary experience as both businessman and journalist," Bennack said. "George Irish and he will make an outstanding team to oversee our expanding newspaper operations."

Irish has headed the Hearst Newspaper Group since January 1998, when he succeeded Robert J. Danzig upon Danzig's retirement. Swartz will fill the role held by Irish before he was named president of the group.

"Steve Swartz's eight years as a newspaperman and a similar stint as a highly successful magazine editor and senior executive, along with being a pioneering innovator on the Internet, represents rare and valuable management assets that will serve our newspapers well," Irish said.

BUSINESS BRIEF

Karen Carter will join Mike Barker as co-anchor of Big 2 News at 6 and 10 p.m., it was announced by KMID-TV News Director Jerry Vazquez.

The Odessa radio personality will join Barker in late January. She is familiar to Permian Basin residents as co-host of the KODM-FM morning show with Spencer Bennett for the last six years. Earlier this year, she joined the Big 2 News team as interim news anchor.

"I look forward to sharing my commitment to the issues and concerns of the Permian Basin with the Big 2 family," Ms. Carte said. "Together in the past, Mike and I have walked the walk-a-thons and raised funds during telethons so it will be great to join him at the news desk."

She studied public relations in Calgary, Alberta, Canada before moving to West Texas, where she pursued a 12-year career in radio broadcasting as radio show host and news broadcaster.

INVESTORS' GUIDE

Owning a home is generally preferable to renting

By Eric Tyson

Q: My father died three years ago from cancer, and my mother now lives alone in a fairly big home. She has finally realized that this home is just too much maintenance for her, and she would like to move to a smaller place. Our dilemma is whether she should rent or buy another place. Her financial planner says it would be wiser to sell her place and put the proceeds into mutual funds that he set up for her three years ago. She could then live off the gains to pay the rent. What's your opinion?



Tyson

A: Please tell your mom that I wish her well as she sorts through these difficult decisions without the benefit of her lifelong partner.

Downsizing into a less costly, easier-to-maintain home can be a good path for retirees such as your mother to take. However, I have to disagree with her "financial planner," as I think owning a home generally makes more sense than renting, especially for someone accustomed to owning. Planners, including fee-based planners who manage assets, have a conflict of interest in offering advice in such circumstances because the more money they have to manage, the more income they make off clients like your mother.

As an owner, your mother will be able to do as she wishes with the home in which she lives and not have the hassle of dealing with landlords who can, among other things, decide to sell the home she's renting and boot her out. Long term, she will probably benefit financially by not being a renter, as her monthly rent could escalate substantially over the years. Especially when you factor in the appreciation you enjoy as a homeowner, owning should be less costly in the long run than renting.

In the event that your mom wants to tap into the value of a home she owns, she could still do that through a reverse mortgage. However, she might find with downsizing that she won't need to do that.

Q: Can you explain the process of determining capital gains from the sale of stock that one received dividends from?

A: When you sell a stock, to determine your capital gain (taxable profit), you subtract your original investment amounts in the stock (plus commissions paid) from what you sell the stock for (less commissions paid).

For example, suppose your shares of stock in a company are now worth $15,000 after paying selling commissions. At several different points in time, you invested $3,000, $1,000 and $2,000 in the stock with accompanying commissions totaling $100 for total original investments of $6,100. Suppose further that you reinvested dividends (free of commissions) from the stock back into purchasing more shares totaling $500, bringing your total purchases to $6,600. Therefore, your taxable profit is $8,400 ($15,000 minus $6,600).

In the event that you simply received cash from your dividends — in other words, you did not reinvest your dividends into purchasing more shares of stock — the dividends would not be added to your purchases when determining your cost basis for the stock. So, continuing with the example above, if you had received the $500 dividends as cash, your taxable profit would be $8,900 ($15,000 minus $6,100).

When you sell shares of stock that you have held for more than one year, your profit is taxed at the lower long-term capital gains tax rate rather than your ordinary income tax rate.

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-11.1 CorpHY 8.50 -.13
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-15.6 CpHYIII 8.44 -.06
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-64.5 CorusGr 9.19 -.63
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-17.4 vjCrimiM .76 -.02
-32.2 Crompton 9.06 ...
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-15.0 CwnPac 15.19 +.06
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-9.4 Dover 41.13 -.25
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+20.6 GPU 35.88 -.13
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-36.3 GabGloM 10.44 -.06
-53.5 Gainsco 2.50 -.06
-35.1 Galileo Int 19.44 -.19
+99.8 Gallaghr s 64.69 -1.38
+58.9 Gallaher 24.13 +.19
-24.9 Gannett 61.25 +1.19
-46.1 Gap 24.81 -.63
-54.7 Gartner 6.91 -.24
-52.1 GartnrB 6.62 +.12
-73.9 Gateway 18.79 +1.11
-12.0 GenCorp 8.69 -.06
+12.8 Genentech 75.88 -3.00
+4.0 GenerSA 16.13 -.19
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-81.1 GnData 1.25 ...
+40.3 GenDyn 74.00 -.50
-4 GenElec s51.44 -1.56
+11.7 GenMills 39.94 +.25
-25.8 GnMotr 53.94 +.75
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-40.5 GenSemi 8.44 -.31
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-15.4 GenuPrt 21.00 -.06
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-48.2 GaPoGP 26.31 ...
+20.1 GaPTimb 29.56 +.19
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-13.8 Glamis 1.56 -.13
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-2.4 GlimchRt 12.56 +.19
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-34.9 Goodyear 18.26 -.26
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-9.4 Dover 41.13 -.25
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-15.8 Jabil s 30.75 -2.94
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+29.2 Jacobs 42.00 -.38
-37.9 JpOTC 6.44 -.19
-.2 JeffPilot 68.13 -1.88
+103.2 JHFnSrv n 35.81 +.81
-25.6 JohnsMnv 10.38 +.38
+6.4 JohnJn 99.25 +.56
-12.2 JohnsnCtrl 49.94 -.13
+19.1 JonesApp 32.31 -.56
+27.9 K2 Inc 9.75 +.75
+378.6 vjKCS 3.88 -.50
-47.8 K mart 5.25 -.31
-36.3 KmartF pfd27.88 -.38
+86.3 KN En01 60.56 -.31
-72.5 KPN s 13.19 -.31
+18.7 KCtyPL 26.19 -.69
+28.0 KC Sou n 8.00 -.06
+43.1 KaufBH 34.63 -1.81
-8.2 Kaydon 24.63 ...
+46.2 Keebler 41.13 ...
+309.2 Keithley s 41.94 -3.87
-21.9 Kellogg 24.06 -.75
-22.8 Kemet s 17.38 -1.38
-5.7 KmpHilnc 7.25 ...
+7.9 KmpMuti 8.56 +.06
+3.1 KmpMuni 10.25 -.06
-19.5 Kennmtl 27.06 -.44
+22.3 KCole s 37.31 -1.06
-29.1 KentEl 16.13 -.19
-3.6 KerrMc 59.75 -2.25
+45.6 KerrM04 48.06 -1.94
+85.1 KeyEng 8.56 -.31
+228.3 KeyPrd 24.63 +.81
+18.4 Keycorp 26.19 -.56
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-66.7 ACTV 6.06 - .06
+25.9 ADC Tel s 22.81 - 1.25
-10.1 APC Srv 17.50+1.00
-39.1 ASM Lith s 23.06 - 1.06
-29.3 AT&T Cd 28.44 - .13
+.8 ATS Med 15.06 + .06
+81.1 Abgenix s 60.00 - 2.50
-73.5 About.com 23.75 - .13
-84.9 AccuNet n 7.22 - .03
-87.8 Acclaim 1.63 - .03
-97.5 AccrueS d1.38 + .06
-3.4 Actel 23.19 - .69
+1.7 Actuate 21.88 - 1.88
+47.4 Acxiom 35.38 - 1.44
-81.4 Adaptec 9.28 - .69
-78.3 AdptBrd s 8.00 - 1.09
-89.3 Adelphia 5.13 + .25
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+70.4 AdobeSy s 57.31 - 8.88
-80.8 Adrian 20.19 - .69
+89.3 AdvPara 36.50 - .94
-2.6 AdvPolym 23.75 + .19
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-54.1 AdvFCm 20.50 - 2.06
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-68.2 AffTech 2.22 - .03
-21.6 Affymet s 66.56 - 3.06
-43.3 AgileSft 61.63 - 8.00
-90.0 AkamaiT n 32.63 - 1.63
-3.0 Akzo 48.25 + 1.44
+135.1 Alexion 70.81 - 3.69
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-92.0 Allaire s 5.78 - .59
-67.1 AlteonTel s 20.25 - .88
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-86.4 Altiscpts n 6.00 - .75
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+1.8 AlteraDig s 23.75 - 1.31
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-23.3 AEagleO 34.50 - 1.94
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-59.1 AmrTrde 8.88 - .56
-94.1 AmesDS 1.69 - .09
+7.1 Amgen 64.31 - 2.81
-45.4 Amkor 15.44 - 1.00
+200.0 Amsg A 19.50 - 1.44
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-9.1 Ansys 10.00 + .13
-78.0 Antec 8.75 - .81
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-36.3 AppldNet s 40.38 - 2.31
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-68.8 Audvox 9.44 + .06
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-44.5 Aware 20.19 - 1.13
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-83.6 AxentTc 29. - .03
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+24.6 BISYS s 50.45 + .06
-78.6 BMC Sft 17.13 - 1.19
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+121.8 BnkUntd 60.44 - 1.00
+23.6 Bankmonth 18.63 - .13
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-93.7 BeFree s 2.28 - .06
+18.0 BedBath s 20.50 - 1.19
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-58.2 BillConc 2.72 - .03
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-35.5 Biogen 54.50 - 1.19
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+84.1 Biomira 7.25 - .06
+81.3 Biogsure 26.81 + 6.63
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-67.1 BlueMart n 18.00 - 1.38
-87.3 BolderT 1.63 + .28
-64.6 Bookham n 16.94 - .38
-33.7 BttmlnT 23.88 + .75
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-96.4 Breakwy s d1.31 - .19
-58.1 Brightcv 5.50 - .09
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-85.9 BrdcstSft .97 - .04
-13.9 Brdcom s 117.25 - 21.00
+130.0 BrcdeCm s 203.56 - 8.13
+110.8 BrownTom 28.19 - .19
+6.6 BusnObj s 71.31 - .56
-96.6 Buy.com n .84
-89.9 CCORnet s 11.56 - 1.75
-18.3 C-CubeM n 17.38 - .31
+101.0 CBRL Grp 19.50 - 3.94
-93.1 C-bridge d3.38 - .44
-30.5 CDW Cpt s 27.38 - .38
-93.5 CMGI 49.06 - .56
-72.7 CNET 15.50 - .31
-10.6 CNS 3.69 + .06
-90.8 CT Hold n .59 + .03
-77.9 CTC Cm s 5.75 - .27
+162.3 CV Therap 66.38 - 3.63
+88.9 CabotMic n 47.00 - 2.75
-58.1 CacheFl 54.81 - 2.44
-89.4 Caldera n 3.13 - .31
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-58.7 CalAmp 10.88 - .38
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-92.1 CambTch 2.06 - .22
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+211.7 Carreker 28.25 - .06
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-37.8 CellPath 5.75 + .38
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-83.0 CentBusn 1.44 + .31
+43.4 Cephln 49.56 - 1.56
+171.7 Cerner 53.50 - 1.50
-2.3 ChartCm 21.38 - .06
-53.3 ChrtSm n 32.63 - 1.13
+174.5 ChkPoint s 136.56 - 7.44
-46.4 ChkFree 58.00 - 3.25
+71.4 Cheeseck s 40.06 - 2.69
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-80.7 ChoiceOne n 11.63 - .06
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+28.1 Cintas s 45.31 + .06
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+7.3 click2learn 11.94 - .44
-49.5 Cognex 19.69
+34.6 Cognos gs 31.13 - 1.31
+21.7 Coherent 32.56 - 2.06
+9.4 Coinstar 15.31 + .25
+121.5 ColSprt 47.63 - .38
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-25.0 Comc sp 37.94 - .63
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-81.1 Comintell 1.56
-5.0 CompsBo 21.19 + .25
-53.9 CompCrd 17.75 + .50
+27.8 CptNtwk 29.31 - .63
-70.8 Compuwre 6.84 - .28
+40.0 Comvers s 101.31 - 10.81
+61.0 CodCamn s 18.31 - 1.44
+69.9 ConcEFS 43.75 - 1.31
-82.0 Conexnt 25.25 - 1.25
-58.0 Connetics 4.63 - .19
-85.2 CopMntn 7.22 - .03
+11.4 Copytele .91 + .16
+181.5 CorfTher s 38.00 - 4.25
-81.8 CorelCp 2.75 - .03
+89.5 CorsixCp 28.81 - 1.56
-98.4 Cornerstnet .13 + .03
-43.8 Corsair 4.56 + .06
-67.3 CorvisCp n 27.69 - 4.55
-75.8 CoSine h 15.25 - 4.63
-23.4 Costco s 34.94 + 2.19
-93.2 CovadCm s 2.53 - .25
+255.1 Coventry 23.97 + .22
-14.3 Cowltz 4.50 - .41
-30.2 CreTpLtd .12 13 - .31
-47.7 CredSys s 22.63 - .50
-20.4 Cree Inc s 34.00 - 3.13
-80.8 CritPath 37.00 - .02
-92.0 Crssrds .6.75 - .56
-17.5 CnwnCstl 26.50 - .19
+55.8 CubistPh 30.00 + .13
-.7 CuraGen s 34.63 + 1.00
-80.4 CybrCsh 1.81 + .09
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-95.4 CybrSrce d2.38 - .50
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+93.4 Cytyc s 59.00 - .81

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+154.4 DDi n 28.63 - 5.00
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-41.7 DUSA 16.63 - 1.81
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-51.7 DataRace 1.31 - .06
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-8.0 DBeer 27.19 + .19
-80.9 DellCptr 19.94 - .50
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-62.4 Dendrite 16.13 - 1.31
-75.5 DntlMed d.69 + .25
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-72.4 Diamond7 23.69 - .56
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-54.3 Digex 31.44 + 2.19
-27.5 Digimtl 7.56 - .13
-63.2 DigtlGen 2.63 - .50
-93.6 Digisld 6.06 - .16
-39.5 DigLght 38.75 - 3.63
-62.1 DigtlThnk n 11.00
-75.8 Digitas n 7.13 + .75
+143.2 DiffPcptn su 45.00 - 1.00
-80.3 DitechCe s 18.58 - 2.23
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+88.1 Documnt s 56.31 - 2.06
+10.1 DiwTree s 35.50 - 1.75
-89.4 DbleClick 13.38 - .25
-95.8 drkoop .50 + .03
-95.7 drugstre d1.56 - .06
-68.5 DuraAto d5.50 + .13
-59.8 DurbanRo .72
-67.8 ETrade 8.38 - .50
-93.8 E-loan d1.00 - .06
-82.8 e.spire d1.00 - .03
-94.0 eBT Intl d1.94 - .19
-40.9 eBayInc s 37.00 - 2.25
-40.9 ECI Tel d18.69 - .56
-45.5 EDP TM .75
-36.4 EGL Inc 27.44 - 2.31
-89.1 eLottinc .59 + .06
+52.2 ESS Med 14.56 + 1.06
-72.7 ESSTech n 6.06 - .31
-75.5 EthLink n 7.69 + .28
-79.5 eB2B Cm n 1.00 - .13
-92.2 ebix com d.88 - .03
+20.1 EchelonC 23.50 - 1.75
-51.8 EchoStar s 23.50 - 1.56
-9.0 Eclipsys 23.31 + .31
-89.9 EffNtwr 20.50 + .50
-91.9 Egghead 1.31 + .25
+89.4 Elantec s 31.25 - 2.75
-67.7 ElectNet n 4.50 - .19
-38.0 ElectSci s 22.63
-4.8 ElecArts s 40.00 - 2.88
-78.6 Elfi 13.63 - .25
-52.3 Elcterc 1.31 - .06
-55.6 EliteInfo 4.75 - .01
-90.4 eLoylty n d3.50 - .13
-93.2 eMachns n .56 - .01
+199.5 Emcore s 50.94 - 2.25
-56.6 EmmisC s 27.06 + .19
+27.4 Emulex 143.31 - 14.38
-95.4 Emusic .47 - .03
-76.0 EndWve n 3.38 + .38
-95.6 Engage s d1.31 - .03
-72.5 Enfrnt 16.50 - 2.00
+37.5 Enzon 59.63 - 5.13
-78.5 EpicorSft 1.19
-63.7 Epiphny s 54.06 - 3.06
-23.7 EpicTel s 12.50 - .19
-98.0 eToys 1.06 + .03
-91.4 Euroweb 1.00 - .16
+37.6 Exar s 27.00 - 3.00
-75.9 eXcelon 3.50 + .06
-94.3 ExcelApp s 1.59 - .03
-34.8 ExodusC s 28.94 - 1.56
+23.8 Expdint 54.75 - .25
+31.8 ExpScript s 84.38 - 4.50
+70.7 ExtNetw s 71.25 - 8.94
-71.7 Ezenia d2.25
-79.4 F5 Netw 23.44 - 1.88
+10.8 Factory2U 31.44 - 3.50
-96.9 FairMkt n 1.50 + .22
-88.4 FargoEl n 1.75 + .22
-28.9 Fastenl 57.94 - .19
+13.6 FfthThrd s 55.50 - .63
+19.1 FileNet 30.38 - 1.44
-90.5 Finet com 13. - .03
+19.2 Finisar s 35.75 + .88
+12.2 FstMerit 25.81 + .13
+33.3 Fiserv 51.06 - .13
-77.7 FlagTc n 7.25 - .25
+18.0 FlekTm s 27.38 - .38
-88.1 FlowCom 1.56 + .06
-16.7 Fonar 1.41 - .13
+40.9 ForrestR s 48.63 - 5.38
+10.0 ForwrdA 31.75 - 1.31
-73.3 Foundry s 40.31 - 4.69
-91.3 FreeMkt 29.56 - 2.94
-33.3 Fritz 7.00
+149.5 FrontrAr 26.38 - 1.94
-58.7 FrozenFd 1.56 + .06
+381.8 FuelCell s 60.38 - 2.25

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-94.5 Gadzoox 2.41 - .16
- .5 GalenHld n 50.00 - .13
-31.1 GalileoT 16.63 - 1.25
-19.5 Gasonics 15.91 + .09
-44.2 Gemstar 39.75 - 1.69
-41.1 GMagic 2.28 - .22
+46.6 Gentia 9.44
-32.2 Gentex 18.81 - .25
-44.2 Genuity n 5.25 - .06
+111.3 GenzymGn 95.06 - .50
+37.0 GenzTrsRp 3.94
-87.9 Geoworks .23 - .13
-70.7 GiliatSci s 34.81 + 1.06
+43.8 Gilead 77.81 - 2.06
-68.5 Glenayre 3.56 - .03
+27.5 Globllnd 11.00 + .06
-93.5 GlblNet d1.88 + .13
-95.8 Globalstr 1.84 - .19
+81.6 GlbeSpn s 39.50 - 3.44
-85.2 GlobixCp s 4.44 - .38
-39.6 GlobxCabo n 10.94 + .56
-67.8 ETrade 8.38 - .50
-83.6 GoTo com 9.63 + .69
+58.9 GrtBray s 34.06 - .56
+52.7 GrekaEgy 14.13 - .06
+120.0 Gymbree 12.38 - .50
-53.0 H PwrCp n 8.75 - .75
-81.3 HTE Inc 1.13 - .06
+43.0 HainCelest 32.00 + .38
-89.2 HarbrFlt n 5.31 - .25
-89.9 Harmonic 14.94 - 1.63
-16.8 HavasAd n 14.25 + .25
-48.1 Hithcre cm 1.75 + .38
-13.6 HeidrkStr 36.50 - 1.63
+121.6 HSchein 29.50 + .38
+118.4 HenryJk s 58.69 + .19
-91.1 HighSpd n 1.56 - .19
-87.7 HispTelv n d1.69 - .25
-92.2 HlywdE 1.13 - .25
-86.0 HlfxSts .63
-89.2 HomeStore 22.88 - 1.13
-98.1 HorizHC 5.13 - .13
+33.6 HotTopic s 31.06 - 1.44
+18.3 HtlRsrv n 30.25 + .38
+106.8 HumGen s 78.50 + 3.31
-31.9 HuntBnk 14.81 - .31
-31.0 HybrdNt n 6.81 + .84
-71.9 Hydrgn s 3.44 - .05
-66.4 HyperFSolu 14.63 - .50
+30.2 I-Many n 16.25 + .56
+4.8 I2 Tech s 51.00 - 5.31
-12.5 ICOTInc 1.31 + .06
+35.7 ICOS 39.69 + .19
+111.9 IDEC s 208.19 + 4.81
+39.5 IdexxLb 22.50 + .94
+28.2 IDTCorp 23.81 - .25
-98.1 iGateCap 3.44 + .06
-78.3 ITC Dlta 6.00 - .13
-74.0 ITXC Cp 8.75 - .25
-98.4 IXL Entp d.88 - .13
-76.2 iBasis 6.84 - .66
-87.3 iBeamB n 1.78 - .09
+19.2 iNexOnco 28.75 + 2.25
-96.7 imaginOn .14 - .01
-17.5 imatrn 2.06 + .09
+106.3 imcione s 40.88 - 2.25
+21.7 Imunex s 44.44 - .88
+244.3 ImunoGn 18.94 - 3.75
+84.8 Imunmd 20.19 - .94
+308.5 Impath s 51.95 - .92
-10.6 Incyte s 26.81 - 1.38
+15.5 IndbCmty 14.44 + .13
-79.8 InfoSpace s 10.81 - .88
+31.8 Informix 30.56 - 1.06
-72.6 InfoArch 2.81
-70.5 Informx 3.38 - .22
+136.2 InhaleTh s 50.19 + 13
-58.2 Inhaltmi s 37.13 - 1.25
-14.0 Innovex 8.06 - .31
-48.3 Inprise 5.72 - .06
-58.4 InnerWrld 78 - .19
-31.2 InsghtCo n 20.38 + 1.38
-37.2 Insight s 17.00 - .06
+41.2 IntgCirc n 16.94 - .19
+23.9 IntgDv 35.94 - 2.44
-98.1 IntegInf n .81 + .09
-28.7 ISSI 11.81 - .56
-88.6 IntegrSrg .19 - .03
-14.6 Intel s 35.13 - .38
-91.6 Intelln 1.66 - .03
-3.8 IntelliDta 4.00
-91.6 Intelsat 6.31 - .50
-82.0 IntlmgCp d7.00 - 5.25
-82.8 IntNAP s 14.88 - .06
+31.0 IntFibcm 10.31 - 1.06
-98.6 Intllsotp d.19 - .06
-98.7 ItrntCap 5.53 - .50
-89.6 IntnetPict 1.72 - .13
+19.2 IntnetSec 84.81 - 2.63
-56.9 Intersil n 23.25 - 1.94
-91.3 IntrstT s 5.13 + .63
-99.1 InterWorld .78 - .19
+.9 Intrwvn s 66.75 - 3.72
+15.9 IntrnetSol 54.00 + .31
-97.9 Intrware n .66 - .06
-18.0 Intuit 49.13 - 1.75
-16.3 IntTagn 7.56
+275.3 InvFnSv s 86.31 - 2.00
+29.4 Invitrogn 77.63 - 3.52
-14.7 Irvine 1.81 - .25
-95.4 iVillage .94 - .03

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-11.9 JD Edwr 26.31 - .81
-23.7 JDS Uniph 83.50 - 3.19
-58.1 JNI Corp 29.00 - 3.25
-51.8 JtkssPac 9.00 - .06
-90.6 Jawz Inc n d.66 - .09
+140.1 JnprNtwk 136.25 - 18.75
-95.7 JunoOnl 1.56 - .19
-75.3 JuptrMed 8.81 - .19
-46.3 KLA Tnc s 29.94 - .50
-85.4 KanaCm s 15.00 - 1.00
-88.9 KeraVis .69 - .13
-82.4 KnghtTrd 17.31 - 2.56
-88.0 Komag 1.00 - .03
-30.1 Kopin s 14.69 - .81
-93.4 KoreaThr 4.47 + .72
-45.8 Kulicke s 11.52 - .05
-43.0 LTX 12.75 - .69
-57.7 LamRsch s 15.89 - .88
-86.3 LasPlMd 1.38 - .06
-85.3 LarSght 1.47 - .06
-83.4 LarVis 1.75 - .03
-26.8 Lattice s 17.25 - .56
-81.0 Learn2.com d.63 - .13
+54.5 LrnTree 43.25 + 1.69
-98.6 Legato 9.22 - 1.22
-55.7 Level3 36.25 - 4.75
-87.2 LibteTch 16.50 - 1.06
-91.8 LibOgrl 6.06 - .25
-93.9 LifeMind d3.50 - .50
+243.4 LifePtH 40.56 + .44
+.3 LightP 18.75 - 1.56
-71.5 Lightbrd n 7.91 + .25
+49.2 Lincare 51.75 - .31
+129.8 Lindbrg u17.81 + 8.88
+38.5 LinearT s 49.50 + .13
-73.3 Lionbrdg d4.88 - .53
-69.2 LipAudio d3.28 - .34
-81.8 LSISmart n 4.97 - .28
-75.5 Lumenon n 25.00 - .69
-38.6 Luminent n 7.69 - 1.31

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+22.8 M-SysFD s 20.19 - 1.38
-75.8 MIH Ltd 14.25 + .13
-82.8 MP3.com 5.44 - .25
-42.7 MRV Cm s 18.06 - 2.31
-10.8 Macrmdia 66.25 - 7.25
+83.6 Macrvsn 67.94 - .94
-93.5 Mail.com 1.22 + .03
+188.2 Manugist s 46.56 - 4.19
+141.8 Mapinfo s 39.50 - 1.50
-96.4 MarchFrst 1.91 + .28
-91.6 MktSery 1.41 + .06
-50.7 MarvelT n 27.94 - 2.50
-63.0 Mathsft d1.69 - .03
-76.1 MatrixO n 17.63 - 1.63
+8.5 Maxim s 51.00 - 2.38
-53.8 MaximPh d9.25 - .38
-70.8 MaximP wt d2.81 - 3.94
-20.3 Maxtor 5.78 - .22
-80.7 Maxygen 27.88 + .88
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-35.5 Medwire 5.00
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+99.0 MentGr 26.25 - 1.38
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+60.0 Mercntr s 86.38 - 6.25
-13.8 MerchM d 6.25
+261.9 Merix Cp s 26.69 - 1.88
-93.3 MessgeMd .94 - .50
-33.2 Metawrve n 9.06 - 1.00
+116.7 Metharx 5.69 + .06
-18.7 MethdA 26.13 - 3.00
-83.8 Metrom 12.75 - 2.06
+75.0 MtroOne 22.75 - .25
-51.8 Metrocall .81 + .09
-44.0 MitrndF s 13.44 - 1.69
-3.3 MichStr 27.56 + .56
+28.9 Micrel 36.75 - 1.44
-89.2 Microchp s 21.63 - 1.13
+33.1 Micromse s 113.13 - 9.63
-66.6 MicronEl 3.72 - .16
-74.1 Micros 19.19 - 1.44
+257.7 MicSem 31.75 - 1.00
-52.5 Microsft 55.50 - 1.75
-85.4 MicroStr s 15.38 + .75
+97.1 MillPhar s 60.13 + 4.50
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-12.4 MolexA s 31.75 - .44
-60.0 MrchDnt .69 - .06
-99.7 Mrtg.com .02 - .05
-77.4 Mofient 4.75 - .13
-90.0 MpwrCm s 3.38 - .31
-98.0 MyPoints 1.50 - .06
+283.7 Mynad s 88.25 - 4.50
-69.6 MyTurn n 1.94 + .13
-93.2 NBC Int 4.88 - .13
-61.1 NBTY 4.50 - .16
-8.7 NCO Grp 27.50 + .44
-69.4 NamibMin 1.88 + .09
-43.7 Nanogen 12.31 - .81
+2.5 NCmtBc 23.25 - .44
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-79.2 Navidec 2.50 + .13
-82.6 NaviSite s 3.69 + .13
+60.0 NeoRx 6.50
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-91.1 Net2000 n 3.13 - .38
-77.6 Net2Phn 10.31 - 1.38
+80.6 NetIQ 94.00 - 2.00
-93.6 Netcmtrs n 4.00 - .84
-63.0 Netegrity s 61.50 - 4.44
-81.7 Netmdg 91 + .03
-78.8 NetroCp 10.81 - 1.81
-77.0 NetSolve 7.25 + .13
+99.6 NetwkAp n 89.13 - 3.63
-51.1 NetwkAssc 13.06 - .94
-96.6 NwkCmp 27 - .11
-89.4 NtwrkPl d2.44 - .50
-98.2 NextZero 1.03
-85.2 NewEra 7.06 - .88
-35.3 NewFoc n 33.00 - 2.75
-48.5 NewFrnt 2.19 + .31
+516.3 Newport s 93.98 - 10.27
-78.0 NextLevl 17.98 - .83
-77.8 NextCrd 6.47 - .03
-39.4 NextlaC s 32.81 - 1.13
-48.1 NextPrt n 18.25 + 1.50
-95.6 Nexterra d.56 - .13
-84.1 NikuCp n 11.00 - .56
+106.9 NoAmSc 18.63 - .31
+59.1 NorTrst 84.31 + .25
-97.4 NorthPt 83. - .16
+8.1 NwstAirl 24.06 - 2.56
-91.1 NvtlWtrs n 11.25 - 1.63
-83.5 Novell 6.59 + .09
-24.3 Novlus s 30.94 + .44
+55.2 Novsen 28.13 - 1.75
+39.8 NuanceC n 47.44 - 7.81
-48.3 NumTch n 18.38 - 1.50
+76.9 Nvidia s 41.56 - 3.06
-92.5 NxNetwrk 1.13 - .19
-85.7 o2Micro n 7.13 - .09
-31.3 o2wireless n 9.19 + 1.06
-27.6 ONI Sys n 59.75 + 1.13
+2.3 ORediyA 22.00 - .06
+697.6 OSI Pharm 63.31 - 4.94
-75.0 OTG Sft nd 14.06 - 4.06
+4.6 OakTech 9.88 + .50
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-72.7 OnSmcnd nd6.00 - .59
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-96.1 OpenMkt 1.75 - .19
-81.3 OpenTV 15.00 - 1.50
-54.8 OpenwvSys 52.44 - 2.94
-45.9 OplinkCm 18.19 - 4.44
-74.8 OptibaseHl 8.94 - 6.63
-23.4 OptclCm n 13.69 - 1.06
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-21.8 OptRobt 29.13 - 1.75
+104.0 OptnCr 6.25 + .03
-1.8 Oracle s 27.50 - .88
-4.0 OrchdBio n 10.50 - .63
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+40.2 PF Chng 34.88 - 2.25
+27.3 PMC Sra s 102.00 - 9.50
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-68.3 PRI Auto 21.25 - .25
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-60.3 PSS Wrld 3.75 - .19
-79.5 PTEK Hld 1.44 - .06
-88.7 PacWest d3.00 - .75
+.4 Paccar 44.50 - .88
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-28.6 PacSun 22.75 - .31
-78.2 PacifC 11.56 - .81
-80.5 Packetr 13.88 - 2.69
-53.6 Palm n 44.13 - 3.31
-34.2 PanAmSat 39.06 - 1.38
+160.5 Panera 20.19 - 3.81
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-28.6 Parexel n 7.72 - .03
+94.4 ParPet 3.28 - .09
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-77.3 PrtnrCm 5.88 + .38
-69.4 NamibMin 1.88 + .09
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+2.5 NCmtBc 23.25 - .44
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+153.1 Peregrine 1.34 - .03
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+144.3 ProtDsg s 85.50 - 6.38
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-97.0 Rzrfish s d1.44 - .31
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-1.7 RegionsFn 24.69 - .31
-36.0 Rehesc s 10.88 + .69
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+97.9 SDL Inc s 215.75 - 16.31
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+15.6 Safeco 28.75 - .75
-23.2 Sagelnc 14.88 - 3.25
-8.8 SalndFm 7.81 + .13
+12.3 SanDisk s 54.06 - 5.81
-59.5 Sangstat 12.06 + 1.00
+53.3 Sanmina s 76.63 + 2.88
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-96.4 ScientCp 3.09 - .13
+383.5 Scios 20.25 - .19
-97.3 SciQst 2.13
+24.2 ScottT u23.44 + .19
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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

George W. Bush makes list of '25 Most Intriguing People of 2000'

NEW YORK — **George W. Bush**, **Elian Gonzalez** and the state of Florida made People magazine's annual list of the most intriguing.

The "25 Most Intriguing People of 2000," which hits newsstands Friday, features politicians, entertainers, athletes and newsmakers.

For the first time, a state made the list, both for the struggle over 7-year-old Elian and the fight over its 25 electoral votes.

Michael J. Fox, **Sarah Jessica Parker** and **Meg Ryan** made the cut, as did rapper **Eminem**.

Athletes on the list include **Venus Williams** and shortstop **Alex Rodriguez**, who this week signed a record $252 million contract with the Texas Rangers.

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LONDON — **Madonna** will don a tiara once worn by **Princess Grace** of Monaco when she gets married in Scotland next week, the singer's official fan club Web site said Thursday.

In addition to the Cartier tiara, worn by Princess Grace at her daughter Caroline's wedding in 1978, Madonna will wear a Chloe dress designed by Stella McCartney, daughter of Paul McCartney, the site said.

The 42-year-old Madonna will marry British film director **Guy Ritchie** on Dec. 22 in the Scottish Highlands at either the 13th-century Dornoch Cathedral or nearby Skibo Castle. Ritchie, 32, will wear a kilt in Hunting Macintosh tartan in recognition of his Scottish roots, the site said.

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SANTA MONICA, Calif. — **The Beach Boys** and four other legendary acts will be honored for lifetime achievement at the Grammy Awards next year.

The Beach Boys, **Tony Bennett**, **Sammy Davis Jr.**, **Bob Marley** and the **Who** will be recognized by the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences Feb. 21, the organization announced Tuesday.

Past lifetime achievement recipients include **Jimi Hendrix**, **Louis Armstrong**, **Irving Berlin** and **Frank Sinatra**.

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LOS ANGELES — The warm-up song of the **Harlem Globetrotters** and a hit for the likes of Bing Crosby, Ella Fitzgerald, Benny Goodman and Ethel Waters turned 75 this week.

The Library of Congress said "Sweet Georgia Brown," composed by Maceo Pickard and Kenneth Casey, stands as the 13th most-recorded music standard.

Globetrotters' owner Mannie Jackson, marking the song's 75th anniversary, said, "For us, it's like a good-luck charm."

Not even standards like "Jingle Bells," "Ol' Man River" and "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" have been recorded more often, Library of Congress records show.

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LOS ANGELES — **Edward James Olmos**, who went from East Los Angeles to Hollywood stardom, was honored Wednesday with a plaque on the Latino Walk of Fame.

The 53-year-old actor was the seventh person to be honored with a plaque on Whittier Boulevard. Others have included labor leader Cesar Chavez and former Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Fernando Valenzuela.

Known for his roles in such movies as "Stand and Deliver" and "Selena," Olmos has worked with the poor and the Los Angeles International Latino Film Festival.

"He's deserving because he has helped out Los Angeles so much," said Walk of Fame Chairman Ray Abboud. "He became a celebrity, but he never forgot his roots."

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LONDON — **Prince Andrew** plans to leave the Royal Navy after 22 years to promote British business abroad.

The son of Queen Elizabeth II will represent British Trade International, the government organization responsible for the development and promotion of overseas trade and investment.

"I have greatly enjoyed my service in the navy and am sad at the prospect of leaving," Andrew said Wednesday. "However, the invitation to participate in the work of British Trade International is an opportunity and challenge that I could not refuse."

Andrew, who joined the Royal Navy in 1979, will leave at the end of July. He fought in Britain's 1982 war with Argentina over the Falkland Islands.

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PALM SPRINGS, Calif. — **Nicolas Cage** is being honored next month at an international film festival.

The Oscar-winning actor will receive the Charles A. Crain Desert Palm Award at the Nortel Networks Palm Springs International Film Festival on Jan. 13. Past recipients include **John Travolta**, **Richard Dreyfuss**, **Susan Sarandon**, **Sophia Loren** and **Frank Sinatra**.

"We are excited with having the opportunity to honor someone with such greatness. Nicolas Cage is a relatively young actor but the body of work he has been able to produce has just been fantastic," festival spokesman Denis Pregnolato said.

Cage's film credits include "Gone in 60 Seconds," "Raising Arizona," and "Leaving Las Vegas," which won him an Academy Award.

The film festival will be held Jan. 11-22.

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Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TV TONIGHT

FRIDAY EVENING — DECEMBER 15, 2000

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

Broadcast	D	C	B	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3) KMID	2	3	2	News 888	Wheel of Fortune 680	Two Guys-Girl 2283	Dot Comedy (N) 592	Norm (N) 1931	Madigan Men 7738	20/20 (N) 9047		News 9050738	Nightline (N) 51757047	Politically 88835028	(:38) Cheers 4542738
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Cosby 77399	Spin City 91979	First Family's Holiday Gift to America 81689		Greatest Christmas Moments of All Time 67009		Mad About You 42202	Nanny 77573	Jerry Springer '14' 73660		Blind Date 54047	Suddenly 51134
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 8115	Ent. Tonight 9467	Figure Skating: Scott Hamilton's Farewell 67405		CSI: Crime Scene Investigation 43825		Nash Bridges "Grave Robbers" (N) PG 63689		News 7817202	(:35) Late Show (N) PG' 74974486		Late Late 9163405
(9) KWES	9	9	9	News 9863	Seinfeld 5365	Providence "The Gift" (N) PG 52973		Dateline (N) 87283		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N) 52937		News 2213863	(:35) Tonight Show (N) '14' 38235592		Late Night '14' 8790196
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	News 90399	John Hagee 14979	Light of the Southwest (Live) 41283				Hour of Healing 54573		News 28757	Life in the Word 37405	Promise 38047	Church 19196
(13) KOCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer 370318		Wash. Week 568329	Wall St. 755825	Irish in America: Long Journey Home "The Great Hunger" PG 880370			Morocco-Pla 375863	Telecourse 571950		Telecourse 154467	
(8) CNBC	8	27		Business	Market	National Geographic Explorer 1070486				Brian Williams 9025738		National Geographic Explorer 2144202			
(10) WGN		10		Fresh Pr. 768405	Suddenly 759757	Days of Thunder (PG-13, '90) Tom Cruise. Robert Duvall, Nicole Kidman. 719399				Hawaii Five-0 561689		In the Heat of the Night 564776		Darkside 838863	Suddenly 121392
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Pr. 398689	Fresh Pr. 9090738	Splash (:05) (PG, '84) Tom Hanks. John Candy. A disenchanted businessman struggles to protect a mermaid 92291757					A League of Their Own (:20) (PG, '92) Geena Davis. Based on the story of the all-girl baseball league of 1943. 73282844				
(14) FAM		14	6	Santa Claus 190134		Richie Rich's Christmas Wish ('98) 992689				Early Edition 737689		700 Club 730776		Fearing Mind PG 981573	
(20) DISC		20	26	Wild Discovery "Sea Serpents" G 990196		On the Inside "Building Hoover Dam" G 192467		News 668825	Unknown 670660	Hospital "The Future Waits" (N) PG 121979		Justice Files 191738		On the Inside "Building Hoover Dam" G 707573	
(21) AMC		21	31	Three Stooges 372776		Gunfight at the O.K. Corral ('57) 2047937				Cinema	Equinox (:35) ('70) 20281919			House of Wax GP, 695950	
(22) TNN		22	35	Martial Law 386950		Champ. Rodeo 579573		Rollerjam 588221		Motor Madness 575757		Martial Law 678844		Champ. Rodeo 179399	
(23) TNT		23	28	Pretender 379660		David Copperfield ('00) (TVPG) 164825				David Copperfield ('00) Michael Richards. 581318				English Patient 302028	
(24) BRAV		24		St. Elsewhere 997080		Unleashing	Smack Pony	Mi Vida Loca ('93) Angel Aviles. 558115				Unleashing	Smack Pony	Mi Vida LocaR. 122134	
(26) BET		26	33	106 & Park	Amen	Sparkle (PG, '76) Irene Cara 360047				Comicview 189009		BET News	BET Tonight	Midnight Love 359931	
(27) DISN		27	41	In a Heartbeat 740009	The Paper Brigade (PG, '98) Robert Englund. 3640283			Mom's Got a Date With a Vampire (:10) ('00) Caroline Rhea. 65714931		MusicVids 25975573		Heartbeat 8542047	So Weird 4871370	Zorro 810467	Mickey 338624
(28) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire (N)	World Today 736825		Larry King Live 745573		Unconventional 732009		Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 341931	
(29) ESPN		29	30	Best of Up Close (N) 378950		NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Colorado Avalanche. From the Pepsi Center in Denver (Subject to Blackout) (Live) 659844						Sportscenter 553554		NFL 307641	NHL 2Night (N) 431028
(30) USA		30	38	JAG "Surface Warfare" PG' 552950		Nash Bridges "Rip Off" PG' 754221		Kindergarten Cop (PG-13, '90) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A two-fisted L.A. cop poses as a kindergarten teacher. 519592					Farmclub.com (N) 869573		The ThingR, 153863
(31) FX		31		(5:00) X-Files "Humbug" 14' 5826432						Toughman Wld. 7250318		X Show (N) '14' 7253405		X-Files 4851775	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order "Black Tie" 918592		Biography "Ross Perot" G 110863		Competition "Soap Box Derby" G 196283		Poirot "Incredible Theft" 116047		Law & Order "Jeopardy" 119134		Biography "Ross Perot" G 792641	
(33) TLC		33	21	Operation 388318		Route 66 -- Main Street America (N) G 564641		Motorcycles -- Born to Be Wild G 580689		Daytona Motorcycle Madness (N) PG 560825		Route 66 -- Main Street America G 563912		Motorcycles -- Born to Be Wild G 162467	
(34) NICK		34	37	Hey Arnold! Y 393009	Rugrats Y 317689	U Pick 680047	U Pick 306573	Rugrats 666467	Rugrats 678202	Facts of Life 484950	Facts of Life 993283	3's Co. 286405	3's Co. 262825	All in Family 463467	Jeffersons 261824
(36) LIFE		36	40	Intimate Portrait G 163080		Unsolved Mysteries 744979		Figure Skating Cup of Russia (Taped) 724115		From St. Petersburg, Russia		Once and Again "Scribbling Rivalry" PG 736950		Golden Girls 866739	Golden Girls 266776
(39) OUTDR		39		Hunting 1755776	Sportsman 1746028	Bill Dance 8392757	Fisherman 1735912	Sports Jrnl. 8301405	Sportsman 8380912	Hunting 9107863	Sportfishing 6658221	Bill Dance 6092931	Fisherman 6018979	Sports Jrnl 9179080	Sportsman 2315028
(42) UNI		42	13	Locura de Amor 69592		Mujeres Engañadas 54757				Estamos Unid. 39776	Lente Loco PG 48009	Primer Impacto 24931	Noticiero Univ. 40979	Qué Nos Pasa 43641	
(43) FSN		43	29	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Philadelphia 76ers. From the First Union Center in Philadelphia. (Subject to Blackout) 271028					Cowboys Wkly 75888	Goin' Deep 41547		National Sports Report 44134		Sports Report 18221	Last Word 50370
(44) COM		44		Daily Show 5645196	Ben Stein 5669776	Saturday Night Live '14' 6900009		Toothbrush 9682660	Whose? 9678467	Porky's II: The Next Day (R, '83) Dan Monahan. Wyatt Knight, Kaiu Hunter. 6912844				Saturday Night Live Jamie Foxx, Blink 182. 7355660	
(46) ANIM		46		You Lie-Dog	Animals	Little Heroes (NR, '99) Thomas Garner. 14757				Little Heroes (NR, '99) Thomas Garner. 80270				Little HeroesNR, 720318	
(47) E!		47		Homes	Talk Soup	Scandals	Scandals	True Hollywood Story "Steve McQueen" PG 727283				Howard S.	Howard S.	Wild On 329825	
(48) TVL		48	24	Emergency! 3655047		BarneyM	Hogan	Adam-12	Van Dyke	Andy Griffith	Leave	Charlie's Angels 1963863		Dragnet	Honeymnr
(49) ODY		49		Rescue 911	America!	Medicine Woman 577115		The Christmas Box (95) (TVG) 597979				Rescue 911	America!	Young Riders 168641	
(50) HGTV		50	42	Old House	BeforAftr	Appraise It!	Appraisal	Kitchen	Homes	Dream	Open House	Appraise It!	Appraisal	Kitchen	Homes
(51) MSNBC		51		Headliners 4563592		Weekend Mag. 7252776		Brian Williams 7238196		Investigates 7241660		Investigates 7251047		Brian Williams 6853757	
(52) TELE		52		Estrellita 922776		Betty la Fea 563047		Por Qué Diablos 549467		Terra Nostra 552931		Noticiero	Laura en América 849399		A Oscuras
(59) FOOD		59		Cooking Live (N)		Emeril Live		Dinners	Best Of	Iron Chef		Emeril Live		Dinners	Best Of
(60) TOON		60		Cartoon	Bravo	Dexter	Powerpuff	Bravo	Sheep	Courage	Ed, Edd	ToonHeads	Clampett	Dragon-Z	Tenchi
(61) TCM		61		Postman Rings 6075991		A Streetcar Named Desire 48104689				The Wild One (:15) 1224478		Teahouse of August Moon 68454776			
(62) HIST		62	32	History	History IQ	History Quiz 1966950		This Week-Hist 1942370		Haunted Histy 1962134		Secrets-Dino 1965221		History Quiz 3736486	
(63) ESPN2		63		NFL 2Night	NFL Films	NFL	Drill	Boxing: Friday Night Fights -- Keb-Baas vs. Morel 7479641					Drill	Drill	NBA 2Night
(64) SCIFI		64	39	Babylon 5 5220221		Invisible Man 4568115		The Langoliers ('95) 4588979				Invisible Man 4567486		Slaughtrhse 5 9719757	
(53) PLEX				Age of Treason (5:20) (PG, '93) 53516202		Avengers "The Murder Market" 9047950		Trenchcoat (PG, '83) Margot Kidder, Robert Hays. 2268689			Revenge of the Stepford Wives (:35) ('80) Sharon Gless. 21701641			The Spy Who Came in From the Cold 85718844	
(65) FLIX		65		Madeline (5:30) ('98) 4169844		Cobb (R, '94) Tommy Lee Jones. Robert Wuhl. Sportswriter Al Stump pens the biography of Ty Cobb. 8709592					Taffin (R, '88) Pierce Brosnan. Ray McAnally. Alison Doody. 2598863			Hennessy 1382080	
(66) SHOW		66	20	Amos & Andrew (5:05) ('93) 48140134		Double Jeopardy (R, '99) Tommy Lee Jones. Ashley Judd. 354405				Stargate 5566318	(:45) Outer Limits "Zig Zag" 14' 17989405	Beggars and Choosers 616297		RudeAwak 56985738	
(67) TMC		67	16	A Cooler Climate (:15) (R, '99) (TV14) 15814283		Sally Field, Judy Davis. Hanks. 1757202		Sleepless in Seattle (PG, '93) Tom			200 Cigarettes (:45) (R, '99) David Chappelle. 65800221	Ben Affleck. Casey Affleck.		Desert Hrt 1865370	
(68) HBO		68	15	Inside the NFL "PG" 347080		Kickboxer (R, '89) Jean-Claude Van Damme. 9698329			Universal Soldier: The Return (:45) (R, '99) 4358196		(:15) Real Sex 25	MA		Hitman's Run (:05) ('98) 61866486	
(69) HBOP		69		Jumpin' Jack Flash (5:15) 24533931		A Fish Called Wanda (R, '88) John Cleese, Jamie Lee Curtis, Kevin Kline. 1464196				Sopranos	Sopranos	Meadowlands		Curb	Real Sports
(70) HBOS		70		Feast of July ('95) Embeth Davidtz. Three brothers fall in love with the same woman. 2833196			Sex & City 8695931	Sex & City 8661738		Postcards From the Edge (R, '90) Meryl Streep. 7346860		Waking Ned Devine (:45) (PG, '98) Ian Bannen. 20393370			
(71) MAX		71		Beautiful Joe (5:30) (NR, '00) 8032283		Laws of Deception (:15) (NR, '98) C. Thomas Howell. Amber Smith. 24303399				Entrapment ('99) Sean Connery. A veteran thief's new partner has a hidden agenda. 725844			Bedtime	Sexually	
(72) MAX2		72		The Prince of Egypt (:15) (PG, '98) Voices of Val Kilmer. 93142221				Saving Private Ryan (R, '98) Tom Hanks. Edward Burns. U.S. troops look for a missing comrade during World War II. 17467509						Wishmaster 2: Evil Never Dies (10:50) 25963738	

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. 15, 2000:
Share ideas, but understand that sometimes others might not want change or solutions. This concept might be hard for you to grasp, but it will help you understand others' odd reactions. Sometimes you personally might need to break a pattern or break through rigid thinking. Watch doors open. Efficiency counts. If you are single, you draw someone quite different. (Be open to different.) If attached, planning a special vacation together brings you closer. VIRGO tries to take charge with you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Brainstorm with someone in the know. Also seek out those who might not see situations the same as you do. Greet different opinions positively. Others do their best to help you realize what you want. Be careful with another great moneymaking scheme. Tonight: Out with friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Build security and don't let others intimidate you. Often, a brusque exterior pushes you away. Unusual ideas stem from a boss or parent. Work one-on-one with a special partner or friend. Together, you gain. Do not minimize what is happening with a child or loved one. Tonight: Nap, then go out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Keep communication flowing. Listen carefully to others, even if you might be a bit jolted. You see a situation quite differently. Break barriers and attempt to find positive solutions. A child or loved one delivers a strong message. Perhaps you haven't been listening well. Tonight: Playtime.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Deal with money matters head-on. You cannot minimize the importance of family and the holidays. Reach out for another and have an important talk, especially if this person is angry. A friend might not follow through. You could be disappointed. Tonight: Shop on the way home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Unexpected developments open your mind to other possibilities. Make calls and reach out for another. Take your time with a touchy, difficult boss. Handle him! Your ingenuity knows no limits. Use your abilities. Tonight: Playfulness draws just what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Take your time making a decision. Your mind could be tuned to information. Absorb facts and integrate information. Don't follow your instincts with spending, as you could go way overboard. News from a distance throws you off. Share your deeper thoughts with a family member. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You are more likely to speak your mind and not listen right now. Listen well, especially to a child or loved one. Though you could be jolted at first, solicit feedback to get more of what both of you want. Gather with friends. Success comes in groups. Tonight: Wherever the party is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Re-evaluate what is going on with another. Carefully think about a decision that involves a boss or higher-up. Your thoughts take you in another direction, especially with gift buying. Your instincts help you with what isn't being said at the office. Tonight: A force to behold.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Friends seek you out. Plan on doing research, clearing your desk and perhaps handling details involving the office party. You're right on top of everything, even if you drag by the night's end. Unexpected news energizes you. Tonight: Others follow your lead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Reach out for someone who impacts you both financially and emotionally. Establish limits with a child or a new "buddy" friendship. Someone might expect something that you might not be willing to give. Use care with a financial hunch. You might not like the end results. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Others come forward with a myriad of ideas. You might be full of surprises. A family or domestic issue weighs on you. Understand that there are solutions. Just sit down and discuss the problem with a partner on a one-on-one level. Teamwork draws positive answers. Tonight: Say thank you to a loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Those in charge share different points of view. You hear opinions loud and clear. Consider ideas. The more you use, the better the product. At least you can test an idea. Don't worry if you feel closed down or quiet. You have a lot to do. Clear those matters first. Tonight: It could be a late night.

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BORN TODAY
Roman Emperor Nero (A.D. 37), executive John Paul Getty (1892), actor Don Johnson (1949)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Hold It!

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ A Q
♡ Q 7 4 3 2
◇ Q 9 2
♣ J 8 4

WEST
♠ 9 8 7
♡ K 10 9 6
◇ A 10 4
♣ Q 9 2

EAST
♠ K 10 5 4 3
♡ 8 5
◇ 8 7 6 3
♣ 6 5

SOUTH
♠ J 6 2
♡ A J
◇ K J 5
♣ A K 10 7 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1 NT	Pass	2◇	Pass
2♡	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Nine of ♠

A defender's heaven against a no-trump game is a long suit with sufficient entries to establish and run it. But in this far-from-perfect world we live in, we are seldom blessed with such riches. More often, we have to make sure to use our entries at the right moment. Consider this deal from a team match.

At both tables the final contract was three no-trump, reached on identical auctions. North's two diamonds was a transfer bid, and the leap to three no-trump on the next round showed a 5-3-3-2 holding with hearts as the long suit.

At both tables West could not afford to lead the long suit and hesitated about leading away from three cards headed by an honor, so the nine of spades was a near-automatic choice. At the first table East captured dummy's queen with the king and returned the suit. With West holding all the entries, declarer had no trouble coming to nine tricks since East could not regain the lead to cash the long spades.

At the other table East recognized the problem, and found a simple solution. Instead of winning the first trick with the king, East signaled encouragingly with the 10. Declarer started to build nine tricks by taking the club finesse, but East captured the jack with the queen and forced out the ace of spades. Declarer had only seven tricks and, when a diamond was led to establish two more, West won with the ace and returned a third spade. Now East's king, withheld so carefully earlier, came into play, winning the third round of the suit and enabling the defenders to collect three spades together with the two tricks already in the bank for a one-trick set.

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 Prefix with -aholic
5 Schlep
9 Mild epithet
14 TV host since 5/25/92
15 Not bad
16 Greek fabulist
17 Type of sch
18 Armistice expose?
20 Defendant's dodge
22 Contaminates
23 Big sale at the art gallery?
25 Quick
29 Waffle expert?
30 Forcible ejection
31 Court VIPs
32 Actress MacDowell
35 Word in an ultimatum
36 Satellite with gardens?
39 Circus clapper
42 Mothers of invention musician
43 Cabinet dept.
46 Argumentative
49 Prima ballerina
51 Tanner of tennis
52 Tear from a city slicker?
54 Wheat component
56 Prefix with Croatian
57 Horn player's asset?
61 Reptilian ending
62 Flight segment
63 Actor Morales
64 River residue
65 Slammer
66 Marvel Comics supergroup
67 Cool drinks

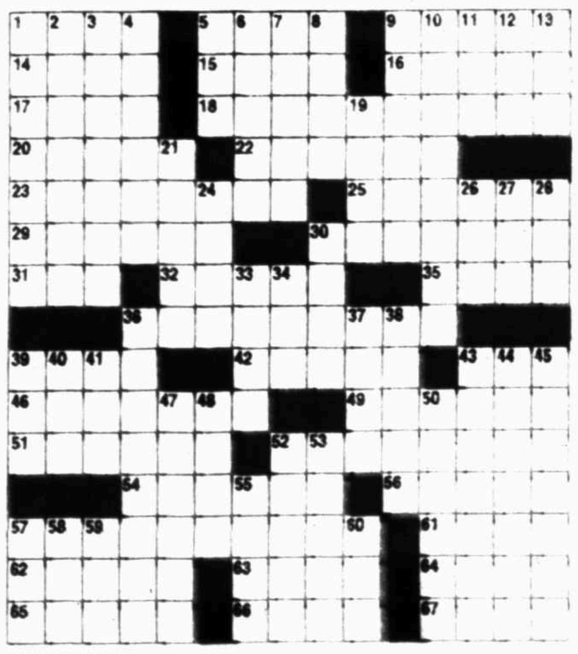
DOWN
1 Vacuumed and dusted
2 Extremely
3 Some Iroquois
4 Searched thoroughly
5 FDR's successor
6 Vital conduit
7 Order from a regular
8 Centers of activity
9 Calif. barrio city
10 Settles a score
11 Japanese volcano Mount —
12 "Le Coq —": Rimsky-Korsakov
13 Snoop
19 Suffix with differ
21 Exemplar
24 Rubik with a cube
26 M.p.h.
27 Questioning interjections
28 Wade opponent
30 Rope material
33 Nodding off
34 The Monkees' "— Believer"
36 Formal
37 Newspaper page
38 Hall's singing partner
39 Abbr. on old maps
40 Author Umberto
41 "— poetica": Horace work
43 Reason for a blackout, perhaps
44 Bead
45 Spreads the news
47 Frost lines?
48 She plays Roz on "Frasier"
50 Texas city named by Russians
52 Ben Franklin's belief
53 Forearm bones
55 Ariz. neighbor
57 Cookbook abbr.
58 Siouan-speaker
59 Furniture wood
60 Pink lady liquor

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

B	A	M	B	I		C	A	G	E		S	K	Y	S
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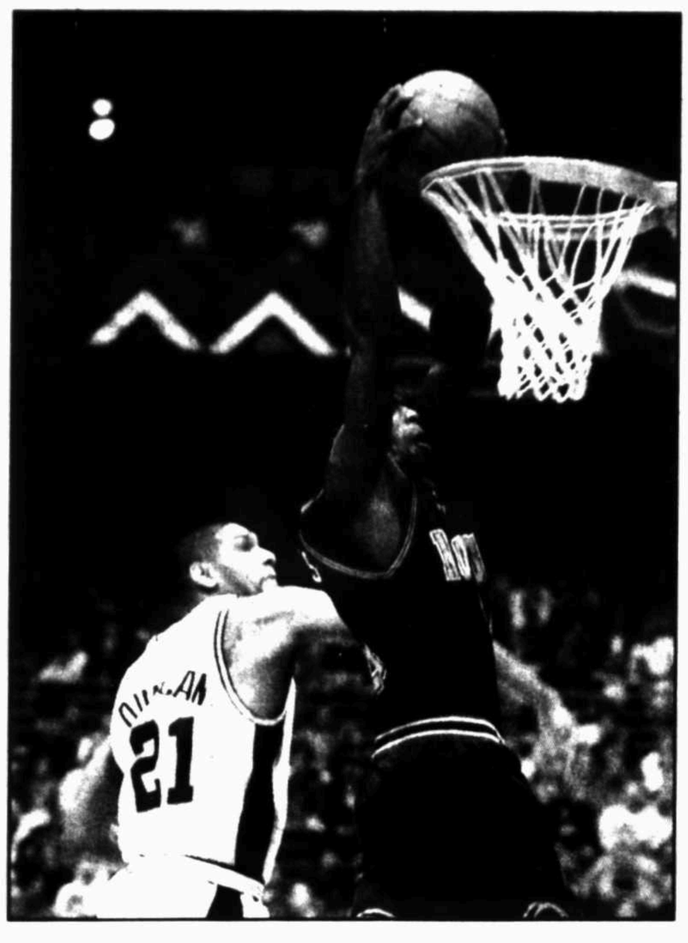
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Denver's Antonio McDyess, right, dunks the ball in front of San Antonio's Tim Duncan Thursday night in San Antonio. The Nuggets beat the Spurs, 102-96.

LaFrentz pours in 28 to lead Denver past San Antonio

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Raef LaFrentz had to do something — and he had to do it quickly.

After going 0-for-11 in his last two games, LaFrentz headed straight from the second game to the practice court, shooting about 750 jumpers late into the night.

What the long-term effects are is anyone's guess, but two nights later LaFrentz led the Denver with 28 points as the Nuggets beat the San Antonio Spurs 102-96 on Thursday night.

The win ended Denver's five-game losing streak and LaFrentz's frustration — at least temporarily.

"I don't think I've ever been around a player who, after a game, has gone out to practice that many shots," Nuggets coach Dan Issel said. "If he's going to work on his game like that, he's going to have games like this.

"That was a big weight off his shoulders."

LaFrentz, who had been averaging 10 points, capped off his season-high performance by hitting a 3-pointer and three free throws in the final minute. He also had 13 rebounds.

The victory came on the heels of a tumultuous week for the Nuggets.

Following Sunday's overtime loss in Boston, Issel scheduled an early practice on Monday in Denver, which the players didn't like. Feeling that Issel mistreated the struggling LaFrentz during a postgame tirade, the players skipped practice Monday without consulting the coach.

Denver players and Issel put the furor to rest.

LaFrentz said the late-night shooting session was all he could think of after Tuesday's loss to Miami.

"I went out and shot and shot and shot," he said.

But he hesitated to link it to his performance Thursday night.

"It would be nice if I could attribute my success tonight to that, because then I could say it's something I could control — that I could go out and shoot and shoot and shoot and keep playing like this.

"But what it really amounts to is, the shots were there for me tonight and I was knocking them down. The team kept coming back to me and I was able to come up with a big game."

The Nuggets saw new confidence in LaFrentz.

"Man, he played awesome tonight," said Antonio McDyess, who added 19 points and 12 rebounds for Denver. "If he played like that every night, the sky's the limit. He played like an All-Star."

The Nuggets turned 15 San Antonio turnovers into 22 points to overcome a 12-point first-half deficit and keep the game close.

Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said 21-of-31 shooting from the foul line also contributed to the loss.

"That has been our nemesis on the road, but not so much at home until now," he said.

David Robinson had 23 points and 12 rebounds for San Antonio, but was 3-of-7 from the line.

With Denver trailing by one point with less than a minute remaining, LaFrentz hit a 3-pointer to make it 98-96 with 47.9 seconds left.

The Spurs failed to regain the lead as Antonio Daniels threw up an airball and two shots by Sean Elliott fell short.

The Nuggets' final points came off two free throws by LaFrentz and one by Nick Van Exel, who finished with 18 points.

Robinson, who went 3-of-15 against New York last week, had 17 points in the first half but was held scoreless in the final quarter. He had been averaging 12.6 points this year, compared with his career average of 23.7.

Robinson added 12 rebounds for San Antonio.

Tim Duncan scored 17 for the Spurs but got into foul trouble.

The Spurs were ahead by 12 after an 11-2 spurt that included 3-pointers by Danny Ferry and Terry Porter with 6:03 left in the second quarter.

But Denver answered with nine straight points after 3-pointers by Van Exel and Voshon Lenard for a 46-45 lead with 3:16 left.

Rockets 98, Warriors 95

OAKLAND, Calif. — Moochie Norris banked in a 3-pointer from three steps behind the line as time expired, giving the Houston Rockets a 98-95 victory over the Golden State Warriors on Thursday night.

Maurice Taylor scored 22 points, Cuttino Mobley added 20 and Steve Francis had 16 points and 12 assists for the Rockets, who won their third straight and finished their road trip at 3-1, despite blowing a 15-point lead in the second half.

Golden State made a 26-11 run, and Antawn Jamison's free throws with 2:28 left gave the Warriors a 93-91 lead, their first since the second quarter.

After Jamison's layup tied the game with 17 seconds left, the Rockets ran the clock nearly to zero before Norris banked in his 34-foot shot from straightaway. Norris threw his black headband in the air in disbelief as he sprinted off the court, while several Warriors collapsed on the court in frustration.

Houston got its 10th straight win in Oakland and beat Golden State for the 15th time in their last 17 meetings. The Rockets moved into a tie with Minnesota, San Antonio and Dallas for second place in the Midwest Division.

Norris' 3-pointer was his only field goal of the game.

Houston overcame a solid challenge from the injury-riddled Warriors, who got a career-high 20 points from rookie Chris Porter but lost their fourth straight. Larry Hughes scored 15 points but was ejected after a tantrum late in the third quarter, leaving the Warriors with just nine players in uniform.

Jamison, who had back-to-back 51-point games last week, missed 16 of his first 20 shots Thursday but finished with 23 points and 11 rebounds. He missed three shots in the final two minutes as the Warriors blew several chances to take the game away from Houston.

Before the Warriors made their run, the Rockets were a loose and happy bunch. They joshed with the officials, faked passes at the Oakland Arena crowd and ran phantom fast breaks long after the whistle had blown.

Lakers aren't playing like champs

By John Nadel
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES — Shaquille O'Neal says it's time for a little soul-searching.

Kobe Bryant acknowledges there's reason for concern.

Indeed, the defending NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers are having a difficult time these days despite the presence of O'Neal and Bryant, two of the league's best players.

The defense, so terrific last season, appears to be the biggest culprit, but that's mainly due to quick shots on the offensive end that open the way for transition baskets by the opposition.

"I think it just means we have a lot of room for improvement," Bryant said after the Lakers were beaten 96-86 at Portland on Wednesday night for their fourth loss in five games.

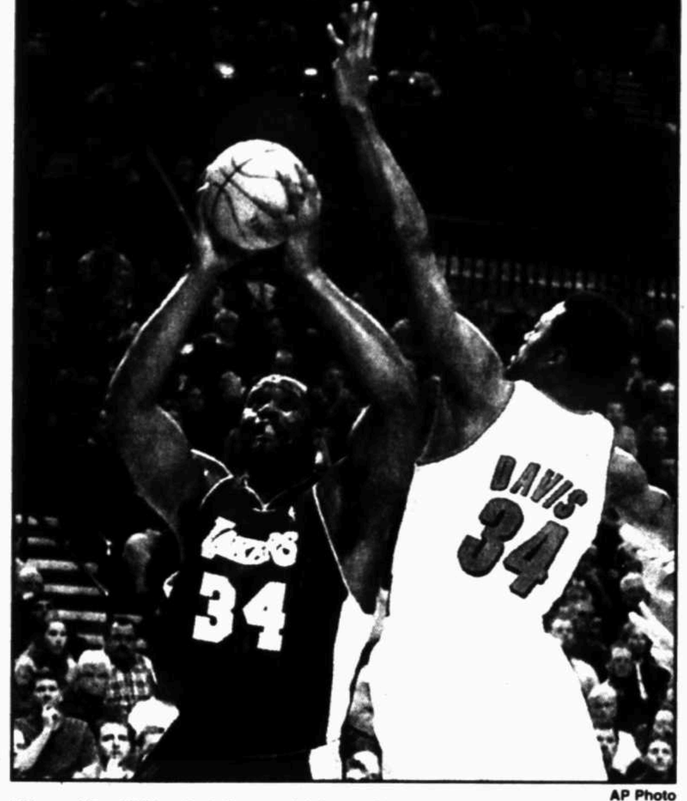
The loss dropped the Lakers into fourth place in the Pacific Division, but with a 15-9 record, they trail first-place Phoenix by only 1 1/2 games. The Lakers were 19-5 at this time last year despite the fact that Bryant missed the first 15 games because of a broken right hand.

"The upside is there for this team," Bryant said. "People are going to be concerned. I guess our fans are going to be concerned, but we're going to keep working.

"It makes it interesting, doesn't it?"

Whether the Lakers are going through a lull or a slump remains to be seen, starting Friday night when they entertain Vancouver. They will be without O'Neal, who's taking a one-game leave to receive his college diploma at LSU.

Should the Lakers lose, it would be their first three-game losing streak since Phil Jackson took over as coach before last season.



AP Photo

Shaquille O'Neal, left, and his defending NBA champion Los Angeles Lakers have been struggling early this season — they lost to Dale Davis, right, and the Portland Trail Blazers Wednesday. At least O'Neal has been using some of his time wisely; he completed requirements for his degree at LSU and is due to receive a diploma today in Baton Rouge, La.

"We're just not settled in on the road yet and winning games we should," Jackson said, noting his team's 4-6 road record compared to a 31-10 mark last season. "It's just a matter of mentality, knowing what to do and playing up to a standard that we have."

The Lakers didn't play up to that standard for a time last season, and that turned out to be no more than a bump in the road.

After winning 16 straight, they dropped six of nine, capped by a 105-81 loss at San Antonio on Feb. 1. However, they began a 19-game winning streak three days later.

The Lakers entered this season appearing stronger on paper, with Horace Grant an obvious upgrade at power forward and other pieces in place to apparently compensate for the loss of outside shooting threat Glen Rice.

Bryant said the biggest improvement would be at the defensive end, but that hasn't happened, and he's been the cause at times — like Tuesday night against Milwaukee, when he put up 31 shots and made only eight.

Many of those were long-range jumpers shortly after the Lakers gained possession or wild drives, and the Bucks took advantage with a bunch of transition baskets.

Ray Allen, often guarded by Bryant, scored 35 points as the Bucks beat the Lakers 109-105 at Staples Center.

"We should never lose to that team, ever," O'Neal said. "We just have to play better defense."

Bryant had his out-of-control moments last season, but not very often after the lull in January. As the season wore on, he excelled at both ends of the court and the Lakers won their first championship in 12 years.

"He's a kid, he's a 22-year-old kid," Jackson said before the game at Portland. "Sometimes with Kobe, it's not 'we,' it's 'me.' And in that regard, with Kobe, you've got to step back there and say what's really important. Well, the team is really what's important."

O'Neal, who fell one vote shy of becoming the first unanimous MVP in NBA history last season, hasn't quite been the same at either end of the court, perhaps a result of a sprained ankle and sore Achilles' tendon that cropped up last month.

O'Neal shot just 7 of 21 at Portland, and didn't display his normal verve.

"I missed some chippies that I usually make against this team," he said. "We've got to do some soul-searching. We had a couple of chances to get control, but we kind of beat ourselves."

Perhaps that's been the Lakers' biggest problem so far.

O'Neal adds diploma to trophy case

By Mary Foster
AP Sports Writer

BATON ROUGE, La. — Shaquille O'Neal picked up a lot of awards in his years at LSU — All American, National Player of the Year, World Amateur Athlete of the Year, Southeastern Conference Athlete of the Year.

On Friday, O'Neal is scheduled to get another one: a bachelor of arts degree.

"He probably worked harder and longer for this than for any of those other awar[illegible]" said Mike Mallet, O'Neal's academi[illegible]r at LSU. "You can imagine wh[illegible]o do to complete all the requirer[illegible]e playing in the NBA."

O'Neal is playing [illegible]n the Los Angeles Lakers to make the [illegible]aduation ceremony at LSU. He had the team's blessing to miss Friday night's game against the Vancouver Grizzlies to join the rest of the senior class and accept his diploma.

"Here he is, almost 30, and he's graduating from college," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said. "He's persevered to do it. We wish him well in his graduation, it's a wonderful thing to do."

O'Neal, 28, left LSU in 1992 after three years to turn pro. When he walked out of school, he promised both his parents and his college coach, Dale Brown, that he would get his degree.

"I promised my parents I'd do it, I promised myself I'd do it," O'Neal said. "It took eight years, it should have taken six or seven. I had some other engagements."

O'Neal attended some classes during the summer, Mallet said, but for the most part earned credit through LSU's independent studies program.

"Thank God for the internet and Federal Express," Mallet said. "He got the material one way or another and got it back one way or another."

When O'Neal got down to the final hours needed for the degree, he put on a "full-court press," Mallet said.

O'Neal earned a bachelor's degree in general studies with a minor in political science.

"Not that he'll ever need it, but it's a degree that could put him in a lot of good fields," Mallet said.

Earning $19.286 million this season and under contract through the 2005-06 season for more than $152 million, O'Neal's getting a degree makes him a great role model, Mallet said.

"This is a guy who could buy a degree. It's not like he's going to be looking for a job," Mallet said. "But it shows kids that there is more to life than fame and fortune."

In three years at LSU, O'Neal set school, SEC and national records, and was named The Associated Press Player of the Year in 1991. LSU made it to the NCAA tournament all three years he played, but lost in the second round twice and the first round the other year.

"I think he really enjoyed himself when he was here," Brown said. "I think this is just completing his college memories."

O'Neal was scheduled to sit on the stage during Friday morning's general event and receive his degree in the afternoon. His No. 33 jersey will be retired at halftime of the LSU-New Orleans game Saturday night. He joins Bob Pettit and Pete Maravich as the only LSU basketball players to have their numbers retired.

O'Neal is to rejoin the Lakers in time for Sunday's game in Toronto.

Local Basketball Today

Girls

Midland High vs. Abilene High

Where: At Chaparral Center.
When: 6 p.m.
Records: Midland High is 11-3 overall and 1-0 in District 4-5A while Abilene High is 8-4 and has yet to play a district game.
4-5A Significance: Big for December. This is a matchup between the two teams expected to contend for the 4-5A title. A win for Midland High would give the Lady Dawgs tremendous momentum toward winning a district title. The same could also be said for Abilene High. If AHS can come out of the Chap Center with a road victory, it will send an intimidating message to the rest of the district.
Notes: Midland High opened district by gutting out a 55-41 victory at Odessa High Tuesday. Edrea Rogers, who has played in more district games than any other MHS player, led the way with 14 points, and leads the Lady Dawgs with 16 points a game... Abilene High was scheduled to open district the same night at San Angelo Central, but cold weather postponed the game indefinitely, setting the Lady Eagles a bit off-kilter schedule-wise...The last time Abilene High came to the Chap was to face MHS in last year's district finale. Abilene High won 55-53 to prevent a young Midland High team from going to the playoffs. Now the Lady Dawgs have everybody coming back from that team. "It'll give us an early playoff type of environment," said Midland High coach Terry Gray of the matchup. "I don't want to put too much emphasis on it because it's not a season maker or breaker."
Next: Midland High will stay at home next Thursday for a 4-5A game against crosstown rival Midland Lee at 6 p.m.

Midland High Girls Statistics
(11-3, 1-0)

Player	G	FG	FT	Pts.	Avg.
Edrea Rogers	14	85	40	224	16.0
Laura Koch	14	72	17	161	11.5
Jenny Jones	14	36	25	112	8.0
Page Price	14	40	25	105	7.5
Lauren Lucas	14	35	26	96	6.9
LaQuori Harris	14	34	19	89	6.4
Valerie Wootan	9	22	3	47	5.2
Tracie Jones	14	12	15	39	2.8
Lindsey Moore	5	5	0	10	2.0
Tovah Olmo	5	4	0	9	1.8
Jessica Harkins	5	3	0	6	1.2
Amy Schantz	10	4	0	8	0.8

Three-point Goals: J. Jones 15, Rogers 14, Harris 2

Midland Lee vs. Abilene Cooper

Where: At Abilene Cooper.
When: 7:30 p.m.
Records: Lee is 5-9 overall and 1-0 in District 4-5A. Cooper is 6-8 and drew the district bye Tuesday, making this the district opener for the Lady Cougars.
4-5A Significance: Lee can make a major statement by beating a team which is expected to be a contender for the district title on the road. Cooper would merely like to get something in the win column and justify the hype that comes with defending a district title.
Notes: Lee is in something of the opposite boat of Midland High. The Lady Rebels are returning to an enemy gym where they beat Cooper 56-47 in last year's regular season finale to clinch a playoff berth. Lee opened district Tuesday by routing Odessa Permian 65-47, as sophomore Lauren Hinsley had the best game of her young varsity career with 20 points, including four 3-pointers... Cooper was the last team to beat the Lady Rebels in a district game, beating Lee 56-54 in overtime. The Lady Rebels won six straight after that to close out district play... Cooper returns the reigning district MVP in Celeste Stevenson.
Next: The Lady Rebels return home for their first meeting of the season against crosstown rival Midland High at 6 p.m. Thursday at the Chap Center.

Midland Lee Girls Statistics
(5-9, 1-0)

Player	G	FG	FT	Pts.	Avg.
Shamera Bryson	14	77	41	204	14.6
Shandi Neatherlin	14	60	43	163	11.6
Wykia Wallace	14	56	23	135	9.6
Lauren Hinsley	14	34	23	101	7.2
Kim Strambler	14	18	23	59	4.2
LaRhonda McKee	14	16	3	35	2.5
Nicole Ramon	13	9	4	22	1.7
Heather Hendricks	13	3	8	14	1.1
Ashley Riggs	14	3	5	13	0.9
Gregnesha Webster	8	1	1	3	0.4
Misty Chapman	9	1	0	2	0.2

Three-point Goals: Hinsley 10, Bryson 9, Riggs 2

Xavier upsets No. 17 Cincinnati, 69-67

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Different method, different star, same result. Xavier got 'em again.

David West scored 23 points as Xavier ditched its uptempo game and pounded the ball inside Thursday night to beat 17th-ranked Cincinnati 69-67 in their annual crosstown matchup.

Xavier (6-2) overcame a 15-point first-half deficit and survived two close-up shots by Kenny Satterfield in the closing seconds as it beat the Bearcats for the fourth time in five years.

"We get pepped up for this game," said West, who scored 15 of his points from the free-throw line. "Coach (Skip Prosser) was saying all week that the first team that blinks is going to lose."

Cincinnati (4-2) usually does the blinking, even when it's a huge favorite to win. Twice in the last five years, Xavier has pulled out last-second wins when the Bearcats were unbeaten and ranked No. 1.

The record and the ranking weren't as lofty this time, but the finish was just as pulsating — and just as tough on the emotions.

"This game hurts a lot because the two schools are so close," said Satterfield, his eyes brimming with tears. "We're friends and we're going to see each other and they're going to rub it in even more."

Cincinnati coach Bob Huggins had his tie loosened, the top button on his white shirt undone and a haggard look on his face as he bemoaned how his front line got overwhelmed by one player. West had a game-high 13 rebounds and went 15-of-19 from the foul line.

Asked about Xavier's annual torment of his team, Huggins got defensive.

"We win 28 or 29 games," he said, referring to Cincinnati's usual total for a season. "Are they better than us? No. They've won some close games."

In this one game, Xavier usually finds a way to come out a few points better. West led the way this time.

He made six free throws and had a putback during a 13-point run that gave Xavier its biggest lead, 64-57 with 4:08 left.

Satterfield directed the Bearcats' offense and had 26 points, including a steal at midcourt and a layup that put Cincinnati ahead 67-65. One sloppy moment and two missed shots by Satterfield figured prominently in the finish.

Xavier's Lloyd Price made the second of two free throws, then stole the ball from Steve Logan at midcourt for a layup that made it 68-67 with 32 seconds left.

Satterfield missed a short jumper with 15 seconds left and West got the rebound — one of his game-high 13 — to keep Xavier in control. Maurice McAfee was fouled and made one of his two shots for a 69-67 lead with 12 seconds left.

The Bearcats set up another play for Satterfield, who got off another short off-target jumper as West put an arm in his face and the clock ran out.

Dallas' Wright takes long road to starting spot

By Brent Zwerneman
San Antonio Express-News

IRVING — Steelers coach Bill Cowher once said that Anthony Wright had as strong an arm as any quarterback he'd seen, along with the ability to scramble.

Then Cowher cut him at the end of this season's training camp.

"I guess I just got caught up in the numbers," Wright said Wednesday, shrugging. "I just know I'm not there anymore — I'm here."

Here is Dallas, home of the Cowboys, where Wright, 24, will make his first NFL start Sunday against the New York Giants. The second-year player steps in for veteran Troy Aikman, sidelined by his 10th career concussion. Backup Randall Cunningham, meanwhile, continues to nurse a strained groin.

It's been a roundabout path for Wright in earning a starting shot, and the trail includes a badly injured knee and a mighty conservative coordinator his senior year at South Carolina — former Baylor coach Chuck Reedy.

"He just had a different way to run his offense," Wright said, biting his lip instead of blasting Reedy's two-back game plan that didn't leave room to showcase a quarterback's skills. "It was a little bit different than what I had done before."

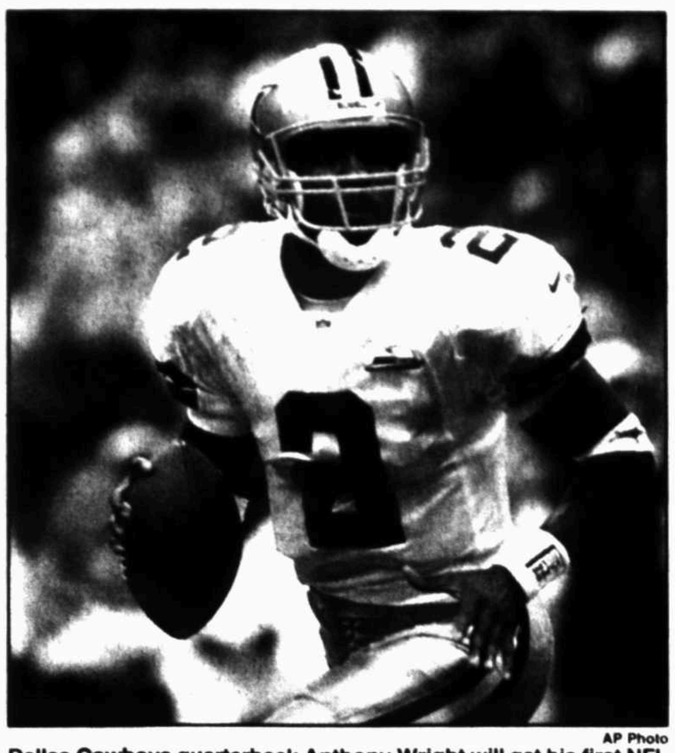
What he'd done before is play, and play well, for a bad Gamecocks team in the shadows of more heralded Southeastern Conference quarterbacks like Florida's Danny Wuerffel, Tennessee's Payton Manning and Kentucky's Tim Couch. He even redshirted his first year at South Carolina, learning at the knee of the once-touted Steve Taneyhill — now better known as Steve Who?

But Wright claims that as a junior, he was playing as well as Manning before suffering a knee injury nine games into the season that observers described as the worst they had seen. Five tendons either popped or stretched to the point of popping.

Doctors cautioned Wright about his return to football, but he rehabilitated the knee and came back for his senior season. In the process, then-Gamecocks coach Brad Scott brought in Reedy, who installed a conservative running game around current Cowboys running back Troy Hambrick, who later transferred to Savannah State.

Wright still completed 145 of 273 passes for 1,899 yards that year, but threw 10 interceptions to go with 10 touchdowns for a 1-10 team.

Thus, Wright wasn't drafted in 1999, although the Steelers signed him to a free-agent deal and thought enough of him to keep him on their 53-man roster — although he didn't play.



AP Photo

Dallas Cowboys quarterback Anthony Wright will get his first NFL start against the New York Giants Sunday, replacing the injured Troy Aikman.

But Wright couldn't unseat Kordell Stewart or Kent Graham this preseason, and the Steelers released him. The Cowboys quickly signed the 6-foot-1, 195-pounder to their practice squad, and added him to the active roster Nov. 21 when a couple of teams made overtures toward the young quarterback.

"We're still evaluating him," Cowboys coach Dave Campo said. "We want to know if he can handle pressure and all of those things it takes to be a starter in the NFL."

Wright played the final series against Tampa Bay two games ago and followed that up with three good quarters in the 32-13 win over the Redskins last weekend. His opponents and teammates praised his poise — and that strong arm no one seems to know much about.

"When he first got here, I told him, 'Keep doing what you're doing and you're going to play,'" Cowboys cornerback Phillippi Sparks said. "He can throw and he can read coverages. If you can throw an out on one side of the hash to the other side — and put it right there — then you've got something special."

Now, Wright will showcase his skills to a national television audience Sunday night on ESPN against the 10-4 Giants.

"It is kind of overwhelming," Wright said of jumping from the practice squad to starter in less than a month. "I never saw myself at this point so quickly."

And in a way, he never thought it would take him so long to there.

McNabb gets left off Pro Bowl lists

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK — Donovan McNabb may be one of the leading candidates for the NFL's MVP award. But the fans, players and coaches who vote for the Pro Bowl consider him only the fourth-best quarterback in the NFC.

The Philadelphia QB, who has been a one-man offense for a team that is 10-5 and has clinched a playoff berth after going 8-24 the past two seasons, was the most conspicuous absentee in the Pro Bowl voting, announced Thursday.

He finished as the first alternate behind Minnesota's Daunte Culpepper San Francisco's Jeff Garcia and St. Louis' Kurt Warner. Warner missed 5 1/2 games with an injury and threw four interceptions in his first game back, while Garcia, who's had a breakout year, plays for a team that is 5-9.

"I think Donovan is the best quarterback in the league," said Chad Lewis, the Eagles' little-known tight end, who made the NFC team. "There's nobody I'd rather have playing. The other quarterbacks had big numbers so I guess that held Donovan back, but there's no doubt in my mind Donovan deserves to go."

Warner, the league and Super Bowl MVP last season, didn't seem to have strong feelings.

"It was one of those things where I felt I played well when I played," he said. "But if I didn't make it, I could understand that as well."

McNabb's absence was one of several quirks in the Pro Bowl voting, which annually has strange selections and absentees.

This time:

■ Mike Alstott, among an NFC-high eight Tampa Bay Buccaneers selected (Tennessee led the AFC with eight), was chosen as the fullback, even though he plays running back. Alstott also was benched after a series of fumbles and missed the last three games with a knee injury.

■ Carolina's Wesley Walls was voted the first alternate at tight end in the NFC. He has missed most of the second half of the season after undergoing major knee surgery.

■ Brian Griese of Denver was selected as one of the AFC quarterbacks, along with Oakland's Rich Gannon, who will start, and Indianapolis' Peyton Manning. Griese, who was having an outstanding year, has been out since Nov. 13 with a shoulder separation and the Broncos have won four straight with Gus Frerotte at quarterback.

There was one milestone: 39-year-old guard Bruce Matthews of Tennessee made it for the 13th straight time, tying Reggie White for the most appearances.

Another veteran, 35-year-old defensive end Trace Armstrong of Miami, made it for the first time in his 12th NFL season. Armstrong, who leads the NFL with 16 1/2 sacks, will start for the AFC even though he's been a third-down specialist for several years.

"This game thrills you every Sunday," said Armstrong, who is president of the NFL Players Association. "This is the great addiction. And then to get something like this is obviously a tremendous feeling."

But there was a changing of the guard in other places.

Second-year-man Champ Bailey made the NFC team at cornerback ahead of teammates Deion Sanders and Darrell Green, each of whom has made it seven times. Dallas' Emmitt Smith, who last week became the third running back ever go rush for more than 15,000 yards, also missed out to Minnesota's Robert Smith, St. Louis' Marshall Faulk, and San Francisco's Charlie Garner.

Five teams do not have players in the game, to be played Feb. 4 in Honolulu. Atlanta and Chicago in the NFC; Cleveland, Seattle and New England in the AFC.

Redskins face elimination this week

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

Despite three straight losses to division opponents and the dismissal of coach Norv Turner two weeks ago, the Washington Redskins still are technically alive for the playoffs.

They probably won't be after they go to Pittsburgh Saturday to face another 7-7 team that's just about eliminated.

The Redskins failed to get the usual boost from a coaching change — Terry Robiskie for Turner. Instead, they lost 32-13 in Dallas, in part because they ran the offense that owner Daniel Snyder preferred — throwing deep against one of the poorest run defenses in the NFL.

Pittsburgh has one of the best run defenses. But it did allow Kerry Collins to throw for 333 yards last week in a 30-10 loss to the Giants.

Does Jeff George have Collins' patience?

Did Dan the Fan look at the Giants' tape and spot Pittsburgh's vulnerability?

Do the Redskins care?

The oddsmakers still like the Washington personnel — the Redskins are favored by one.

But it's the last game at Three Rivers, Bill Cowher is a much better coach than Snyder and emotion favors Pittsburgh.

STEELERS, 20-17

NFL Picks

St. Louis (minus 1) at Tampa Bay (Monday night)
A huge game for the teams that met in the NFC title game last January.
St. Louis' offense against Tampa's defense is a classic. The Bucs got the Rams to play their game last season but it wasn't enough — St. Louis won 11-6.
The Rams' offense came alive last week against Minnesota. But it did the same the week before it played Tampa last season, then fizzled.
Still, Bud Carson has improved the St. Louis defense.
RAMS, 20-16

Indianapolis (off) at Miami
The Colts have been outscored 59-0 in the first half of their last three road games. Not this week. But ...
DOLPHINS, 19-18

New York Giants (minus 3 1/2) at Dallas
Giant momentum clinches the division.
GIANTS, 31-10

Detroit (off) at New York Jets
Two bruised quarterbacks.
JETS, 22-20

Oakland (minus 6) at Seattle (Saturday)
The Raiders have momentum, too.
RAIDERS, 27-7

Green Bay (plus 7 1/2) at Minnesota
The Vikings get their legs back in their dome.
VIKINGS, 39-29

Atlanta (plus 10) at New Orleans
The Saints can lose this game and still win the West.
But they won't.
SAINTS, 23-3

Denver (minus 3) at Kansas City
The Broncos keep the pressure on Oakland
BRONCOS 31-26

Tennessee (minus 15) at Cleveland
Mercifully, the last game for the Browns
TITANS, 31-3

New England (plus 5) at Buffalo
Two disappointing teams playing out the string.
PATRIOTS, 16-13

Jacksonville (minus 10 1/2) at Cincinnati
The Jaguars got started too late
JAGUARS, 40-10

Chicago (plus 5 1/2) at San Francisco
The 49ers are progressing faster than the Bears.
49ERS, 27-20

Baltimore (minus 15) at Arizona
Name your score.
RAVENS, 41-3

San Diego (plus 8) at Carolina
Still a soap opera in San Diego
PANTHERS, 24-6

Last week: 8-7 (spread); 11-4 (straight up)
Season: 100-114-4 (spread); 135-83 (straight up)

Pro Bowl Roster

NEW YORK (AP) — The teams selected for the NFL 2001 Pro Bowl to be played Sunday, Feb. 4 at Honolulu (x-starter):

National Conference

Offense

Wide receivers — x-Randy Moss, Minnesota; x-Isaac Bruce, St. Louis; Cris Carter, Minnesota; Terrell Owens, San Francisco.

Tackles — x-Orlando Pace, St. Louis; x-William Roaf, New Orleans; Korey Stringer, Minnesota.

Guards — x-Larry Allen, Dallas; x-Randall McDaniel, Tampa Bay; Ron Stone, New York Giants.

Centers — x-Jeff Christy, Tampa Bay; Matt Birk, Minnesota.

Tight Ends — x-Chad Lewis, Philadelphia; Stephen Alexander, Washington.

Quarterbacks — x-Daunte Culpepper, Minnesota; Jeff Garcia, San Francisco; Kurt Warner, St. Louis.

Running backs — x-Marshall Faulk, St. Louis; Robert Smith, Minnesota; Charlie Garner, San Francisco.

Fullback — x-Mike Alstott, Tampa Bay.

Defense

Ends — x-Hugh Douglas, Philadelphia; x-Joe Johnson, New Orleans; Marco Coleman, Washington.

Interior linemen — x-Warren Sapp, Tampa Bay; x-La'Roi Glover, New Orleans; Luther Elliss, Detroit.

Outside linebackers — x-Derrick Brooks, Tampa Bay; x-Jessie Armstead, New York Giants; Keith Mitchell, New Orleans.

Inside linebackers — x-Stephen Boyd, Detroit; Jeremiah Trotter, Philadelphia.

Cornerbacks — x-Champ Bailey, Washington; x-Troy Vincent, Philadelphia; Donnie Abraham, Tampa Bay.

Strong safties — x-John Lynch, Tampa Bay; Robert Griffith, Minnesota.

Free safety — x-Darren Sharper, Green Bay.

Specialists

Punter — Scott Player, Arizona.

Placekicker — Martin Gramatica, Tampa Bay.

Kick return specialist — Desmond Howard, Detroit.

Special teamer — Michael Bates, Carolina.

American Conference

Offense

Wide receivers — x-Marvin Harrison, Indianapolis; x-Eric Moulds, Buffalo; Rod Smith, Denver; Jimmy Smith, Jacksonville.

Tackles — x-Jonathan Ogden, Baltimore; x-Tony Boselli, Jacksonville; Brad Hopkins, Tennessee.

Guards — x-Bruce Matthews, Tennessee; x-Ruben Brown, Buffalo; Steve Wisniewski, Oakland.

Centers — x-Kevin Mawae, New York Jets; Tom Nalen, Denver.

Tight Ends — x-Tony Gonzalez, Kansas City; Frank Wycheck, Tennessee.

Quarterbacks — x-Rich Gannon, Oakland; Peyton Manning, Indianapolis; Brian Griese, Denver.

Running backs — x-Edgerrin James, Indianapolis; Eddie George, Tennessee; Corey Dillon, Cincinnati.

Fullback — x-Richie Anderson, New York Jets.

Defense

Ends — x-Jason Taylor, Miami; x-Trace Armstrong, Miami; Jevon Kearse, Tennessee.

Interior linemen — x-Trevor Pryce, Denver; x-Sam Adams, Baltimore; Ted Washington, Buffalo.

Outside linebackers — x-Junior Seau, San Diego; x-Mo Lewis, New York Jets; Jason Gildon, Pittsburgh.

Inside linebackers — x-Ray Lewis, Baltimore; Sam Cowart, Buffalo.

Cornerbacks — x-Sam Madison, Miami; x-Samari Rolle, Tennessee; Charles Woodson, Oakland.

Strong safety — x-Blaine Bishop, Tennessee.

Free Safeties — x-Rod Woodson, Baltimore; Brock Marion, Miami.

Specialists

Punter — Darren Bennett, San Diego.

Placekicker — Matt Stover, Baltimore.

Kick return specialist — Derrick Mason, Tennessee.

Special teamer — Larry Izzo, Miami.

Rams don't mind paying hefty fines

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — The "Bob 'N Weave" was an expensive celebration dance for eight St. Louis Rams players, fined a total of $90,000 by the NFL on Thursday.

Wide receivers Isaac Bruce and Torry Holt, both repeat offenders this season, were fined $20,000 each for violating the rule against "prolonged, excessive or premeditated demonstrations" during the Rams' 40-29 victory over Minnesota last Sunday. Tight end Roland Williams, also a repeater, was fined $15,000.

Running back Marshall Faulk and tight end Ernie Conwell were fined $10,000 each, and offensive guard Tom Nutten and running backs Justin Watson and James Hodgins were fined $5,000 apiece.

"I tripped out on the number they threw out at us," said Holt, who invented the end-zone dance last year during the Rams' drive to the Super Bowl championship. "I may make a call to try to get the number down, but if not, I'll take care of the fine and we'll move on."

NFL owners voted last March to levy fines for celebrations by two or more players. The vote was 30-0 with one abstention — the Rams.

■ NFL Briefs

Three Colts fined

INDIANAPOLIS — Three Indianapolis Colts were fined $5,000 each by the NFL for excessive celebrations during Monday night's victory over Buffalo.

Mustafah Muhammad, Jeff Burris and Jason Belser were each fined for their action in the 44-20 victory, which kept the Colts' playoff hopes alive.

The celebration occurred after Muhammad intercepted a Rob Johnson pass and returned it 40 yards for a touchdown to make it 37-20. It was Muhammad's first interception.

Following the return, Muhammad, Burris and Belser formed a semicircle and danced together.

"It takes the fun out of the game," said Muhammad, who was making his first start. "We've been playing the game all of our lives, and now everything is so sanctioned, you can't really do anything. It's an emotional sport, we had lost three straight games and we were feeling it.

Fiedler improving, may start Sunday

DAVIE, Fla. — Miami Dolphins quarterback Jay Fiedler practiced with no restrictions Thursday despite his shoulder injury, increasing the likelihood he'll start Sunday against the Indianapolis Colts.

Fiedler tore the rotator cuff in his left (non-throwing) shoulder last week against Tampa Bay. He took most of the snaps in practice, coach Dave Wannstedt said.

Plummer surprises coach with strong practice

TEMPE, Ariz. — Jake Plummer, who sat out last week's game with sore ribs, surprised Arizona interim coach Dave McGinnis with a strong performance in practice Thursday and may be able to start Sunday against Baltimore.

"Jake is back in the mix," McGinnis said. "It's going to be interesting, guys. Let's hang on. Stick around. He's a lot better today than he was yesterday."

Plummer said he's pushing himself to get back into the action for a Cardinals team that has lost five in a row and will be playing its final home game.

"I've been wanting to get back out there, kind of telling my body to quit being a wimp, to toughen up," he said, "because I want to play bad."

Davis eager to get MRI results

DENVER — Terrell Davis is ready to give his boot the boot.

Davis, resigned to wearing a plastic boot to protect his injured left shin, hopes to receive good news Friday when he has another MRI exam that could allow him to return to practice with the Denver Broncos.

"I am excited. I'm only looking forward to one result, and hopefully they will tell me that I'm cleared to play," he said Thursday. "I look forward to it. I'm tired of wearing this boot. I'm ready to go out there and play."

NFL hits 1 million in attendance for third straight week

NEW YORK — The NFL went over the million mark in attendance last week, marking the first time in its history that it surpassed one million three times in a season.

Last year, when the new Cleveland Browns gave the NFL 31 teams, the league was over a million twice, the first time in its history it had ever reached that figure.

Good day for Alstott: He gets voted to Pro Bowl, returns to practice field

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. — Being selected to the Pro Bowl for the fourth straight season was only part of the good news for Mike Alstott.

Tampa Bay's fullback also practiced Thursday for the first time since spraining his left knee three weeks ago. He hopes to return to the lineup when the Buccaneers face the St. Louis Rams on Monday night.

The Bucs originally thought the injury, described as a third-degree sprain of the medial collateral ligament, would sideline him 6-to-8 weeks.

"It felt great. I ran the ball, blocked, ran routes, the whole nine yards," the fifth-year pro said. "It was a good day."

Alstott was one of a franchise-record eight players selected to the Pro Bowl, joining center Jeff Christy, guard Randall McDaniel, defensive tackle Warren Sapp, linebacker Derrick Brooks, safety John Lynch, cornerback Donnie Abraham and kicker Martin Gramatica.

Abraham, second in the NFL with seven interceptions, and Gramatica, who has five field goals of 50 or more yards this season, are first-time selections.

"I was very happy, especially for the first time guys. It was well deserved," coach Tony Dungy said. "There's times when you have guys you feel like deserve to go and they don't. No one's going to be totally satisfied, because you can't have everybody there. But I think having eight guys is quite a tribute to the way they've worked."

Alstott, Brooks, Christy, Lynch, McDaniel and Sapp were all selected as starters. And the Bucs tied the Tennessee Titans for the most representatives from any team. Like Alstott, Brooks and Sapp are headed to Hawaii for the fourth straight season. Christy will make his third consecutive appearance, and McDaniel was selected for the 12th year in a row.

"It just says we've got a lot of great players and people have respect for the way we play football," said Lynch, selected for the third time in four years. "I think the next couple of weekends, and the playoffs, we can let people know they made the right choice."

Alstott didn't report any soreness in his knee and shrugged off questions whether he felt he was rushing his return. The Bucs (9-5) have won all three games since he was hurt during a 13-10 loss at Chicago on Nov. 19, and can clinch a playoff berth with a victory over St. Louis.

NFL Playoff Possibilities

By The Associated Press
The possibilities for the NFL playoffs for week 16:

AFC EAST
Miami clinches a playoff berth with a win or tie (vs. Indianapolis). Miami clinches the AFC East with a win (vs. Indianapolis) and a New York Jets loss or tie (vs. Detroit).
New York Jets clinch a playoff berth with a win (vs. Detroit) or with losses or ties by Pittsburgh (vs. Washington) and Buffalo (vs. New England) and a loss by Indianapolis (vs. Miami).

AFC CENTRAL
Tennessee has clinched a playoff berth. They clinch the AFC Central with a win (vs. Cleveland) and a Baltimore loss or tie (vs. Arizona). If Tennessee wins the AFC Central, they can clinch a first-round playoff bye with an Oakland loss (vs. Seattle) or a Miami loss or tie (vs. Indianapolis). If Tennessee wins the AFC Central and both Oakland loses (vs. Seattle) and Miami loses or ties (vs. Indianapolis), then Tennessee clinches home-field advantage throughout the playoffs.
Baltimore has clinched a playoff berth.

AFC WEST
Oakland has clinched a playoff berth. Oakland clinches the AFC West with a win (vs. Seattle) and a Denver loss or tie (vs. Kansas City). Oakland can also clinch the AFC West and a first-round playoff bye with a win (vs. Seattle) and a Denver loss or tie (vs. Kansas City) and either a Miami loss or tie (vs. Indianapolis) or a loss by Tennessee (vs. Cleveland) and a loss or tie by Baltimore (vs. Arizona). Oakland can clinch the AFC West and home-field advantage throughout the playoffs with a win (vs. Seattle) and losses or ties by Denver (vs. Kansas City), Miami (vs. Indianapolis), and Baltimore (vs. Arizona) and a loss by Tennessee (vs. Cleveland).
Denver has clinched a playoff berth.

NFC EAST
New York Giants clinch the NFC East with a win (vs. Dallas) and clinch a first-round playoff bye with a win (vs. Dallas) and losses or ties by both St. Louis (vs. Tampa Bay) and New Orleans (vs. Atlanta). If the Giants lose, they still clinch a playoff berth with a Detroit loss or tie (vs. N.Y. Jets) or a loss by either Tampa Bay (vs. St. Louis) or New Orleans (vs. Atlanta) or a New Orleans tie (vs. Atlanta) and a St. Louis loss (vs. Tampa Bay).
Philadelphia has clinched a playoff berth.

NFC CENTRAL
Minnesota has clinched a playoff berth. If Minnesota wins (vs. Green Bay), they win the NFC Central and clinch home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. If Minnesota ties (vs. Green Bay), they win the NFC Central and clinch a first-round playoff bye, and if New York Giants lose as well (vs. Dallas), Minnesota clinches home-field advantage throughout the playoffs. If Minnesota loses (vs. Green Bay), they still win the NFC Central with a Tampa Bay loss or tie (vs. St. Louis).
Tampa Bay clinches a playoff berth with a win (vs. St. Louis).

NFC WEST
New Orleans clinches the NFC West with a win (vs. Atlanta) and a St. Louis loss (vs. Tampa Bay). They clinch a playoff berth with a win (vs. Atlanta) and either a Detroit loss or tie (vs. N.Y. Jets) or a Tampa Bay loss (vs. St. Louis).
St. Louis clinches a playoff berth with a win (vs. Tampa Bay).

The following teams have been officially eliminated from playoff contention:
Arizona, Atlanta, Buffalo, Carolina, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Jacksonville, Kansas City, New England, San Diego, San Francisco, and Seattle.

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Clinton meets queen, comments on U.S. election

By Deb Riechmann
Associated Press

LONDON, England — Sleepy-eyed from watching late-breaking political developments at home, President Clinton paid a social call on Queen Elizabeth II Thursday and was headed to what would probably be the last major foreign policy address of his administration.

Clinton and first lady Hillary Clinton had coffee, tea and cookies in the Queen's audience room in Buckingham Palace while daughter Chelsea took a tour of its state rooms.

With their limousine following behind, the first family took an unscheduled stroll in London on the way to the late-morning meeting with her majesty. They walked past Hyde Park, stopping to shake hands with people who were on their way to work. Some passers-by called out "God bless."

Clinton had been awake until at least 4 a.m. watching Vice President Al Gore concede the election to president-elect George W. Bush, finally resolving the U.S. presidential election.

In a news conference before setting out to see the Queen, Clinton said that while he disagreed with a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that ended the contested election, he urged Americans to unify behind his successor.

The visit to Buckingham Palace marked a return to familiar territory for Clinton. He was at the palace in November 1995 and also met the queen in 1994 during D-day anniversary commemorations aboard the royal yacht Britannia.

The afternoon speech at the University of Warwick was a new chance for Clinton, in the last weeks of his administration, to highlight his work around the world and share his visions for its future.

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"He's going to speak about the obligation of both the developed countries and the developing countries to, once and for all, undertake to close that gap."

Clinton was expected to mention problems like AIDS, Third World debt, education and the digital divide in the speech, his second on world affairs in a week. On Dec. 8, speaking at the University of Nebraska, he talked about rebuilding the nation's alliances and welcoming former enemies into the international community. He spoke of trying to harness the global economy, fight terrorism and bring peace to trouble spots around the world.

The president visited one of those trouble spots Wednesday before flying to London for his fifth visit to the city during his eight years as president. He landed at Heathrow International Airport, then took a helicopter to Chequers, British Prime Minister Tony Blair's country mansion, where he spent the night.

On Wednesday, both Clinton and Blair were in Belfast trying to prop up the peace process.

The two visited Stormont, a stately building on a hillside that houses the fragile new Northern Ireland Assembly, a power-sharing government set up by the 1998 Good Friday Agreement. The agreement aims to end three decades of sectarian and political violence in the British province.

Implementation of that agreement has stalled, however, over its call for police reform and disarming terrorist groups. At the talks, the United States, the Britain and Ireland agreed to do more to counter terrorists unhappy with the joint Catholic-Protestant government in the north.

Speaking later at a new sports arena in Belfast, both Blair and Clinton gave pep talks, urging about 6,000 people to stay the course, continue to implement the 2-year-old agreement and resist the temptation to return to violence.

"It was never going to be the case that suddenly, one day in 1998, there were the troubles, and the next day there was peace," Blair said. "It is a process that is painstaking, difficult, full of obstacles."

Clinton said the problems the young government faces is nothing compared to being powerless and living with constant insecurity and violence. He urged them to continue to commit themselves to effecting change, peacefully, "through ballots, not bullets."

"That means putting all arms fully, finally and forever beyond use," Clinton said.

The comment was directed at the Irish Republican Army's failure, so far, to disarm.

"They still haven't got one gun from the IRA," said Tim Alan, who runs an Internet start-up company and was at Stormont for Clinton's visit for private meetings with political leaders. "What they want to hear from Clinton is that the IRA is going to enter the peace process completely and start to hand over weapons."

Some people in Belfast, like 28-year-old office clerk Angela McGrath, aren't optimistic that a lasting peace can be sustained.

"Many times my husband has said to me 'Let's move to Scotland.' He would love to pack up and go, because he doesn't want to see his kids have what he has grown up with," she said as she waited in a chilly rain outside a Belfast hotel in hopes of getting a glimpse of the American president.

Would they really move?

"No," she said. "This is home."

Albright tells NATO foreign ministers there must be no EU-NATO rivalry

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright told her NATO colleagues Thursday there must be no "rivalry, jealousy or complacency" in the European Union's effort to coordinate its military force with the North Atlantic alliance.

The EU plans to create a 60,000-man rapid reaction corps by 2003. This force, to be used in humanitarian and peacekeeping crises in which NATO is not involved, will be capable of deploying within 60 days and sustaining itself in the field for up to a year using NATO assets such as intelligence, communications and planning.

NATO foreign ministers are discussing a plan approved by EU leaders last week at their summit in Nice, France, setting out the details for coordinating EU military efforts with NATO.

EU member countries, 11 of which are also members of NATO, want to ensure that the EU force is autonomous. The French, in particular, are adamant that it should be truly independent and want to have the capacity for separate military planning.

NATO says that would be wasteful duplication.

"We support a stronger, more capable Europe that is able to act effectively with us or — if the alliance chooses not to engage — without us," Albright told her colleagues. "These efforts will only succeed, however, if the EU and NATO harness their respective strengths to a common purpose."

She added: "In this effort, there is no room for rivalry, jealousy or complacency."

French officials fear that leaving all the planning to NATO military headquarters, or SHAPE, would leave it under U.S. control. "It must be independent from SHAPE, coordinated, but independent," a statement from France's Foreign Ministry said.

But NATO says separate military planning would be a waste of energy and money, and could lead in the end to a split in the alliance. "There is no need to create a new SHAPE when there is a SHAPE," NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson said.

Albright urged ministers to take the partnership seriously.

"This is not a gift from NATO to the EU. Rather, it is in our own interest to avoid duplication," she said.

"My colleagues, the strategic partnership we are all seeking to forge between NATO and the EU cannot be part-time," she added. "It cannot be turned on and off like a faucet."

Other NATO concerns include how EU access to NATO assets will work, permanent arrangements for EU-NATO consultations, their level and frequency, how non-EU NATO members will be able to participate in plans to use NATO assets by the EU and a security arrangement permitting EU access to NATO secrets.

Turkey, a non-EU NATO member, is particularly concerned about allowing the EU access to NATO assets if it is not given a role in EU military decision-making.

According to the Turkish newspaper Milliyet, President Clinton wrote a letter to Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit urging Turkey to cooperate on the matter. Ecevit responded saying Ankara would veto such access unless Turkey is given equal status in EU operations, the newspaper said.

U.S. officials confirmed an exchange but refused to discuss the content.

Europeans already have pledged 100,000 troops, 400 aircraft and 100 ships to a pool of forces, trained and equipped by each contributing nation, to be used by the EU corps. What the EU might seek from NATO is use of its huge military planning capacity, its airborne warning and control aircraft, satellite intelligence and communications facilities.

Every dollar spent on bureaucracy, the Americans say, is a dollar not spent on the sharp end of European defense.

"There are differences of view, which is quite understandable," Robertson said. "This European project is very ambitious."

Venezuela's constitutional crisis: Which one rules?

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — President Hugo Chavez often appears on television clutching the new constitution he pushed this South American nation to adopt, and he's likened its importance to that of the Bible.

But an investigation by his attorney general has revealed three official versions of the document — and has landed Chavez's administration in hot water.

The first version was approved by voters in a 1999 referendum. But Attorney General Javier Elechiguerra found that a constituent assembly dominated by Chavez supporters approved a second version significantly changing 179 of the new constitution's 350 articles.

And a third version published by the government includes a controversial addition — a "declaration of motives."

Opposition lawmakers and some citizens say no one knows which constitution applies.

"We voted for a constitution that was supposedly for all Venezuelans and we studied it and got to know it. And now they're going to change it overnight by themselves? That's not right," hot dog vendor Ronald Diaz said Thursday. "I feel betrayed. What's going on here doesn't seem very democratic."

Opposition groups say the government — including the Chavez-controlled Congress and Supreme Court — has eroded the rule of law.



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An Ordinance changing the Zoning Classification of the property set out and described in Section One hereof, which is presently zoned "2-F", Two Family Dwelling District, by permitting said property to b used under a specific Use Permit with Term for a Group Care Home, making said permit subject to certain conditions and restrictions contained herein, containing a Cumulative Clause, containing a Savings and Severability Clause, providing for a Maximum Penalty or Fine of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00), and ordering publication

City of Midland
Kaylah J. McCord
City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 7991

An Ordinance Amending Title V, "Business Regulations", Chapter 6, "Taxicabs", of the Midland City Code, containing a Cumulative Clause, containing a Savings and Severability Clause, providing for a Maximum Penalty or Fine of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00), and ordering publication

City of Midland
Kaylah J. McCord
City Secretary

NOTICE IS hereby given to the owners and lien holders of the vehicles listed below that unless such vehicles are redeemed within 20 days of the date of this Notice, at the location listed, Certificates of Authority shall be issued to dispose of such vehicles to a demolisher. Failure on the part of the owners and lien holders to exercise their right to reclaim the vehicles within the time limit provided shall be deemed a waiver by the owners and all lien holders of all right, title, and interest in the vehicles and their consent to the disposal of such vehicles to a demolisher. Call (512) 465-7990 for further information regarding this matter.
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90 Legal Notices

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF BEVERLY BAKER THOMPSON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Beverly Baker Thompson, Deceased, were issued to the undersigned, Gregory M. Baker, as Independent Executor on October 30, 2000, in the proceeding indicated below my signature, which is still pending, and that I now hold such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate which is being administered in the County named below are hereby required to present the same to the undersigned in care of Mary Lou Cassidy, Esquire, P.O. Box 1540, Midland, Texas 79702, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time prescribed by law.

Gregory M. Baker
Independent Executor of the Estate of Beverly Baker Thompson, Deceased
Cause No. P12,970 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., December 29, 2000, to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, 200 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(2):

Bid #025-01 to purchase: Sign Faces, Roll Goods and Aluminum Sign Blanks for the Traffic Division.

Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTS

Sealed proposals for highway improvement contracts will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) until the date(s) shown below, and then publicly read.

CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE CONTRACT(S)
District: ODESSA
Contract 0380-08-013 for RUBBER SEAL, PAV, MRK, AND MRKGS in MARTIN COUNTY etc. Will be opened on January 04, 2001 at 1:00 pm at the State Office.
Contract 6045-88-001 for GUARDRAIL REPAIR in ECTOR County, etc will be opened on January 09, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of $64,280.00.
Contract 6046-22-0001 for RIP RAP in ECTOR County will be opened on January 09, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of $4,796.00.
Contract 6060-62-001 for PREFAB PAVEMENT MARKINGS in ECTOR County etc will be opened on January 09, 2001 at 2:00 pm at the District Office for an estimate of $215,701.50.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/ or District Offices listed below. Bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contracts(s) are available from TxDOT's website at www.dot.state.tx.us and reproduction companies in Austin, Texas at the expense of the contractor.
NPO: 2290

State Office
Construction Division
200 E. Riverside Drive
Austin, Texas 78704
Phone: 512-416-2540

District Office(s)
ODESSA DISTRICT
DISTRICT ENGINEER
3901 E. US Hwy 80
Odessa, TX 79761
Phone: 915-332-0501

Minimum wage rates are set out in bidding documents and the rates will be part of the contract. TXDOT ensures that bidders will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin.

ORDINANCE NO. 7993

An Ordinance changing the Zoning Use Classification of certain property described in Section One hereof, which is presently Zoned C-1, Central Area District, by permitting said property to be used under a Specific Use Permit with Term for the Sale of All Alcoholic Beverages in a Restaurant for On-Premises Consumption; making said permit subject to certain conditions and restrictions contained herein; providing for a Maximum Penalty or Fine of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00); and ordering publication

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Helen T. Verhasselt, Deceased, were issued on November 5, 2000, in Cause No. P 12,996, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Elizabeth H. Littlejohn, Independent Executor, whose address is 50 Augustine Court, Odessa, Texas 79765.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, in care of the Executor.

DATED the 12th day of December, 2000.

COTTON, BLEDSOE, TIGHE & DAWSON
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By: JERRY D. ZANT
ATTORNEYS FOR INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

CAUSE NO. P-12,940

In the Matter of The Estate of Ofelia Barrera Cisneros

In the County Court Midland County, Texas

PUBLISHED NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that Thomas J. Friday was appointed Temporary Administrator of the Estate of OFELIA BARRERA CISNEROS, Deceased, on November 2, 2000, in Docket Number P-12,940, pending in the County Court, P-12,940, Midland, County, Texas to THOMAS J. FRIDAY, Temporary Administrator.

The address of record for Thomas J. Friday is 1806 W. Missouri, Midland, Midland County, Texas 79701.

All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

DATED this 12th day of December, 2000.

Thomas J. Friday

ORDINANCE NO. 7992

An Ordinance Amending Chapter One, Title XI, of the City Code of Midland, Texas, by permitting the property described in Section One hereof, which is presently zoned PD-RC, Planned District for a Recreation Center to be used as an Amended PD-RC, Planned District for a Recreation Center; providing for such use to be subject to certain Special Conditions and Restrictions as set out herein; containing a Cumulative Clause; containing a Savings and Severability Clause; providing for a Maximum Penalty or Fine of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.00); repealing Ordinance Number 6192; and ordering publication

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ORDINANCE NO. 7990

An Ordinance providing a maximum time limit of two hours for parking upon portions of "D" Street and Texas Avenue in Midland, Texas, described in Section One hereof during weekdays between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.; authorizing and directing the Traffic Engineer to erect appropriate signs; declaring any vehicle in violation of the provisions of this ordinance a nuisance and providing for the removal of same; containing a Cumulative Clause; containing a Savings and Severability Clause; providing for a Maximum Penalty or Fine of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00); and ordering publication

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95 Public Notices

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Midland Chapter #253
Order of Eastern Star
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5pm to 8 pm
1600 W. Wall
WM Verla Carpenter
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Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Reg. stated meetings 2nd & 4th
Thurs. 7:30 pm
Paul M. Thompson, W/M
Robert G. Kiker, Sec.

Acacia Masonic Lodge#1414
1000 Upland
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.
Keith Hughes, W.M.
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Midland Shrine Club
2019 Trade
Dr.- 689-7003
Reg. Meeting 3rd. Thurs.
Hosp. 6:30 pm, dine 7 pm., Bus. meeting. 8 pm.
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Gary Anderson, Secty.

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150 Lost & Found

REWARD: LOST Wednesday night, Corner of Monty & McDonald. Male, yellow Pit Bull. 689-4153/ 425-4928.

FOUND: Female medium size dog, near KFC. Please call 685-0578.

FOUND BLACK Lab near Goddard Jr. High. Call to identify. Call 570-7222.

LOST: Chocolate Lab, one year old, male with 3 dark spots on side, vicinity of Garfield/ Bluebird Lane (Polo Club Area). Lost Friday, has Austin dog tags, blue mesh collar, answers to "Bryson". Call 682-3234 if found. Reward $500.

FOUND- Hound dog. Vicinity Scharbauer & A Street. Wants to go home. 570-7524 or 570-5400.

LOST: Adult Male Jack Russell Terrier. With Alpine Rabies tag. Call 520-0011 afternoons.

LOST: Yellow Lab and small black terrier. 570-4367.

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LOST WHITE male poodle with red bows and collar with tags. Bald spot over left eye. Answers to Valentino! Greentree area. 689-2447.

FOUND: Chihuahua call to identify 686-9821.

FOUND MALE, orange long haired dog (looks like fox), corner of G and Missouri. 686-7128.

LOST: Miniature Schnauzer, grey/ silver. Emily is her name. Reward! Lost on the corner of Crestgate and Gateway. 694-0085.

FOUND- MALE Chihuahua, needs home! Please call 687-2699.

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LOST: MALE tan Chihuahua, black harness, in Greentree area, answers to "Poco", 634-7392. or 634-8943.

LOST SMALL, female, Siamese cat, brown leather collar, Saddle Club South. Please call 682-5858.

LOST:From 3200 block of Cuthbert, female red healer, answers to the name of "Dizzy". Please Call 520-2725 or 563-1415.

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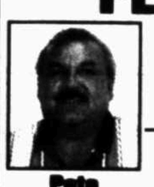


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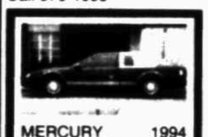
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320 Skilled Trades

BUILDING ENGINEER needed to handle A/ C, Plumbing, & Electrical issues for commercial office buildings. Must be self- starter with a customer service attitude. Send resumes and salary requirements to: Box P-6100, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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FUN TIMES AHEAD
Lovable, SHF, 24, 5'2", brown hair and eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and having a good time, seeks SHM, with similar interest for friendship. Ad# 1320

HUGS AND CUDDLING
Fun-loving, SWF, 60, blond hair, brown eyes, 5'6", 150lbs., who enjoys travel, pool, darts, seeks honest, financially secure SWM, 58-68 Ad# 1321

NEW TO AREA
SWF, 52, enjoys camping, history and art, seeking SWM, 45-65, to explore Texas with and enjoy each other's company for friendship. Ad# 1324

LET'S TALK
SWF, 29, 5'1", dark blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys outdoors, movies, music, dancing, dining out and family times. Seeking a fun-loving SHM, 29-42, with same interests. Ad# 1315

GIVE ME A CALL
SWF, 21, 5'8", 110lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, college student. Looking for SWM, 20-25, who likes the outdoors, trucks, animals, and country music Ad# 1305

IT COULD BE YOU
Humorous SBF, 33, 155lbs., dark brown hair, enjoys cooking, cleaning, walks in the park, romantic dinners ISO SWM, 35-45, with similar interests, for possible LTR. Ad# 1308

THE GAL FOR YOU
Friendly, outgoing, outspoken, creative SHF, 22, 5'2", 127lbs., dark eyes, reddish-brown hair, enjoys hanging out with friends, movies, music, drives in the country, reading, swimming, skiing, football, and basketball. ISO honest, organized SWM, 22-29. Ad# 1309

FUN & OUTGOING
Creative, romantic SWF, 44, 5'8", blonde, blue eyes, enjoys photography, movies, seeks SWM, 40-50, for possible relationship Ad# 1301

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Caring, fun single white Christian female, 48, 5'8", 121lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys her profession, reading, movies, museums and the arts. Seeking a similar single white Christian male, 46-55, with strong values and integrity Ad# 1303

WHENEVER I'M WITH U
I'll consider myself the luckiest person in the world! Slender, petite SHF, 19, likes walks, dancing, cruising, ISO family-oriented, loving SHM, 21. Ad# 1279

THREE LITTLE WORDS
That make this active, medium-built WF, 58, happy, let's have fun! ISO clean, decent, witty, humorous, outgoing, life-loving WM, 57-68. Ad# 1294

FAMILY VALUES
Caring, loving SWF, 34, 5', 115lbs., reddish brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys movies, shopping, walks, seeks educated, family-oriented SM 28-50, for LTR Ad# 1288

BE MY FRIEND
Fun, humorous SBF, 25, 5'11", black hair, brown eyes, enjoys horseback riding, movies, walks, talks, seeks SM, 24-44, for friendship. Ad# 1290

FOR YOUR COOKIE
Is this sweet, fun-loving SHF, 18, 5'1", who likes clubbing, cruising, dancing, movies, dinners out. You SM, 18-22, humorous and happening. Ad# 1280

NO COUCH POTATOES!
Active, family-oriented, retired SWCF, 62, 5'5", 180lbs., seeks respectful, upbeat SWM, who likes travel, walks, country/western dancing, sports, fun. Ad# 1272

FRIENDS FIRST
SWF, 19, 5'8", strawberry blond hair, likes writing, drawing, hanging out with friends, seeking a kind SM, 19-27, who can make me laugh. Ad# 1260

CAN WE TALK?
Funny, spontaneous SBF, 32, 5'6", 115lbs., with long brown hair, likes singing, reading, writing and enjoying life. Seeking a romantic, honest, caring SWM, 26-36. Ad# 1299

DON'T PASS ME BY
Funny SBF, 18, 5'3", 125lbs., blond hair, student, likes movies, long walks, parks, seeking a similar SBM, 18-23. Ad# 1263

SOMETHINGS MISSING
SWF, 41, 5'6", with brown hair/eyes, interests include outdoors, church times, park walks, quiet family times, movies and the atre. ISO honest, caring, sincere SWM, 35-55, for LTR. Ad# 1249

NEVER A DULL MOMENT
Laid-back, fun, humorous DWF, 26, likes music, partying, dancing, quiet evenings, movies in/out, television. ISO a SWM, 26-45. Ad# 1253

DON'T BREAK MY HEART
SWF, 20, 5'4", with green eyes, who's outgoing, and easy to get along with. She is seeking a mature, stable, goal-oriented SWM, 18-26. Ad# 1252

COWBOY WANTED!
Shy, warm, caring, loving SWF, 48, 5'7", blond-haired, green-eyed, likes horseback riding, shooting pool, mountains, fishing, camping and traveling. Seeks SWM, 38-55, with same values. Ad# 1238

SIMPLE LIFESTYLE
Full-figured, bubbly SWF, 54, 5'2", brown hair, enjoys quiet times, movies, dining out and animals. Seeking an old-fashioned gentleman, 54-64, for possible LTR. Ad# 1243

ZEST FOR LIFE
SWF, 21, 5'4", 110lbs.,brown hair, good personality, likes having fun, reading and movies. I'm seeking a fun-loving SWM, 19-31. Ad# 1232

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY
Outgoing SWF, 20, 5'9", 124lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, likes outdoors. Looking for a friendly, outgoing SWM, 20-25, who loves dancing. Ad# 1231.

SPORTS-ORIENTED LADY
SWF, 5'9", 20, 165lbs., blondish-brown hair, likes winter/summer skiing, basketball, the outdoors, seeks an outspoken, fun SWM, 19-30, for friendship, maybe more. Ad# 1217

EASY ON THE EYES
Petite, slender SHF, 38, seeks SHM, 29-38, who also likes bowling, miniature golf and family times. Ad# 1222

FITS LIKE A GLOVE
If you're an honest, sincere SWPM, 38-55, then call this easygoing, upbeat SWPF, 38, 5'5", 103lbs.; who likes swimming, horseback riding and romantic walks. Ad# 1236

ISO MR. RIGHT
Sociable SW mom, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, seeks outgoing, kind, romantic SM, 35-45, who likes horseback riding, sporting events, dining, dancing and fun. Midland area. Ad# 1202

BE TRUE
Fun-loving single white Christian female, 50, 5'5", 140lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys gardening, cooking and dancing, seeking an honest, caring single white Christian male, 48-60, with similar interests. Ad# 1127

GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER
Friendly, humorous SWF, 50, 5'5", 140lbs., enjoys dancing, gardening, walking, traveling, interested in a SWPM, 48-56, who's educated and fun-loving. Ad# 5214

NO GAME PLAYERS
Self-employed SBF, 31, 5'7", medium-built, sense of humor, caring, likes shopping, traveling, church, the parks. Seeking a SBM, 30-47, who's affectionate, caring with a great attitude. Ad# 5213

LET'S FALL IN LOVE AGAIN
Healthy, happy WWWF, 66, big brown eyes, white hair, love pets, ceramics, dancing, board games, interested in meeting a SWM, 65-78, a real gentleman, well-mannered, educated, clean-cut, for friendship/more Ad# 5208

POSSIBLE FUTURE
Full-figured SW mom, 26, likes romantic dinners, walks in the park, shopping, movies, art/crafts & fishing. Seeking a SWM, 26-34, who's mellow and wants to become friends first. Ad# 5218

GREEN-EYED LADY
Seeks you: stable, mature SHM, 19-26. I'm a SWF, 5'4", 20, interested in a possible LTR. Ad# 5203

OUTGOING MOM
Outgoing SWF, 24, 108lbs., blond hair, enjoys outdoor activities, shopping, skating, going to church, arts, crafts, going to the park. Searching for an honest SM, 20-28, for LTR. Ad# 5

HOME MOM
Easygoing SWF, 32, 5'4", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys horseback riding, dancing, outdoor activities, music, movies, arts, crafts. Seeking an honest SWM, 35-45. Ad# 5191

GROW YOUR HEART
Humorous SWF, 43, 5'5", 135lbs., enjoys walking, working out, outdoor activities, gardening, good conversation and traveling. Seeking for honest, fun-loving, humorous SWM, 32-45 Ad# 5195

CALL ME
Caring single white female, 45, 5', brown-haired, blue-eyed, enjoys outdoors, crafts, watching sports. Seeking for kind, non-smoker, sensitive single male, 45-50. Ad# 5156

WALK WITH ME
Sweet, single black female, 31, 5'5", 279lbs., enjoys walking, movies, going to the park. Seeking an honest single black male, 40-50, non-drinker/. Ad# 5160

ARE WE COMPATIBLE?
Fun, outgoing SHF, 44, 5'6", 195lbs., brown hair/eyes, hobbies include fishing, gardening and quiet times. ISO SHM, 50-57. Ad# 5171

CARE TO SHARE?
Easygoing SWF, 38, 5'11", dark hair, loves reading, movies and skating. She would like to get acquainted with a friendly SWM, 38-45 Ad# 5168

BE SURE TO CALL
Meet this bubbly, kind-hearted SHF, 38, 5'3", full-figured, brown hair, green eyes, enjoys sports, music and dancing. She hopes to share her life with a kind, understanding, family-oriented SHM, 38-45. Ad# 5141

GIVE ME A CHANCE
Get involved with this positive SWF, 50, 5'8", 160lbs., long dark hair, green eyes, enjoys cooking, walking, travelling, if you're a upbeat, educated SWPM, 48-60. Ad# 5066

CAN I TRUST YOU?
SHF, 41, 5'3", 160lbs., who's quiet at first, loves movies, dancing, dining out, is seeking a shy, trusting SHM, 40-46, to spend time with. Ad# 1185

LIKE TO HAVE FUN
Sweet, shy, joking SHF, 19, 4'9", 180lbs., enjoys going to church, biking, skating, movies and dining out. ISO a sweet, honest SM, 18-25 Ad# 5148

R U GOOD, DECENT?
Sociable, outgoing SWF, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., brown-hair, likes dancing, movies, dinner, horseback riding. ISO a decent SWM, 35-41, who likes kids. Ad# 5151

ROMANCE IS IN THE AIR
Meet this fun-loving, very pretty SW mom, 22, 5'6", 123lbs., with long blonde hair, blue eyes, wants to share a meaningful friendship with a tall, handsome SHM, 19-35, who loves music and dancing. Ad# 5146

MAKE A MOVE MY WAY
Happy-go-lucky SWF, 62, 5'6", 185lbs., blond hair, enjoys dancing, traveling and sports. ISO N/S SWM, 61-69, who likes the great outdoors. Ad# 5102

RX FOR ROMANCE
SWCPF, 39, 5'5", blue-eyed blond, likes traveling, laughter, antiques and jazz. Seeks SWC gentleman, for serious relationship with some fun. Ad# 5103

GREEN-EYED LADY
SBPF, 32, likes reading, writing, dining out, seeks sincere SBM, 35-38, for genuine relationship. Ad# 5098

SEARCHED HIGH AND LOW
Cheerful, easygoing single white female, 28, 5'7", 150lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, likes fishing, camping and sporting events. She dreams of meeting a single white male, 28-38. Ad# 5124

COMMON BOND
Friendly single Hispanic female, 21, 5'8", 115lbs., brown hair, hazel-green eyes. Searching to meet a humorous single Hispanic male, 18-26, who also enjoys fishing, movies and dancing. Ad# 1182

LEAVE A MESSAGE
Serious-minded, quiet single Hispanic female, 20, brown hair/eyes. Seeking an honest, sincere single Hispanic male, 18-26, who enjoys dancing, movies and parks. Ad# 5128

FOR A LONG TIME
Fun single white female, 58, enjoys dining out, movies and crafts, hoping to meet a clean-cut single white male, 58-68. Ad# 5123

HONESTY IS THE KEY
Be sure to contact this sociable single Hispanic female, 18, 5'6", brown hair/eyes, if you're a single male, 18-29, whose interests include movies, cards and reading. Ad# 5122

RARE GEM
Sociable single black female, 40, 5'3", 170lbs., hoping to meet a humorous single white male, 34-46, with shared interests in antiques, arts/crafts shows and great conversation. Ad# 5101

HEART & SOUL
Personable single white female, 19, 5'2", 130lbs., brown hair, likes singing, dancing and pleasant conversation, looking for a single white male, 18-24, for companionship. Ad# 5112

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AN ANGEL
Voluptuous single Hispanic female, 31, 5', in search of a carefree single male, 28-39, who likes reading, long walks and traveling. Ad# 5105

GREAT GAL
Kind-hearted single white female, 61, likes theater and traveling, hoping to meet a friendly single white male, 50-70, for a lasting relationship. Ad# 5117

FRIENDSHIP ANYONE?
Single white mother, 22, 5'10", full-figured, outgoing, enjoys sports, going out, movies, quiet evenings at home, looking for tall, talkative single male, 22-30, for friendship. Ad# 5099

QUEEN OF HEARTS
Delightful single Hispanic female, 19, 5'7", brown hair/eyes, likes video games, baseball and playing cards, seeking a fun-loving single Hispanic male, 19-28, for friendship first Ad# 5093

LISTEN
Spontaneous, full-figured single Hispanic female, 25, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, likes singing, movies and traveling, hoping to meet a caring single male, 22-45, for a possible relationship Ad# 5091

SEIZE THE MOMENT
And call this fun, outgoing, fun-loving, spontaneous, attractive single Hispanic female, 18, enjoys movies, fishing and sports. She's looking for an open-minded, height/weight proportionate single white male, 18-26, who's honest, respectful and humorous. Ad# 1200

HIT THE JACKPOT
This pleasant single white professional female, 45, 5'8", 120lbs., blond hair, loves the outdoors, theater, traveling, concerts, art and more, seeking an honest single white professional male, 45-55. Ad# 1193

HAVE NO DOUBTS
Funny, extroverted single Hispanic female, 21, 5', brown hair, enjoys movies, shopping and music, in search of a adventuresome single male, 18-25, for good times Ad# 1184

ONE & ONLY
Refreshing single white mom, 28, 5'5", brown hair/eyes, likes movies and pleasant conversation, in search of that special single white male, 30-40, for companionship. Ad# 1180

ANIMAL LOVER
Shy yet delightful single white female, 23, 5'8", brown hair, hazel eyes, likes cooking, the outdoors and traveling, hoping to meet a well-rounded single white male, 25-30, with similar interests. Ad# 1187

CANDLELIT DINNERS
Personable single white female, 27, 5'4", 180lbs., blonde hair, blue eyes, likes movies and romantic walks, looking to meet that special single white male, 21-35, to spend time with. Ad# 1170

HONESTLY
This humorous single Hispanic female, 25, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, searching to meet a passionate single male, 22-45, who likes spending time with friends, swimming and bowling. Ad# 1164

IS IT YOU?
Here's a friendly single black female, 34, 6'1", brown hair/eyes, hobbies include movies, good conversations and sports, hoping to meet a single white male, 32-39 Ad# 1163

NOTHING SERIOUS
Congenial, full-figured single female, 29, 5'5", with a nice smile, likes dancing, theater and traveling, looking for an honorable single white male, 28-34, for fun times Ad# 5090

BACK TO NATURE
Funny single Hispanic female, 18, 5'8", 130lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, in search of an outgoing single white male, 19-25, who likes horseback riding, reading and star gazing Ad# 5069

JUST WANTS TO BE HAPPY
Humorous single Hispanic female, 18, 5'8", 135lbs., with brown hair, seeking relationship with an honest single male, 24-35, whose hobbies include horseback riding and swimming Ad# 5068

COUNTRY LIVING
Reserved single white female, 47, 5'7", brown hair, green eyes, would like to meet a caring single male, 38-53, who shares her interests in rodeos, dancing and skiing Ad# 5083

ARE YOU ROMANTIC? CALL
Sincere single Hispanic female, 18, 5'8", 135lbs., brown hair, green eyes, would like to meet a single white male, 18-25, who shares her interests in dancing, reading and movies Ad# 5070

INTERESTED? CALL
Are you a single white male, 34-50, who enjoys theater, reading and art? Get in touch with this independent single white female, 43, 5'5", dark hair/eyes, whose looking for you. Ad# 5071

LEAVE A MESSAGE
Spontaneous single white female, 37, 6', interested in meeting a single white male, 30-50, who enjoys outdoor activities and music. Ad# 5076

SEEKING ROMANCE
5'11", 120lbs., single black female, 32. Her hope is to meet an honest single black male, 34-40, who shares her interests in walks and dining out Ad# 5079

GO FOR THE GOLD
Single Hispanic female, 18, brown hair, hazel eyes, likes movies, shopping and fishing. She's in search of a faithful single male, 18-24, with similar interests Ad# 5082

LIVE IT UP
Single Hispanic female, 28, 5'7", 154lbs., brown hair/eyes, searching to meet a single female, 20-35, who shares her interests in movies, jogging and dining out Ad# 5087

JUDGE FOR YOURSELF
Single Hispanic female, 47, 5'6", 115lbs., blonde hair and hazel eyes, interested in meeting a compassionate single Hispanic male, 40-55, who shares her interests in the outdoors and dancing. Ad# 5086

MAD ABOUT YOU
Brown-haired single white female, 32, enjoys dancing, dining out and quiet times, is looking for an energetic single white male, 34-40 Ad# 5085

HANDLE WITH CARE
Brown eyed, blond single white female, 66, whose interests include outdoor activities and animals, seeking a single white male, 66+ Ad# 5084

GIVE A LISTEN!
Shy-natured single Hispanic mother, 32, 5'4", with brown hair, enjoys family times, the outdoors, movies and music, is looking for a fun-loving single Hispanic male, 29-42, who enjoys children. Ad# 5065

JUST DARLING
Friendly single Hispanic female, 49, 5'4", 150lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys cooking, dancing, long walks and more, is seeking a kind-hearted, sincere single Hispanic male, 49-55, with similar interests. Ad# 5062

THAT SPECIAL ONE
Caring single white female, 47, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, is searching for an honest single white male, 38-53, who likes rodeo's, sporting events and traveling. Ad# 5054

SETTLE DOWN
Meet this single black female, 22, 5'5", 145lbs., is hoping to find a lovable and caring single male, 35-42, who likes movies, shopping and long drives. Ad# 5058

FRIENDS TO START
Outgoing and caring single white female, 64, 5'7", with brown hair/eyes, who likes, country music, dining out and sports. She is dreaming of meeting a single white male, 58-65, with similar interests. Ad# 5057

IT HAS TO BE YOU
Warm single white professional female, 45, 5'7", 118lbs., with blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys walking, working out and collecting art, seeks a loving, family-oriented, honest, college-educated, single white male, 45-55, who appreciates a lady Ad# 2997

BE THE ONE
Fun-loving single Hispanic female, 19, who enjoys sports, reading, movies and more, is looking for an honest, outgoing single Hispanic male, 19-20, for companionship Ad# 5059

HEART OF GOLD
Meet this single white female, 46, with burgundy hair and green eyes, is interested in meeting a compatible single white male, 40-65, who likes fishing, camping and cooking outdoors Ad# 5045

FIT TO LOVE
Personable, attractive single white female, 54, 5'5", 135lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys working out, gardening and reading, is looking for a mature, kind single white male, 50-60, with integrity. Ad# 5041

FAMILY-ORIENTED
Social, energetic single white female, 32, 5'5", 115lbs., with long brown hair, involved in the medical field, enjoys dancing, movies and much more. In search of a single white female, 35-45, who is easy to talk to and likes children. Ad# 5022

MAKE ME HAPPY
Attractive, slim, easygoing single white female, 62 passes for 45, 5'10", 135lbs., blond, blue eyes, enjoys dancing, country music, traveling, dining out, quiet times and more and is seeking tall, lovable single white male, 50-68, with similar interests Ad# 5013

NO COUCH POTATOES
Medium-built white female, 59, smoker, 5'6", 150lbs., with blond hair, brown eyes, good sense of humor, likes dancing, traveling, crafts, people, joking, life, etc. Seeking white male, 55-65, with similar interests, who knows how to treat a lady Ad# 5014

MUST LIKE KIDS
Easygoing, funny, caring white female, 44, 5'8", 135lbs., with brown hair, who likes bowling, fishing, walking, people, movies, BINGO, kids, communicating, seeking white male, 45-48, similar interests Ad# 5012

MUST LIKE KIDS
Friendly, outgoing single Hispanic mother of two, 22, 5'3", 115lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys outdoors, spending time with kids and cooking. Seeking single fun-loving, family-orientated Hispanic male, 22-35, with similar interests Ad# 5010

LOOKING FOR LOVE
Happy go lucky single white female, 27, 5'6", 175lbs., long blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys outdoors, movies and dancing, seeking fun-loving single white male, 25-32, who is self-dependant, reliable, caring, charming and funny Ad# 5015

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LET'S TALK
SWM, 27, 5'7", 165lbs., blond hair, green eyes, enjoys music, friends, travel, seeks attractive, petite SWF, 26-30, for LTR Ad# 1326

GIVE ME A CALL
Laid-back, SBM, 33, 6', 190lbs., short hair, brown eyes, enjoys fashion, sports, dancing, seeking SWF with similar interests. Ad# 1317

LET'S GET TOGETHER
SHM, 30, 5'9", 165lbs., brown hair, enjoys movies, walks, working on cars, seeks friendly, outgoing, SWF, 18-35, for LTR Ad# 1325

IT'S YOU AND ME
Easygoing, handworking SWM, 21, 6'2", 172lbs., brown hair, green eyes, enjoys fishing, hunting, the outdoors, nightclubs, and hanging out with friends. ISO SF, 18-26, for friendship, possibly more. Ad# 1304

SEEDS OF FRIENDSHIP
SWM, 30, 5'9", 150lbs., blond hair, brown eyes, enjoys sports, reading, walks, and spending time with someone special. ISO honest, caring SBF, 25-35, with similar interests, for friendship, possibly more Ad# 1306

A TIME & NUMBER?
SWM, 40, chef, laid-back, easygoing, romantic, affectionate, loves cooking, going out to dinner, movies and music. Looking for people-oriented, D/SWF, 30-65 Ad# 1302

LONELY
SWM, 43, who's loving, caring, enjoys photography, seeks SWF, 23-39, for friendship and more. Ad# 1298

GREAT PERSONALITY
SWM, 23, 6', brown eyes, slender, outgoing, fun-loving, enjoys the outdoors, sports, seeks fun, caring SWF, 18-27, for possible relationship. Ad# 1300

RIDE WITH ME
Compassionate, brown-haired/eyed WM, 47, 5'7", 150lbs., loves rock-n-roll, kids, Harleys, fishing, camping and cook outs. ISO SF, 25-45, who's just like him Ad# 1255

CHASING THE DREAM
This funloving, happy-go-lucky WM, 42, 6', 220lbs., with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys bowling, fishing, movies and dining out, is in search of a WF, 28-44, to share time with. Ad# 7534

TRAVEL WITH ME
Honest, polite, clean, faithful DWM, 53, 6', 175lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, non-smoker/drinker, likes nature, flea markets and garage sales. ISO slender, youthful SWF, 21-45. Ad# 1250

COMMITMENT-MINDED
SBM, 26, 5'8", 145lbs., enjoys movies, long drives, shopping and much more. Seeking honest, faithful, sincere SF, 22-35, for friendship. Ad# 1240

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
Humorous, serious, sincere, nice SHM, 29, 5'11", 220lbs., black hair, brown eyes, likes sports, movies, dining out and good conversations. Looking for attractive, slim SHF, 20-29, no kids. Ad# 1246

COMMON BOND?
Caring, responsible SWPM, 58, 6'4", 265lbs., brown hair, green eyes, likes music, dancing, bowling, dining out, sports and quiet times. Looking for caring, affectionate, responsible SF, 45-60, for friendship. Ad# 1236

ISO COMPANIONSHIP
Easygoing, personable SWM, 33, 6', 145lbs., brown hair/eyes, enjoys golf, sports, dancing and quiet evenings at home. Looking for SWF, 27-38, with similar interests. Ad# 1242

LOVES THE LORD
SWM, 27, 6', red hair, green eyes, good personality, self-employed, likes camping, beach walks. ISO spirit-filled SCF, 18-24. Ad# 1226

LOVE TO LOVE YOU
SWM, 19, college student, likes walks, long drives, movies, quality times, interested in meeting SWF, 18-22. Ad# 5222

LIFE TO THE FULLEST
Spontaneous, loving, understanding SWM, 39, 6', 220lbs., husky build, enjoys church, fishing, camping, hiking, working out, cards, dogs, kids, looking for a SF, 21-40, with similar qualities/interests. Ad# 5224

PLAY MY MUSIC
SHM, 18, 5'10", 150lbs, funloving, likes movies, clubs, fun, seeking honest SF, 18-23 Ad# 5216

LAUGHTER IS THE BEST
Medicine for this SWM, 31, who also likes playing basketball and baseball, candlelight dinners, getting outdoors and having fun. Seeking SF, 25-40, for friendship. Ad# 5211

FAITH IN GOD
Honest SWM, 39, 6', 225lbs., brown-haired, hazel-eyed, husky built, enjoys going to church, basketball, working out, biking, outdoor activities. Seeking for outgoing, honest SF, 20-40, for LTR. Ad# 5196

CUDDLE WITH ME
Romantic single white male, 33, enjoys cuddling, dining out, cooking, movies, music, outdoor activities, sports, going to the beach, traveling. Seeking a romantic single white female, 25-55 Ad# 5150

TOGETHERNESS
Easygoing SWM, 37, 6'1", 200lbs., brown-haired, green-eyed, enjoys outdoor activities, movies, relaxing at home, camping, cook outs, theatre and dining out. Seeking for an outgoing SWF, 28-40. Ad# 5201

CAN U KEEP UP?
Energetic SWM, 20, slim, 6'1", 160lbs., medium build, brown hair/eyes, enjoys working on the car, movies, sports, being with friends. Seeking an easygoing SF, 18-25. Ad# 5197

SPONTANEOUS GUY
Outgoing SWM, 20, 6'1", 175lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys outdoors, sports, music, traveling. Seeking a fun-loving, spontaneous SF, 18-37 Ad# 5196

GIVE IT A TRY
Laid-back SWM, 37, 5'7", 170lbs., blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys movies, sporting events and camping. ISO honest, responsible, creative SF, 28-39. Ad# 5176

CIRCLE THIS AD
Easygoing, nice SHM, 39, 5'6", salt/pepper hair, enjoys baseball, playing pool. ISO good-looking SF, 35-43, who is trustworthy. Ad# 5192

ISO FUN TIMES
SWM, 18, 5'10", very old-fashion, romantic, loyal, faithful, trustworthy, enjoys sports, movies. ISO SF, 18-24, who is fun, outgoing, with similar interests. Ad# 5187

LET'S TRY IT
Affectionate, outgoing SWM, 52, 5'10", 192lbs., enjoys motorcycles, snorkeling, diving, activities around the water. ISO warm, affectionate, fun-loving, SF, 38-65 Ad# 5190

IN SEARCH OF YOU
Cheerful SHM, 31, 5'11", brown hair/eyes, enjoys fishing, jet skiing and quiet times, hoping to meet a SHF, 23-35, for a possible relationship. Ad# 5164

CAN YOU RELATE?
Semi-retired SWM, 62, 5'9", 190lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, wants to meet a quiet SWF, 50-68, who shares his interests in bowling, sports and music. Ad# 5167

LET'S TALK SOON
SHM, 23, 6'2", pastimes include movies and quiet times, desires an attractive SHF, 19-30, to share good times. Ad# 5163

LEAVE A MESSAGE
SHM, 23, 6'2", interested in meeting a tall SHF, 19-30, who enjoys working out. Ad# 5174

BACK TO THE BASICS
SBM, 31, looking forward to meeting a family-oriented SHF, 20-38 who shares his interests in sports, working out and hunting. Ad# 5158

DON'T KEEP ME WAITING
Fun-loving SBM, 31, 5'11", 180lbs, likes sports, swimming, jogging movies and dining out, searching for an energetic SF, 21-45, with similar interests. Ad# 5159

LIFE IS BEST SHARED
This attractive, educated, physically fit SWM, 45, 6', 160lbs, with light brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an affectionate, slim/medium-built SWF, 25-50, to share his life with. Ad# 1031

QUIET TIMES TOO
Energetic, humorous SHM, 38, 5'9", 170lbs, likes drag racing, cruising, dancing, shopping. ISO energetic, outgoing SF, 18-45 Ad# 5154

ONE OF THE BEST
Athletic, upfront SBM, 20, 5'9", 198lbs, enjoys long trips, malls, seeking sincere SF, 19-23, who will hold him when he is down. Ad# 1145

DOWN-TO-EARTH
Meet this soft-spoken, gentle SWM, 43, 5'7", 150lbs, with black hair, who hopes to get together with a delightful, charming SWF, 35-50 who enjoys a variety of outdoor activities. Ad# 5144

JUST DANDY
Here's a good-humored SWM, 29, 6'1", 235lbs, brown hair, green eyes, who hopes to share friendship and good times with an outgoing, friendly SHF, 20-38 Ad# 5145

DON'T BE SHY
Here's a cheerful, always happy SHM, 32, 5'8", 178lbs, with black hair, loves movies, fishing and camping. He'd love to get together with a bubbly, outgoing, very pretty SF, 21-36 Ad# 5139

LET'S TALK
Social SWM, 36, 5'8", 180lbs, brown hair, blue-green eyes, hoping to get acquainted with an attractive SCF, 21-52, who shares his interests in movies, fishing and sports. Ad# 5133

THE ONE FOR ME?
This outgoing SHM, 18, brown hair, wants to meet a fun-loving SWF, 18-28, who shares his interests in sports and quiet times. Ad# 5126

STEAL MY HEART
Humorous SHM, 22, 5'9", black hair, interested in meeting an adventurous SWF, 23-25, whose hobbies include music and working out. Ad# 5125

SEEKING HONEST LADY
Active, outgoing, yet conservative SWM, 6', 41, brown hair, green eyes, likes recreational sports, hiking, fishing, etc. ISO sincere, moral SF, 29-45, for a genuine relationship. Ad# 5081

FRIENDSHIP FIRST
Humorous single white male, 28, 6', 185lbs., brown hair/eyes, likes music, walks and outdoor activities, eager to meet a single white female, 18-33 Ad# 5131

A LOT TO OFFER
Intelligent SWM, 32, 6'1", 175lbs., brown hair/eyes, interested in meeting a humorous SWCF, 25-39, whose hobbies include music and reading. Ad# 1173

IT COULD BE YOU
This single white male, 25, 6'2", 270lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys sports, camping and travel, looking to meet a happy single female, 21-38, whose ready to have fun Ad# 5127

FOLLOW YOUR HEART
Comical single white male, 53, 6'5", 265lbs., brown hair, green eyes, eager to meet a tall, slim single white female, 30-55, who shares his interests in computers, bowling, dancing and football Ad# 5119

DON'T MISS OUT
Single white professional male, 48, 6'1", 180lbs, interests include traveling, shopping and moonlit walks, in search of a slender single white female, 32-44, 5'4"-5'10" Ad# 5118

CREATIVE THINKING
Single white male, 24, 5'9", brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys cooking, writing and movies. He would like to get involved with a down-to-earth single white female, 18-26, for a possible relationship Ad# 5121

COMMON BOND
Handsome, single white male, 59, 5'9", 170lbs, blond hair, blue eyes, enjoys country dancing, campouts and garage sales, looking for a pretty single white female, 40-63, for companionship Ad# 5114

KING OF HEARTS
Laid-back single white male, 65, likes country music, traveling and playing cards, looking for a compatible single white female, 48-65, to spend time with Ad# 5110

ZEST 4 LIFE
Outgoing single Native American male, 23, 5'9", 180lbs., brown eyes, interests include cars, partying and socialization, in search of a single female, 20-28, for companionship. Ad# 5109

UNDER THE STARS
Relaxed single white male, 24, 5'9", brown hair, loves cooking, movies and socialization, seeking a single white female, 18-28, for fun times Ad# 5113

AVID BOWLER
Congenial single white male, 25, 6'2", 200lbs., brown hair, likes swimming, working out and fishing, looking for a single female, 18-31, to spend time with Ad# 5106

MR. RIGHT
Entertaining single white male, 41, 6', 210lbs., brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys golf, the outdoors and traveling, looking for a delightful single white female, 33-41, for a possible relationship Ad# 5104

I'LL CALL
Personable single male, 56, 5'8", blond hair, blue eyes, eager to meet a single female, 38-60, who enjoys country dancing, traveling and candlelit dinners Ad# 5115

TYPE "A" PERSONALITY
You'll love getting to know this shy, at first, divorced Hispanic dad, 31, 5'1", 145lbs., with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys working out, going to movies, quiet evenings at home and more. If you're an honest, single Hispanic female, 24-35, call now Ad# 3531

YOU & ME TOGETHER
This white professional male, 61, 6'1", is looking for a white female, 45-65, who loves dogs, fishing, camping, spending time together and more Ad# 5100

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SERIOUSLY
All-around single Hispanic male, 22, 5'9", 150lbs., brown hair/eyes, interests include working out, movies and athletics, looking to meet a single Hispanic female, 20-28, for a possible relationship Ad# 5092

HE EVEN COOKS
Amiable, single, Hispanic male, 25, 5'11", 190lbs, dark hair/eyes, likes golf, boating and candlelit dinners, in search of a sexy, feminine, single Hispanic female, 20-30, for companionship Ad# 5096

BE MY LADY
Kind-hearted, single white male, 27, 5'11", red hair, likes movies, bowling and roller-skating, seeking that special, single Hispanic female, 18-25, for a possible relationship. Ad# 5095

HUGS & KISSES
Personable single Hispanic male, 25, enjoys long walks, cuddling and good conversation, hoping to meet an educated, attractive, single Hispanic female, 20-30, for companionship. Ad# 5094

SPARK THE LOVE FLAME
By calling this single white male, 38, an electrician, that enjoys playing guitar and sharing quiet evenings at home with a woman, 26-45, who wants to be appreciated. Ad# 1199

MATCH IN HEAVEN
Would be with this witty, single Hispanic male, 41, that enjoys music, sports, working around the yard, and a health conscious, goal-oriented, humorous, energetic single white female, 27-36. Ad# 1198

FOREVER TRUE
Easygoing single white male, 18, 5'11", 125lbs, light brown hair, loves music, horseback riding, socializing with friends, seeking a down-to-earth, outgoing single white female, 18-22 Ad# 1192

COUNT ON ME
Creative single white male, 42, hoping to meet an adventurous, single white female, 18-50, who enjoys outdoor activities, road trips, movies and music. Ad# 1190

NO DEMANDS
Humorous, outgoing single white male, 38, 5'7", 220lbs., brown hair, green eyes, enjoys playing guitar, family times, sports and quiet evenings, looking for an appreciative, single female, 21-45. Ad# 1195

TABLE FOR 2
Active single Hispanic male, 26, 126lbs, brown hair, interests include swimming, sports and dining out, hoping to meet a caring, single Hispanic female, 21-30, for a possible LTR. Ad# 1183

HAPPINESS
Personable, single Hispanic male, 36, 5'11", 190lbs, likes hiking, fishing and great conversation, hoping to meet a friendly, single Hispanic female, 25-40, to spend time with. Ad# 1181

TOGETHERNESS
Invigorating, single white male, 33, 6', blue eyes, with varied interests, hoping to meet that special, single white female, 25-36, to spend time with. Ad# 1177

LEGACY OF LOVE
Reserved single white male, 26, 6'6", 250lbs., brown hair, hazel eyes, enjoys outdoor activities, movies and dining out, looking for a sweet, fun-loving, single white female, 21-40. Ad# 1172

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3413 BAUMANN- SATURDAY 9am- 4pm. Baby and children clothes, stroller, play pen, paperbacks and miscellaneous.

306 ALPINE- Moving Sale!! Saturday Only! Toys, tall men & womens clothes, refrigerator, swing set, TV, 55 gallon aquarium & parts, and lots more.

3507 TRAVIS. Friday 9 am. 20 unopened toys and a whole lot of cheap stuff!!!

79705

❤ 2413 DARTMOUTH- MOVING sale! Washer/ Dryer, Necchi Portable Sewing Machine/ Attachments, chest of drawers, oak entertainment center, 3/4"X5' round glass table top, two three speed bicycles, dishes, Christmas decorations, good clothes, lots more! Friday 9- 5, Saturday 9-12.

1710 NORTH "A" STREET #46- Patio Town Homes (At rear of complex) Ty beanie Babies, Collectable Dolls, Franklin Mint Plates, Leather couch, microwave, end tables, books, videos, tapes, pictures, stuffed animals, games, women's clothes (18-22) Saturday 8- 4 only!

2406 WEST SHANDON- Saturday 8:00-1:00. Oak office deck, folding tables, chairs and miscellaneous office items.

◆ 2606 GODDARD- (BACK door- enter form alley) Avon Dealer Sale! Friday 9am-3pm & Saturday 8am- noon. Below book prices- jewelry, luggage, gift sets (men/ women), Christmas items, lots of miscellaneous!

GARAGE SALE ZIP CODES



3203 DURANT. Garage Sale Saturday only 8 am- ? Sofa, love seat, leather recliners, dryer, miscellaneous clothing and furniture. Cash only please.

2512 GULF- M.H.S. Softball Garage Sale 8am- 2pm. Saturday, December 16th! A Huge variety of different items for a great cause!

1505 SEABOARD- Friday 7:30- Noon. Wood jewelry chest, iron wine bar, KitchenAid dishwasher, more. Cash.

2200 HUGHES- SATURDAY only 8am-11am. 10' X 6' dog run, computer armoire, kitchen table, etc.

2403 FAIRVIEW- Moving/ downsizing. Wood rack, color photo enlarger, records, cabinets, etc. Saturday 8:00am- 1:00pm.

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

79707

3803 STANOLIND: Friday 8:00am. Just toys! Nintendo/ 18 games, Sega Genesis/ 11 games, stroller, books, etc.

3616 SPRINGMONT- Friday & Saturday Morning.

4308 RUSSELL COURT Friday 1:00- ? Saturday 9:00- ?. Moving Sale! Come do your Christmas shopping! Household items, ladder, tools, yard equipment, patio set, dog house, Bar- b- cue- pit, Christmas items, chest of drawers, and lots more!

2609-B NORTH MIDLAND DRIVE- Going out of business sale- WCMS SPORTS-CARDS!! Sports Cards, Beanie Babies, and miscellaneous items. Also available are display cases, FAX MACHINE, credit card machine, telephone & bookcases. 10:00am-6:00pm.

4301 RALEIGH COURT Apt# 1908(WildFlower). Saturday only! 8- 2.. Washer/ dryer, couch, kitchen table with no chairs, Aiwa stereo system, vacuum cleaner, Ladies and youth clothing, many other items.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

$20.50 $20.50 $20.50 $20.50

GARAGE SALE AD PACKAGE $20.50

- ★ **7 Lines (approx. 28-35 words)**
- ★ **2 Days**
- ★ **■✔●♥ Stand Out Emblem**
- ★ **Garage Sale Kit**
  (includes Signs, Stakes, Markers, Balloons, Helpful Hints. $6 Value!)
- ★ **Package of Flavored Drink Mix**
  (for the Kids to Open a Drink Stand!)
- ★ **$3 Off Classified Coupon**
  (Place an ad to sell those left-over garage sale items & get $3 off!)

Or Get 3 Days for Only $24.50!

Call 682-6222 Today!

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625 Houses Unfurnished

CLEAN DUPLEX North West Midland, 1700 sq feet, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, fireplace, utility room, garage, new carpet, $700 month. 682-4686.

BEAUTIFUL THREE bedroom, two bath, single garage, new paint, all appliances. No pets! $625 monthly. 620-9222.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, 2 living, 1 car garage, central heat/ air, $650 monthly $400 deposit. No pets. 3116 West Ohio. 697-0000.

CUTE BRICK 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fenced yard, Lee district $700 monthly. Call Rhonda at Prudential Cooper Realty 689-7700.

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, garage, fireplace, water paid, 3801 B Storey. $600. 686-0734/ 687-6408.

DUPLEX for Lease. 3009-A Mark Lane. $625 monthly - 2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 2 car garage, fireplace. 697-4306

2 BEDROOM, 1 bath, one car garage, central heat/ air. $375 monthly, $250 deposit. 910 Canyon- 697-0000.

2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 fireplace, see to appreciate. $650 rent, $500 deposit. 425-3507/ 570-6900.

CHARMING THREE bedroom, remodeled kitchen, new carpet, two door garage. Old Midland. $800 monthly. 699-1000.

NICEST DUPLEXES in town. 2400- 2600 West Wadley. 2 and 3 Bedroom 1,530 square feet and up. Washer/ dryer connections, fireplaces, covered parking or garages. $650 (water paid) to $725/ month. Call 686-8126.

3 BEDROOMS, 1 Bath. Large storage. $450 Deposit/ $450 monthly. 2806 Cotton Flat Road. 689-2022.

DUPLEX, 104 Cottonwood (next to Rockwood Manor on North Main), 2 bedroom, 1 bath, fireplace. Available October 15th, $350/ $250. 683-5130.

NICE TWO bedroom, one bath duplex, appliances/ water furnished, $385/ $200. No pets. 206-B Mitchell. 570-7465.

VERY NICE 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, condo with garage at 424-B West Pecan. $475/ rent, $400 deposit. 520-8630.

2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH Apartment. Large parking and patio area, water & gas paid. $329 per month See at 3200 Sage. Apartment number #2 or call 570-1566 after 5 pm.

→NEW TODAY←
★ WYDEWOOD nice 2 be, 2 bath double garage. $600 monthly/ deposit. 682-8818, Tierra Realtors.

2 & 3 BEDROOM Homes & Duplexes $450- $550/ month+ deposit. Williams & Assoc., 694-9663.

CLEAN THREE bedroom, two bath duplex. $575 monthly. $500 deposit. Call 520-2643 for more details.

NEW CONSTRUCTION! 3 Bedroom, 2 bath home in Crestgate Addition. Neutral decor. Lots of amenities. Low maintenance yard. 559-5479 or 520-5096.

SEVERAL nice homes & apartments, $250-$725. Jeannie Printz, Agent 684-8202.

WE HAVE the PERFECT home for you- a Regency Townhome at 721 W. Dengar, 2,050 sq. ft. of luxurious space. Call today 687-0422.

LUXURY DUPLEX, 2 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, fireplace, fenced, sprinkler. 4704-A Dentcrest. $695 682-7815 or 528-0286.

2 BEDROOM, 1 BATH huge fenced backyard on double lot, excellent neighborhood, $475 month $400 deposit, references required. 2211 Northrup. 520-4645.

625 Houses Unfurnished

3230 CIMMARON- 3 BEDROOM, 2 Bath, pool/ spa, $850 monthly, $500 deposit. Call 697-3719 for more information.

625 Houses Unfurnished

→NEW TODAY←
EXECUTIVE HOME for lease in Old Midland, 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, Sam Houston, San Jacinto, Midland High, Hardwood Floors, Tile, Gourmet Kitchen, Gas Log Fireplace, Yard Service Included. $1,000 Down Payment & $1,350 month. 686-8100 or 686-0008.

2912 ROOSEVELT 3 bedroom, 2 bath, $250 deposit or $450 monthly, references required. Call 699-5852 leave message.

DUPLEX NICE 2 bedroom, 11/2 bath, 2 living areas, fireplace, washer dryer, yard, covered parking, storage, 921 North Bentwood. $525 monthly. 685-0878 or 683-7733.

NEW CERAMIC Tiles/ carpet/ paint, duplexes $375- 1 bedroom, $475- 2 bedrooms, carport, yard. 689-3053.

NICE! WELL maintained, 2 Bedroom Duplex. Fireplace, garage, washer/ dryer connections. $475. Call 685-3743/ 697-4000.

TWO BEDROOM Duplex near Midland College. All appliances, storage room, fireplace, carport. $495 monthly. 352-7557.

BEAUTIFULLY REDECORATED 1 and 2 bedroom duplexes in quiet neighborhood, $325- $475. Call 697-3484 for Christmas Specials.

2 BEDROOM DUPLEX, 1 bath, very clean. Washer Dryer Connections. $295/ $175 deposit. 3216 W Kansas. 520-4886, leave message.

LARGE THREE bedroom, two bath duplex. Dining room, fireplace, large laundry, fenced yard, garage. 5102-A Rainbow. $700 per month. 697-7097.

1700 SQUARE FOOT duplex, 3 bedrooms, 2 bath, Near Goddard and Emerson. 2605A Haynes, $700 month. 682-8453.

A DOLL HOUSE; Extra clean three bedroom, two bathrooms, double car garage. Water and sewer paid, $725 monthly. Call 520-4343.

625 Houses Unfurnished

4 BEDROOM, 2 bath or 3 bedroom, 2 bath plus 1 living, fireplace, brick, courtyard, spotless. Greenwood schools. $700 deposit plus $700 monthly rent! Call Sandy J. Hanson, pager 495-1233. Langston Realtors.

NICE 1 BEDROOM duplex, appliances furnished, with garage $375 month $200 deposit. 2601 Roosevelt. 570-7465.

630 Houses Furnished

TWO ROOMS and bath- Extra nice! Carport, deposit required, 6 month lease. 697-1045.

640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

1 BEDROOM, 1 bath, downstairs, covered parking, microwave, washer/ dryer, fireplace. French doors to patio. $450. 620-0914.

LAFAYETTE PLACE, West Texas most elegant townhouse complex, 2 bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, $1,300. 684-0996.

LOVELY 1 bedroom condo. Must see to appreciate, close to hospital. $325 monthly. 570-6900/ 425-3507.

→NEW TODAY←
NEW CONSTRUCTION- In Crestgate area, two large bedrooms with computer desk, two baths, living room, dining room, laundry room, two car garage (rear entry), maintenance free yard. $995 monthly, $600 damage deposit. 682-2002.

LUXURY DUPLEX- 4800 - A Dentcrest. Two bedrooms, two bath, double garage $675 monthly. $350 deposit. Owner/ agent. Realty Unlimited. Call 550-5609.

FAIRGATE Townhomes, northwest side, 6 and 12 month leases, 2 and 3 bedrooms 1600 sq. ft. livable; all appliances, fans, fireplaces and garages. 697-9566.

1 & 2 BEDROOMS; $249 to $385, $69 move in special., Pager 495-7775.

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

→NEW TODAY←
BRAND NEW Riding lawn mower, 38 1/2 inch cutting blade, 12 horse Briggs & Stratton motor. 6 months old. Paid $1,250, asking $700 o.b.o. 559-8135.

ELECTRIC STOVE, works good, white, $65. Brass floor lamp, complete crib set (Mickey & MiniMouse print) with curtains & wall hanging. Good conditilon. 682-3756.

UNCLAIMED- Special order 14'x24' barn- extra heavy duty floor, will deliver. 915-563-3108.

OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR & port system, brand new wheel chair, electric hospital bed, executive desk (1 year old), Dallas Cowboy leather jacket. 697-9806.

LOSE 40 LBS in 2 months, natural and guaranteed. Doctor recommended. Toll free 1-888-252-1759 or www.ezfitness4life.com.

OFFICE FURNITURE for sale at 2211 W. Industrial Ave. 11am- 6pm Thursday- Saturday. Used desks plus other accessories.

SKATES, new women's aggressive inline K-2 impulse, size 9. Regularly, $249 selling for $99. 694-9690.

SWING & Slide Sky Fort Project 400, $500. Please call 682-3294.

KURZWEIL MARK 10 full size electronic piano and bench. MIDI, diskette drive. Too many features to list. Excellent condition, like new! $2,400. Sears treadmill, programmable. Wide /long belt, excellent condition, warranty. $250. 694-9308.

SMITH CORONA 4200 Personal Word Processor with 12 inch monitor included $150. Call 689-3634.

BRUNSWICK BRISTOL 2 Oak 3/4 inch slate Pool Table. 42x80 inch top, felt good, bumpers good, balls, cue sticks, rack and cover, $750 firm, In Andrews. Daytime 523-9055 or 523-7119 evenings.

RESTHAVEN- GARDEN of Resurrection (sold out), lot #89. $800. Call (214)520-1312.

12'x24' GARAGE/ workshop- slight damage, will deliver. 915-563-3108.

3 PERSON spa/ hot-tub $55.00 a month, 3 remaining. Delivery/ financing available. 915-563-3108.

POOL TABLE, like new, light wood 4x8. Great Christmas present! $700 620-0446.

NAME BRAND Health Rider, $125 or best offer. Please call 686-7561.

20" KAWASAKI TRICK bicycle with pegs, $45. 689-2519.

PLAY STATION II. Never been opened. Extra controller and extra game. $800. Please call 520-7315.

7' CHRISTMAS TREE, $30. Coffee table, $40. End table, $35. Exercise bike, $35. Full size floral comforter & valances, $35. Pick-up tool box, $45. 694-2770.

LAPTOP COMPACT Presario CD- ROM, 56k motum, Internet ready, $450. Black metal futon bunk bed, excellent condition, with bedding, $150. 631-4836 or 520-5973 ext. 232.

NEW INBOX Motorola Star Tac. 6500 Cellular phone Retail $410, asking $190. 683-7791 daytime.

10'x12' STORAGE buildings $31.00 a month. Delivery/ financing. 915-563-3108.

METAL STORAGE cabinet, $70. Smaller cabinet, $50. Coke machine, $220. Call 520-0503.

NOKIA 918 WIRELESS phone. Plug in chargers for home and car. Belt clip. Call 689-3634.

DOG HOUSES, new, $35-$45. Metal storage building 4'x8' new, $350. Bicycle- $35. 563-0452.

2 MANCO Go- carts, 5 HP Briggs and Stratton motors, 4 years old, clean, run great $600 each. 520-2402.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

WANTED JAPANESE & German World War II pistols, rifles and war souvenirs. 563-2773 after 6pm.

420 Good Things To Eat

GARDENDALE PECAN- Buying and shelling pecans. FM 554 Gardendale 550-7609.

→NEW TODAY←
MIDLAND GROWN Pecans- Large shelled pieces, $4.50 per pound. 694-8666.

↓SOLD↓
CLEAN HAND shelled pecans. 4625 Princeton.x.x-xxxx.

430 Household Goods

SOFA, $300. THREE piece end tables, washer & dryer, $300. Please call 685-0658, leave message.

432 Household Furniture

LIKE NEW- Neutral over-stuffed sofa/ sleeper $750. White washed end tables/ coffee table $100. Or best offer. 915-367-1844.

ANTIQUE ARMOIRE- wardrobe. $450. 4 chair/ barstools $150. Child craft baby bed $200. Call 686-8103.

Call Classified to add *NEW TODAY* on your Classified Specials for only $3.00 Extra 682-6222

GLASS AND Brass coffee table and 2 end tables, $125. 570-1099.

SLEEPER SOFA, country blue, nice tufted back. $100. Please call 682-5299.

COMPUTER ARMOIRE, lots of storage, brand new, perfect condition. Mahogany finish. The perfect Christmas gift for your new computer. $300 or best offer. 683-1011, ask for Tim.

432 Household Furniture

→NEW TODAY←
QUEEN SIZE Lazy Boy sleeper sofa, floral print, good condition, $200. Kenmore washer/ dryer, super capacity, white on white, like new, $300. Call 620-8929 after 6pm.

LITTLE TIKES Car bed-linens, $75. 6 black hand painted wood dining chairs $475. 697-3998.

LITTLE TIKES red car bed, $100. Please call 697-5733.

COCKTAIL & END table ensemble with beveled glass tops. Purchased from Chesapeake Interiors less than a year ago. 699-1903, 498-8284 ext. 34.

NATURAL ROSE Wood Ming style china hutch 66" wide. $2,700. 699-5045.

COPIER, $250. Roll top desk, $125. Storage cabinet, $50. Sleeper sofa, $100. Fridge (brown), $100. Lamps, $8 each. Desk, $50. Desk chair, $50. Framed prints, $10 each. Metal file cabinet, $40. 570-5327.

SLEEPER SOFA, set of arm chairs, recliner. Sold separately or together. Please call 697-0033.

HEAVY DUTY wooden twin or bunk beds, new bedding for both, very nice Christmas present $250. Oak (space saving) secretary exceptionally nice $150. Large blue rocker recliner $125. 915-362-2746.

DINING ROOM suite, sofa and matching love seat. All in good condition! Please call 520-2732.

ESTATE SALE- Beautiful antique dresser, $600. Marble top coffee table, $50. (And other miscellaneous) 694-9364.

435 Household Appliances

FREE REMOVAL- Of unwanted Appliances/ Evaporative Coolers. Will pick-up 45 minutes or less. 631-3920 anytime.

★ FREE REMOVAL Of appliances 550-6540 Sale- washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezer $75-up. Free delivery 90 day warranty.

RECONDITIONED APPLIANCES- Washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves. Warranty and delivery available. Removal of old appliances. 683-7040.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453–2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

450 Sporting Goods

BRUNSWICK BRISTOL 2 Oak 3/4 inch slate Pool Table. 42x80 inch top, felt good, bumpers good, balls, cue sticks, rack and cover, $750 firm, In Andrews. Daytime 523-9055 or 523-7119 evenings.

TRIMLINE 2200 Treadmill. Great condition. Paid $1,400, asking $500. Call 685-0694.

→NEW TODAY←
JIM'S GOLF CLUBS. "Tight- Lie" woods, $60 each. "Hawk- Eye" irons, $184/ set. (clones). Reshaft, Regrip, low prices. 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

→NEW TODAY←
WANT TO BUY Remington Model 1100 Light 20 gauge, 26" barrel with choke tubes, Call 697-8899.

WANT TO give Golf Clubs for Christmas? Call me, such a deal you gotta see! 683-6063.

SCHWINN LADIES 12 speed road bikes. Excellent condition. $75 each. 684-7702, 685-1285.

460 Antiques & Arts

INDIVIDUAL WILL pay fair prices for your antiques and collectibles. No furniture please. 571-3222/ 694-7508.

THE CATS MEOW- 4000 sq. ft of fine merchandise- we buy & sell antiques. 408 Andrews Highway (915)687–2004.

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470 Musical Instruments

CHRISTMAS SALE- Fine violins- cases- banjos- student guitars- tambourines- harmonicas- thumbpianos- miniharp. Waltrip Music open afternoons 694-7524.

470 Musical Instruments

THOR DRUM SET. Black. Excellent condition, Christmas ready! Five pieces+ throne. $350. Please call 697-0996.

UPRIGHT EBONY Wurlitzer piano & bench, $400. Good condition! 689-3965 after 5pm.

490 Computers/ Accessories

LIKE NEW Computer Desk. $150. Please call 694-2096 , after 5 pm.

NEW 15" EMC Monitor, never used. Paid $129 will sacrifice $90. 559-6500 with offers.

SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015-B N Midkiff. 520-5917, 686–8835.

495 FOR FREE

FREE SHEPPARD Heeler Puppies 6 weeks old. Will be large dogs. 694-4855.

FREE DOG- Female Lab, 9 months old, good with kids. 520-3424.

↓FOUND↓
Free Beagle, 1.5 years old, needs good home. xxx-xxxx.

↓FOUND↓
FREE to good home, 10 week old Chocolate Lab, female, first shots, xxx-xxxx.

CUTIE PATOOTIE 1/2 Border Collie puppies 6 weeks old. Please call 563-1600.

BLACK MOUTH Cur puppies, to good home, 7 weeks old. Great family pets. Call 686-8217.

YOUNG COLLIE female, playful, loving, black/ brown, to good home 699-6457, 699-5815.

DESK, Heavy, large, suitable art room or garage, needs a drawer front. 682-2054. U- Haul it.

500 Pets and Supplies

→NEW TODAY←
HOME FOR THE Holidays? We want to be home. We have AKC Registered Chihuahua puppies. Ready to go home December 23rd. Male and Female. Call 694-6149.

500 Pets and Supplies

PLEASE REMEMBER a dog is for life not just for Christmas.

BOXER Puppies, AKC registered- pedigreed, males, females. $300. Great for Christmas now. Call 620-9606.

JUST IN time for Christmas, Healer puppies, beautiful blue melers, and red Healers. female and males, excellent with children, both parents on property. 683-7712 for details.

AKC, YELLOW Labs just in time for Christmas. $250 each. Please call 620-0250.

PRICE REDUCED AKC Miniature Schnauzer male pups.. 8 weeks old. $300. Cash no checks. 570-8965.

ADORABLE, BOSTON TERRIER Puppies, AKC, $250- $350. Male and Females. Please call to see 682-4446.

5 MONTH OLD Red Miniature Pincher. Ears non-cropped, tail cropped, good with children. Dennis 915-652-3312.

ADORABLE 5 month chocolate Lab, would make a great Christmas present, $150. Please call 697-3699.

PIT BULL Puppies for sale, males and females. Must see to appreciate! 520-2046.

GERMAN Rottweiler puppies, docked, current shots, parents on premises. $200 each. 694-2784, if no answer please leave message.

BOSTON TERRIERS- 2 males, 1 female, 6 weeks old. Call 570-6176.

CHIHUAHUA PUPPIES- Eight weeks old, one male, two females. Parents on premises. 684-7343.

BORDER COLLIE
Puppies- Registered, out of working parents, six weeks old, weaned. Males- $150, females $200. (915)693-2789.

→NEW TODAY←
AKC Dachshund Puppies, smooth and wires, $150 to $300. 561-8949 if no answer leave message.

505 Livestock & Poultry

4X5 BALES OF HAY. AVERAGE WEIGHT 900 POUNDS. Bermuda and Dallas grass. $35 a roll. 687-2717.

COASTAL ROUND bales. Delivered. (817)691-5103.

JUST IN Time for Christmas! Gentle 14 year old Sorrel gelding, saddle and miscellaneous tack. Wagon for donkey or miniature horse. 2 wheel hay wagon. (915)683-4129 after 5pm.

$10 Office Furniture & Misc.

SWINGLINE No. 6357 computer paper burster. Pops apart all sizes of computer paper. 683-3032, ask for Loretta.

OFFICE FURNITURE for sale at 2211 W. Industrial Ave. 11am- 6pm Thursday- Saturday. Used desks plus other accessories.

520 Store & Cafe Equipment

→NEW TODAY←
FOUR ICE-O-MATIC high capacity ice machines and bagging equipment. $3,800 firm. Can be seen at www.b2gp.com Call Mark at 888-638-9625.

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT For sale- Booths, tables, chairs, walk-ins, grills, dipping cabinets and much much more. 238-3966 ask for Gili.

525 Business/Shop Equipment

BEAUTY SHOP equipment for sale. 682-3221.

550 Portable Buildings

We move, buy, sell and rent portable buildings. MORGAN (915) 563-1860

FOR SALE or Trade 14'x26' portable office or playhouse with restroom, heat, a/c. Heavy duty built, $12,000. Call 694-7603.

570 Oil Field Equip & Supplies

FOR SALE:
2- American 640-356-144 **PUMPING UNITS**
Conventional with High Prime Bases fro electrical motors.
Complete including Weight Guards & Portable Concrete Bases.
Excellent condition
Accepting bids
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640 Condo Townhome Unfurn.

REGENCY TOWNHOMES, 721 W. Dengar. Prestigious Address for Luxurious Living: spa, heated pool, fireplaces, extra large 2 bedrooms, closed circuit entry. 2,050 sq.ft. for your comfort. 687-0422.

→NEW TODAY←
3 BEDROOM 2 bath Wallace Townhome, storage, large kitchen, light and bright! $1,300 monthly. 689-3920.

655 Mobile Homes Unfurn.

3415 COTTONFLATT Rd. Space F, 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom, fenced yard, washer dryer connections, $275 monthly, $100 deposit, 682-1608 leave message.

NOW AVAILABLE, 2/ 3 Bedroom mobile homes, all appliances, fenced yards, extra clean! Deposit required. No vicious dogs. 687-8324.

3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, fenced yard. $425 monthly. 570-4578 or 683-7952.

GREENWOOD SCHOOLS- Free cable TV, two & three bedrooms, rent or sale, with or without land. (915)352-8026.

660 Mobile Home Space for Rent

AIRLINE MOBILE Home Park. Your Home for the Holidays! 694-2534.

MOVE IN Special- $59 monthly/ 1 year- regularly $100. Lee District, paved, speed bumps. 550-7505.

MOBILE HOME and/ or RV spaces. Large shade trees, laundromat, convenient location. 332-4976.

TWIN OAKS- Fenced yards, paved streets, security lights, trees, patios. Move in special! Call 687-6324.

665 Bus. Prop./ Office Rent.

2609 B MIDLAND Dr., small store for lease. $275 monthly + bills. Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 682-9495.

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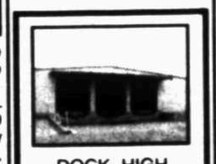
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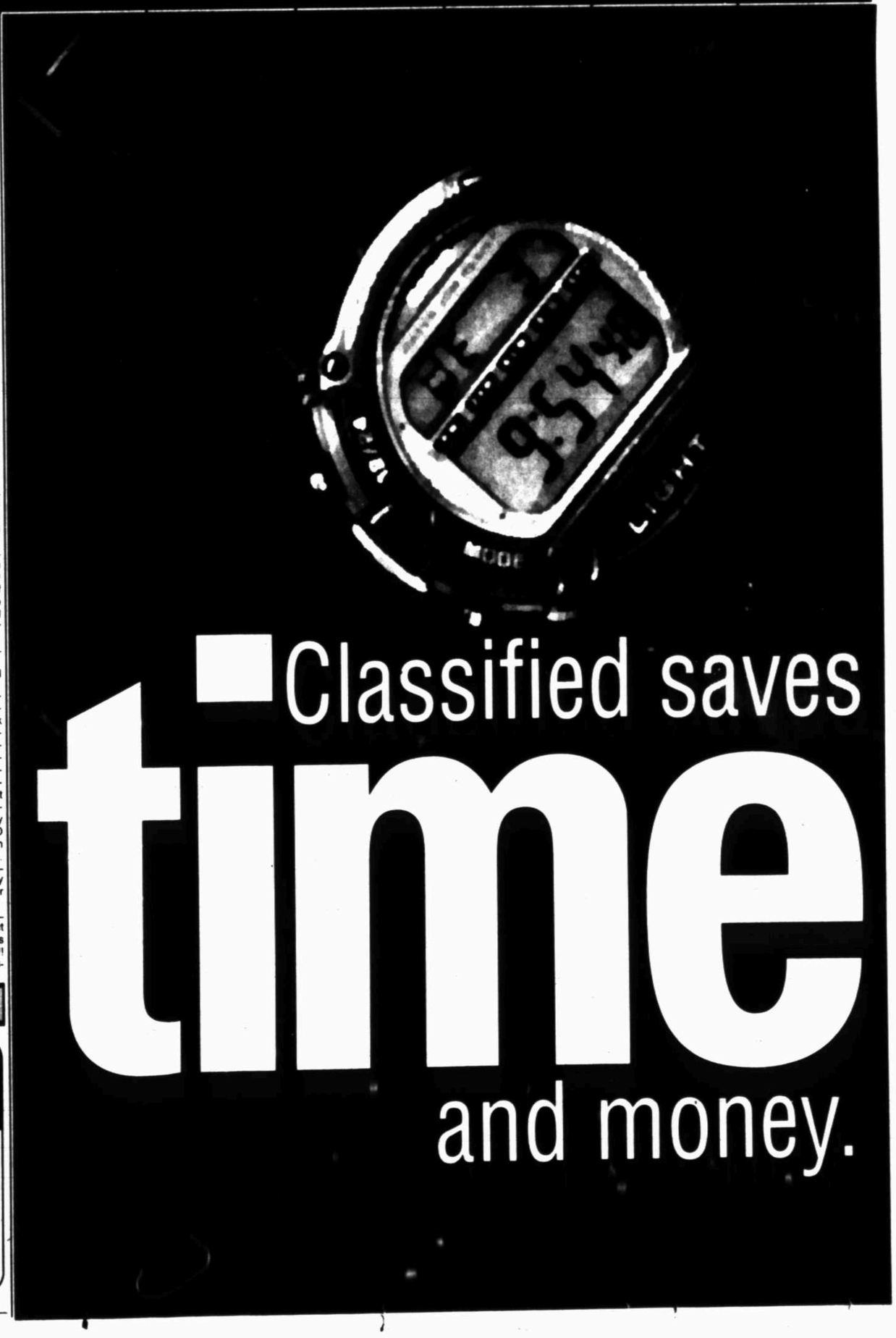
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CHRISTMAS SPECIAL. Remodeled 3 bedroom, 2 bath homes- 4702 Leisure, $42,900. 4404 Wilshire, $45,000. Owner will pay $1,500 towards buyers closing costs. Mary, 694-2920. Darrell McDonald Realtors 689-0021.

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GOVERNMENT DEALS: 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, double garage homes. Low down payment. 1505 McDonald, 63K; 4502 Spence- $50k; 513 Bentwood- $43K; 4309 Crenshaw- $42K. American Realty, 520-7577.

Vicky Garrett Real Estate One 570-8889 or 682-1111

BY OWNER: Qualifying Assumption, approximately $38,000. 3118 Thomas, 3 Bedrooms, 1 bath. Out of pocket approximately $1,500. Great shape. 697-6835.

→NEW TODA← 3401 PINEMONT Luxurious Government Home Bargain priced at $114,000! Tadlock Realtors 580-4883.

GOOD LOCATION close to College, end of cul-de-sac, nice landscaping, recently updated including kitchen appliances, plantation shutters, in door jacuzzi, glassed in patio with built ins. Three bedrooms, 2 1/2 bath, four bay windows, large living, extra den, dining room, storage and storm shelter. Reduced $155,000. 2510 Dartmouth. Call 684-4702 or 682-2843.

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3901 S. CO. RD. 1096-RANCHETTE FOR SALE-Approximately 63 acres withtwo houses, indoor roping arena, barns, storage bldgs. Pretty main house with 3 bdrms, 3 baths and an inground pool, only $399,000

1810 HEREFORD-PRICE REDUCED AGAIN-Lovely 4 bdrm with 2 living areas, formal dining, 2 1/2 baths, priced to sell $136,500

2300 METZ PLACE-Pretty 4 bdrm, 2 bath with 2 living areas, tile, fence, storage bldg, plus small workshop, only $93,900

2609 W. CO. RD. 114-Large home for the price, 3 bdrm, 3 living areas, country kitchen, carport, workshop plus a covered RV parking pad $93,900

10807 E. CO. RD. 108-NBW CONSTRUCTION IN GREENWOOD-Lovely 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage, walking distance to the schools, price reduced to $89,900

10608 E. CO. RD. 104-Picture pretty 4 bdrm, 2 bath, computer room or second living area, pretty parquet and tile floors $79,900

1000 N. "A" STREET-Old Midland Charm with 4 bdrms, 3 baths, formal dining area, great view of the duck pond $75,900

1005 S. CO. RD. 1129-Large 3 bdrm home with 2 living areas plus a sunroom, fenced acreage, priced for quick sale $75,500

703 OSAGE-Nice 4 bdrm, 2 bath with 2 living areas, master bdrm is downstairs, pretty yards $74,900

5207 SAN ANTONIO-Pretty 3 bdrm, 2 bath with 2 living areas, berber carpet, prettyvinyl in a great kitchen, pretty trees $71,900

1801 CULVER-Large 3 bdrm, 2 bath home with 2 living areas plus a garden room, great area, only $70,900

10708 E. CO. RD. 105-New carpet, fresh paint makes this 3 bdrm, 2 bath home in Greenwood move-in ready, will have a new roof also, only $67,900

3212 W. LOUISIANA-Pretty 3 bdrm, 1 bath with 2 living areas, fireplace, large yard, only $35,000

3216 PARK LANE-Commercial location, would make a great small office with excellent exposure $36,000

10807 E. CO. RD. 108-Will Lease for $800 with $600 deposit
4504 PATMAN PLACE-Lease for $800 with $600 deposit
1801 CULVER-Lease for $800 with $600 deposit
4716 COMMANCHE-Lease for $400 with $300 deposit

TO SEE THESE PROPERTIES OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL CLEMMIE SORGE AT RE/MAX 682-8820 EXT. 142

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3401 Pinemont Dr.	$114's
2814 Moss Ave	$108's
4211 Rankin Hwy	$74's
1505 McDonald	$63's
5903 ECR 57	$59's
4502 Spence	$50's
4408 Tanner	$46's
3303 W. Cuthbert	$44's
513 Bentwood	$43's
104 Eisenhower	$43's
4305 Crenshaw	$42's

580-4883 Anytime

→NEW TODA← BY OWNER. 1005 Shell (Between C & D- South of Scharbauer) Four bedrooms, two baths, two car garage with storage/ workroom in old Midland with oak and pecan trees. Formal living/ dining, den, breakfast in huge kitchen. Built- in book cases and fireplace with gas logs. lots of extras! Small back yard with beautiful raised brick flower beds, covered patio and wooden storage barn. New heating and cooling and water heater. Bowie, San Jacinto Jr. High and Midland High Schools. Move in condition! Phone 689-2542.

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Jan Melton & ASSOCIATES REAL ESTATE 682-2422

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124 BAYBERRY: 2.19 Acres. Last lot in Misson Ridge	$42,000
5410 CROWLEY: Patio Home. 3BR, 2.5 BA, 2 LA, 3 Car Garage	Reduced $138,900
208 S. MARIENFELD: 10,000 sq. ft. Commercial Bldg. Downtown	$175,000
109 WINDRIDGE: New Constr., 2BR, 3BA, 3 Car Garage	$179,900
6915 SUNRISE CT.: GreenTree North. On Course!-4BR, 3BA, Pool	$220,000

Callie Stevens, Broker Associate
Office Location: 4400 N. Big Spring A-9
• Midland, Tx. 79705 • Fax 915-570-5434

FIXER- UPPER, 1101 South Loraine, 2 bedroom, 1 bath. 884 square feet. Detached workshop/ storage with full utility 672 square feet. No Owner Financing. Call 697-2094 after 4:30 pm. Se Habla Espanol.

BY OWNER 4507 Fairbanks, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, sun room, Parker, Abel, Lee. Please call 686-7949.

ASSUMABLE! 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, central air, fireplace, dishwasher, 30x30 shop, on 21/2 acres in Greenwood. 620-0231 or 631-9773.

BAD CREDIT and banks won't help you on a home loan? Call us at A-D Credit, Kathy Henderson with Superior Mortgage 556-6311.

FOR SALE BY OWNER- 4102 Lehigh, off Loop 250 and Midland Drive, over 2,000 sq ft. 3 Bedrooms, 2 baths, large rooms with office/ sun room, 10x14 storage building, sprinkler system. Asking $91,500. 634-8360.

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FIXER UPPER- 501 West Storey, three bedroom, one bath, laundry room, garage. $20,000. Owner/ agent 683-8774, 522-1030.

PRICE REDUCED three bedroom, one bath, $24,000. 106 E. Shandon. Please call 683-1798 for appointment.

COUNTRY LIVING $68,900!!! 6200 East County Rd 62. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large carport, 2 buildings, 1/2 acre fenced, shade trees, water well, brand new aluminum siding, wood paneling in living room, large utility/ laundry room. Greenwood Schools. For more information contact: Carol Fulfer 689-0021 or 528-1632 Darrell McDonald Realtors.

CREDIT- NO PROBLEM We say yes when others say no! Dominion Mortgage 580-8083.

607 RUBY- Fresh paint, new carpet. 2 Living areas, 3 bedrooms. Priced only $32,500. Mary 694-2920, Darrell McDonnold Realtors, 689-0021.

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2,400 SQUARE FT.- Four bedroom, two bath, large living area, sprinkler system. 3002 Northtown. $95,000. 697-5556.

UP GROUP 684-7788 1400 E. Missouri $27,900 3 Bedroom, 2 living areas. 304 Thomas 3/2 $55,900. 3513 Travis- 3/2, Two living- $47,900.

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2400 Boyd

Old Midland Charm, 2,830 Square Feet, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living area, 2 car garage.

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(Financing Available)

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NEW TO MARKET. By Owner- 3113 Tealwood Place. $118,500. 3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2 living, formal dining, game room, plantation shutters, sprinkler system, storage, many updates. 694-8908 anytime.

→NEW TODA← NICE BRICK four bedroom, two bath, large kitchen with built in appliances, two car garage, patio with BBQ, storage building, shade trees, nicely landscaped low maintenance yard, lovely pole fence, new A/C & heating unit, double insulation. Near Lee High and Rusk Elementary $66,000. By owner! 520-3263 for more information and address.

RECENTLY UPDATED- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, large living area with vaulted ceiling & fireplace, two car garage, RO with water softer, sprinkler system, fenced in yard with storage building. $72,500. 311 Oxford, 697-1596

725 Condo Townhouses

OWNER FINANCE- Lovely 2 bedroom, 2 bath townhomes, personality plus, fenced yard with great trees. Call. Printz Property Management Agent. 684-8202

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730 Suburban Property

4 BEDROOM, 2 bath, 2 working fireplaces, living room, dinin room, breakfast area, kitchen, all hardwood floors just redone like new. New kitchen cabinets. New air conditioner. Sets on 5 acres with detached garage and barn with horse stalls. Has access to airport. New driveway. Good water well with good water. All new reversible windows, new doors. Asking $99,000. 520-3232 day, 685-1898 nights and weekends.

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GREENWOOD LAND available, 21+ acres approximately 2 miles north of school off CR 1090. No minerals. $40,000 firm. Serious inquires only. 915/682-2393.

BEAUTIFUL 8.8 ACRES on San Saba River, Menard, TX. Pecans, deer, turkey. $44,000. 396-3276.

20 ACRES IN Greenwood. Water well and electric connections. $28,000 cash. Owner/ agent. Brokers Welcome. Phone 682-0470.

750 Lots & Acreage

1/2 an acre with mobile home- 3 bedroom, 2 baths, Greenwood ISD. $1,000 down, $250 per month. 687-5334 after 2.

14 ACRES GRASSLAND with water well. 5 miles south Midland off Midkiff Road on CR 150. $1,000 down, $300 month. 570-1336.

→NEW TODA← FOR SALE 2.3 acres on Midland Dr, across from K-Mart. $95,000, 10k down. Balance interest only 8% all due in 3 years. Please call (619)283-7255 or fax (619)283-7256.

760 Farms & Ranches

COLEMAN COUNTY 336 acres, $625/ acre. 7 tanks, 2 barns, quail, dove, turkey and deer. 979-229-0310, 915-625-2124.

770 Resort Property

NICE 3/2 BRICK home at Lake Ivie on 25 acres, great views. $129,000. (915)632-2423.

780 Business Property

4,200 SQUARE FEET- Highway 87/ Gregg Street, (Big Spring, Tx) corner lot. Sale/ lease! (915)267-3540.

790 Investment Property

BY OWNER 5 duplexes with income of $4,725 monthly. Some owner financing available, nice tax shelter. 687-0878.

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