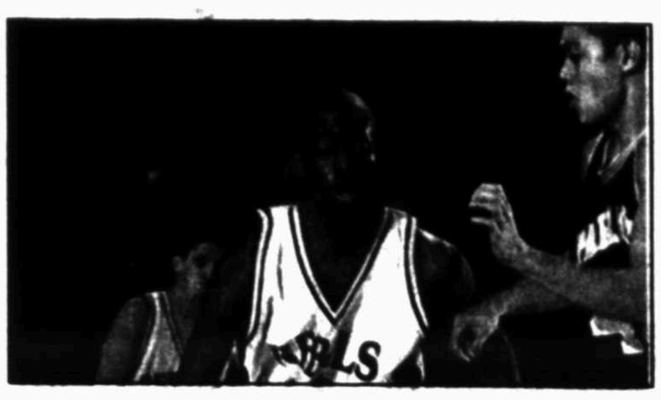

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Permian Basin Open has new sponsor

Local group buys Mission Dorado

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

A group of 20 investors from Midland, Ector and Andrews counties — many of whom live in Mission Dorado Estates — have joined together to purchase The Club at Mission Dorado.

"I signed the papers today, so the sale is final," said Bob Glast, president of The Club at Mission Dorado LLC, the group that purchased the club from Dallas-based ClubCorp. USA Inc.

"The biggest thing this means is improvements to the club immediately, and in the long-term making it the best country club in West Texas," he said.

Among the first changes was hiring Al Stepp as general manager. He has 30 years experience as a club manager, including 15 at Midland Country Club.

"He's well-known and highly regarded," Glast said. "The management change was the most important change because this club needs a qualified person, and with his experience, his background and reputation, Al was the right man."

In addition, in order to demonstrate a commitment to making The Club at Mission Dorado a full-service club, the new owners have hired Gary Pierce as director of tennis. Pierce, who has 25 years experience, will begin his new job in early January.

The owners have retained the business manager, golf pro and golf course supervisors and the food and beverage director, Glast said.

Gerry Smith, executive vice president with ClubCorp., said "we are pleased a group of local investors purchased the club."

He explained that after a strategic review, senior executives decided to sell the facility, which the company has owned for 10 years.

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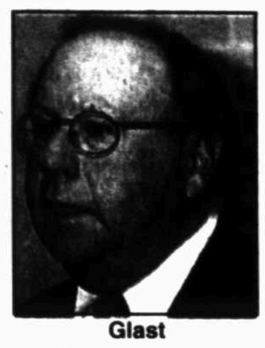

Glast

Stepp

■ Annual golf tournament is to be sponsored by BUY.COM.

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

ODESSA — When it comes to raising money for its charities, the 1999 Nike Permian Basin Open was not the success it has been in the past, not by Bob Glast's standards.

Of course, the man who saved the golf tournament from its extinction, could not save the Permian Basin from the oil price crash that plagued this region. Like the rest of the sports arena, the Permian Basin Open (PBO) was affected when it came to the bottom line, taking away from a tournament that was among the best in its eight-year history.

In August, the PBO hosted its best field (15 of the top 20 money winners at the time were in Midland-Odessa). It also crowned a deserving champion — David Berganio.

Wednesday, it was announced that the PBO raised $31,000 for its charities — to the Buffalo Trail Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Permian Basin Girls Scouts, and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. Part of the $31,000 was a donation to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Midland and Odessa.

The total amount was a far cry from the previous two years. In both 1997 and 1998, the PBO had announced charitable donations of more than $100,000. Wednesday's donation was the lowest since Glast had taken over as tournament director in 1997. It is also the lowest for the tournament since 1994.

"We like six figures better than double digits, but our charities understand the situation," Glast said. "The most important thing was it was, at worst, the average of the first five years."

The reason was pretty simple, according to PBO president Steve Lindgren.

"The main fund-raising is done in the spring, and last spring the price of oil was at a historic low," Lindgren said. "It is hard

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Ahhhhhhhh!!!!

Four-year-old Taylor North practices his catching style Wednesday afternoon on the sidelines of the Lee High School practice field. Taylor and his parents were watching the Rebels practice. His grandfather, Ronnie Reeger, is an assistant coach.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

Commissioners seek to redesign county's health care program

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

The Midland County Commissioners' Court is seeking to redesign the county's self-insured employee health-care plan amid escalating medical costs and higher prescription-drug costs.

"The object was to put all of the decisions into the hands of the employees," said Commissioner Mike Bradford, "and to give them as many choices as you possibly can.

"If they want to go to an outside network provider, they can. But it costs more. The unfortunate thing, and the part that the court hates, is that the prescription drugs, brand names, predominantly, have driven the cost of drugs in any plan, ours, the city's, whoever's, through the roof to the tune of better than 38 percent."

Meanwhile, county employees are seeking relief from escalating health care costs, and some want a pay raise to cope with the rising cost of living.

"The (sheriff's) employees have suffered through it," said Sheriff Gary Painter. "And they have made it. They are quality people. We are doing the same work with less people. Not only does it (higher costs) hurt the employees, but it hurts their families."

Last year, the previous Commissioners' Court in a 3-0-2 vote granted the county's 425 employees a 3 percent cost-of-living-adjustment (COLA); it did not apply to elected officials.

Sheriff's Investigator Paul Hallmark noted that "in the past 12 years, we have never had a real (pay) raise. We got a small COLA. We paid for it ourselves by taking the money out of retirement on the back end and giving it to us on the front end. So, we got nothing."

Commissioner Louisa Valencia noted that the county, which raised property taxes this year because of declining sales tax revenue and deficits from previous budgets, cited the declin-

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City Health Department to adopt state's food regulations

By Ian Heald
Staff Writer

The Texas Department of Health has mandated implementation of special requirements regarding the handling of ready-to-eat foods. Revisions to certain health code rules by the Texas Department of Health that were passed in October of 1998 will go into effect in Midland later this month.

State Department of Health Sanitarian Harold Gumm said Food and Drug Administration scientists have found bacteria that will multiply at 45 degrees — the temperature that food is typically preserved at in restaurants and stores. The FDA has ordered all states to lower that temperature to 41 to prevent the spread of bacteria, said Gumm.

The city's administrator of Health and Senior Services, Celestino Garcia, said those refrigerators that don't currently operate at 41 degrees will be given five years (from the date of city adoption of the rule) to change refrigeration. All new refrigerators must be capable of cooling at 41 degrees.

"Improper cooling is the No. 1 way to get an illness," said Gumm. The new rule would require food sellers to reduce a food's temperature to 41 degrees within six hours of being cooked in order to prevent the growth of bacteria.

Another new rule, said Gumm, is that food servers can't touch ready-to-eat foods without washing their hands with a hand sanitizer.

Also, ready-made food items will have to be date-marked, said Gumm. "After you prepare something you can't hold it more than four days. You have to mark it from its original day. At 41 degrees or colder you can keep it for seven days. You have to date-mark at the time of preparation."

Another new rule involves food safety rules for restaurants and stores. Whereas there had always been separate rules for each type of establishment, they will now combine those rules into one code. "Now they're in one book called 'Food Establish-

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Boy lives with mother's corpse for a month

■ 9-year-old didn't tell anyone that his mother had died because he was afraid of being sent to a foster home.

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — A 9-year-old boy whose mother died at home lived with the corpse for a month, fixing his own meals and attending school without fail, because he was afraid he'd be put in foster care if anyone found out.

When Crystal Wells died Nov. 3, her son, Travis Butler, covered her body with her coat and placed sheets of notebook paper over her face.

After that, Travis cut his hair, prepared meals — mainly frozen pizza, cereal and soup — and went to school every day until her body was discovered Monday by family friends, Dorothy and Nathaniel Jeffries.

Mrs. Jeffries said Travis begged them not to call police. He told them he lived with the body on the living room floor because he was afraid of being placed in a foster home.

"When the ambulance came he ran to his mother because he didn't want her to be taken. I will never forget that sight," she said.

Police have not released a cause of death for Ms. Wells, 30, but said foul play is not suspected. Mrs. Jeffries said Ms. Wells had various health problems, including high blood pressure.

"I just don't know how that baby survived in there for a month with that smell," Mrs. Jeffries said. "It was the saddest thing I have ever seen in my life."

Mrs. Jeffries and her husband went to Ms. Wells' apartment after becoming concerned because they were unable to contact her. When they arrived, Travis answered the door.

"At first he said his mother was at work and wouldn't let us inside," Mrs. Jeffries said. "When we kept asking he finally just broke down and said, 'Mama can't talk anymore because she got really sick and I think she is dead.'"

'I asked him if anybody came to check on him during Thanksgiving break, and he said he was OK because he had a big frozen pizza for Thanksgiving dinner.'
— family friend Dorothy Jeffries

Mrs. Jeffries said Travis told her that after his mother died he would take the bus to school, do his homework and watch TV. His mother had some money in the house and when he ran out of food he walked to the grocery store and bought more, she said.

"I asked him if anybody came to check on him during Thanksgiving break, and he said he was OK because he had a big frozen piz-

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Russian attacks give mixed signals on three-day deadline

ACHKOI-MARTAN, Russia (AP) — Russian planes and artillery steadily bombarded the Chechen capital Wednesday, despite the military's claims it was allowing civilians to leave Grozny unimpeded to avoid a massive attack in three days.

Trying to deflect international criticism, Russian officials said an ultimatum to Grozny residents to leave by Saturday or face death is aimed at militants — not civilians — but they gave no sign of backing off from the deadline.

Also Wednesday, Russian forces claimed they drove militants out of the key town of Urus-Martan, scene of some of the bloodiest combat since fighting began in September. The Russian military command claimed 80 rebels were killed in Wednesday's battles, but gave no figures for Russian casualties.

The Russian military said it was allowing civilians to leave Grozny. But Russian troops were firing on cars that try to break past Russian lines, assuming they carry militants, said Maj. Gen. Vladimir Shamanov, chief of the Russian army in western Chechnya.

From overhead, Russian planes and artillery continued to bomb Grozny and surrounding towns on Wednesday. Warplanes and helicopter gunships flew 150 sorties over the previous 24 hours, the military said.

Shamanov insisted the aircraft and artillery gunners are firing only on rebel targets in Grozny. But with much of the city in ruins and militants and civilians hiding in basements, it was not clear how pilots could distinguish targets with any precision.

Earlier this week, Russian planes dropped leaflets on Grozny saying that anyone left in the city after Saturday would face a massive air and artillery attack. U.S. and European leaders criticized the plan as inhumane and urged Russia to back down.

Russian officials said Wednesday that refugees would be given more time to leave Grozny. Interior Minister Vladimir Rushailo, on a visit to Chechnya, said a corridor would remain open as long as needed, but did not say whether the Saturday deadline had been extended or canceled.

And even if the corridor is open, Shamanov and other commanders did not explain how civilians could leave the city when most do not dare leave cellars and shelters because of daily Russian bombardments that made it impossible to move about much of the time.

If Russian forces do unleash a huge bombardment Saturday, it could continue for days or weeks as Moscow tries to force rebel defenders out of the capital. The attack would be an escalation rather than a new strategy, since the city has already taken a beating over the last three months from Russian artillery and jets.

The Russian plan may not work. Much of Grozny has already been destroyed and the rebels are in bunkers, including Soviet-era nuclear bomb shelters.

Some Russian analysts say the military may be planning to use much more powerful weapons, including fuel vapor bombs, which can suffocate people in underground shelters. Moscow may want to get civilians out of the city to minimize international protests if such weapons are used, they say.

Moscow has dismissed Western criticism of its Chechnya campaign as meddling in Russia's internal affairs. The Kremlin has been particularly sensitive about rebukes by President Clinton.

The Chechen government met Wednesday and appealed for international help in bringing out Grozny's remaining civilians, Chechen Vice Premier Kazbek Makhashev told the Interfax news agency.

Grozny has an estimated 6,000 militants and from 15,000 to 40,000 civilians. Many of the noncombatants have been too afraid to leave their homes, and some refugees who fled said that many who remained had not even seen the leaflets.

Meanwhile, the Russian military said it had captured Urus-Martan despite fierce rebel resistance. There was no way to confirm the claim.

City saves Conan Doyle home from McDonald's restaurant

LONDON (AP) — An 18th-century Scottish mansion where Sir Arthur Conan Doyle once lived was saved from a Big Mac attack Wednesday when the city of Edinburgh slapped a preservation order on it.

Fans of the Sherlock Holmes creator, alarmed to discover that McDonald's planned to build a burger restaurant on the site, appealed to city hall and won.

"This is wonderful news," said Richard Lancelyn Green, a Conan Doyle expert and former chairman of the London-based Sherlock Holmes Society. "Sherlock Holmes still has his magic, it seems."

Fans of the fictional detective and his creator had asked the Edinburgh City Council to refuse McDonald's application for planning permission. But the city fathers went one better and issued a preservation order, which prevents development of the site.

McDonald's said it had only recently learned that Conan Doyle lived at the Liberton Bank House during the 1860s, from the ages of 5 to 7, but had gone ahead with plans to develop the site owned by Pearl Assurance.

"The preservation order changes everything," said McDonald's spokesman Robert Parker. "It seems this is no longer an issue for us."

He said the development would have been sympathetic to local needs and interests and wouldn't necessarily have included the demolition of Liberton Bank House, as some news reports suggested.

A house in Edinburgh where Conan Doyle was born in 1859 has already been demolished. Yet another Conan Doyle dwelling, in Edinburgh's Portobello district, was pulled down and is now a public toilet.

It was while the family lived in the Portobello house that Conan Doyle's mother sent him to Liberton Bank to get him away from the influence of his alcoholic father, who suffered from severe depression.

The youngster stayed at Liberton with the sister of Scotland's Historiographer Royal John Hill Burton. The house has been unoccupied since 1991.

From Liberton, Conan Doyle went to boarding school in England, later returning to Edinburgh to study medicine and living at other places in the city.

Owen Dudley Edwards, a historian and Conan Doyle biographer, said the Liberton years were particularly important since the young boy was at a formative, impressionable stage of life.

Dr. Allen Simpson, coordinator of the campaign to save the building, said he hoped it would remain a private house. "If it has to be an office or shops, so be it, but at least let's have the house preserved," he said.

The building, which once stood in farmland, is now close to the parking lot of a large suburban shopping mall.

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Israeli prime minister angers both Jewish settler, Palestinians

JERUSALEM (AP) — Finally, Palestinians and Jewish settlers can agree on something: They're both plenty mad at Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak.

A settler-backed party briefly threatened Wednesday to bolt from Barak's governing coalition because he has pledged to slow future settlement expansions in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

And the Palestinians — who had already walked away from the bargaining table to protest a spurt of settlement construction since the prime minister took office — rebuffed that promise as inadequate, instead demanding an immediate and total building freeze.

The flap was all the more embarrassing because it came as Barak was playing host to Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, on a visit he had hoped would showcase the peacemaking efforts that have been the centerpiece of his 5-month-old administration.

But the outbreak of hostilities over settlements wasn't all that surprising. From the very day he was elected, Barak has walked a tightrope on the issue.

On the one hand, he longs to become the Israeli leader who at last makes peace with the Palestinians, who insist that the 144 Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip — home to more than 200,000 settlers — are illegal.

On the other, the prime minister has made settler advocates an important political partner — and acknowledges that he finds it painful to part with any of the biblical Land of Israel.

Although the current crisis blew up only hours before Albright's arrival in the region, a confrontation between Palestinians and the Barak government over the emotionally charged issue of settlements had been months in the making.

Almost daily, bulldozers can be seen carving up rocky West Bank hillsides on the outskirts of sprawling, red-roofed Jewish settlements. For Palestinians, the din of hammering and sawing heralds a threat to their aspirations for statehood even as they try to negotiate its terms.

On Monday — the day after Barak's government infuriated the Palestinians by announcing the approval of another 500 homes in two large West Bank settlements — the senior Palestinian negotiator for wide-ranging so-called final status talks said his team would no longer discuss anything except settlements.

That effectively brought those negotiations to a halt, and threw into doubt the prospects for meeting an ambitious Feb. 13 deadline for agreeing on the broad outlines of an overall peace treaty.

The next day, seeking to bring the Palestinians back to the negotiations, Barak promised to hold off on approving any new building until March. But he said projects already in progress would continue.

Palestinians said that gesture was all but meaningless, since it would have no effect on the construction spree now under way.

"It is impossible to continue with these negotiations ... while settlement (building) still goes on," said Faisal Husseini, the top PLO official in Jerusalem.

Even as Palestinians rejected Barak's offer, the pro-settlement National Religious Party raised the prospect of pulling out of Barak's coalition.

"If ... we are talking about a near-total freeze, we will not be able to stay in such a government," Shaul Yahalom, a National Religious Party legislator, told army radio.

Later, the party appeared to back away from its threat after Barak met with party leader Yitzhak Levy and reassured him that building in the settlements would continue.

Even if the party carried out its threat, it would not be enough to bring down Barak's coalition, which holds 68 seats in the 120-member Knesset. But such a defection would leave the prime minister more vulnerable to pressure from other small parties in his government — and perhaps curtail his freedom to cut a deal with the Palestinians.

Barak deliberately put together a broad-based coalition to strengthen his position in anticipation of eventually bringing a peace treaty for parliamentary approval.

The government and its critics do not even agree on the amount of new construction going on. Barak says he has authorized the building of 1,800 new apartments, but the Israeli watchdog group Peace Now puts the figure at 3,196 units — more than the yearly average under Barak's hard-line predecessor, Benjamin Netanyahu.

Albright avoided taking a position on whether Barak's offer to slow the pace of new construction was adequate, but urged Palestinians to participate fully in talks.

"Each side needs to avoid taking steps or impose conditions that embarrass the other and make negotiations more difficult," she said.

Another negotiating session was scheduled Thursday, but Palestinians were holding to their refusal to take up any agenda item except settlements.

Israel, Syria agree to reopen peace talks after long lapse

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel and Syria agreed Wednesday to resume the land-for-peace negotiations they broke off in 1996, starting next week in Washington. President Clinton, announcing the dramatic agreement, called it a breakthrough but acknowledged "the road ahead will be arduous."

Separately, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright announced after a late-night session with Yasser Arafat that the Palestinian leader had agreed to resume faltering negotiations with Israel on an overall Middle East settlement.

"History will not forgive a failure to seize this opportunity to achieve a comprehensive peace," Clinton said at a State Department news conference, expressing hope the restarted Israel-Syria talks would also spur negotiations between Israel and Lebanon.

Clinton's announcement followed Albright's meetings with Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak on Wednesday and with Syrian President Hafez Assad a day earlier. Clinton said he had talked to both Barak and Assad by telephone earlier in the day.

"There can be no illusion here. On all tracks the road ahead will be arduous, the task of negotiating agreements will be difficult," Clinton said. "Success is not inevitable. Israelis, Palestinians, Syrians and Lebanese will have to confront fateful questions."

Syria and Israel suspended negotiations 3 1/2 years ago in the midst of a wave of terrorism against the Jewish state.

Before the breakup, Israeli and Syrian negotiators were considering a swap of the Golan Heights — a strategic plateau which Israel captured from Syria in the 1967 Mideast war — for a peace accord.

Clinton did not say whether Israel was ready to give up the Golan Heights in exchange for a peace agreement. "It would not be useful for me to get into details but the negotiations are resuming on the basis of all previous negotiations," Clinton said.

Also at issue: security arrangements and Israeli access to water that flows into the Sea of Galilee.

Clinton said the Israeli-Syrian talks would resume in Washington for one or two days next week between Barak and Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk al-Sharaa, and then return to the region.

The president said the talks would be "high-level, comprehensive, and conducted with the aim of reaching an agreement as soon as possible."

"Peace has long been within our sight," he said. "Today, it is within our grasp, and we must seize it."

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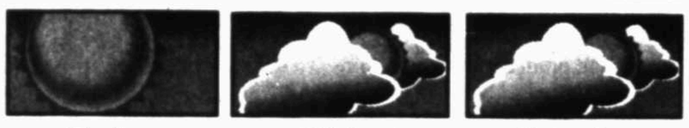

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Low mid-20s	Low near 30	Low low 30s

Today's forecast calls for sunny skies and lower temperatures with the high in the mid-50s. Winds will be from the northwest to north at 10-20 mph.

Tonight's forecast calls for clear skies and colder with the low in the mid-20s.

Friday will see increasing clouds with the low near 30 and the high in the mid-50s.

After an overnight low of 38, Wednesday's high reached 71, compared to the record high for that date of 83 set in 1977. The record low of 15 was set in 1978.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Wednesdsay	0.00 in.
Rainfall	0.00n.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	7.6 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.52 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	71
low	38
Normal high	60
Normal low	32

Pollen count

Trees: Low **Weeds:** High
Grass: Low **Molds:** Low
Dust: Low
Courtesy: John D. Bray, MD.

Sunrise ... 7:37 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:45 p.m.

National forecast

The Weather Elsewhere
By The Associated Press
Wednesday
Temperatures indicate previous day's high and overnight low to 7:00 p.m. EST.

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Abilene,Tex.	76	52		clr
Akron,Ohio	49	25		cdy
Albany,N.Y.	44	26		clr
Albuquerque	41	28		clr
Allentown,Pa.	49	25		clr
Amarillo	46	30		cdy
Anchorage	6	4		sn
Asheville	62	26		cdy
Atlanta	57	33		cdy
Atlantic City	52	28		clr
Austin	78	61		clr
Baltimore	52	27		cdy
Baton Rouge	69	39		cdy
Billings	40	19		cdy
Birmingham	59	32		cdy
Bismarck	37	25		clr
Boise	38	28	.01	sn
Boston	51	35		cdy
Bridgeport	48	33		clr
Brownsville	80	68	.02	cdy
Buffalo	43	29		clr
Burlington,Vt.	36	29		cdy
Caribou,Maine	34	28		clr
Casper	34	8		clr
Charleston,S.C.	66	32	.44	cdy
Charleston,W.Va.	55	23		cdy
Charlotte,N.C.	58	24		cdy
Chattanooga	60	28		cdy
Cheyenne	27	20		clr
Chicago	49	27		cdy
Cincinnati	52	26		cdy
Cleveland	51	29		cdy
Colorado Springs	28	27	.01	sn
Columbia,S.C.	60	25		clr
Columbus,Ga.	61	36		cdy
Columbus,Ohio	52	28		cdy
Concord,N.H.	47	31		clr
Corpus Christi	80	67		cdy
Dallas-Ft Worth	70	55		rn
Dayton	51	27		cdy
Daytona Beach	72	55		cdy
Denver	31	24	.04	clr
Des Moines	50	32		cdy
Detroit	48	29		cdy
Duluth	42	25		cdy
El Paso	65	36		clr
Elkins	49	15		cdy
Erie	50	30		cdy
Eugene	44	36	.04	rn
Evansville	57	25		cdy
Fairbanks	-7	-11		cdy
Fargo	36	23		cdy
Flagstaff	38	23		cdy
Flint	48	29		cdy
Fort Smith	58	41		rn
Fort Wayne	51	28		cdy
Fresno	54	32		rn
Goodland	42	21		cdy
Grand Junction	42	30	.11	clr
Grand Rapids	47	29		cdy
Great Falls	37	13		cdy
Green Bay	47	26		cdy
Greensboro,N.C.	58	29		clr
Harrisburg	49	30		clr
Hartford Spgfld	49	27		cdy
Helena	33	13	.03	cdy
Honolulu	81	72	.01	clr
Houston	76	52		cdy
Huntsville	57	30		cdy
Indianapolis	53	29		cdy
Jackson,Miss.	64	34		rn
Jacksonville	68	42		cdy
Juneau	38	34	.05	rn
Kansas City	52	37		rn
Knoxville	55	30		cdy
Lake Charles	72	47		cdy
Lansing	48	29		cdy
Las Vegas	55	46		cdy
Lexington	53	28		cdy
Lincoln	51	23		cdy
Little Rock	61	41		rn
Los Angeles	67	54		clr
Louisville	57	28		cdy
Lubbock	63	33		clr
Macon	63	27		cdy
Madison	47	31		rn
Medford	41	31		rn
Memphis	58	38		rn
Miami Beach	77	69	.80	cdy
Midland-Odessa	71	40		clr
Milwaukee	47	31		rn
Mpls-St Paul	47	31		cdy
Mobile	62	37		cdy
Montgomery	54	33		cdy
Nashville	61	31		cdy
New Orleans	68	46		cdy
New York City	51	36		clr
Newark	52	32		clr
Norfolk,Va.	55	33		cdy
North Platte	43	24		clr
Oklahoma City	63	41		rn
Omaha	50	29		cdy
Orlando	76	56		cdy
Paducah	59	31		cdy
Peoria	50	32		rn
Philadelphia	51	31		clr
Phoenix	62	43		clr
Pittsburgh	50	23		cdy
Pocatello	28	19		cdy
Portland,Maine	48	29		clr
Portland,Ore.	45	41	.30	rn
Providence	52	33		cdy
Pueblo	35	18		sn
Raleigh-Durham	59	27		clr
Rapid City	39	19		clr
Reno	40	17		clr
Richmond	56	28		cdy
Roanoke	59	29		cdy
Rochester	46	29		clr
Rockford	47	29		cdy
Sacramento	53	37		rn
St Louis	58	31		rn
St Thomas	82	74		cdy
Salem,Ore.	45	39	.11	rn
Salt Lake City	32	23	.02	cdy
San Angelo	77	52		clr
San Antonio	79	61		clr
San Diego	64	51		cdy
San Francisco	55	40		rn
San Jose	58	37		rn
San Juan,P.R.	82	75	.02	cdy
Santa Fe	45	17	.05	clr
St Ste Marie	42	31		cdy
Savannah	68	32		cdy
Seattle	45	39	.06	rn
Shreveport	65	46		rn
Sioux City	50	24		cdy
Sioux Falls	48	26		clr
South Bend	50	29		cdy
Spokane	36	25		sn
Springfield,Ill.	54	35		rn
Springfield,Mo.	56	39		rn
Syracuse	44	34		clr
Tallahassee	68	35		cdy
Tampa-St Ptrsbg	79	58		cdy
Toledo	50	22		cdy
Topeka	49	31		sn
Tucson	56	41		cdy
Tulsa	62	45		rn
Tupelo	58	32		cdy
Waco	74	57		clr
Washington,D.C.	49	33		cdy
W.Palm Beach	79	73		cdy
Wichita	48	34		sn
Wichita Falls	69	44		rn
Wilkes-Barre	45	26		clr
Wilmington,Del.	51	31		clr
Yakima	37	21		cdy
Youngstown	48	21		cdy
Yuma	66	50		clr

State forecast

By The Associated Press
Wednesday
Highest temperature last 12 hours, lowest past 18 hours and precipitation for 24 hours at 6 p.m.:

	High	Low	Pcp.
Abilene	67	52	
Alice	75	62	
Amarillo	64	30	
Arlington	62	54	
Austin/Bergstrom	74	60	
Austin/Mabry	73	61	
Beaumont	66	51	
Brownsville	77	68	
Burnet	69	60	
Childress	71	36	
College Station	70	55	
Conroe	68	52	
Corpus Christi	77	67	
Corsicana	68	55	
Cotulla	74	62	
Dalhart	60	28	
Dallas Love Field	62	55	
Del Rio	67	50	
Denton	62	53	
DFW Airport	64	55	
Dryden	62	45	
El Paso	64	36	
Fort Stockton	76	39	
Fort Worth Alliance	64	53	
Fort Worth Meacham	64	53	
Galveston	67	62	
Georgetown	70	57	
Guadalupe Pass	59	44	
Harlingen	78	62	
Hondo	71	59	
Houston Hobby	69	56	
Houston Intrctnl	69	52	
Huntsville	67	56	
Junction	66	44	
Kingsville	77	64	
Laredo	73	61	
Longview	63	50	
Lubbock	67	33	
Lufkin	66	50	
Marfa	64	27	
McAllen	81	62	
McKinney	62	54	
Midland	69	40	
Mineral Wells	66	49	
Navy Corpus	74	68	0.01
New Braunfels	73	60	
Odessa	71	38	
Palacios	72	62	
Paris	61	46	
Rockport	75	66	
San Angelo	70	52	
San Antonio	71	61	
San Marcos	72	57	
Shreveport, La	62	46	
Terrell	66	53	
Texarkana, Ar	59	47	
Tyler	64	49	
Victoria	75	58	
Waco	70	57	
Wichita Falls	69	44	
Wink	74	26	

'Pokemon is the place to be'

Toy is dominating industry, analyst says

By Scott Stoddard
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO — Like just about every other 10-year-old in Japan, Yasuyo Nakatani's son is addicted to Pikachu.

For an hour or two each day, the Pokemon character has him under its spell. So what's a mother at the epicenter of the Pokemon empire to do?

That's easy — stock up before Christmas.

"If he plays too much, his eyes hurt and he doesn't study," Nakatani said, her arms loaded with presents from Tokyo's Pokemon Center. "But if he leaves home without his Pokemon Game Boy, he gets bored."

Since its debut in 1996 as a software game by Nintendo Co., the Pokemon phenomenon has swollen into a $7 billion multimedia juggernaut that spans everything from television shows to trading cards, and is spreading across the globe.

For Japanese, Pokemon's success has become a source of national pride.

"Pokemon is the place to be," said Lisa Spicer, an analyst at West LB Securities Pacific, Ltd. "It's definitely the dominant force in the toy industry."

Nowhere is that more obvious than at the Pokemon Center behind Tokyo Station, which is easily identifiable by the lines outside — stretching 400 people or so on weekends.

Along with the standard software, trading cards and action figures, the store carries Pokemon mouse pads, Pokemon cookies, Pokemon spatulas, Pokemon chopsticks.

There are 151 Pokemon characters, ranging from Diglett, a tiny mole-like character, to Onix, with a face that looks like a rock.

Each monster — a misnomer actually, since most of the characters are deliberately cute — has its own powers, which can be enhanced or changed to battle its opponents.

That means kids have to strategize. And therein lies a large part of the game's appeal: It makes kids think.

Pokemon is expected to account for 20 percent of all Christmas toy sales in the United States this year. Its star, the cuddly Pikachu, has graced the covers of both Time and the New Yorker.

Sales of Pokemon stuff in Japan alone added up to $5.85 billion last year — but its true significance may transcend mere sales figures.

Japan's economy — just now getting out from under its worst slowdown since World War II, — has lost the shine it once had. So Pokemon's invasion of America is seen by many as evidence that Japan may be down, but certainly isn't out.

And more is in store.

Pokemon fans in Japan started reserving copies of the latest Pokemon game, "Kingin," months before its Nov. 21 debut, grabbing all 1.8 million copies at $37 a piece. The game will hit shelves in the United States in time for next year's holiday season.

This summer, Warner Brothers will release a new Pokemon movie in the United States. The third movie, "Pichu and Pikachu," will be launched in Japan at the same time and probably make its way to the United States in 2001.

But while the trading cards and software games are relatively benign, the Pokemon TV shows and movies have a reputation for violence.

Last December, at least 700 viewers in Japan — mostly young children — were sent to hospitals with symptoms ranging from nausea to epilepsy-like spasms after watching the cartoon.

A particularly intense scene, in which the screen flashed bright colors in rapid succession, was blamed for the seizures. TV Tokyo toned down the effects.

For parents outside the Pokemon Center, however, such issues were of little concern.

"It's just a game," said Yoichi Misato, as his 5-year-old daughter Yasui munched on Pokemon potato chips.

GOLF: Tournament purse will be increased to $400,000

(From 1A)

at a historic low," Lindgren said. "It is hard to get people to sponsor the tournament with the price (of oil) so low. This is an oil-based economy."

It is not a complex theory, nor is it one that the people with the Permian Basin Open wanted to emphasize on Wednesday during a press conference at The Club at Mission Dorado.

Glast and Lindgren were on hand to talk about a future that looks as bright as the past year must have seemed bleak. They talked about a bigger and better Permian Basin Open in 2000.

It starts with a new sponsor for the PGA's second tour. In 2000, BUY.COM, not the Nike Corp., is taking a major sponsorship position with the tour. So, starting in 2000, the Nike Permian Basin Open will become the BUY.COM Permian Basin Open.

Name is not the only place where the PBO will be affected. Like the rest of the tour stops, the PBO will see a significant increase in the tournament purse. Next year, the tournament purse will be raised from $225,000 to $400,000 (a $175,000, or 77 percent, increase). The winner's share skyrockets from $40,500 to $72,000 (also a 77 percent increase).

Another announcement made at the press conference was that The Club at Mission Dorado, the site for the Permian Basin Open, was sold by Dallas-based ClubCorp. USA, to The Club at Mission Dorado LLC. Glast said this will be a big positive for the tournament as well as Mission's members.

"It is our opinion that it (Mission) is the best course in West Texas, but not where it should be," Glast said.

Glast said that new ownership will allow three course needs to be taken care of. One, there will be more resources in the budget for the course. Two, the golf course equipment will be upgraded. Three, the golf staff will have the backing to better do its job.

To help with the short-term and long-term changes is Design Masters of Florida. Its list of clients includes Augusta National (site of The Masters) and Shinnecock Hills Golf Course (site of three U.S. Opens).

"I felt like I was in the wrong spot," said Glast of talking with a company that has such a distinguished clientele list. "Those are feathers in their cap."

Were the changes to the course ordered by the PGA Tour? Glast said no, but that "the PGA Tour, on the agronomy side, has the right to see continued improvement if they will allow you to have an event.

"The players expect to see the same quality and condition of the course whether is the PGA Tour or the BUY.COM Tour."

The fact is that the region's economic slump could not prevent the tournament from making a sizable donation to charity. Before Glast came on board, it would have meant the end.

The PBO will go on as the only BUY.COM Tour event in the state. It will keep giving money to charities. Some years will be better than others, but will also remain as one of the marquee sporting events in this area.

It has to. In the whole state, there are five areas that hosts a PGA-sanctioned professional golf event — Dallas, Fort Worth, Houston, San Antonio and Midland-Odessa.

COUNTY: Plan won't affect paychecks, Prude says

(From 1A)

ing sales tax revenue.

"It has not looked good for the sales tax," she said. "People are not buying.

"We understand that everybody is hurting, not just here in the county, but all over," Mrs. Valencia said.

Mrs. Valencia said that she had "fought that (property) tax decrease" by a previous court and which had resulted in deficits.

"We restored most of that (in a 1999 tax increase)," County Judge Bill Morrow noted.

Painter cited the increased costs of living, due in part to corporations raising prices for increased profits and to benefit their stockholders.

"We need some relief," Painter said. "We need some help."

"We understand that, Sheriff," Morrow said.

District Attorney Al Schorre — who earlier had proposed that there be an audit of the county's insurance claims and payments to discourage fraud — had suggested that employees use health care cards with identifying photographs.

"I know that the county has had a tough time financially, and so have the employees," Schorre said.

He had urged the commissioners not to increase employees' insurance costs.

"These times are really tough for the employees," Schorre said.

Noted Commissioner Randy Prude: "This (revised health care plan) will not affect their paycheck. It's not going to cost them any more if they are well."

Bradford, who noted that the court infused the county's struggling health care plan with $1 million earlier this year, said, that the plan "is there to be used.

"What you need to figure out is how to remedy, in some areas, an expense increase to an employee who has patiently waited and worked with this county and has received no compensation to offset it," Bradford said. "We've got to figure some way to help the people who help the community."

HEALTH: State changes food regulations

(From 1A)

ment Rules,' which makes it more convenient for inspectors because there's only one book as opposed to two," said Gumm.

"It promotes uniformity of inspections in food establishments," said Garcia. "The rules apply to all those establishments selling food — restaurants, grocery stores, etc."

All of these changes were passed by the Texas Department of Health last year, said Gumm, but cities and counties have taken their time implementing them because there was no time line set by the state requiring universal adoption by local entities statewide.

LOCAL: Club board looks forward to challenge

(From 1A)

you constantly take a look at your assets to see how they and their members can best be served. In this case, we felt it would be best for local ownership to take over the club and serve its members.

"Our focus is the members and how to serve them, that's what we do," Smith said. "... We want a win-win solution, and in this case, the purchase by local investors fits that desire."

Bob Porter, who will serve as secretary for the board of directors, said that "it's going to be an adventure. We're looking forward to making this a first-class operation."

"We're looking forward to getting started, turning the club around, building up the membership," said Jimmy Bridges, the board's vice president. "We're looking forward to the challenge."

The other board officer is Terry Ferguson, treasurer; board members are Ken Anderson, Bob Dickerson, Clark Dickson and Gary Meyer.

Glast said the Professional Golf Association (PGA) was aware of the negotiations between the investors and ClubCorp. and is enthusiastic about planned improvements to the course, which will host the Nike Permian Basin Open next summer, as it has for the past eight years.

Steve Lindgren, president of the Permian Basin Open, said that "with the new owners' commitment to upgrade the course and facilities, I expect a better tournament."

The owners have contracted with Florida-based Designmasters to work with the house and grounds committee on long- and short-term improvements to the club and course.

Stepp said that as general manager, "I plan to continue training of existing and new staff members as is required, and to work on capital expenditures to enhance the aesthetics of the club. It's a good facility, it needs a little tender loving care and I plan to give it that so it can be the first-class facility it should be."

MOTHER: Boy is sent to live with grandparents

(From 1A)

za for Thanksgiving dinner," Mrs. Jeffries said.

She said Ms. Wells was very private, so neighbors probably didn't notice anything was wrong. "I'm not surprised they didn't check on her because she kept to herself, and I guess she taught Travis to do the same," Mrs. Jeffries said.

Mrs. Jeffries also said Ms. Wells never mentioned Travis' father, and the boy said he didn't have a father.

Pamela Lawson, Travis' fourth-grade teacher, said he hadn't shown any signs that something was wrong. She said when she heard about the death, "I thought, 'Was I missing something? Was he trying to hint at things and I didn't get it?' He never even tried to say anything."

Ms. Lawson said that Travis apparently had signed his mother's name to papers and a report card that required a parent's signature.

Travis spent Monday night at a county emergency shelter for juveniles. The next day, a court awarded temporary custody to his maternal grandparents, who live in Carthage, Miss.

Pick 3 Texas

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

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
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Lockerbie trial postponed; CIA agents seeking to testify incognito

CAMP ZEIST, Netherlands (AP) — A Scottish judge ruled Wednesday that two Libyans must face conspiracy charges in the 1988 Lockerbie bombing, while prosecutors said they wanted some of their witnesses — including intelligence agents and a Libyan informant — to testify in disguise.

The judge postponed the start of the trial until May 3 to give the defense time to prepare its case after the suspects' lawyers complained they had received notice of hundreds of prosecution witnesses and pieces of evidence only since October.

In a glimpse of the colossal challenge facing both legal teams, the defense said at a pretrial hearing that there were 1,127 witnesses and 2,347 pieces of evidence in the case file so far.

It was the second postponement in the trial of Abdel Basset Ali al-Megrahi and Lamen Khalifa Fhimah, originally scheduled to begin last June, then delayed the first time to Feb. 2.

The new delay pushes the start of the trial to more than a year after Libya surrendered the two men to stand trial for the deaths of 270 people — including 189 Americans — killed in the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Scotland. In a bid to end international sanctions, Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi agreed to have them tried under Scottish law in a neutral third country, and they were handed over in April.

The hearings are being held at Camp Zeist, a former U.S. military airfield in the Netherlands, declared Scottish sovereign territory for the duration of the trial, which is expected to last at least a year.

The suspects, allegedly Libyan intelligence operatives, are charged with murder, conspiracy to commit murder and breaches of Britain's Aviation Security Act in the bombing, which killed 259 people aboard the jet and 11 on the ground in the village of Lockerbie. If convicted, they face up to life imprisonment in Scotland's highest-security prison. Scotland has no death penalty.

The defense tried unsuccessfully to get the conspiracy charge dropped on the grounds that the bombing had not been planned in Scotland. But the judge, Lord Ranald Sutherland, a Scottish High Court justice, ruled that Scottish courts have jurisdiction.

"When ... a crime of the utmost gravity has been conspired abroad, it appears to me quite illogical to say that we cannot put the conspirators on trial in Scotland, even though the conspiracy has been entered into abroad," he said.

However, Sutherland did grant the defense's request for more time to prepare their case. "It is abundantly clear from the nature of the evidence ... that the preparation of the defense case is of exceptional difficulty," the judge said.

David Ben Aryeh, a spokesman for the relatives of Lockerbie victims in Britain, said that given the enormity of the case, "it is only right that the defense be given the right time to prepare."

Sutherland rejected a prosecution request to guarantee witnesses the option of shielding their identities from the public by showing up in disguise. The judge said such requests must be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Cuba enjoys partial victories in case of 6-year-old, hijacking

HAVANA (AP) — Cuba's communist government enjoyed two partial victories over the United States on Wednesday, with American officials recognizing that a father can assert his claim to take his son back to Cuba and agreeing to return a group of suspected boat hijackers to the island.

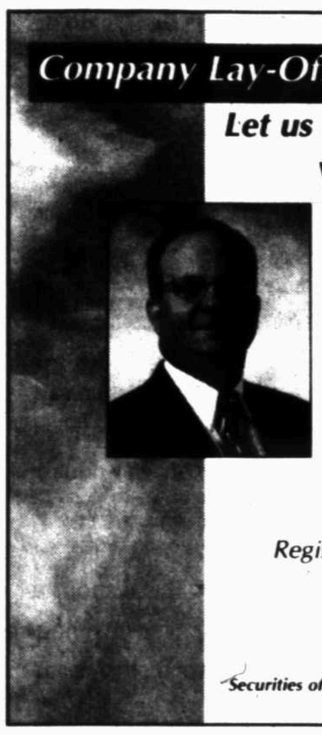
Yet with 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez still in the United States and the possibility that Florida courts would delay the suspected hijackers' return, the victories remained incomplete. Another major protest was planned for Wednesday evening outside the U.S. Interests Section in Havana to press for Elian's return to his homeland.

Elian was rescued off the Florida coast and turned over to relatives in Miami. Elian's mother and stepfather died in the illegal attempt to flee to the United States. His father has insisted on the boy's return to Cuba.

The Clinton administration said Tuesday that it recognizes the father's right to assert his claim to take his son home even though the boy says he wants to stay in Miami. State Department deputy spokesman James B. Foley said American immigration authorities will contact the boy's father to explain the process by which his rights would be evaluated.

Elian's paternal great-aunt and great-uncle have said that they could provide him a better life than he could have in Cuba. Coaxed by relatives to talk publicly for the first time Tuesday night, Elian said, "I want to stay." He whispered "yes" when asked if he liked it in Miami.

The father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, argues that his rights as the boy's surviving parent supersede any claims his aunt and uncle might have.



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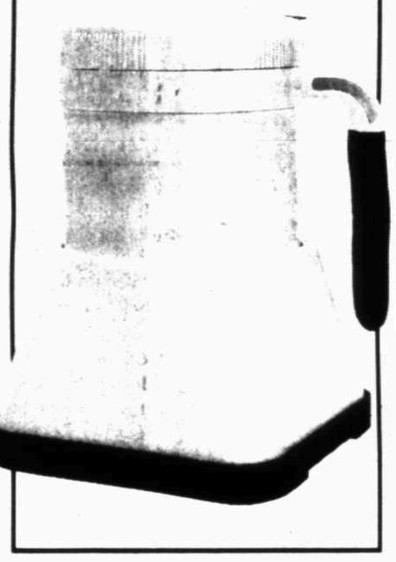

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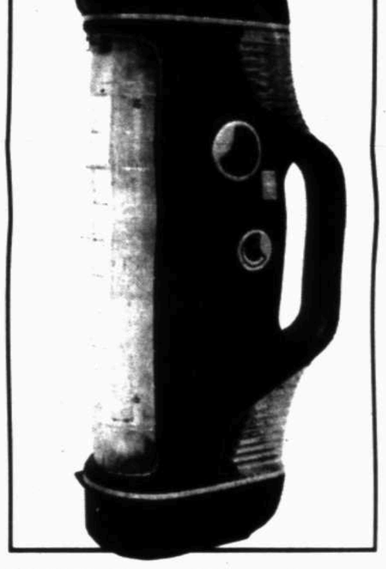

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Hearing starts on new controls on experimental gene therapy

By Paul Recer
Associated Press

BETHESDA, Md. — An Arizona teen-ager who died in a gene therapy experiment should never have been part of the study and researchers who conducted it violated at least two rules of the testing, federal officials said Wednesday.

Food and Drug Administration officials said Jesse Gelsinger, 18, "did not meet the entry criterion" for participating in an experiment in which his liver was injected with a virus carrying a corrective gene.

Researchers at the University of Pennsylvania, where the experiment was part of a series of gene therapy trials, denied the accusation and said they would defend their work at a hearing Thursday at the National Institutes of Health.

The allegations were announced Wednesday after a daylong hearing before an NIH advisory committee investigating the death and looking at safety issues in gene therapy experiments. The panel, called the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee, or RAC, also is considering new guidelines that would sharpen federal control and force the public disclosure of problems in gene therapy experiments.

The RAC's hearing, before a packed auditorium, is to resume Thursday and is expected to continue through Friday.

Gelsinger's death, the first directly blamed on a gene therapy experiment, prompted the review of the emerging medical treatment.

The Tucson teen-ager suffered from a genetic liver disorder and was enrolled in a University of Pennsylvania trial designed to correct his condition by inserting normal genes into his liver.

Gelsinger died within days of the experiment.

Kathryn Zoon, chief of the FDA's Center for Biologics Evaluation, said preliminary findings of an FDA investigation show Gelsinger had elevated ammonia in his blood, an indication of a distressed liver, when he received the gene injection.

"The entry levels for ammonia (readings) were not met," said Zoon.

She also said the Pennsylvania researchers failed to notify the FDA of two other patients in the therapy experiments who suffered liver damage severe enough to halt the trial.

"The investigators were supposed to have notified the FDA by call or fax immediately," said Zoon. She said the researchers also failed to mention on patient consent forms that a monkey died after receiving experimental gene therapy.

Dr. James Wilson, head of the University of Pennsylvania team, said Gelsinger did meet the FDA requirements when he enrolled in the trial, but his ammonia levels were "slightly elevated" just prior to the gene therapy injection.

"We remain fully comfortable with the clinical decision to use alternate pathways to lower that level and proceed with the trial," Wilson said in a statement.

In addition, he said the FDA was notified of the two other patients who suffered liver damage.

While Wilson issued a statement, he refused to answer questions, promising a full discussion of the Gelsinger case Thursday.

Days after blaze, firefighters still search

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) — Firefighters sifted ash and soot through a screen Wednesday in hopes of finding anything — a button, a badge, a body part — that could lead them to the bodies of their comrades, still missing in the smoldering ruins of an abandoned warehouse.

For days, around the clock, they have been engaged in the dirty, grim and tedious task in the shadow of the five-story building, where six firefighters perished Friday. Only two bodies have been recovered.

Behind the men Wednesday was a 10-foot pile of soot still needing to be sifted.

"We still have four of our brothers in there," fire Lt. Don Courtney said. "We want them back."

Two of the firefighters were killed in Friday night's blaze after going inside to rescue any homeless people who might have been inside. After the firefighters became engulfed in black smoke, they radioed "Mayday!" The four other firefighters died coming to their aid.

Authorities believe a homeless couple who lived in the warehouse started the fire when they knocked over a candle during an argument. The two pleaded innocent Tuesday to involuntary manslaughter and were ordered held on $1 million bail.

The area around the charred warehouse has sprung to life, with a tent city in a parking lot to support the search by hundreds of firefighters.

The crisp blue and white tents give the area the look of a summer festival. But the mood is somber.

The workers wear black ribbons. A sign posted on one tent reads "Search Dogs." And a red Fire Department bus parked nearby has a hand-written placard in the window, "Families."

Volunteers from the Salvation Army and the Red Cross provide hot meals and snacks for the hundreds of firefighters who have been at the scene around the clock. Other tents offer counseling and massages. There are cots for napping, but rest does not come easy. Demolition equipment is loud and helicopters occasionally hover overhead.

"This huge city has developed," said District Fire Chief James Callery. "It's a miracle. I've never seen anything like it."

Looming in the background are the gutted remains of the red brick warehouse. Smoke still poured from the mostly demolished building Wednesday, and flames could still be seen through a few windows.

Near the base of the building, six men stood in ankle-deep mud, painstakingly probing the wet soot for any sign of the missing men. One firefighter used a rake to poke through a small pile of ash, while five firefighters with trowels worked with a screen.

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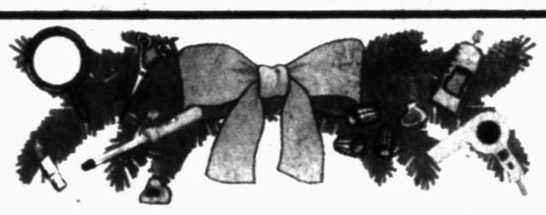

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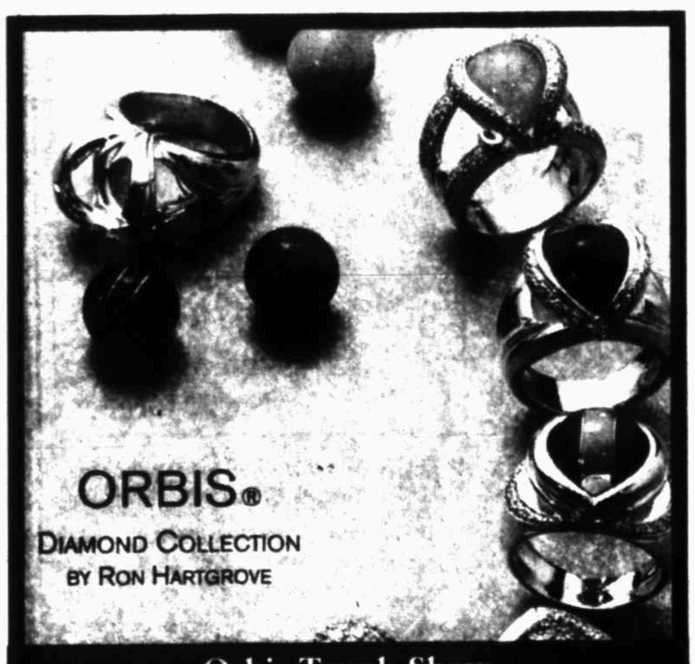

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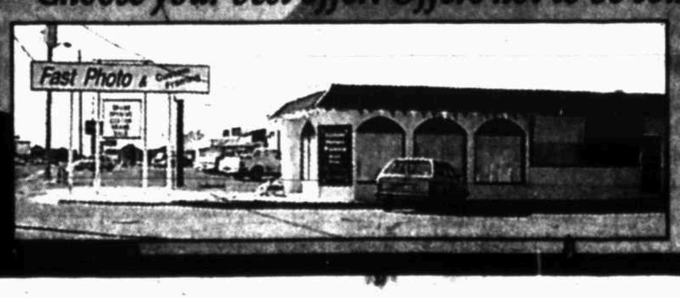

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Soldier found guilty of premeditated murder

By James Prichard
Associated Press

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. — An Army private was found guilty of premeditated murder Wednesday for bludgeoning to death a fellow soldier in a beating prosecutors said was motivated by his hatred of homosexuals.

Pvt. Calvin N. Glover, 18, was convicted of using a baseball bat to crush Pfc. Barry Winchell's skull as he slept on a cot at their Fort Campbell barracks on July 5. The military jury deliberated for little more than an hour.

A sentencing hearing for Glover, who is from Sulphur, Okla., was set for Thursday. The conviction carries a mandatory penalty of life in prison, and jurors will decide whether he will ever be eligible for parole.

Glover showed no reaction as the verdict was read. His mother, Kathy Roundtree, started weeping moments later.

Defense attorneys argued that another soldier, Spec. Justin R. Fisher, 25, who is charged as an accessory, goaded Glover into the attack.

Before the start of the court-martial, Glover admitted to a lesser charge of unpremeditated murder in hopes of receiving a lighter sentence. But prosecutor Capt. Gregg Engler went ahead with the court-martial on the more serious charge of premeditated murder.

When he offered his plea, Glover sobbed and said he did not know why he hit the Winchell "at least two or three times" with a bat.

"I wasn't really mad at him, sir. It was just a mistake, sir. I was really drunk," Glover told the judge.

During the trial, Staff Sgt. Michael Kleifgen testified that Fisher started spreading rumors in March among members of their unit that Winchell, of Kansas City, Mo., was gay. Fisher often harassed Winchell and once, during a scuffle, struck him with a dustpan, Kleifgen said. Winchell needed stitches in his head.

Kleifgen, their section leader at the time, said he regularly spoke with Fisher and Winchell about their differences. The problems continued, however, so the matter was presented to a first sergeant, he said.

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MISD agreement gives roadmap to better education

U.S. District Judge Edward Prado's acceptance of the settlement agreement reached by Midland Independent School District and the Justice Department should signal the start of a new road for public education in Midland.

The agreement, while not overly pleasing to the Plaintiff-Intervenors, does not grant unitary status to the district, a goal which MISD has sought. Rather, the agreement has been described as a roadmap for the school district and the Justice Department to follow to reach unitary status.

The Plaintiff-Intervenors have already indicated they will continue to monitor the progress of the school district as it follows the agreed to roadmap. That is important because there still are a number of different factions in Midland who are pushing for what they believe is the best interest of Midland's school children. But it is the roadmap that will help MISD and the Justice Department reach that goal; that goal should be a better quality of education for all Midland school children.

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The analogy of the roadmap in this instance is a good one. The agreement reached is not the final equation in what will be the future of public education in Midland, but it is a good plan for getting there. We all have to pitch in and get involved to get where we want to go.

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Dec. 9, the 343rd day of 1999. There are 22 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 9, 1907, Christmas seals went on sale for the first time, at the Wilmington, Del., post office; proceeds went to fight tuberculosis.

On this date:

In 1608, English poet John Milton was born in London.

In 1854, Alfred, Lord Tennyson's famous poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade," was published in England.

In 1940, British troops opened their first major offensive in North Africa during World War II.

In 1941, China declared war on Japan, Germany and Italy.

In 1942, the Aram Khachaturian ballet "Gayane," featuring the surging "Saber Dance," was first performed by the Kirov Ballet.

In 1958, the anti-Communist John Birch Society was formed in Indianapolis.

In 1965, Nikolai V. Podgorny replaced Anastas I. Mikoyan as president of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet.

In 1979, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, the religious broadcaster, died in New York City at age 84.

In 1992, Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana announced their separation. The couple's divorce became final in 1996.

In 1995, Congressman Kweisi Mfume, D-Md., was chosen to become the new head of the NAACP.

Ten years ago: President Bush's national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft, and Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger began a surprise visit to Beijing, six months after China's crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators.

Five years ago: Representatives of the Irish Republican Army and the British government opened peace talks in Northern Ireland. President Clinton fired Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders after learning she'd told a conference that masturbation should be discussed in school as a part of human sexuality.

One year ago: Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee drew up four articles of impeachment against President Clinton, all stemming from his sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky and long campaign to cover it up.

George Will

What does Borders have to do with globalization?

WASHINGTON—The Seattle protester wore a Gap sweatshirt that undoubtedly was made somewhere across the globe, under imperfect labor laws. He was perhaps one of the "anarchists" demanding comprehensive governmental regulation of international trade. When his denunciation of globalization took the form of looting a Radio Shack store, he liberated (as was said by his sort in the Sixties) a satellite dish.

Will

Analyzing Seattle's end-of-the-century version of the storming of the Winter Palace, The Washington Post's correspondent wrote that proponents of free trade can no longer just tell people that free trade improves workers' jobs and consumers' choices: "It turns out people also care about the loss of the corner bookstore. ..."

Well. Tom Hayden, incarnation of the American left (nostalgia for Grant Park, Chicago, 1968), congratulated the protesters for dealing with so many issues—with "everything." But even if, as is not the case, independent bookstores were vanishing because of Borders, Barnes & Noble and Amazon.com, what would *that* have to do with globalization?

The New Republic's Gregg Easterbrook remembers when turmoil in the streets concerned war, civil rights, abortion. This year the issues are "the genetic modification of canola oil and WTO side letters on cross-border intellectual-property enforcement." Which is an index of social health.

A Business Week headline: "The 'Frankenfood' Monster Stalks Capitol Hill." The story: "Consumer and environmental groups are turning up the heat on Congress and regulatory agencies to crack down on biotech foods." The "flash point" is legislation to require food companies to disclose, on labels, genetically modified ingredients. One of the legislation's sponsors, Rep. Dennis Kucinich, a Cleveland Democrat, says, "Labeling is inevitable."

Time was, the left's language of inevitability pertained to the collapse of capitalism and the transition to socialism. Now what is inevitable is more fine print on food labels, even though, as Easterbrook says, there is no scientific evidence that any genetically modified crop has done any harm to anyone anywhere.

The left thought of itself as internationalist (the song atop its hit parade was "The Internationale") until Aug. 3, 1914. Then Germany's largest party, the Social Democrats, at the time the world's most important party of the left, said: Come to think about it, workers *do* have fatherlands, and we shall vote for war credits.

Since then, semi-autarky has been the left's recurring temptation. Protectionism is imperative for the left's agenda, which is ever-increasing government allocation of wealth and opportunity.

The left's fellow travelers include corporate protectionists. Seeking relief from the rigors of competition, they became "progressives" urging government regulation of trade—of course, always in the name of altruism (protecting workers and the environment elsewhere). Similarly, Main Street merchants, haunted by the specter of a Wal-Mart at the edge of town, use zoning and other laws to protect themselves from competition, always in the name of preserving downtown's "communitarian" values, not—heaven forfend!—its real estate values.

Some say the Seattle protests portend a "global progressive coalition." But the protesters oppose the most progressive force of the last two centuries. Trade that drives economic development—and better nutrition and health—has been, strictly speaking, progressive because the poor have gained most.

Robert Fogel of the University of Chicago writes that in 1875 the British elite lived on average 17 years longer than the population as a whole. Today the gap is one year. Life expectancy increased twice as much in the last century as during the previous 200,000 years, with the poor benefiting most. In Britain at the end of the Napoleonic wars, the typical male laborer was five inches shorter at maturity than the typical male member of the elite. Today the difference is about an inch.

Change can be disturbing, but change has been the only constant of modern life ever since the famous modernist Heraclitus (d. 475 B.C.) said that. Larry McMurtry, the novelist ("Lonesome Dove," etc.), knows that pell-mell change is no novelty of 20th-century America. In "Walter Benjamin at the Dairy Queen," McMurtry's new memoir of growing up in Archer County, Texas, he notes that it was just one long lifetime from the Lewis and Clark expedition to Wounded Knee—indeed to the Census Bureau's 1890 declaration that the frontier was closed.

McMurtry writes, "My grandfather, in the strictest sense of the word, started from scratch, in a place without a house, on land that had never been plowed." Some people became deranged by the sheer baldness of the landscape. Imagine what they would have thought of people who fly—fly!—to Seattle to lament the hardships of modern life.

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Art Buchwald

'I love you' is the millennium winner

The results are in. The public has selected the most-spoken phrases of the last millennium — the ones that were used more often than any others in the last 1,000 years. The winner — the phrase spoken most frequently — was: "I love you."

There was a controversy among the judges whether or not people who said it and didn't mean it could be counted. A poll was conducted, and it revealed that 51 percent of the population was sincere when they uttered it, and only 49 percent said they didn't really mean it. The 49 percent admitted they said it only when they wanted a favor from the other person.

Buchwald

The survey also indicated that some people who said "I love you" on Tuesday felt they were not necessarily committed on Friday.

But what made it the most uttered set of words is that during the last 1,000 years people still wanted to hear it whether it was believable or not.

Another reason it was a winner is that songwriters through the ages found that love songs sold the best, so they kept sticking love into their lyrics, even if they had to rhyme love with glove, dove and above.

The other reason it beat out the competition is that "I love you" was easy to say in any language. Whether you were a native in New Guinea or an Eskimo in Alaska "I love you" was the thing people would die for the most.

While "I love you" was the winner hands down, there were many interesting runners-up.

Another in the top 10 was "I hate you." This phrase came sometime after the person changed his mind about having said "I love you." One of the reasons it was used so frequently is that children kept saying it to their parents when they could not get what they wanted.

These were the other contenders — not in a class with "I love you" but still heard 'round the world.

"I didn't do it" has been used for 1,000 years, even by a president of the United States. As a matter of fact, every leader during the millennium has uttered it to cover up his mistakes.

Another one originally was heard in the Dark Ages that continued in popularity was "Trust me." It has been used by politicians, lawyers, doctors, clergymen, investigative reporters and commentators on TV.

Other things people said that will go down in history:

"I'm on a diet." This tied in the voting with the expression "It's fat free."

"I didn't know it was loaded" became popular as soon as guns were introduced to the human race.

"The check is in the mail" didn't make it because this phrase did not come into its own until checking accounts were invented. The same goes for "I hope to win the lottery."

I don't know what people will be saying in the upcoming millennium except possibly "My computer is down."

As for me, I'd like to mark the 1,000 years I have been writing this column by saying to all my readers, "I love you."

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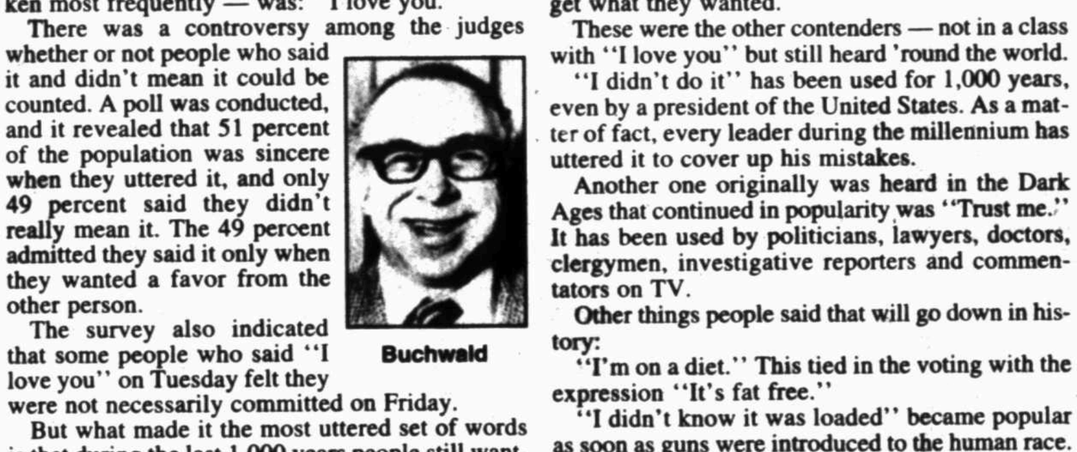

Cal Thomas

Can't read? Can't write? Break up the monopoly

LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles public school system is the latest in a growing number of education monopolies to declare intellectual bankruptcy. School administrators announced last week that 350,000 students, about half of the student body, are failing to make the grades necessary for promotion, but most won't be held back for fear they would clog up the system.

The projected failure rates are among the highest of any urban area in the country. Fifty-four percent of the students are not fluent in English. The usual suspects are blamed: too little money, despite the fact that Americans are being taxed more and authorities are spending more on public education than at any time in the nation's history; unqualified and too few teachers; substandard buildings.

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Across the country where states and cities are attempting to end social promotion so that degrees will mean something and employers won't have to educate new employees on the job, similar unacceptable failure rates are being reported and the end of social promotion delayed. In Arizona, just one in 10 sophomores passed a new state math exam last spring. In Virginia, only 7 percent of public school students have met state testing requirements.

The public is being asked to cough up more cash to subsidize more failure. The answer isn't more money. The answer is the break up of the education monopoly and shifting the focus to the students.

Ted Forstmann, chairman of the Children's Scholarship Fund (CSF), was in Washington last month to speak at a "No Excuses Conference" sponsored by the Heritage Foundation. Forstmann noted that 1.25 million people from all 50 states and 22,000 cities and towns have applied to the CSF for scholarships so that poor children can exercise the same education choice as wealthier families.

Noting that there is no excuse for schools that fail to graduate half their students, Forstmann said that additional dollars and time spent on propping up a system that is clearly not working will only ensure more failure, not less. He called for treating education like every other sector of society by ending monopolies and opening education to competition. Government education is a bigger monopoly than Microsoft, yet the government seeks to break up Microsoft while it subsidizes the education cartel.

Competition would weed out incompetent teachers and pressure all schools improve performance or, like any business, they would be forced to shut down by schools that perform better. "You can have one culture — the culture of entrenched and protected mediocrity," said Forstmann, "or the ... culture of rewarded excellence and penalized failure."

The monopolistic education model is the worst possible way to achieve basic education goals. As Forstmann reminded us: "America was founded on a completely different system: a competitive education system -- without compulsion or government interference, in which parents were free to choose from many options -- a system which served the country well and lasted a long time, until the government monopoly pushed it aside 100 years after its founding."

Freedom, competition and choice will improve education. The current monopoly will ensure more failure. The public should give the present system a failing grade and refuse to promote it any longer.

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NASA troubles make 1999 worst year since Challenger

By Marcia Dunn
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — A grounded space shuttle fleet. An international space station on hold. A crippled Hubble Space Telescope. Two failed Mars probes. One launch delay after another.

For NASA, this has been the worst year since the Challenger disaster in 1986.

The space agency has a chance to redeem itself with the shuttle Discovery's mission to save the Hubble, which is out of service until astronauts arrive with replacement parts. But Saturday's launch is off while NASA decides what to do about a dented fuel line, and the delay could last for days or weeks.

The flight is already two months late because of never-ending wiring problems.

Alex Roland, a former NASA historian who teaches at Duke University, said the string of launch delays and other problems have eroded public confidence in NASA and given the impression of an agency in disarray. At the same time, he said he found it worrisome to see NASA going into a shuttle countdown amid such turmoil.

"You don't ever want external public or political pressure shaping your decisions about a mission. Unfortunately, that's exactly the position that NASA now finds itself in," Roland said Wednesday. "No matter how detached they attempt to be about the technical readiness to launch, they are sure to have all these other things in the back of their minds."

Back in the glory days of Apollo during the 1960s, NASA was the can-do agency. In only eight years, it put men on the moon. Despite all odds, it saved three astronauts from the cursed Apollo 13 in 1970.

Fast-forward to 1999: Money isn't nearly as forthcoming from Washington and NASA can't seem to do anything right.

"It's been a tough year," said Ed Weiler, head of NASA's space science program. "If our job were to be producing carburetors for Toyotas and we had this kind of year, I'd say it wasn't bad luck, it was we were screwing up doing something here.

"We're exploring the universe. It's not just a cliche. We are, we really are, I'm not just saying that for effect, and you're going to have bumps along the road."

President Clinton was quick to defend NASA on Wednesday.

"We all use the slogan 'Well, this isn't rocket science.' Well, this is rocket science," Clinton said at a news conference. "I think it's important not only for the American tradition of exploration, but ... we have to keep doing this if we ever hope to know what's beyond our galaxy."

In July, a short circuit caused by an exposed wire and a fuel leak caused by a loose engine pin marred the launch of the first shuttle commanded by a woman and led to the grounding of the fleet. Each problem was "potentially disastrous," in the words of one aerospace safety official.

In September, the Mars Climate Orbiter apparently burned up in the Red Planet's atmosphere because of a metric mix-up. In November, the Hubble's system for pointing at stars shut down and all astronomical observations ceased, and the X-33 program to develop a new generation of space shuttles suffered a major setback when a fuel tank was damaged in testing. In December, the Mars Polar Lander failed to call home when it tried to land on the Red Planet.

And then there were problems outside NASA's control. Russia, strapped for cash, has not yet completed a crucial part for the international space station. As a result, the assembly of the space station is on hold and no one can move into it yet.

If Discovery manages to blast off this month, it will be only the third shuttle flight this year. NASA hasn't had such a slow year since shuttle flights resumed in September 1988, more than 2 1/2 years after the Challenger accident left seven astronauts dead.

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After hammering Bradley, Gore refuses to rule out future tax increases

By Sandra Sobieraj
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Vice President Al Gore, who spent the past week hammering Bill Bradley for refusing to rule out future tax increases, declined Wednesday to make his own no-new-taxes pledge. "Nobody has a crystal ball," Gore said.

"I'm willing to say that under current economic circumstances, I have no intention of proposing any tax increase," Gore told reporters during an unusual campaign stop.

At the cigarette-smoke-filled Cyberstop Cafe, Gore sent Bradley, his opponent for the Democratic presidential nomination, an e-mail questioning Bradley's stand on strengthening Medicare.

Amid a blistering battle-by-press-release between Gore and Bradley on the question of raising taxes, a reporter asked the vice president if he was willing now to swear off tax increases even if, under a Gore presidency, federal budget surplus projections fail to materialize and he is otherwise unable to pay for his programs.

In reply, Gore characterized his position as "looking at the future of fiscal policy and imagining all kinds of different circumstances that can come up and saying that well, you know, you have to have flexibility on the fiscal side."

Pressed to clarify that he was not ruling out tax increases under whatever future turn the economy may take, Gore replied: "I'm ruling them out under circumstances that approximate what we have today. ... Nobody has a crystal ball. But what we do have is the biggest surpluses in the history of the United States."

Bradley spokesman Eric Hauser replied: "It's pretty clear he's where we are, which makes it puzzling that for five days he attacked a position he holds."

Republican presidential hopeful Steve Forbes weighed in from the campaign trail, saying Gore was "trying to be Clinton-esque coy." Forbes added, "If you don't take a firm, hard pledge against raising taxes, it means you'll take the first excuse to do it."

Gore has tried to score points against Bradley on the politically perilous tax issue after Bradley raised the possibility of tax increases in an interview with The Washington Post last week.

Bradley told the Post that getting health insurance to 95 percent of Americans would be such a priority in a Bradley administration that, if future economic growth failed to meet projections, he would consider raising taxes or cutting other programs before abandoning his health agenda.

Gore and his campaign seized on Bradley's hypothetical musing as a tax increase "proposal" and evidence that Bradley's plan is too expensive to fit within a balanced budget.

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New flood plains map could lower insurance rates

By Ian Heald
Staff Writer

The new map provides 'accurate, computer-generated composites' that depict which areas are most at risk.

Midlanders currently living in flood plains may be able to save money on their flood insurance rates due to a recent update of the city's flood plains map, according to Rene Franks, assistant city engineer. Ms. Franks said the new map will show that many people in the flood plain aren't at as high a risk to potential flood damage as previous maps have indicated.

The new map provides "accurate, computer-generated composites" of city streets and flood plain areas that accurately depict which areas are at the most risk. Past flood plains maps weren't drawn to an accurate scale of city streets, which made it difficult for property owners to determine where on the map they were, said Ms. Franks.

Midland is one of the only cities in the country with such an advanced flood plain system because it used the Geographic Information System (GIS), something other cities haven't fully utilized yet, Ms. Franks said. The Federal Emergency Management Agency is excited by the new map, she added, because it had never seen a digitally generated flood plain map without having done all the legwork itself. The FEMA representative for Midland County was unavailable for comment on Wednesday.

"We worked real closely with FEMA," said Director of Engineering and Development Marcus Johnston. "Our GIS system is able to provide a lot more accurate information than in the past."

Under the GIS system, the city now has a cross referencing system that shows every home and property located within the flood plains. All the information is now available at the push of a button, said Ms. Franks, whereas before it could take up to three months to get an accurate reading of all properties located in the flooding zones.

According to the map there are two main sources of flooding: Midland Draw and Jal Draw. A draw is a gully that water drains into. Both draws enter Midland from the northwest corner of city, running southeast to Highway 80. They are almost always dry, said Ms. Franks. The only real threat, she said, are those big thunderstorms that occasionally strike Midland.

Many people have asked "Why do I need flood insurance? It never rains in Midland."

But, said Ms. Franks, floods do occur, but on a very infrequent basis. In 1968, for example, a thunderstorm dropped between 7 and 12 inches of rain within a matter of hours causing some of the worst flooding in Midland's history. Ms. Franks said students at Hillander school were surrounded by water and had to be evacuated by boat.

In 1993 there was a similar incident that left many homes flooded.

Ms. Franks said the city is trying to make the information more accessible to the public. One way could be a public-access computer terminal where people could punch in their address to find if they are at risk or not, or whether their risk is less or more than was made aware under older maps.

"I would advise anyone in or close to the (flood plains) area to call us," said Ms. Franks. "Even if people still are in the flood area, they may get a cheaper insurance rate because the threat is not as bad as once thought."

Those with questions about changes in the flood plains map and those properties and homes affected by it can call 685-7286 or email the city of Midland at: CityofMidland@basinlink.com

If you'd like to purchase one of the new flood plains maps you can call FEMA at 1-800-358-7616.

Parent takes her education concerns to the Internet

By Jeff Stevens
Staff Writer

One Midland parent is taking the job of informing the public about education into her own hands. Susan Houdyshell launched an Internet public forum on Nov. 30 about education in Midland.

"This is a public forum for people to write into, so that positive changes can be made. If things can be changed let's change them for the better," said Ms. Houdyshell.

The Web site allows parents, teachers, students and any interested parties to make anonymous comments about what they see in education. Additionally, the Web site provides information on various subjects including, uniforms, textbooks, teacher training, discipline reports, grades and TAAS test results. It also provides links to Texas Education Agency information about MISD and other education sources.

Ms. Houdyshell has advertised the site and expects response to increase. To date, she has received a handful of responses and has already posted some comments from parents.

"We've had a lot of inquiries, 'Who are you and what's this all about?'"

The site currently has postings from three Midlanders addressing education questions.

"I intend to post everything that comes to me about schools: discipline, grades, procedures."

She said the only material she won't post is vulgarity or information that mentions a teacher or student by name.

"Somebody wrote me and said they didn't want to see this become a witch hunt. This isn't a witch hunt," said Ms. Houdyshell, who has fought a long battle with MISD over uniforms.

She said her interest is more in the direction of providing information and a forum for free discussion about educational issues. Ms. Houdyshell added that the site is not just about uniforms.

"If it was, I would have designed it for just that one thing. It's designed to address all of the things in our schools that need to be improved," she said, adding that she has had to pay for several documents from MISD because of her interests in education. "I'm going to make that information public so people can use (it). Ideally MISD would make it public. But since they aren't going to, I'm going to make it public."

Ms. Houdyshell, also pointed out that she wants the Web site to include all information about education in Midland, good or bad.

"The goal here is to make positive changes," said Ms. Houdyshell.

Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. would not comment as to his feelings about the Web site.

"I have no comment. I haven't seen it and had no idea it existed," said Baressi. "But, it's a free world and she's free to do whatever she wants."

The website for the Midland Parent Action Committee is www.iglobal.net/speakup. Ms. Houdyshell also will post comments from parties without Internet access.

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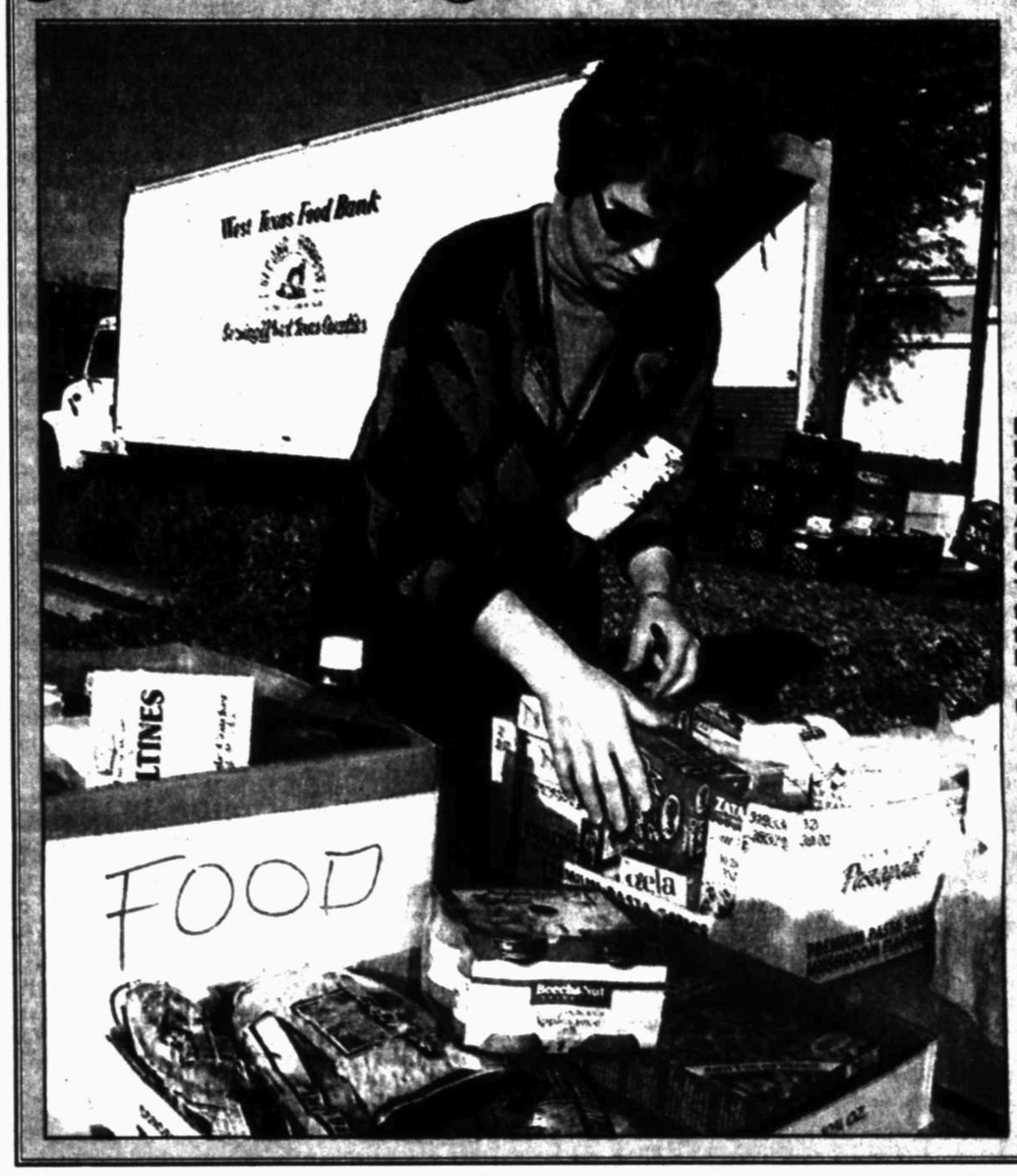

Debbie Kane loads donated food items into boxes outside Abell-Hanger Medical Pavillion earlier this week. The food will be transported to the West Texas Food Bank.

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Teel Bivins serves up a political main course for ladies' brunch

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Sausage balls, sandwiches, fudge, punch and coffee were on the menu at the annual Midland County Republican Women's membership brunch. But the main course was politics, as served by State Sen. Teel Bivins.

"When you talk to the Midland County Republican Women, you talk about politics," he noted, "and there's a lot to talk about."

He said he is looking forward to the coming year, and its presidential race, with great anticipation.

"You have a native son who is running for president and who I say will be the next president, and that will have an impact in terms of redistricting," he said, referring to Gov. George W. Bush, the front-runner for the Republican nomination for president.

Bivins

"I think he's doing a terrific job," Bivins said of Bush's early campaign efforts. "Even though his forte is not debate, he has done well and what we know in Texas is coming through nationally, and that is that he is a man of substance and ability."

Should Bush win the presidency and be succeeded as governor by Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, Bivins said "Rick is a terrific spokesperson and would be a great governor."

He acknowledged hopes he could move up in office himself.

"You can't serve in the Texas Senate without wanting to serve as lieutenant governor, and I'm not immune," he acknowledged. "There is a chance I'll be selected acting lieutenant governor."

Appointment or not, when the Texas Legislature convenes in 2001 to redraw congressional districts after the 2000 U.S. Census, he said, "My number one priority will be to put West Texas communities back together that were divided by blatant gerrymandering and political reasons."

The fact that Midland was divided into three congressional districts insulted Midlanders 10 years ago, he said. That and the fact that cities like Amarillo and Lubbock were also divided "flies in the face of the concept of self-government. People should have a say in choosing who their representatives are and to split a community lessens that say."

While redistricting will be what he called his marquee issue, Bivins said he will also focus on maintaining the state's strong economy.

He said he sees an educated population as the foundation of the state's economy .

"Intellectual capital will be the capital of the future," he said, saying that plays into boosting Midland's economy as it recovers from an economic downturn.

"I feel passionately that the answer to lessening economic deprivation is education. The legislature demonstrated in the last session its strong commitment to education by injecting more state funds into education than ever before, funding $3,000 raises for each teacher and providing relief from property taxes. By setting high standards and holding school districts and campuses accountable, we're seeing positive results."

And as the state enters the new millennium he said, "access to higher education is the pre-eminent challenge. If intellectual capital is our future, it's even more critical that more Texans have access to higher education. Higher education in Texas is a bargain and we need to keep it that way and build on our Texas Scholars program, which has increased scholarships tenfold."

Reeves seeks re-election as county's tax collector

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Kathy Reeves, the Midland County tax assessor-collector since 1993, has pledged to continue serving the public with professional and courteous service as she enters the 2000 political campaign for election to a third four-year term.

"What I bring to the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office's is experience, the ability to run an efficient office, my open-door policy to the public and, foremost, always serving the public," Ms. Reeves said on Wednesday in announcing her bid for re-election.

She was first elected to the $44,500-salaried post in 1992 and succeeded Frances Shuffield. Ms. Reeves, 45, has worked under two Midland County tax assessor-collectors — Mrs. Shuffield and, earlier, the late Elmo Linebarger.

In her role, Ms. Reeves annually collects about $36 million in taxes and fees for Midland County, the Greenwood Independent School District and the state of Texas.

Her office of 17 full-time clerks operates on an annual budget of $819,000.

Ms. Reeves' collections include about $11.7 million in county property taxes, $2.4 million in property taxes to operate the Greenwood ISD, and $13.5 million in vehicle sales taxes. Motor-vehicle registration and title fees would be additional revenue.

'Our goals are to give professional service and to be pleasant at the same time.'

Reeves

"Our goals are to give professional service and to be pleasant at the same time," Ms. Reeves said.

"I gear my office, train my staff, with the thought that we are here to serve," Ms. Reeves said. "That's why we're here: to perform a function in the most professional, polite manner possible and to run the office like you would in the private sector. You are cognizant of costs, budget and performance."

Though her revenue collections have increased 27 percent since 1994, Ms. Reeves noted that her office's operating budget has decreased by 16.5 percent since 1995.

A governmental entity maintaining a system of checks and balances is "something that we have to be very careful about."

Ms. Reeves is seeking the Republican Party nomination in the March 14 primary election. And, should she win that nomination, she would seek re-election in the Nov. 7 general election.

A native Midlander and a graduate of Lee High School, Ms. Reeves has studied law and computer science at Midland College.

By her peers, she has been named one of five Outstanding Tax Assessor-Collectors of Texas.

She has served as vice president of the Texas Association of Assessing Officers and has served as the Political Action Committee chairman and vice president of the Midland County Republican Women.

Currently, Ms. Reeves serves on the Texas Tax Assessor-Collector Association's Jurisprudence, Education and Program committees and is ex-officio director on the Midland Central Appraisal District. She has been appointed by Texas Gov. George W. Bush to the Permian Basin Regional Review Committee and to the Texas County and District Retirement System.

Ed Todd

Seeking the simple gifts of life this holiday season

Merry Christmas. Happy New Year. 'Tis the season in this grand, old land to make the Christmas wish list and to drop hints here and there or just buy your own stuff. And you ponder the times to come and reflect on years past.

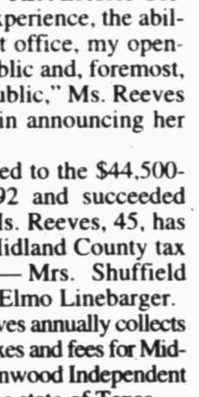
It is gift-giving season.

But the gift most practical in West Texas today I just happened to hear from a lovely Midland family at a community holiday gathering: "We have a job, and that's quite enough."

That simple comment conveyed a gratitude so sincere and, as folks said a generation ago, "right on."

This nation is supremely blessed in its bountiful blessings from coast to coast and border to border. Who would gainsay that?

Indeed, there are people in desperate circumstance in ways more than these: physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually, financially, politically.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Who is in need the most? Is it the poor, the homeless, the depressed? Is it those without food, clothing and shelter; without hope, without job, without family, without joy, without a song in their heart?

It would be well if all people could be comforted. It would be well if all people had the tools, the wherewithal, to work themselves out of dire circumstance through means lauded by society: education, work, focus, prayer, good works, attitude, perseverance.

Years ago, a sobering-up woman, in the in-between throes of drunkenness and the pervasive fog that precedes sobriety and serenity, was wandering desperately, not knowing what to do, not knowing how to seek "God's will" in her life.

Her tough "sponsor," an ex-drunk now sober and dealing with life's trials, had exhorted her to grab hold of God's will.

She knew not how.

Her sponsor, prone to be blunt, simply said something like this: "I'll tell you how to find God's will. Get your sorry self out of bed, make up the bed, wash those dishes, prepare breakfast, clean up, get busy, go help somebody. God's will, sister, will come to you. Move, move, move. Things will get better and so will you, a step at a time."

With hope alive and things to do, life will get better. There will be jobs and friends and family and gratitude and the once-elusive acceptance in all things and the perseverance to endure and to do good.

There are many simple gifts in life.

Good tidings.

Ed Todd is a staff writer for the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

OBITUARIES

Corina Villa

Funeral services for Corina Villa, 60, of Stanton, have been set for 11:00 a.m. Friday at St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Arturo Pestin officiating and Deacon Ernie Sanchez assisting. Burial will follow at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. Rosary will be recited at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

She passed away Tuesday, December 7, 1999, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

She was born on December 23, 1938 in Fort Davis, Texas. She married Manuel M. Villa in 1957 in Stanton, Texas. She was a cook for the Stanton Independent School District for many years.

She was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, where she was a Guadalupana, a Cursillista; and active in the Legion of Mary and the Altar Society.

Survivors include her husband, Manuel M. Villa of Stanton; 7 sons, Manuel Aguirre and Jimmy Villa, both of Granbury, Fabian Villa, Freddy Villa and Tommy Villa, all of Stanton, Adam Villa of Granbury, and Michael Villa of San Marcos; 2 daughters, JoAnn Garza and Senaida Garza, both of Stanton; 1 sister, Micaela Oporto of Lenorah; 22 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Adela Aguirre; her father, Manuel Aguirre; and a granddaughter, Madison Villa.

Serving as pallbearers will be Clemente Villa Jr., Martin Marquez, Raymond Hernandez, Antonio Villa, Val Flores and Hector Sotelo.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel, 408 N. St. Peter, Stanton, Texas.

Andrew Hancock

Andrew "Andy" Hancock died at a local hospital Wednesday, December 8, 1999.

Mr. Hancock was preceded in death by his son, James Michael Hancock. He is survived by his wife, Lavon Hancock; his children and their families, Gerald "Jerry" Hancock and his wife, Melinda, their children, Andy III, Seth, Sean and Blake; Phillip A. Hancock and his wife, Tonya, their children, Nathan, Casey, Jessica and Ashley; his daughter, Linda Hancock Schmalz and her husband, Chris, and their children, Clay, Calvin, Kade and Kesha and her fiance´, Dustin Smith, all of Midland; his brother, Curtis Hancock of Denver, Colorado; his sister, Annie Merrill of Granbury, TX; and numerous family members and friends.

Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, December 9, at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services have been scheduled for 2:00 p.m. Friday, December 10, at Bellview Baptist Church with Pastor Myron Unruh officiating. Interment will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

The family requests memorials be directed to a charity of one's choice.

Pat Henderson

Services for Pat L. Henderson, 48 years old, of Midland, Texas are scheduled for 7:00 p.m. Thursday evening, December 9, 1999, at Pipkin Chapel with David Cook of Alpine and Gary Painter officiating. Burial will be Friday, December 10, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. at Comyne, Texas (north of Comanche) with Don Martin of Marathon, Texas officiating. Funeral services are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

He was born in Marathon, Texas to Ted L. Henderson and Erline McKinney on December 20, 1950. He was raised in Marathon, Texas and attended school there. He attended Law Enforcement Academy at Sul Ross University in Alpine and graduated. He worked at the Brewster County Sheriff's Office, the Alpine Police Department, and the West Texas Drug Task Force, retiring from law enforcement a short time ago. He moved to Midland two years ago from Big Lake, Texas. He married Ernestine Ortega on September 17, 1983 in Marathon. They have been together for 21 years. He was a Methodist. He died Tuesday morning, December 7, 1999, at a local hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Ernestine Henderson of Midland; one son, Michael Henderson of Midland, Texas and daughter-in-law, Dusty Henderson of Midland, Texas; his mother, Erline Gooche of Robert Lee, Texas; father, Ted L. Henderson of Marathon, Texas; two grandsons, Patrick Henderson and Aaron Henderson; three nieces, Tracy Allen, Rhonda Henderson and Renee Henderson; two nephews, Curtis Byrd and Rod Allen; and one great-nephew, Wade Allen.

He is preceded in death by three brothers, Ronnie Wayne Henderson, Ted Clayton Henderson and Tommy James Henderson.

Pallbearers will be Jim Taylor, Alan Thompson, Mike Powers, Roman Gomez, hector Rodriguez and Frank Ortega.

Honorary pallbearers are Rick Thompson, Gary Painter, Dan Rock, Ray Ortega, Jim Perdue, Joey Gordon, Mike Barkley, Johnny Mather, Dave Duncan, Gary Kennedy, Kiley McComb, Steve Hunt, Shay Coleman, Paul Evans, Clay McKinney and Simon Salas.

Gilbert Madison

Gilbert I. (Gib) Madison, Sr., 94, of Lenorah, died on Wednesday, December 8, 1999, in a Stanton hospital. Services will be at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, December 11, 1999 at First Baptist Church in Stanton with Rev. David Harp and Leandro Gonzales officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

He was born on September 15, 1905 in Rising Star, Texas.

He moved to Lenorah in the early 1930's and farmed until he retired. He also had owned and operated grocery stores in Stanton, Lenorah and other West Texas areas.

He was a lifetime member of the Lenorah Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Jack Madison and wife, Mollie, of Stanton, Jay Madison and wife, Christie, of Lenorah and Dr. G. I. Madison, Jr. and wife, Doris, of Grand Junction, Colorado; two daughters, Patsy Faust and husband, David, of Altus, Oklahoma and Nancy Curry and husband, Butch, of Edmond, Oklahoma; a step-son, Gary Callaway of Paris; a step-daughter, Mary Jane Pierce of Paris, Texas; a brother, Louie Madison of Andrews, Texas; a sister, Opal Dean of Big Spring, Texas; a beloved brother-in-law and sister-in-law and lifelong friends, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Riley of Midland, Texas; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Florine Riley Madison in 1943; and two sons, John Daniel Madison in 1983 and Dick Ross Madison in 1995.

Memorials may be made to a church of your choice.

Hermila Sanchez

Services for Hermila Sanchez, 62 years of age, of Midland, are scheduled for Friday, December 10, 1999, 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of San Juan Catholic Church in Midland, with Father John Kelly officiating the service. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. There will be a Rosary at 7 p.m. Thursday, December 9, 1999 at San Juan Catholic Church. Funeral services are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

Hermila was born in San Francisco Javier, Durango, Mexico on February 25, 1937 to Refugio and Elodia Rueda. She taught primary school in Juarez. She came to the United States in 1965. She lived in Amarillo, Texas and then moved to Midland, where she has resided since 1995. She is a member of Our Lady of San Juan Catholic Church in Midland.

She is survived by two sons, Mario Jose Luis Sanchez of Midland and Jesus Sanchez of Amarillo; two daughters, Cecilia Camarillo of Midland and Martha Lara of Amarillo; one brother, Abelardo Rueda of Mexico; five sisters, Carmen Perez, Yolanda Rueda, Sylvia Rueda, Bertha Rueda and Martha Rueda, all of Mexico; and nine grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her parents and one sister.

Pallbearers will be Faustino Granado, David Corrales, Orlando Mata and Joe James Camarillo.

Glen Harbert

Glen Gary Harbert died Tuesday, December 7, 1999 at Memorial Hospital in Midland. Glen was born to Joseph Alexander and Beulah Claybrook Harbert in Bryson, Texas on July 12, 1930.

Glen graduated from Arlington Heights High School, Fort Worth, Texas in 1947 and attended what was later known as UTA, Arlington, Texas.

He and Darlene Fay Parent married February 22, 1950 in Artesia, New Mexico. After various jobs in his early years as a plumber and a cable tool hand, Glen found a career as a directional driller with HOMCO in Houston in 1957. Glen later worked for Whipstock, Inc., Eastman Whipstock and was founder of D.I.G., Inc. in 1975 along with his best friend, Joe Thompson. Glen retired from D.I.G. in 1985.

He spent his years in retirement playing golf, publishing a family newsletter, researching family genealogy and writing a family history.

Along with many friends and close business associates, Glen is survived by three children and their families: Glenda Massey and husband, Larry, of Midland; Alan Harbert and wife, Claudia, of Round Rock, Texas; and Ken Harbert and wife, Monette, of Dallas, Texas.

Glen is also survived by his brother, Joe Harbert and wife, Hazel, of Midland; as well as grandchildren, Brian Massey, Jessica Massey Brattlof, Elissa Harbert, Artemis Harbert, Taylor Harbert and Nolan Harbert. He also had six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Preceding Glen in death are his wife, Darlene Harbert; brother, H. F. Harbert; and sister, Vera Mae Clawson.

Visitation will be from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday at 5201 Green Tree Blvd. in lieu of public viewing at Ellis Funeral Home.

Graveside services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, December 10, at Resthaven Cemetery, with Glen's cousin, the Rev. Dr. Donald Claybrook, First Baptist Church, Mendicino, California, officiating. Ellis Funeral Home is handling the arrangements.

Honorary pallbearers will be Joe C. Thompson, Bob Holder, Ralph Schultz, Vernon Byrd, Tom Parker, Jerry Holt, Dale Rodgers, Ralph Brumley and Bob Cullen.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland, P. O. Box 2621, Midland, TX 79702.

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

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

DEATH NOTICES

Ethel Ferguson

Ethel Ferguson died Sunday, Dec. 5, in San Angelo.

Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Bob Hopkins officiating under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born Jan. 30, 1918 in Coleman.

She lived in San Angelo the past 15 years. She was a member of Southland Baptist Church there.

Survivors include two sons, Rod Franklin of San Angelo and Chuck Franklin of Sharpsburg, KY; five grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Charles Babcock

Charles Clark Babcock, 57, died Tuesday, Dec. 7, at a Midland hospital.

Funeral Mass will be 12:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with the Rev. Jerome Burnett officiating. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery. Wake services will be 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Dec. 9 and 10 at the Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home Chapel.

He was born Jan. 8, 1942 in Tulare, Calif.

He lived in Paso Robles, Calif., and moved to Midland in 1965. He worked for Permian Reproduction and later Aftah Printing, until retiring.

He was preceded in death by a son, Johnny B. Babcock.

Survivors include a son, Vincent W. Babcock of Fort Polk, Louis.; two daughters, Rachel D. Ortega and Christine O. Reyes, both of Midland; two brothers, Frank L. Babcock of Fair Oaks, Calif. and Phillip Babcock of Midland; a brother, Steven Babcock of Washington; a sister, Virginia Anguiano of Midland; 13 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the V.F.W. Post #4372, P. O. Box 3026, Odessa, Texas 79760; or to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Jack Wallace

Jack Wallace died Wednesday, Dec. 8, at his home.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, at St. Stephen's Catholic Church with the Rev. James Bridges officiating. Wake services will be 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 9, at Ellis Funeral Home.

Billy Maxwell

Billy G. Maxwell died Wednesday, Dec. 8, at a Midland hospital.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Saturday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Andy Love officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

He was born Nov. 30, 1928 in Dublin.

He was a member of Calvery Baptist Church and the Eagle Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Vera E. Barnes Maxwell of Midland; a son, Robert G. Maxwell of Odessa; two daughters, Melinda K. Hester of Midland and Sherry L. Haulk of Jasper, Ind.; a brother, Jerry J. Maxwell of Marble Falls; a sister, Mary Lou Prosise of Fort Stockton; seven grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Elsie Menix

LAMESA — Elsie Menix, 87, died Tuesday, Dec. 7, at a care center.

Services will be 10 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at Grace Lutheran Church with the Rev. Leonard Ristow officiating. Burial will follow at Lamesa Memorial Park under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

She was born May 2, 1912 in Hill County.

She moved to Lamesa in 1977. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the Grace Lutheran Church.

Survivors include four sons, Charles E. Menix of Bedford, Kenneth Menix of Euless, Stanley Menix of Azle and Weldon Menix of Lamesa; five daughters, Doris Conrad of O'Donnell, Lois Huse of Graham, Fern Garza of Midland, Victoria Walton of Hockley and Charlene Keune of Lamesa; a sister, Gertrude Conrad of Waco; three brothers, Erich Markwardt of Reisel, Otto Markwardt of Waco and Edwin Markwardt of Granbury; 31 grandchildren, and 58 great-grandchildren.

Noble White

BIG SPRING — Noble N. White, 78, died Wednesday, Dec. 8, at a Lubbock hospital.

Services will be 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 10, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Dwayne Wheat officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born July 14, 1921 in Alamogordo, NM.

He moved to Big Spring in 1951. He was an aircraft mechanic for 33 years for Pyote Air Force Base then Webb Air Force Base in Big Spring. He was a member of Berea Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, June L. Reeves White on Nov. 17, 1987.

Survivors include a son, Jayland White of Big Spring; a daughter, Debra R. Vance of Irving; a sister, Wanda McGee of Lamesa; three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, 306 W. 3rd, Big Spring, TX 79720; or Berea Baptist Church, 4204 Wasson, Big Spring, TX 79720.

Clifford Holloway

Clifford Holloway died Wednesday, Dec. 8, at a Midland hospital.

Services are pending with Thomas Funeral Home.

Wanda Coonce

Wanda Coonce, 61, died Tuesday, Dec. 7, in Midland.

Funeral services are under the direction of Pipkin Funeral Home.

POLICE REPORTS

Midland Police Dept.
Tuesday

Burglary: Burglary of a residence was reported at 3404 Cunningham at 3:32 p.m. Jewelry, cologne, a VCR, and a Sony Play Station with six games were reported stolen.

Burglary: Burglary of a residence was reported at 1808 W. Loop 250 M. at 2 a.m.

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

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Big Spring's Hangar 25 Gets TxDOT grant

By T.E. Jenkins
MRT Correspondent

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) announced this week the approval of funds for enhancing the Big Spring Hangar 25 Air Museum in the year 2000.

Big Spring Airpark Manager Nelda Reagan said the announcement is a major victory for the museum, bringing in a little more than $100,000 for continued improvements of what has already become a local landmark.

"We're very excited about the grant," said Ms. Reagan. "We were in competition with other facilities all over the state of Texas for the grant, and I really feel like this is a large accomplishment for the museum.

"The grant is an 80/20 program, where TxDOT has agreed to put up 80 percent of the total $115,000, and the museum has to put up 20 percent."

Ms. Reagan said the Hangar 25 Air Museum board of directors has already managed to raise the 20 percent needed to secure the grant, and expects work at the facility to begin shortly after the new year.

"We are looking at doing some landscape work, as well as bringing our sidewalks up to handicapped-accessible standards," said she said. "We are also in desperate need of more display cases."

Ms. Reagan said the flow of onlookers that make their way through the museum's displays each day has been steady despite most residents' change of focus for the holiday season.

"The interest the community, as well as other outlying communities, have shown the museum is just outstanding," she said. "We have been taking tour groups through the displays pretty steadily. In fact, there's a group that's going through it right now."

Ms. Reagan said she's excited to see so many "possibilities" come to life at the museum, made possible through the TxDOT funding.

"The actual renovations that were made to turn this place into a museum came from TxDOT," she said. "Although the amount received for the year 2000 would be considered on the low side of the total amounts that were awarded, we're still glad to see TxDOT continue to back the project.

"This money will allow us to finish a great deal of the projects that we started in the beginning."

RSVP volunteers honored at annual luncheon

From Staff Reports

Nearly 500 volunteers with the RSVP (Retirees and Seniors Volunteer Program) were honored at an annual luncheon this week at Green Tree Country Club.

The luncheon was attended by 340 volunteers, said Saul Herrera, director of the RSVP program at Community and Senior Services.

"All the volunteers were honored; we don't single any out," he said.

At the luncheon, RSVP officials gave Mayor Bobby Burns, the guest speaker, a check representing the hours provided by volunteers and the monetary worth of those hours. The 480 volunteers donated 40,702 hours in the last year, worth $825,660 when valued at $8 an hour, Herrera said.

There have been 760 RSVP programs established nationally since the program began 26 years ago. The local program, sponsored by Community and Senior Services, is in its fifth year.

Herrera said one purpose of the program is to recruit and place volunteers aged 55 and over with nonprofit positions they would find fulfilling.

Also, it is to recognize those volunteers, and he said one quarter of the federal funds for the RSVP program are earmarked for recognition programs.

Retired Army colonel to speak at Stars and Bars gathering

From Staff Reports

Col. J.E.B. Stuart IV, great-grandson of Confederate cavalry general Jeb Stuart, will be guest speaker Friday in Midland at a meeting of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars.

A retired U.S. Army colonel who served in the Army almost 27 years until his retirement in 1985, Stuart now is a vice president and certified financial planner with the brokerage firm of Branch, Cabell and Co., Inc. in Richmond, Va.

The meeting of the Haley-Holt Chapter of the Military Order of the Stars and Bars, a society of descendants of the Confederate Officer Corps, begins at 6 p.m. on Friday at the Haley Library and History Center. Stuart's after-dinner talk is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.

The great-grandson of the Confederate general who distinguished himself during the first Battle of Bull Run at Manassas, he is also scheduled to appear at a Sons of Confederate Veterans camp meeting at Fairmont Park Church of Christ while in Midland.

Col. Stuart is past president of the Goochland County Historical Society and currently serves on the board of directors of The Hospital Hospitality House, and as president of the board of trustees of the Museum of the Confederacy. He is also a member of the Richmond Civil War Round Table, the Sons of Confederate Veterans, and the Sons of the Revolution.

He and his wife have three children, Elizabeth Pelham of Richmond, Va.; J.E.B. Stuart V, a major in the Army who is an orthopedic surgeon at Landstuhl Army Medical Center in Germany; and John Alexander, who is a civil engineer in Richmond.

Area briefs

Football auction

Members of the Midland Scottish Rite Association are auctioning off a state championship football signed by the coaches and members of last year's Lee Rebel championship football team. One bid of $200 has been received for the football so far. Bids will be taken until 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 12. Those wishing to bid can call 689-9311 and leave their name, telephone number and bid on the answering machine. The football can be viewed in Sheriff Gary Painter's office. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the children's wings at Midland Memorial Hospital and Westwood Medical Center. The remainder will benefit the Scottish Rite Children's Hospital in Dallas, where children under age 18 can receive free medical treatment.

Today's Agenda

NAACP, 7 p.m., Hollowell United Methodist Church, 684-8974.

Project ADAM, (Alternatives to Domestic Assault for Men), 570-0467.

Permian Toastmasters, noon, Permian Basin Graduate Center, 684-0044.

East Side Lions, 8 p.m., Los Enriquez, 1401B N. Lamesa Road.

Optimist Club of Midland, noon, Best Western Sidewalk Cafe

Bereavement Support group, 7 p.m., Hospice of Odessa, Texas Commerce Bank, fourth floor, 332-1431, 332-0991.

Westside Lions Club, noon, West-side Lions Den.

Rotary Club of Midland, 11:55 a.m., Chamber of Commerce, 109 N. Main.

Tall City Lions Club, 7 p.m., 305 S. Stonewall St.

Non-smoking game, 7 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 682-8596.

Parents Anonymous, 7 p.m., for location and other information, 570-1084

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) No. Tx139, 7 p.m., 1007 Austin St., 694-8643.

Golden Park Retirement Center, senior citizen Bingo, 3 p.m., 3100 W. Kansas Ave.

Flatlanders Ski Club, 7 p.m., Best Western, Midland Airport, open.

Suburban Lions Club, 7 p.m., 2550 Flint Ave.

NAACP, 7 p.m., Greater St. Luke AME Church, 401 S. Adams, 684-8974.

Compulsive Eaters Anonymous, noon, First United Methodist Church, 694-2860.

Palmer Drug Abuse Program Parent Group, 7 p.m., second floor First Baptist Church, 685-3645.

Overeaters Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., Midland Memorial Hospital, Roon. E-12

El Paso elephant going to Tennessee sanctuary

EL PASO (AP) — An Asian elephant named "Sissy" will leave the El Paso Zoo for a new home in Tennessee.

The City Council agreed Tuesday to send the pachyderm to the Elephant Sanctuary in Hohenwald, Tenn., within 60 days after an agreement is signed.

Representatives from the sanctuary planned to be in El Paso next week to iron out details. Sissy will be transported in a trailer owned by the sanctuary.

Supporters have been calling for Sissy's removal since a November 1998 videotape surfaced of her being disciplined by zoo personnel with ax handles.

Mayor Carlos Ramirez said a federal investigation into whether the conduct violated animal welfare laws should be completed by year's end. Police also are investigating whether state animal-cruelty laws were broken, he said.

The sanctuary is about 80 miles southwest of Nashville, Tenn.

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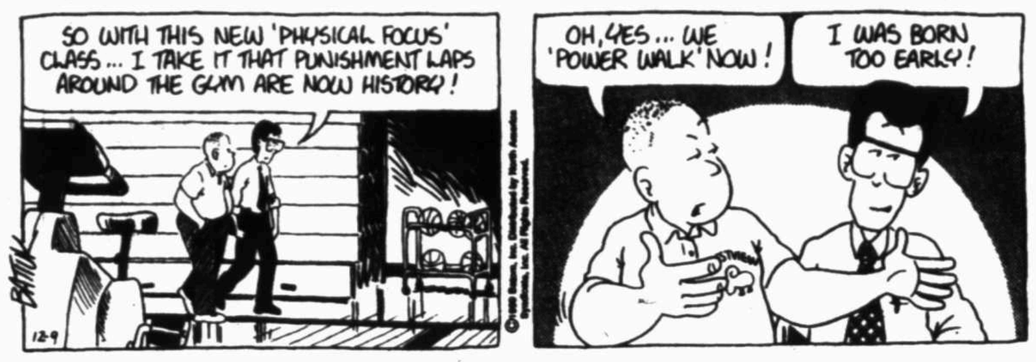

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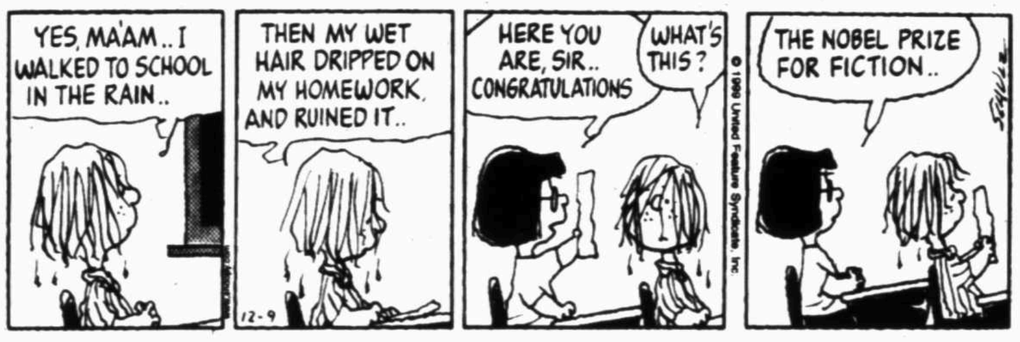

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Build on established ground. You break through barriers because of your insight into present events. Take action on what you know to be. Success is yours. Build on your strengths and eliminate your liabilities. Tonight: In the limelight.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Reach out for another; make headway; take a risk. Listen to your sixth sense. You know what is needed. With a partner's support, you clear obstacles and make a big impression on a boss or higher-up. Remain clear, confident and motivated. Tonight: Take in a movie.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Though you may feel vulnerable, reach out for another. Discussions are necessary, but you'll negotiate a new midpoint. Talks are heated; you see others in a new way. Realize that both of you have different points of view and that this is OK. Tonight: Go out of your way for another.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Others finally turn to you. Don't take a strong hand right now; let others reveal their true colors. How you visualize a situation could be considerably different than how another does. Observe the differences. Know what you want, then head in that direction. Tonight: Be a social whirlwind.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Recently, your social side has dominated, but now it's time to dig into work. You might not always know what is best. Fortunately, a boss gives you a strong sense of direction. Tackle your work with creativity; brainstorm with co-workers; don't always expect agreement. Tonight: Working into the wee hours.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Others are certainly friendly and full of ideas. You might feel a bit put down by another's dynamic thinking. Don't compete; work as a team. Use your great sense of organization as well as your high energy. Nothing will stop you. Tonight: Romp the night away.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Emphasis is on family and security. You might not see life the same way as another does, but you need to talk through a disagreement instead of taking an either/or attitude. Be creative with your communication. Steer toward what you want. Tonight: Happy at home.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Your good will is contagious. Make an extra effort to talk through problems. Don't feel pressured by a family member. You might not get the results you want. Work with another's moods. Try to understand what he feels is going on. Tonight: Dinner at a favorite spot.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ A decision to clear out shopping might be wise. You have a lot on your plate and could easily be overwhelmed. Recognize that you can only do so much! Use the phone and computer to make work and holiday errands simple. Tonight: Don't push.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ You draw in what you want and need, even if you think a loved one is being difficult. Revive your thinking about spending. You could feel out of sorts when dealing with another who might be very tense. Give others space. Be generous with a friend. Tonight: Where the gang is.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Take a back seat and think through a decision. Clarify what you want. Family and domestic matters assume even more prominence in your life, though you feel overwhelmed by responsibilities. Take action in a matter concerning a friend. Tonight: Take some time by yourself.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Be easygoing and listen to your instincts. Don't act on anger; instead, think and feel. A boss appreciates your mellowed feedback and thought. The hardest part is getting a conversation rolling. You might feel awkward. Do it anyway. Tonight: Where your friends are.

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BORN TODAY
Actor Beau Bridges (1941), actor Michael Nouri (1945), singer/talk-show host Donny Osmond (1957)

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With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Defense Made Easy

North vulnerable. North deals.

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If you are going to bid the spots off the cards, your ability to play the hand had better be good. Otherwise, bankruptcy court could be your next port of call.

North-South did well to avoid landing in their 4-4 heart fit, a grand slam at which there would almost certainly have been a trump loser. Even seven spades was not an easy hand to manage.

Declarer won the opening club lead in hand and drew trumps in two rounds with the ace and queen. It seemed that the fate of the contract would hinge on a 3-2 heart division, but there was no hurry to tackle that suit. First, declarer set about learning as much as possible about the distribution.

The ace of diamonds was cashed and a diamond was ruffed in the closed hand. A club to the ace, on which East discarded a diamond, provided the entry for another diamond ruff, both defenders following. Next came the ace of hearts and, when West contributed the eight, the count of the hand was complete. West had started with two spades, seven clubs and three diamonds; hence only one heart.

Declarer entered dummy with a club ruff and led the four of hearts. When East followed with the five (splitting the honors would have made no difference — a finesse position would be created against the remaining heart honor with the king of spades as the entry to the table), declarer inserted the six to win the trick and land the grand slam.

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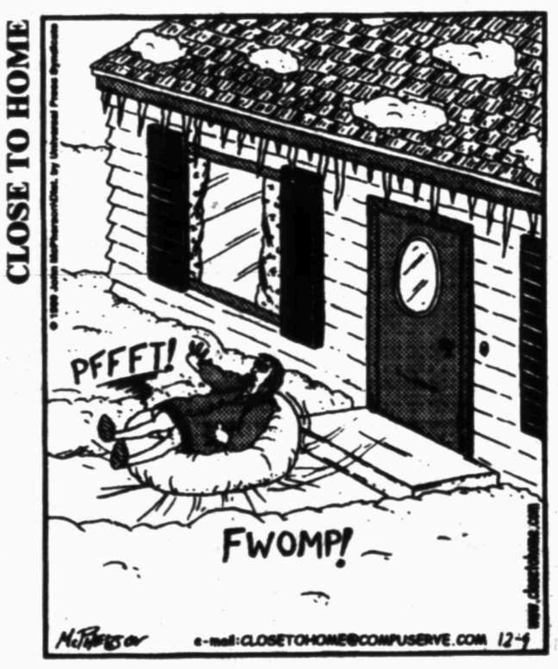

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"MY MOM BRINGS ME ALONG TO HELP HER FIND OUR CAR WHEN WE'RE THROUGH SHOPPING."

FAMILY CIRCUS

"Grandma, were you and Santa Claus playmates when you both were little?"

TV TONIGHT

THURSDAY EVENING

December 9,1999

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(3) KMID	2	3	2	News 118	Wheel of Fortune 170	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Totally Out of Control: People 4606		20/20 Downtown 7170		News 1202002	Nightline (10:35)	Politically Incorrect	Cheers (11:35)
(5) KPEJ	24	5	3	Home Improvement	Judge Judy 33712	Guinness World Records: Primetime 63693		Action 98793 (TVMA)	Action 15826 (TVMA)	Med About You 98793	The Nanny 97712	Jerry Springer 13034		NewsRadio 78539	Unhappily Ever After
(7) KOSA	7	7	7	News 5996	Entertainment Tonight	Billy Graham Crusade 55557		Chicago Hope: The Golden Hour 31977 (TVPG-LV)		48 Hours: Miracles 44441		News 5701644	Late Show With David Letterman (10:35) 7764335		Late With Craig Kilborn
(9) KWES	9	9		News 9118	Seinfeld 3176 (TVPG)	Friends 6915 (TVPG)	Jesse 9364 (TVPG)	Frasier 2335 (TVPG)	Stark Raving Med 4170	ER: The Storm (Part 2 of 2) 91373 (TVPG)		News 2263489	The Tonight Show With Jay Leno (10:36) 4006638		Late Night With Conan
(12) KMLM	42	12	19	News 26825	John Hagee Today	The Light of the Southwest 58335				Richard Roberts 84625		News 36151	Joyce Meyer 52199	Faith Pleases God Church 94847	
(15) KOCV	36	13		The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer 520625		Celia Cruz and Friends: A Night of Salsa 407335 (TVG)				Burn the Floor, A Great Performances Special 919460 (TVG)			Telecourse 185985		
(8) CNBC		8	27	Business Center (5:30)	Upfront Tonight	Hardball With Chris Matthews 5290644		Rivera Live 5276064		The News With Brian Williams 5296626		Hardball With Chris Matthews 5299915		Rivera Live 4659809	
(10) WGN		10		Caroline in the City	Caroline in the City	[redacted]				News 308129		MacGyver: The Mountain of Youth 158606 (TVPG)		In the Heat of the Night 386084 (TVPG-V)	
(11) WTBS		11	11	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	Fresh Prince of Bel-Air	WCW Thunder (7:05) 1136489 (TVPG-DLV)		WCW Thunder (8:05) 3727608 (TVPG-DLV)		[redacted]					
(14) FAM		14		Mr. Bean	Comedy	[redacted]				Great Magic of Las Vegas II		The 700 Club 908489		Who's Boss?	Comedy
(20) DISC		20	26	The Ultimate Guide 179915		U.S. Customs 263793		The Sleep Files 272441		Into the Unknown 269977		U.S. Customs 282064		The Sleep Files 834129	
(21) AMC		21	31	[redacted]		[redacted]				[redacted]				[redacted]	
(22) TNN		22	35	The Waltons 850084 (TVG)		[redacted]				Dukes of Hazzard 966084		Dallas 969151 (TVPG-LS)		Dukes of Hazzard 759996	
(23) TNT		23	28	ER 876002 (TVPG-L)		[redacted]									
(24) BRAV		24	33	Inside the Actors Studio		Cirque du Soleil's Quidam 393364 (TVG)				Circus of Tomorrow		Cirque du Soleil's Quidam 315441 (TVG)			
(26) BET		26	33	Hits From the Street		Sparks	Amen	Comicview 697557		Live From L.A. 677793		Tonight With Tavis Smiley		Midnight Love 940286	
(27) DISN		27	41	[redacted]										Mannheim Steamroller	Mickey Mouse Club
(28) CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today 803335		Larry King Live 812083		CNN NewsStand 832847		Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 892441	
(29) ESPN		29	30	SportsCenter	NFL 2Night	NFL Football: (7:15) Oakland Raiders at Tennessee Titans 97261335							SportsCenter 983506		50 Greatest
(30) USA		30	38	JAG: Soul Searching 711915 (TVPG)		Walker, Texas Ranger: Angel 821731 (TV14-V)		[redacted]					Walker, Texas Ranger 176354 (TV14-V)		Silk Stalkings 919996
(31) FX		31		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	NYPD Blue 9459422		The X-Files 9468170		Married ...	Married ...	The X Show 9458793		The X-Files 7885996	
(32) A&E		32	25	Law & Order: Prince of Darkness 164083 (TVPG)		Biography: Regis Philbin: Made for TV 298489 (TVG)		Investigative Reports 274809		Inside Story 287373 (TVPG)		Law & Order: Self-Defense 280460 (TVPG)		Biography: Regis Philbin: Made for TV 539557 (TVG)	
(33) TLC		33		48 Hours: Fire 878460		Nature's Fury 962248 (TVG)		Mayday: Dangerous Playground 971996 (TVPG)		Mayday: The Fatal Flaw 984460 (TVPG)		Nature's Fury 994847 (TVG)		Mayday: Dangerous Playground 744064 (TVPG)	
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(47) E!		47		Emergency	Search Party	Talk Soup	Mysteries	Michael Hutchence		Entertainers '99 237199		H. Stern	H. Stern	Wild on Hong Kong	
(48) TVL		48	24	Dragnet	Hogan Hero	Beaver	Jeannie	Adam-12	Dragnet	All in Family	Maude	Sanford/Son	A. Hitchcock	Emergency! 7401422	
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PEOPLE TODAY

Cindy Crawford joins 'GMA' cast

NEW YORK — Count **Cindy Crawford** among television's breakfast crowd.

The supermodel, a frequent visitor to ABC's "Good Morning America" during her recent pregnancy, joined the show Wednesday as a special correspondent.

She will appear the second Wednesday of each month with segments on lifestyle topics. She also will present a child development series called "Presley's First Year," named for her 5-month-old son.

Cindy Crawford has joined the cast of "Good Morning America."

In her first regular appearance on the show, Ms. Crawford spoke about her favorite infant toys for the holidays. Surrounded by moms and infants, Ms. Crawford cooed her way through the segment. Her son wasn't there.

Ms. Crawford had the baby with husband Rande Gerber.

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NEW YORK — **Kathy Griffin** of "Suddenly Susan" says she was a size 4 to begin with but risked her life in a liposuction surgery that went wrong in her quest to lose inches.

"I blame those damn 'Friends' girls," she joked in a Glamour article she wrote herself. "Who can be that skinny? Well, I wanted to be."

The actress said in the magazine's January issue that she sought out the best liposuction doctor in Hollywood but had a bad reaction to the anesthesia and wound up catheterized in a hospital emergency room when her bladder shut down.

"It's been about six months since the surgery, and it didn't even take," she wrote. "My figure looks exactly the same. My clothes fit exactly the same. All I lost was $6,000."

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BURBANK, Calif. — An audience member at "The Tonight Show" filed a lawsuit claiming his eye was damaged by a T-shirt shot from an air gun.

Stewart Gregory of Cincinnati says he was battered by the flying freebie before a taping of the show in 1998. He seeks $25,000 for negligence.

"It's not frivolous when you get hit with a hard object traveling 800 feet per second," the 56-year-old Gregory said Tuesday.

Free "Tonight Show" shirts often are shot into the audience as part of the warm-up.

NBC spokeswoman Carrie Simons wouldn't comment.

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SAN FRANCISCO — The "South Park" creators will hit the Web with an original animated series for Shockwave.com.

Trey Parker and **Matt Stone** have signed a multiyear deal to create 39 two- to five-minute episodes for the entertainment site. The cartoon will debut early next year.

Their representatives said the two have received "significant" equity in Shockwave.com and will maintain creative control of the project.

Spiderman creator **Stan Lee** has agreed to develop a comic for the site.

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LONDON— **Prince Charles** spoke Wednesday of how cancer has touched his life and appealed for support for a new research center.

"Like so many others, I have been profoundly affected by cancer through the experiences of my own family, friends and acquaintances," he wrote in the Daily Mail.

Charles's grandfather, **King George VI**, died of lung cancer in 1952. Eight years ago, the daughter of friends died of a kidney tumor. Other friends have also been stricken, he said.

His newspaper column coincided with the opening of a new breast cancer research center supported by one of his charities. He said more effort in laboratory research is needed to improve breast cancer treatment.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

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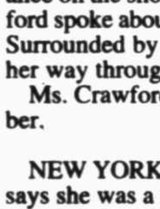

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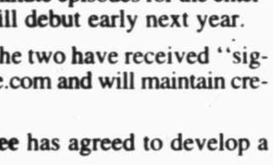

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Clinton heads to Texas to raise money, honor Lloyd Bentsen

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton heads to Houston next week with a dual mission: To pay tribute to his first Treasury secretary, Texan Lloyd Bentsen, and to help raise more than $1 million for the state's Democratic congressional and legislative candidates.

Bentsen, a respected party elder who capped a half century of public service when he stepped down from Clinton's Cabinet at the end of 1994, will be honored Monday, along with his wife B.A., during a fund-raising dinner benefiting the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee's Texas Fund.

Clinton had committed earlier this year to help raise money for the Texas Fund, a program established in 1996 by the DCCC's then chairman, Rep. Martin Frost of Dallas, to benefit Texas candidates and fund grassroots and get-out-the-vote operations.

During his day in Texas, the president also will take part in a private fund-raising luncheon for Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Houston, and a fundraiser for the Texas legislative Victory Fund, the White House said Wednesday.

But the president's biggest event in Texas will be his attendance at the $5,000-per-couple DCCC dinner, during which a video tribute to Bentsen will be aired. Former Texas Gov. Ann Richards will emcee the event with entertainment by singer Lyle Lovett. Most of the state's 17 House Democrats are expected, as is DCCC Chairman Patrick Kennedy of Rhode Island.

The idea to combine the DCCC dinner with a celebration for the Bentsens first was floated during the Texas congressional Democrats' weekly Capitol Hill luncheon, said Rep. Ken Bentsen, D-Houston, the elder Bentsen's nephew.

"It should be a great event for a great man who's had an outstanding career both for the state and for the nation," the younger Bentsen said. "He and my aunt are both extremely pleased about it."

The DCCC event already has exceeded its $750,000 target and is expected to bring in an estimated $1 million, Frost said. In the run-up to the Legislature's redistricting in 2001, which will be key to the political parties' strength in Austin and Washington, fund-raising is crucial, Frost said.

"Both parties know that Texas is a major battleground in the year 2000, not at the presidential level but at all other levels, both for control of the state legislature, which will do redistricting in 2001, and in terms of control of the congressional delegation," Frost said.

Beyond fund-raising, Frost said it is "very appropriate that we honor Senator Bentsen because he had a long and distinguished career."

Ms. Jackson Lee agreed: "This honor here is long overdue ... Everyone, to a one, was wholeheartedly enthusiastic about joining in and doing something."

It won't be the first presidential commendation of the year for the 78-year-old Bentsen, who represented Texas in Congress for 28 years and made unsuccessful presidential and vice presidential forays.

Bentsen, who was slowed last year by a pair of strokes, traveled to Washington earlier this year to receive the nation's highest civilian honor, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, at a White House ceremony.

Convicted burglar caught after fleeing prison work detail

SAN ANGELO (AP) — Authorities near San Angelo captured a prison inmate about eight hours after he allegedly stole a pickup truck and fled from a work crew at the San Angelo State School.

Andrew King Shaw, 28, a trusty at the Wallace Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, was noticed missing about 10 a.m. Tuesday, prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said from Huntsville.

Shaw had been imprisoned since July 8, 1994, and was serving 15 years for burglarizing a building in Johnson County, just south of Fort Worth. He would have been eligible for parole in about 16 months.

Fitzgerald said the white Chevrolet C-10 pickup truck belonged to the school and apparently was parked with the keys left inside. The gas tank reportedly was full.

Around 6:30 p.m., local authorities saw Shaw in the pickup truck near Lake Nasworthy, prison spokesman Larry Todd said. They chased him briefly before stopping and arresting him.

"We will have our internal affairs agents interview the escapee and we will file escape charges, which carry a sentence of up to 15 years," Todd said.

Shaw was taken to the Tom Green County Jail for the night and will be returned to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wednesday.

The Wallace Unit is about 75 miles north of San Angelo, near Colorado City.

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Christmas Shop at the Mansion: Shop for unique gifts for everyone on your list! 10am-5pm

DEC Wednesday 8
Southwest Express: Model O Train Exhibit 4pm-7pm
Christmas Shop at the Mansion: Shop for unique gifts for everyone on your list! 10am-5pm
Lunch at the Mansion: Box Lunches available for $7 per person from 11:30am-1pm. Performance by Ector County Junior High and Scharbauer/DeZavala Strings during lunch hour.

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Southwest Express: Model O Train Exhibit 4pm-7pm
Christmas Shop at the Mansion: Shop for unique gifts for everyone on your list! 10am-5pm
Afternoon Tea at the Mansion: Tea served in the Mansion from 3pm-5pm. Live Entertainment. No Charge

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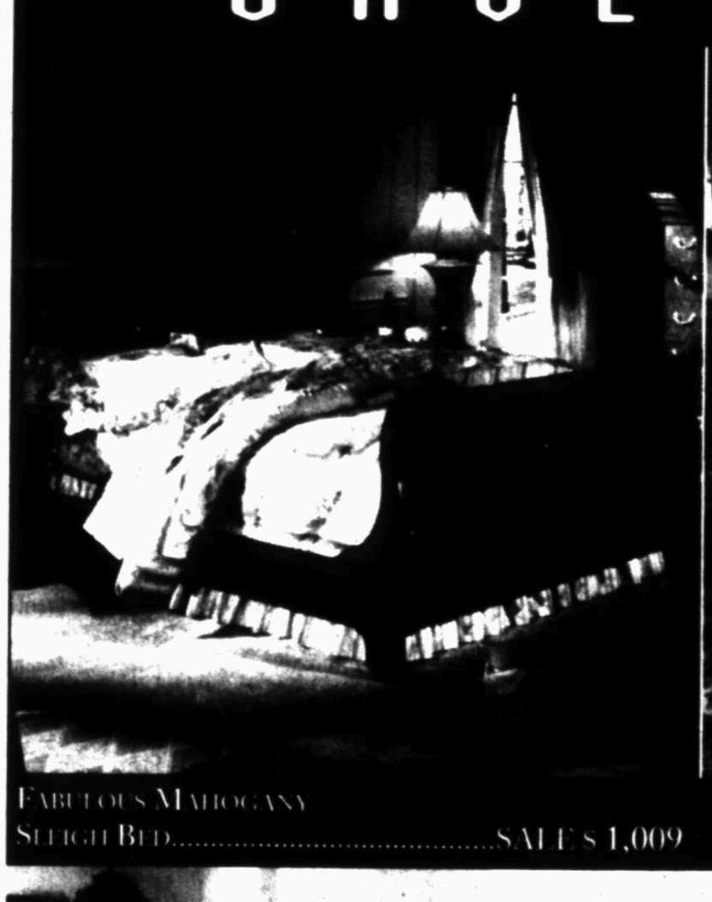
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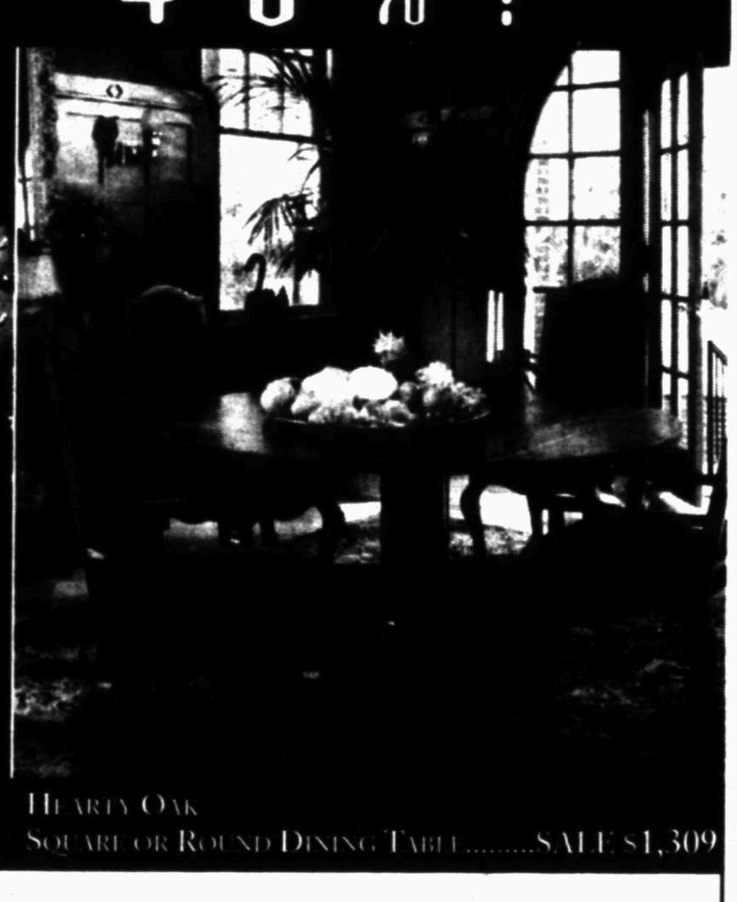
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State officials from Texas, Mexico meet to talk about trade

AUSTIN (AP) — Representatives from Texas and four Mexican border states met Wednesday to discuss trade, economic development and other issues in what officials said would be the first of many state-level talks between Mexico and Texas.

"As we increase trade, as we increase relationships, we will see more of these working sessions on both sides of the border because ultimately we all represent the future of the people in the respective states," said state Sen. Eliot Shapleigh, D-El Paso.

State legislators joined officials from the Mexican states of Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas for two days of meetings at the Capitol. The group discussed trade, economic development, tourism and environmental issues.

Shapleigh and Sen. Frank Madla, D-San Antonio, said the sessions were unique because they involved local representatives talking about federal issues such as the North American Free Trade Agreement and border transportation, including the recent Mexico car deposit debate.

"I think it's probably about time that we got together and it's a shame that it hasn't been done earlier. But I hope that what results from us getting together today will be us solving common problems that we face along the border and improving the quality of life for citizens on both sides of the Rio Grande," Madla said.

The Mexican representatives spoke about the need for improved infrastructure and economic development, promising a potential for stronger business in both countries, including in the tourism and high-tech industry.

"In the United States, Fortune Magazine declared Dallas as the most important city for doing business in the United States while Monterrey, the capital of the state of Nuevo Leon, was declared the No. 1 city in Latin America for doing business," said Carlos Zambrano Plant, secretary of economic development in Nuevo Leon.

"So we feel that if we put together these two powerful cities and work together on economical development issues and many others we can really obtain excellent results for our communities and our citizens," Zambrano Plant said.

The meetings produced little more than discussion of key issues, but were important because of approaching NAFTA deadlines that will require such cooperation among the United States, Mexico and Canada, the officials said.

"Between the year 2001 and 2003 the three countries become a region on the industrial side of NAFTA and we need to integrate within the region in order for our products to flow free of duties," said Francisco Uranga, secretary of industrial development in Chihuahua.

"If we don't talk at the state and local level about issues — just connecting up roads, about working on health, about access to credit — then what happens is at the larger level of trade the policies don't really get put fully into effect," Shapleigh said.

"So the idea of increasing the local and state contacts is a very good idea at this point in NAFTA because that is what is absent."

Lawsuit accuses of Lamar Hunt Jr. of sexual assault

DALLAS (AP) — Lamar Hunt, Jr., son of sports magnate Lamar Hunt and a member of one of Texas' most prominent and wealthiest families, has been accused in a civil lawsuit of making unwanted advances on his mentally disabled sister-in-law and having sex with her.

Hunt's attorney, Donald Flanary, told The Dallas Morning News that his client had written a document titled "Confessions of a Sex Addict" which is cited in a civil lawsuit filed Monday at the Dallas courthouse. Flanary did not return several telephone calls Wednesday from The Associated Press.

In the document, the writer states, "I made unwanted advances on her on consecutive nights."

The writer described the sex acts and added, "If this is disturbing, I am sorry, but I think that for whatever reason God wants me to expel this demon."

Plaintiff's attorneys say Hunt, 43, gave the document to his wife, Jocelyn, two years ago. Mrs. Hunt has since filed for a divorce, which is pending with court papers sealed.

The civil lawsuit against Hunt was filed by attorneys for Mrs. Hunt's sister, Judy Fitzpatrick.

"She's seeking monetary damages," said Jack Baldwin, a Texas attorney representing Ms. Fitzpatrick. He said they have not discussed a settlement with Hunt's attorneys, who have 20 days to respond to the lawsuit.

Although no criminal action has been filed against Hunt, Baldwin said that was still an option.

"I'm not advising her on criminal matters," Baldwin said. "I would assume that the district attorney will look at it and do whatever he wants with it."

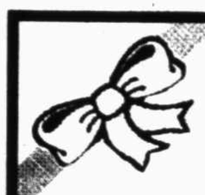
The district attorney's office is unlikely to pursue the matter unless police investigate and find evidence of a crime, said assistant district attorney Mike Carnes. The statute of limitations for a sexual assault case would be five years, but that timeframe could vary with the specific charges, he said.

Attorneys said Ms. Fitzpatrick lives in Pennsylvania with another sister who helps care for her and consented to the release of her name.

Court papers in the lawsuit Baldwin filed Monday in Dallas on Ms. Fitzpatrick's behalf, claim the woman "has been diagnosed with moderate to severe learning disabilities, cognitive deficits and social deficiencies. ... She has lived with her parents or a sibling for 40 of the 41 years of her life."

The alleged assaults occurred two years ago, the lawsuit says, when Ms. Fitzpatrick was visiting the Hunts at their suburban Dallas home.

Hunt is the grandson of pioneer Texas oil wildcatter H.L. Hunt. He has an office with his father in downtown Dallas. Forty years ago, the elder Hunt launched the American Football League, which included his Dallas Texans franchise. The team later became the Kansas City Chiefs, whose ownership is held through trusts by Lamar Hunt Jr. and his three siblings.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ADVENT CHRISTMAS CALENDAR

December 8, 1999
Chapel Choir Christmas Concert, "Share the Good News! He is Born" by Allen Pote, Mr. Bert Bostic, director 6:15pm in the Sanctuary. St. Luke's United Methodist Church 3011 W. Kansas.

Noontime Noels
12:05 noon
$5/person
Lee High School Chorale
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

Service of Prayer & Healing
6:30 p.m., Chapel, Rev. Molly Krueger
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

December 9-12
Drive through Nativity
6:30 - 9:30pm,
First Church of the Nazarene,
1400 Lancaster,
Big Spring.

December 11, 1999
Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5400 N. Big Spring, is celebrating the Christmas season with the theme being "God's plan for His coming". Sunday worship services start at 9am and Wednesday Advent services start at 7pm. This Sunday's sermon topic will be "He protects His people" and Wednesday Advent Topic will be "We wait joyfully"

WACCY Christmas Party
5:00-6:30 in Youth Center
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

December 12, 1999
"Christmas, Sing Noel!"
10:50am Sanctuary Choir
Memorial Christian Church,
1001 Andrews Hwy.

Morning Worship Services
Lighting the Third Advent Candle. Rev. Richard Edwards, preaching 8:30am in the Sanctuary. Special Music: "Song of the Birth" Allen Pote 10:50am n the Sanctuary
Special Music: "He is Born"
Robert Wetzler.
St. Luke's Methodist Church
3011 W. Kansas

"Sounds of the Season" Concert, with the Sanctuary, Celebration! Choirs and Agape Ringers featuring Handels Messiah. The choirs will be accompanied by a full orchestra.
5:30pm
First Presbyterian Church
800 W. Texas

Chancel Choir Christmas Concert
"The Word Made Flesh"
By Hal Hopson. Mr. Bert Bostic, director 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.
St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas.
Adult Choir and Orchestra present Everlasting Light, Sunday, December 12th, 6:30pm in the Worship Center. First Baptist Church,
2104 W. Louisiana.
The Story of the Candy Cane, presented by the children, junior departments and their leaders, 6:00pm, Valley View Baptist Church,
County Road 140
& FM 1213

"The Real Meaning of Being Star-Struck" Christmas Message by
8:30/10:50am
Dr. Larry Ashlock, Pastor
Crestview Baptist Church
3300 Thomas
(just south of Midkiff & Illinois).

Children's Choirs Christmas Music
6:15pm
Crestview Baptist Church
3300 Thomas (just south of Midkiff & Illinois).

Lessons and Carols Service in both morning Sanctuary services with Choirs and Handbells
5:00 pm The Giving Factory in Fellowship Hall. Bring your whole family to help assemble gift bags, make soup, bake cookies & pack food baskets for those in need. First United Methodist Church 305 N. Baird

December 14 -16
Live Nativity Scene, 6:30 to 8:30pm on the West Lawn. First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana.

December 15
Noontime Noels
12:05 Noon
$5/person
Crestview Baptist Church
Orchestra
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

December 16
"Master Ringer's Handbell Team"
Crestview Baptist Church
7:15pm at Theatre Midland

December 18
Children Talking Nativity, Saturday, December 18th, 10:00 - 11:00am on the FBC West Lawn. Visit with Mary, Joseph, Baby Jesus and the shepherds. Feed and pet the stable animals. Refreshments will be served. First Baptist Church,
2104 W. Louisiana.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5400 N. Big Spring, is celebrating the Christmas season with the theme being "God's plan for His coming". Sunday worship services start at 9am. This Sunday's sermon topic will be "He provides all we need". Our Children's Christmas program "Star of Wonder" will be held this Sunday at 6pm. Our Christmas Day worship will start at 10am and the sermon topic will be "He Has Come!"

December 19, 1999
"We Three Kings"/ "Christmas Carillon" 10:50am, JuBELLation! Handbells. "Why 3K's" 6pm Holy
Memorial Christian Church,
1001 Andrews Hwy.
Children's Christmas Program "Star of Wonder" 6:00pm - Holy Cross Lutheran Church,
5400 N. Big Spring.
White Christmas is an in-gathering of non-perishable food to help provide Christmas dinner to families in our community. Sunday, December 19th 6:30pm, Worship Center. First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana.

The annual Round-the-Table-Carol-Sing is a fun fellowship time and dinner - lots of singing, This promises to be a great evening - you won't want to miss! 5:30pm,
First Presbyterian Church,
800 W. Texas.

Morning Worship Services
Lighting the Fourth Advent Candle Rev. Richard Edwards, preaching 8:30am in the Sanctuary. Special Music: "Our Gifts We Bring" Allen Pote
10:50am in the Sanctuary,
"Gesu Bambino" Allen Pote. St. Luke's United Methodist Church
3011 W. Kansas.

All Church Christmas Caroling 5:00pm meet in the Fellowship Hall,
St. Luke's United Methodist Church,
3011 W. Kansas.

"Mary, Did You Know?"
8:30&10:50am
Worship Choir Music
Ensembles Christmas Music
6:15pm
Crestview Baptist Church
3300 Thomas
(just south of Midkiff & Illinois).

Morning Worship at rgular times both Chapel and Sanctuary 6:00 pm Celebration Singers Choir Party and Youth Caroling. Family Activities at home First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

December 20
"Master's Ringers Handbell Team"
Crestview Baptist Church
6:30pm at Midland Park Mall
Crestview Baptist Church Orchestra
7:15pm at Midland Park Mall

December 22, 1999
"Master's Ringers Handbell Team"
Crestview Baptist Church
12:15m at Museum of the Southwest
"Christmas at the Mansion"

December 24, 1999
Candlelight Communion Service
6:30 pm Memorial Christian Church, 1001 Andrews Hwy.

Christmas Eve Candlelight services, 6:00pm and 10:00pm in the Worship Center, First Baptist Church,
2104 W. Louisiana.

A Participatory Service of Lessons, Carols, Communion and Candlelight Especially For Families With Children Lighting the Christ Candle 5:00pm in the Sanctuary.
St. Luke's United Methodist Church,
3011 W. Kansas.

A Traditional Service of Carols, Communion and Candlelight Lighting the Christ Candle Rev. Richard Edwards, preaching
10:30pm in the Sanctuary Pre Worship Concert 10:00pm
Special Music: "Gesu Bambino" Pietro Yon, "Song of the Birth" Allen Pote. St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas.
Christmas Eve Service 5:00 pm

Christmas Eve service celebrates the birth of our Lord with Lessons, Carols and Candlelight.
5:30pm - The children's choirs will sing for this first celebration of the birth of our Savior.
9:00pm - The Sanctuary Choir will sing for this service, at which the sacramament of Holy Communion will be celebrated.
*Nursery will be available. First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas.

Children's Christmas Eve Liturgy, 6:00 pm, St. Stephen's Catholic Church,
4601 Neely.

"Candlelight Service"
5:00pm
Carols, candles and handbells
Crestview Baptist Church
3300 Thomas (just south of Midkiff & Illinois).

4:00 Family Carol, Candlelight and Communion Service in Fellowship Hall
5:00 Pre-Service Christmas Service in Sanctuary
5:30 Carol and Candlelight Service in Sanctuary
10:00 Carols, Candlelight and Communion in Sanctuary
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

December 25, 1999
Holy Cross Lutheran Church located at 5400 N. Big Spring, is celebrating the Christmas season with the theme being "God's plan for His coming." Our Christmas Day worship service will start today at 10am and the sermon topic will be "He Has Come!"

Christmas Day Service.
10:00am - Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5400 N. Big Spring,
Midnight Mass, 12:00am,
St. Stephen's Catholic Church,
4601 Neely.

December 26, 1999
Morning Worship Services
Service of Lessons and Carols
Mr. Bert Bostic, director.
10:50am in the Sanctuary.
St. Luke's United Methodist Church,
3011 W. Kansas.

Christmas Day Masses, 8:00am, 10:30am, 5:00pm,
St. Stephen's Catholic Church,
4601 Neely.

8:30 Service in Chapel
No Sunday School.
9:30 Family Fellowship Brunch
10:35 Worship Service in Sanctuary
Blessing of the Toys
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

December 31, 1999
Millennial Celebration, Friday, December 31st, 8:30pm and 11:15pm in the Worship Center.
First Baptist Church,
2104 W. Louisiana.

"Community Watch Night Program"
Y2K and Beyond!
Time to be announced
Crestview Baptist Church
3300 Thomas
(just south of Midkiff & Illinois).

Methodist Millennium Madness
8:00 pm - 11:30 pm
Activities for all ages.
Welcome the New Millennium with a Service of Holy Communion
11:30 - 12:00 midnight in Chapel
First United Methodist Church
305 N. Baird

Sentencing begins for man convicted of murder of 5-year-old

LUBBOCK (AP) — A former law official told an Ector County jury Wednesday that a man convicted of abducting and beating to death a 5-year-old West Texas girl volunteered to help find her.

Former Lamb County sheriff's Deputy Tracy Bridges testified during the sentencing phase of Eddie Rowton that the 46-year-old man came to him and volunteered to help search for Shawnlee Perry in May 1992.

Shawnlee's body was found by a farmer in a grassy field northwest of Earth three months after she disappeared. Shawnlee suffered several broken bones and her clothes were turned inside out.

Rowton, who already is serving a 35-year sentence in Houston for raping a New Mexico woman, was found guilty of the abduction-murder of Shawnlee.

The jury has to decide whether Rowton should receive life imprisonment or the death penalty in the Lamb County case, which was moved to Ector County because of publicity. Earth, in northwest Lamb County, is 55 miles northwest of Lubbock.

Daniel Garcia, who said he was a close friend of the girl's father, told jurors he informed Earth Police Chief Curtis Coffman that Rowton had killed the girl. However, Coffman never followed up on the information, Garcia said.

At one time, Garcia was considered a suspect in the May 1992 disappearance. His statements have varied from witnessing the killing to having heard about it from Rowton.

"Daniel was a suspect very early on, but very early on he began placing blame elsewhere," defense attorney Philip Wischkaemper said during the trial. "If you take out the lies of Daniel Garcia, it really is a circumstantial case."

The sentencing phase could last through Monday.

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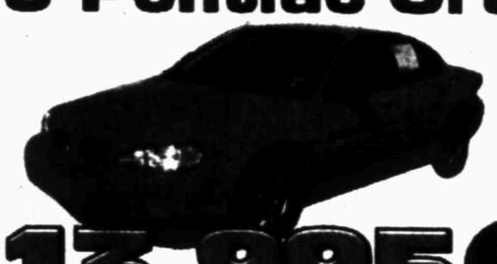
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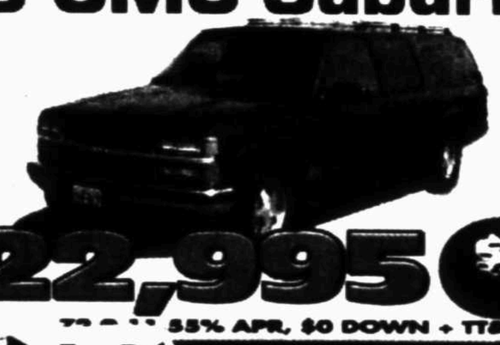
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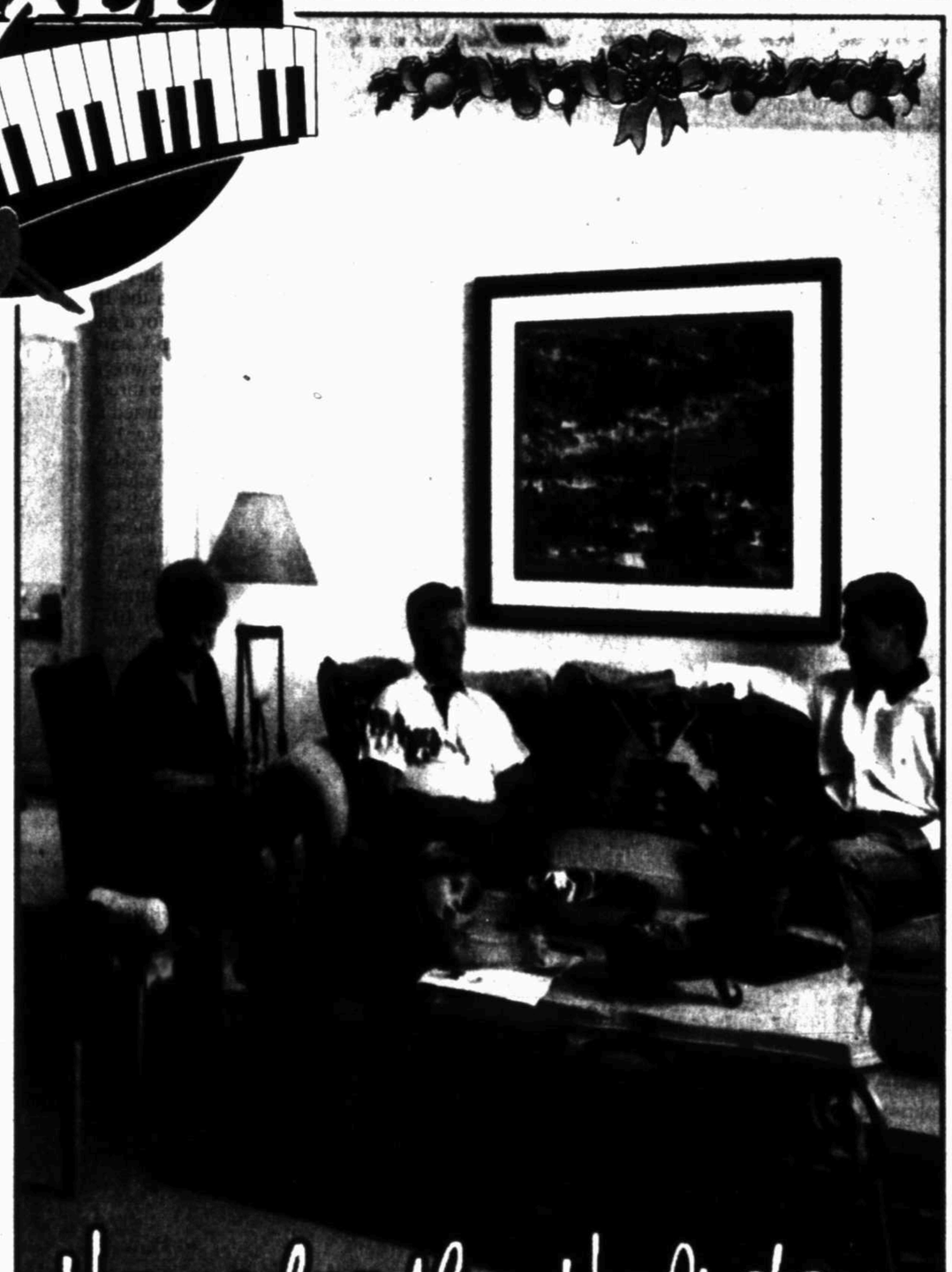

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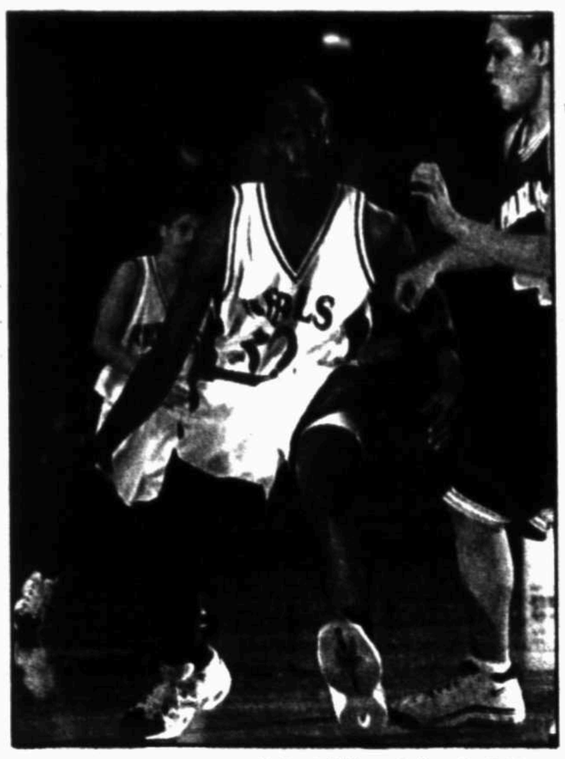

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Lee's Chris Packer will lead the Rebels against a talented field this weekend at the Tall City Oilman's Tournament, which will be held at Chap Center.

Tall City Oilman's Tournament welcomes top hoops programs

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

It's not for the state championship or anything much more than some temporary swaggering rights, but if you want quality, the Tall City Oilman's Tournament at Chaparral Center can't be beat for high school basketball.

LEE
Oilman's Tourney

While Midland Lee's football team will be fighting for its second consecutive state championship in Austin Saturday, some of the top boys basketball teams in the state will be here in town over the next three days. Among the hoops elite are a recent hometown state champion and two other teams ranked in the state's Class 5A top 10.

Lee coach Jon House, who is hosting the tournament, has had a hard time containing his enthusiasm over the quality of this year's 14-team field.

"I think it's the toughest it's ever been," said House of the tournament. "You look at the brackets and see San Antonio Jay is ranked No. 9, (Dallas) Carter is No. 3, Midland High is No. 20 and Alamogordo is always a power (in New Mexico)."

Jay and Carter open in the top half of the bracket today at 9 a.m., with Jay playing Lubbock Monterey at the Lee gym and Carter facing El Paso Hanks at the Chap Center. The winner of the Jay-Monterey game will face Midland High at 7:45 p.m. at the Chap Center in tonight's final contest.

If the Bulldogs are to survive their bracket and reach Saturday night's championship game at 7:30, they will most likely have to get past Jay and Carter to make it.

"Tournaments are to make you better," said Midland High coach Jack Stephenson. "The better the people you play, the better you get."

Stephenson, then, must believe that his team will play great this week. Tuesday night, the Bulldogs lost to Hobbs, N.M. 84-74 in a game even closer than the score indicates, as Hobbs ran its winning streak to 32 games.

Midland High (7-2) should face tests every bit as tough over the next three days. If the Bulldogs win tonight, they could face the winner of the Hanks-Carter game Friday at 4 p.m.

Both of those schools provide a reference point for MHS. Hanks defeated the Bulldogs 73-58 at the McDonald's Tournament in El Paso in November, and Carter lost to No. 1 Duncanville by only 78-76 last weekend.

Duncanville was the last Texas team to beat MHS at the Chap Center, winning the Region I-5A final in an epic overtime struggle last season. At this point, though Stephenson isn't as concerned about his team returning to such lofty heights.

"We aren't really trying to see how good we are," said Stephenson. "We're just trying to see who can play. I try to get the right combinations out there all the time and sometimes I do and sometimes I don't."

Whatever combination the Bulldogs have on the

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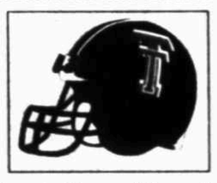
Leach expected to take Tech job

By Pam Easton
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — Oklahoma offensive coordinator Mike Leach called Texas Tech athletic director Gerald Myers from his cell phone late Wednesday night and put a smile on Myers' face.



Myers all but said Leach would be Texas Tech's next coach about an hour after receiving the call.

"Tomorrow we're going to make an announcement as to whether it's all over or we're going to start all over again," a jovial Myers said Wednesday night. "I am so tired, I'm a walking zombie."

Texas Tech called a news conference for 10 a.m. Thursday. Myers said it would be unfair for him to comment before then.

"It was good visit," he said about the phone call, explaining that that should be enough to figure out what Leach's answer was.

During football practice Wednesday, a teary-eyed Leach told his team Tech had offered him the job when he visited the school Tuesday. The university is searching for a replacement for Spike Dykes, the 13-year head coach

Please see **COACH**/5C

SMU boots coach, imposes sanctions following offenses

■ School announces self-imposed penalties for football violations.

By Josh Romonek
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS — Southern Methodist University announced Wednesday that it has fired an assistant football coach accused of violating NCAA recruiting rules.

School officials also imposed sanctions on the football program, including cutting eight scholarships over the next two years.

"We do not have an affirmation from the NCAA that they will accept these and impose no others," SMU President R. Gerald Turner said, referring to the internal sanctions at a news conference.

The university dismissed defensive line coach Steve Malin, who had been suspended with pay in August after SMU said it had discovered possible violations.

SMU officials said their internal investigation found Malin had encouraged a student to have someone else take a college entrance exam in his place, had improper contact with other student athletes and offered improper inducements to them totaling $650 over four years. The violations did not involve any other coaches or boosters, athletic director Jim Copeland said.

Malin has denied any wrongdoing, the university said.

The officials said they forwarded their findings Wednesday to the NCAA, whose representatives also participated in SMU's investigation.

SMU officials said they found Malin had encouraged the student who submitted a false American College Testing exam score to lie about it to university investigators.

Improper payments to various students ranged from $10 to $60,

Please see **SMU**/5C

Odessa plays tough Central Texas squad

By Ted Battles
MRT Correspondent

ODESSA— Although 3-2 under new Coach Don McKee, the Odessa Jackalopes are in the throes of a two-game losing streak, something they will try to end at 7:11 tonight at the Ector County Coliseum.

Only trouble is that Central Texas, leading the WPHL Central Division with a 19-6-1 record, the best in the entire league, will provide the opposition.

Coach Ron Lablond's Stampede boasts Ron Newhook, one of the top scorers in the WPHL with nine goals, 25 assists and 34 points as well as two of the top three goalies in the league. Matt Barnes is 4-0-3 with a 2.12 goals-against average and Jason Carey is 6-4-0 with a 2.44 GA.

In his first year at Central Texas, Lablond, last year led Waco to the Central Division title. In the previous meeting between the teams, the Stampede scored a 5-1 victory at Belton.

Meanwhile, McKee, in an effort to bring the team out of 8-16-1 doldrums, is in the process of shaking up the Jacks, trading Mike Vandenberghe, who had been critical of management over the firing of Joe Clark, to Lake Charles in a three-team swap that brings Scott Hillman to Odessa from El Paso.

Although tonight's game ends a three-game homestand, after a Friday night game in El Paso, the Jacks return home Saturday to face Buzzards here.

Abilene's Aviators are scheduled to come to Odessa next Thursday, if they are still playing. Tuesday night's game against Austin was postponed and "the possibility exists that we won't continue the season after Friday," said Steve Cherwonak, director of scheduling and media relations for the WPHL.

Please see **JACKS**/2C

REBELS GO FOR A REPEAT

Playing 'D' & Paying Off

Rebs cash in on switching Glover to DB

By Terry Williamson
Sports Editor

The off-season move that paid the most dividends for the Midland Lee Rebels in 1999 has to be taking T.J. Glover from the offensive side of the ball and making him a defensive back.

LEE
Football Playoffs

Even though Lee will play its 15th and final game of the 1999 season in Royal-Memorial Stadium in Austin Saturday, Glover may just now be hitting his full stride.

But, no matter how you look at it, Glover has come up huge for Lee down the stretch run and has captured the fancy of Midland football fans.

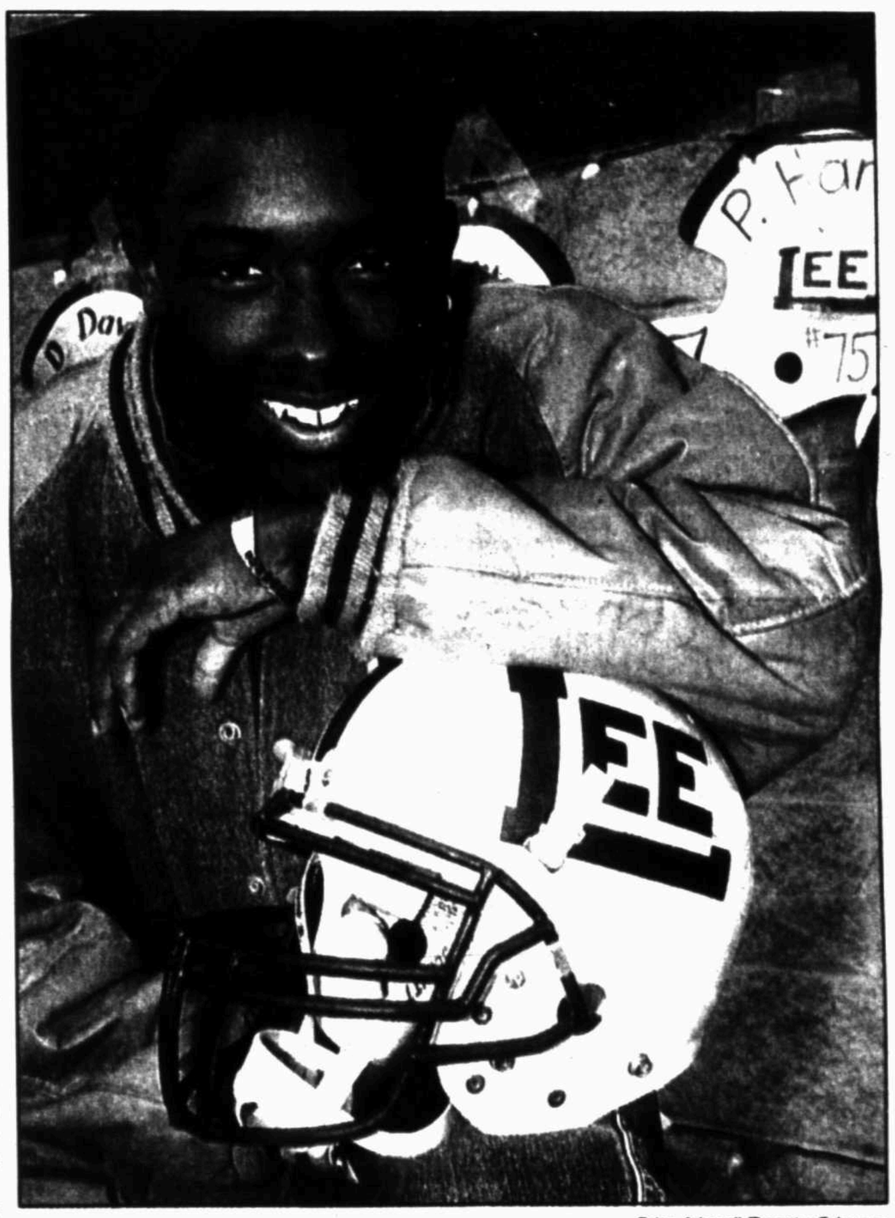
He has seven interceptions for the year. Glover's late interception inside the 10-yard line against Midland High secured a victory when the Bulldogs looked to be marching in for a game-tying touchdown. In the Class 5A state quarterfinals against Waco High, Glover again helped secure a victory with three interceptions, one of which he returned for a touchdown.

Unless Glover has a monster game Saturday against Aldine Eisenhower, it will be his three interceptions against Waco High that he will carry into the Lee history books. The three picks tied a single game Lee record and set a Lee playoff record.

In 1998, Glover was a wide receiver for Lee's state championship team. He caught nine passes for 105 yards and two touchdowns. Those were not numbers highly regarded in Lee's powerful offensive attack. The idea arose in the off-season to move Glover to a safety position on defense, where he played some on the junior varsity a year earlier and some as a freshman.

"Coach Parchman called me into his office after last season and told me that they were thinking of moving me to the defense," Glover, a senior, said. "He said that the move would be better for me and better for the team.

"I was excited about the move. Offense gets the glory and defense wins championships. I wanted to be a part of that. Besides, I have family (cousins Anthony, Fred and Corry Pertile) who all played for Lee and all played on defense. And all of them were good."



Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram
Lee defensive back T.J. Glover has been a key player for the Rebel football team which plays for a second straight Class 5A title this weekend. Glover has seven interceptions, including some big ones versus Midland High and Waco High.

Lee's coaches knew it would take time for Glover to mature in a new position, but it is a move they knew they had to make.

"He had his moments when he made the move, but we knew he was the man," said Lee defensive backs coach Mike Meeks, who also coached Anthony Pertile, Glover's cousin, at Eastern New Mexico. "He had a slow start, but he has really come on strong.

"First, safety wasn't a completely new position for T.J. He played there on the junior varsity. He is also as physical as any defensive back I've had in the last five years. Also, he's smart and understands what we are trying to do.

"T.J. is the type of player that when things go wrong, he's going to try and fix it. He doesn't get down and doesn't panic when bad things happen. So, that makes him good in the leadership department, too."

Even though Glover had some defensive experience, the move to safety was not without some problems.

"Coach Meeks is like all the other Lee coaches," Glover said. "I wouldn't have accomplished all that I have this year unless Coach Meeks hadn't pushed me every day in practice. I owe a lot to him.

"I played some defense before, but it

Please see **REBS**/4C

Cowboys' problems loom large

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

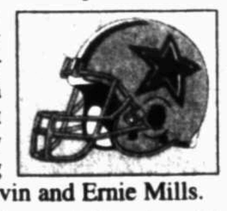
IRVING — The return of linebacker Quentin Coryatt to the practice field Wednesday did little to address the biggest weaknesses of the Dallas Cowboys.

He doesn't kick field goals or catch passes.

A day after inconsistent kicker Richie Cunningham was waived, punter Toby Gowin was the only kicker on the field as Dallas awaits the likely signing of Eddie Murray.

All eyes, though, were on Deion Sanders as he caught passes from Troy Aikman for the first time this season. Sanders' two-way skills became needed even more than expected when rookie Wane McGarity was injured in practice.

McGarity broke the ring finger and dislocated the pinkie on his right hand. His injury further depletes a unit already missing Michael Irvin and Ernie Mills.



Coach Chan Gailey is still reluctant to say for sure whether Sanders will play. McGarity's injury makes it even more likely that he will.

"It takes a little while get some timing down, so we'll have to see if he can do enough to get in a game on Sunday," Gailey said. "We are looking to see that he is comfortable running the routes and we have some semblance of timing between he and Troy."

Sanders could provide an offensive boost for the Cowboys (6-6), who have scored just one offensive touchdown in the past three games but still are just a game behind NFC East-leading Washington.

Last year, Sanders caught just seven passes. But in 1996, as the NFL's first two-way starter since 1962, he caught 36 passes for 475 yards.

The injured-plagued Coryatt, who hasn't played in the NFL since 1997, re-signed with the Cowboys this week.

Coryatt came out of retirement in April and was expected to be Dallas' starting strongside linebacker. Less than five months later, he quit again without playing a game because of injuries to his Achilles' tendon and shoulder.

"I left because I felt it was better for the team and better for myself because I would not have been able to contribute the first eight weeks, the first nine weeks," Coryatt said. "I had in mind that I wanted to come back when my body felt like I was ready."

Coryatt, taken as the No. 2 pick by Indianapolis in the 1992 draft, sat out last season after being released by the Colts late in training camp. His goal then was to try to get over the aches and pains that has slowed his career.

Please see **BOYS**/4C

Coaches Classic offers showcase for soccer talent

Staff Report

The Blast Soccer Club will conduct the Blast Coaches Classic this weekend at Hogan Park.

The Coaches Classic is designed to showcase players in the Under-17 and Under-19 men's and women's age groups for collegiate coaches from around the United States.

This year more 43 colleges and universities from as far away as Rhode Island, California, Virginia, Tennessee and Florida will be on hand to view action from 60 games. A preliminary list of colleges expected to attend includes Louisiana State University, the University of California-Berkeley, Texas Tech, Memphis, North Texas, Baylor, SMU, Houston and Stephen F. Austin.

This tournament will bring in some of the best soccer talent from Midland-Odessa, San Antonio, El Paso, San Angelo, Arlington, Colleyville, Dallas, Fort Worth, Lewisville, the Texas Panhandle and Hobbs, N.M.

As a result of tournaments like this one, many soccer players have earned opportunities to play in college. For example, there have been more than 48 boys and girls soccer players from Midland's Blast Soccer Club go on to play at the next level since 1992.

Another highlight is the number of people who will come to Midland for the weekend. According to tournament officials, tournament rosters average 17-18 players, and 23 teams are coming from more than 120 miles away.

Tournament action will begin at 7:30 a.m. Saturday morning. The last game of Day 1 is slated to begin at 9 p.m. On Sunday, tournament play will start at 8 a.m. The final games will begin at 2 p.m.

Blast Schedule

The following is a list of teams that will be participating at the Blast Coaches Classic. All games will be played at Midland's Hogan Park.

Under 19 Men

Blast 81/82; (Lewisville) Hawks 83; (Colleyville) American Eagles 82; (Amarillo) High Plains Drifters; Longview Azzurri, (Odessa) Shooting Stars; (Arlington) Diamonds; Hobbs Crossfire; Fossil Creek Fire; Granbury United; (Lewisville) Hawks 83.

Under 19 Women

Blast 81/82; Fort Worth United 82; (Amarillo) High Plains Drifters; (Lewisville) Hawks 82; (Arlington) Image 82; (Arlington) Texas Lightning Black; El Paso Premier; (Colleyville) Texas American Eagles 82; (Lewisville) Aces; (Arlington) Texas Lightning 82/83.

Under 17 Men

Blast 83; San Antonio Lions; (Amarillo) High Plains Drifters; (Dallas) Lone Star; (Colleyville) American Eagles; (Odessa) Force United; San Antonio Strikers); San Angelo United; Fort Worth Diamonds; Fort Worth Football Club.

U. Frank Williams Jr./Reporter-Telegram

Jackalopes defenseman Chris Morque will be on the ice with the rest of his teammates for their Western Professional Hockey League game tonight with Central Texas.

JACKS: Odessa returns to ice at 7:11 p.m. tonight

(From 1C)

According to the Abilene Reporter-News, WPHL President Rick Kozuback said, in the event the rest of the season is washed out, the league would still like to reach an agreement with an ownership group that would begin fresh next year.

The league terminated the franchise license agreement with former owners Glenda and Dr. John Slaughter Nov. 24 after the Slaughters said they no longer wanted the hockey team,

After a fast start as an expansion team last year, the franchise has experienced problems and attendance is averaging just over 2,000 fans this season.

JACKS NOTES — The Jacks signed veteran defenseman Derek Laxdal, who also will serve as an assistant coach. Laxdal played for McKee in Sheffield, England last year, and logged two years in the National Hockey League.

No. 1 Cincinnati defeats UNC

Associated Press

CHICAGO — With Kenyon Martin again coming up big in the middle, top-ranked Cincinnati beat No. 7 North Carolina 77-68 Wednesday night in the Great Eight, the Bearcats' first victory ever over the Tar Heels.

Martin, at 6-foot-9 and 230 pounds, gave away three inches and 35 pounds to North Carolina center Brendan Haywood, but he was the one who dominated inside, especially on the defensive end, blocking four shots and altering countless others. He finished with 16 points and nine rebounds.

The Bearcats (6-0) had lost all seven previous meetings with North Carolina, three in the 1990s, including an overtime game in the 1993 regional finals.

North Carolina (6-2) has played only one home game this season — an 86-66 loss to then-No. 7 Michigan State — and was coming off a game Tuesday night, a 91-67 victory over Buffalo.

Tech women beat New Mexico

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Plenette Pierson scored 15 points and Aleah Johnson added 14 and 14 rebounds to lead No. 12 Texas Tech to a 66-59 win over New Mexico on Wednesday night.

After sitting out most of the first half with foul trouble, Pierson returned in the second half to give the Lady Raiders (6-0) a much-needed boost,

She scored 13 of her points in the second half and helped Texas Tech hold the Lady Lobos (4-4) to 20 percent shooting from the field. New Mexico had shot 48 percent in the first half to take a 31-30 lead at halftime.

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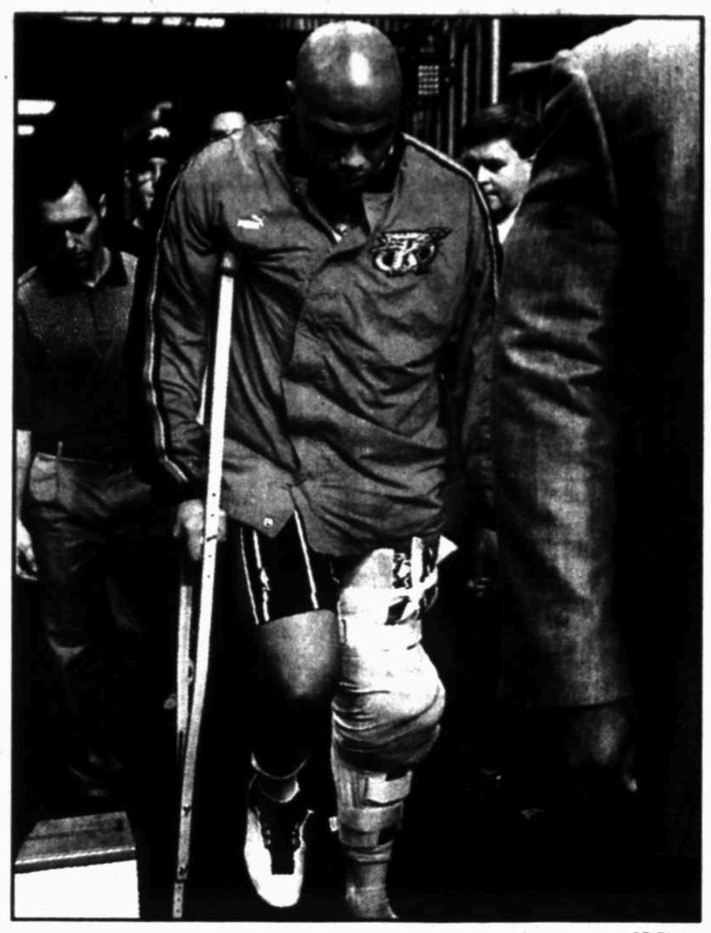

AP Photo

Houston Rockets' forward Charles Barkley returns to the court on crutches after suffering a career-ending knee injury in the first quarter of the Rockets game with the Philadelphia 76ers.

Ruptured knee tendon ends Barkley's career in city where it started

By Ken Berger
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA — Charles Barkley began his career in Philadelphia 16 years ago. He ended it there Wednesday night — with a broken-down knee and an exit that was so surreal it could have only happened to him.

With friends and family in the stands to celebrate his final game in Philly, Barkley ruptured a tendon in his knee in the first quarter of the Houston Rockets' game against the 76ers.

His mother and grandmother cried one moment and laughed the next as Barkley announced afterward that this game was his last.

"I guess the big fella in the sky wanted me to finish right where I started," said Barkley, the Houston forward who already announced that he is retiring after this season. "There were a lot of people here tonight who saw me play my first game and saw me play my last game."

Barkley broke down crying in the locker room when doctors told him what happened to his knee. He called his wife to tell her his career was over.

"I do think it was supposed to happen like this," Barkley said. "It was supposed to end in Philadelphia."

Barkley was going up to block a shot by Tyrone Hill when he lost his balance and hit the floor hard with 4:09 left in the first. The tendon that attaches his thigh to his kneecap ruptured. The injury, rare in basketball, requires surgery and at least six months of rehabilitation.

Sixers team doctor Jack McPhilemy said it would be career-threatening even for a young player. Barkley will be 37 in February.

"I knew it was over as soon as I saw it," Barkley said. "I knew it was over when it first happened. I saw the way the kneecap was bulging through my leg and I said, 'Well, it's been fun.'"

Local Sports

Basketball

Boys
Seventh Grade

San Jacinto Gold 61, Alamo Gray 54. For SJ Gold: Andrew Webb, 13 points. For Alamo: Jordan Cox, 25 points; Travis Cargile, 11 points.

San Jacinto Green 44, Abell Silver 38. For SJ Green: Justin McGruder, 20 points.

Abell Blue 47, Goddard Purple 38. For Abell: Jeremiah Fort, 20 points; Devin Peterson, 14 points. For Goddard: Craig Elliott, 11 points.

Abell White 63, Alamo White 32. For Abell: Bryson, 24 points; McCoy, 15 points. For Alamo: Logan Forest, 14 points; Matt Perez, 10 points.

Goddard Red 49, Alamo Red 47. For Goddard: Corey Culp, 10 points; Josh Culsteel, 12 points; Thomas Frisbie, 12 points. For Alamo: Tony Green, 12 points; Sam Sledge, 11 points.

Abell Maroon 62, Goddard White 56. For Abell: Matt Day, 20 points; Paul Kenner, 13 points.

San Jacinto Purple 46, Goddard Black 41. For SJ Purple: Michael Owen, 11 points; Marcus Niblett, 17 points. For Goddard: Hamilton, 11 points; Williams, 12 points.

Freshmen

Lee Maroon 65, Crockett 34. For Lee: Corey Adams, 24 points; Ezekiel Rubio, 17 points.

Midland White 84, Lee White 82, 3 OT. For Midland: Casey Zachary, 14 points, 12 rebounds; Cedric Johnson, 12 points, 14 rebounds; Ryan Owens, 12 points; Audrey Lee, 10 points; Cole White, 10 points. For Lee: Young, 29 points; Hartley, 17 points; Mayberry, 15 points.

Midland Purple 82, Bonham 80. For Purple: Anthony Jackson, 23 points, 10 rebounds; Herb City, 22 points, 10 assists, 10 steals; A.J. Lawrence, 14 points, 14 rebounds; Olie Fitts, 10 points, 11 rebounds; Trevor Stokes, 21 assists.

Girls
Freshmen

Midland White 41, Lee White 24. For Midland: Shaquita Taylor, 11 points, 12 rebounds; Landry Holifield, 10 points, 10 rebounds, 3 steals; Ember Rogers, 15 rebounds.

Lee Maroon 54, Crockett 32. For Lee: Lauren Hinsley, 22 points, 5 steals, 5 assists, 2 blocks, 4 rebounds; Courtney Hill, 17 points, 2 blocks, 2 steals, 4 rebounds.

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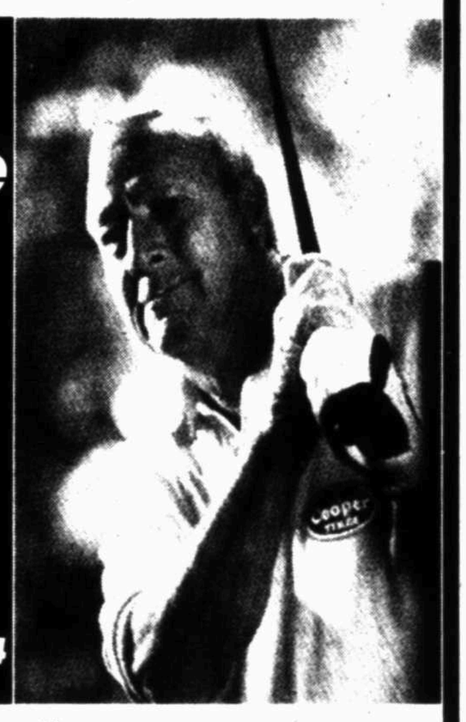

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NFR Results

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Results Tuesday of the $4.4 National Finals Rodeo at the Thomas & Mack Center:

Barebeck

Fifth round—1, Pete Hawkins, Weatherford, 88 points on Harry Volds Im A Tiger Skoal, $12,909. 2, Jason Wylie, Rosebud, Ark., 86, $10,202. 3, (tie), Mark Gomes, Nickerson, Kan., Deb Greenough, Red Lodge, Mont., and Larry Sandvick, Kaycee, Wyo., 85, $5,483. 6, Clint Corey, Powell Butte, Ore., 83, $2,082.

Average leaders—1, Lan LaJeunesse, Morgan, Utah, 409 points on five head. 2, Jason Wylie, Rosebud, Ark., 408. 3, Deb Greenough, Red Lodge, Mont., 401.

World standings—1, Pete Hawkins, Weatherford, $125,221. 2, Lan LaJeunesse, Morgan, Utah, $90,648. 3, Mark Gomes, Nickerson, Kan., $83,221.

Steer Wrestling

Fifth round—1, Birch Negaard, Buffalo, S.D., 3.9, $12,909. 2, (tie), Mike Smith, New Iberia, La., and Ote Berry, Checotah, Okla., 4.0, $8,953 each. 4, (tie), Mickey Gee, Wichita Falls, and Randy Suhn, North Platte, Neb., 4.5, $4,372 each. 6, Chad Hagan, Leesville, La., 5.0, $2,082.

Average leaders—1, Mickey Gee, Wichita Falls, 20.9 seconds on five head. 2, Chad Hagan, Leesville, La., 22.3. 3, Randy Suhn, North Platte, Neb., 22.9.

World standings—1, Brad Gleason, Touchet, Wash., $87, 517. 2, Chad Hagan, Leesville, La., $86,215. 3, Ote Berry, Checotah, Okla., $84,000.

Team Roping

Fifth round—1, Speed Williams, Jacksonville, Fla., and Rich Skelton, Llano, 4.4 seconds, $12,909. 2, Daniel Green, Oakdale, Calif., and Allen Bach, Valley Home, Calif., 4.7, $10,202. 3, Steve Purcella, Hereford, and Wayne Folmer, Lubbock, $7,704. 4, Jimmy Tanner, Tifton, Ga., and Brad Culpepper, Poulan, Ga., 5.0, $5,413. 5, Matt Tyler, Weatherford, Okla., and Kory Koontz, Sudan, 5.4, $3,331. 6, Bobby Hurley, Ceres, Calif., and Monty Joe Petska, Turlock, Calif., 5.6, $2,082.

Average leaders—1, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., and Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., 29.3 seconds on five head. 2, David Motes, Fresno, Calif., and Bobby Harris, Gillette, Wyo., 40.3. 3, Chance Kelton, Mayer, Ariz., and Brent Lockett, Ivanhoe, Calif., 42.3.

World standings (heading)—1, Speed Williams, Jacksonville, Fla., $104,094. 2, Daniel Green, Oakdale, Calif., $101,845. 3, Charles Pogue, Ringling, Okla., $85,946.

World standings (heeling)—1, Rich Skelton, Llano, $104,094. 2, Allen Bach, Turlock, Calif., $101,845. 3, Britt Bockius, Claremore, Okla., $85,946.

Saddle Bronc

Fifth round—1, Billy Etbauer, Ree Heights, S.D., 86 points on Sankey Rodeo Companys Dunny, $12,909. 2, Scott Johnston, DeLeon, 85, $10,202. 3, Dan Mortensen, Manhattan, Mont., 84, $7,704. 4, Rod Hay, Canada, 83, $5,413. 5, (tie), Steve Dollarhide, Wikieup, Ariz., and Cliff Norris, Goodwell, Okla., 82, $2,707 each.

Average leaders—1, (tie), Scott Johnston, DeLeon, and Ty Murray, Stephenville, 399 points on five head. 3, Robert Etbauer, Goodwell, Okla., 392.

World standings—1, Dan Mortensen, Red Lodge, Mont., $150,619. 2, Billy Etbauer, Ree Heights, S.D., 133,316. 3, Rod Hay, Canada, $131,664.

Calf Roping

Fifth round—1, (tie), Stran Smith, Tell, and Tony Reina, Brazoria, 7.6 seconds, $11,555 each. 3, Jerome Schneeberger, Ponca City, Okla., 8.1, $7,704. 4, Trevor Brazile, Childress, 8.2, $5,413. 5, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, 8.3, $3,331. 6, Ricky Hyde, Conway, Ark., 8.4, $2,082.

Average leaders—1, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, 41.5 seconds on five head. 2, Jeff Chapman, Athens, 45.1. 3, Brent Lewis, Eloy, Ariz., 45.5.

World standings—1, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, $151,128. 2, Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., $140,009. 3, Cody Ohl, Stephenville, $134,151.

Bull Riding

Fifth round—1, (tie), Vince Stanton, Weiser, Idaho, 84 points on Gilbert Rodeos Mailman; and Robert Bowers, Canada, 84 points on Beutler and Gaylord Rodeos Wimpey, $11,555 each. 3, (tie), Mike Moore, Wellington, Colo., and Justin Daugherty, Mineral Wells, 82, $6,558 each. 5, Cody Custer, Wickenburg, Ariz., 78, $3,331. 6, Jason McClain, Kiowa, Colo., 77, $2,082.

Average leaders—1, Mike White, Lake Charles, La., 253 points on three head. 2, Josh OByrne, Glen Rose, 245 points on three head. 3, Jason McClain, Kiowa, Colo., 241.

World standings—1, Gregory Potter, White, Texas, $108,281. 2, Mike White, Lake Charles, La., $87,452. 3, Vince Stanton, Weiser, Idaho, $86,967.

Barrel Racing

Fifth round—1, Janet Stover, Jacksonville, 4.04 seconds, $12,909. **2, Sherry Cervi, Midland, 14.07, $10,202.** 3, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., 14.11, $7,704. 4, Tona Wright, Moriarity, N.M., 14.12, $5,413. 5, Rachael Mylymaki, Arlee, Mont., 14.15, $3,331. 6, Melissa Hubier, Cleveland, 14.18, $2,082.

Average leaders—**1, Sherry Cervi, Midland, 71.06 seconds on five runs.** 2, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., 71.10. 3, Tona Wright, Moriarty, N.M., 71.58.

World standings—**1, Sherry Cervi, Midland, $163,059.** 2, Kristie Peterson, Elbert, Colo., $114,542. 3, Ruth Haislip, Acampo, Calif., $82,560.

All-Around

World standings—1, Fred Whitfield, Hockley, $177,219. 2, Cody Ohl, Stephenville, $164,703. 3, Blair Burk, Durant, Okla., $144,108.

Wrangler Bullfight

Second round—1, Mike Matt, Billings, Mont., 85 points with Coyote Hills Sabonas Lil Richard, $10,813. 2, Rob Smets, Sharmock, 83, $8,110. 3, Greg Rumohr, Rio Vista, 80, $5,407. 4, Lance Brittan, Windsor, Colo., 78 $2,703.

Average leaders—1, Mike Matt, Billings, Mont., 168 points on two head. 2, Lance Brittan, Windsor, Colo., 165. 3, Greg Rumohr, Rio Vista, 164.

NBA Results

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	14	4	.778	—
New York	11	9	.550	4
Boston	9	8	.529	4 1/2
Philadelphia	11	10	.524	4 1/2
Orlando	9	10	.474	5 1/2
Washington	5	15	.250	10
New Jersey	4	15	.211	10 1/2

Central Division

Toronto	12	6	.667	—
Charlotte	11	7	.611	1
Indiana	11	7	.611	1
Cleveland	9	8	.529	2 1/2
Milwaukee	10	9	.526	2 1/2
Atlanta	9	9	.500	3
Detroit	9	10	.474	3 1/2
Chicago	1	15	.063	10

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	14	6	.700	—
Utah	11	7	.611	2
Denver	9	9	.500	4
Minnesota	7	8	.467	4 1/2
Houston	7	13	.350	7
Dallas	7	14	.333	7 1/2
Vancouver	4	14	.222	9

Pacific Division

L.A. Lakers	15	5	.750	—
Portland	15	5	.750	—
Sacramento	12	4	.750	1
Seattle	14	5	.737	1/2
Phoenix	12	6	.667	2
L.A. Clippers	4	14	.222	10
Golden State	2	16	.111	12

Wednesday's Games

Boston 115, Denver 90
Philadelphia 83, Houston 73
Atlanta 99, L.A. Clippers 81
New Jersey 107, Milwaukee 90
Cleveland 107, Chicago 93
Charlotte 113, Golden State 106
Sacramento 103, L.A. Lakers 91
Utah 85, Dallas 79
Seattle 110, Minnesota 94

Thursday's Games

Vancouver at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Portland, 9 p.m.

Jazz 85, Mavericks 79

DALLAS (79): Nowitzki 5-14 2-2 15, Rooks 3-6 1-2 7, Bradley 5-9 2-2 12, Pack 1-4 3-3 5, Finley 5-21 1-2 11, Hughes 1-4 0-0 2, Ceballos 8-19 2-2 19, Jones 1-4 1-2 4, H.Davis 2-6 0-0 4. Totals 31-87 12-15 79.

UTAH (85): Russell 5-15 3-4 13, Malone 13-24 3-3 29, Polynice 1-3 0-2 2, Stockton 4-5 2-2 11, Hornacek 4-10 2-2 11, Eisley 3-9 1-2 7, Ostertag 1-1 0-0 2, Padgett 0-2 0-0 0, Vaughn 0-1 0-0 0, Keefe 4-7 0-0 8, Lewis 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 36-80 11-15 85.

Dallas	**25**	**15**	**11**	**28— 79**
Utah	**22**	**24**	**16**	**23— 85**

3-Point Goals—Dallas 5-16 (Nowitzki 3-8, Ceballos 1-2, Jones 1-3, Finley 0-1, Pack 0-1, H.Davis 0-1), Utah 2-5 (Stockton 1-1, Hornacek 1-2, Russell 0-1, Padgett 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 50 (Finley 10), Utah 57 (Malone 10). Assists—Dallas 19 (Finley 8), Utah 23 (Eisley, Stockton 7). Total fouls—Dallas 18, Utah 19. A—18,090 (19,911).

76ers 83, Rockets 73

HOUSTON (73): Williams 3-4 0-0 8, Barkley 0-3 0-0 0, Cato 2-6 1-2 5, Anderson 0-3 0-0 0, Francis 6-15 5-6 18, Hamilton 0-2 0-1 0, Mobley 3-10 7-9 14, Rogers 6-10 1-1 13, Thomas 3-10 1-2 8, Drew 3-8 0-0 7, Bullard 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 26-71 15-21 73.

PHILADELPHIA (83): Lynch 5-7 0-0 10, Hill 5-14 1-2 11, Geiger 2-12 0-0 4, McKie 6-14 4-5 16, Snow 7-13 1-2 16, MacCulloch 2-4 0-0 4, Ollie 0-1 2-2 2, Hughes 2-11 4-4 8, Owens 5-7 0-0 10, Bowen 1-1 0-0 2, Jones 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 35-84 12-15 83.

Houston	**17**	**20**	**16**	**20— 73**
Philadelphia	**16**	**22**	**17**	**28— 83**

3-Point Goals—Houston 6-19 (Williams 2-2, Thomas 1-2, Mobley 1-4, Drew 1-5, Francis 1-5, Anderson 0-1), Philadelphia 1-4 (Snow 1-2, McKie 0-1, Hughes 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Houston 48 (Rogers 7), Philadelphia 55 (Hill 11). Assists—Houston 15 (Francis 7), Philadelphia 23 (Snow 6). Total fouls—Houston 19, Philadelphia 23. Technicals—Houston coach Tomjanovich. A—19,109 (20,444).

Celtics 115, Nuggets 90

DENVER (90): McDyess 6-13 8-14 20, Posey 2-4 5-6 10, LaFrentz 6-12 0-2 12, Mercer 1-6 0-2 2, Van Exel 3-8 4-4 10, McCloud 1-3 2-2 4, Billups 6-11 6-7 19, Clark 1-4 1-2 3, Stith 0-0 0-0 0, Rogers 0-4 0-0 0, Bowen 2-4 4-5 8, Alexander 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 29-71 30-44 90.

BOSTON (115): Walker 7-17 6-7 20, Griffin 2-3 0-0 4, Potapenko 4-6 0-0 8, Anderson 4-10 0-0 9, Pierce 5-10 4-4 15, Battie 5-9 5-6 15, Barros 3-7 0-0 6, Cheaney 5-7 0-0 10, W.McCarty 6-10 0-0 14, Williams 2-8 2-3 6, Ellison 2-2 0-0 4, Overton 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 47-91 17-20 115.

Denver	**23**	**18**	**21**	**28— 90**
Boston	**28**	**34**	**28**	**25—115**

3-Point Goals—Denver 2-10 (Posey 1-2, Billups 1-3, McCloud 0-1, Bowen 0-1, Van Exel 0-3), Boston 4-13 (W.McCarty 2-4, Anderson 1-2, Pierce 1-2, Walker 0-1, Griffin 0-1, Barros 0-3). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—Denver 49 (LaFrentz 12), Boston 54 (Battie 12). Assists—Denver 17 (Billups 4), Boston 33 (Pierce 8). Total fouls—Denver 16, Boston 30. A—15,730 (18,624).

Hawks 99, Clippers 81

L.A. CLIPPERS (81): Odom 6-18 3-4 16, Taylor 9-18 4-5 22, Olowokandi 6-14 5-6 17, Anderson 2-8 0-0 5, Piatkowski 2-8 0-0 4, Skinner 0-2 0-0 0, Murdock 3-5 1-2 8, Nesby 4-14 0-0 9. Totals 32-87 13-17 81.

ATLANTA (99): Crawford 4-8 2-3 10, Henderson 1-7 0-2 2, Mutombo 6-8 4-4 16, Coles 5-12 0-0 10, Rider 18-29 1-2 38, Terry 4-10 1-2 9, Johnson 0-3 0-0 0, Wright 4-7 1-1 9, Bowdler 1-2 0-0 2, Glover 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 44-87 9-14 99.

L.A. Clippers	**23**	**24**	**16**	**18— 81**
Atlanta	**21**	**24**	**26**	**28— 99**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 4-17 (Murdock 1-1, Anderson 1-2, Nesby 1-5, Odom 1-5, Taylor 0-1, Piatkowski 0-3), Atlanta 2-5 (Glover 1-1, Riaer 1-2, Crawford 0-1, Coles 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 51 (Olowokandi 20), Atlanta 56 (Mutombo 14). Assists—L.A. Clippers 18 (Anderson 8), Atlanta 19 (Rider 7). Total fouls—L.A. Clippers 19, Atlanta 19. A—16,378 (19,445).

Nets 107, Bucks 90

MILWAUKEE (90): Robinson 10-21 4-6 25, S.Williams 4-4 4-8 12, Johnson 1-2 1-2 3, R.Allen 4-13 4-4 14, Cassell 5-12 0-0 10, Thomas 3-8 2-6 8, Reid 0-4 1-2 1, Manning 2-8 0-0 4, Del Negro 5-5 0-0 11, Workman 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 35-78 16-28 90.

NEW JERSEY (107): Gill 3-9 0-0 6, Van Horn 7-13 4-6 20, McIlvaine 0-0 0-0 0, Kittles 6-15 5-6 18, Marbury 10-16 4-7 25, Burrell 4-9 0-1 9, Feick 0-1 4-4 4, J.Newman 6-10 4-5 19, Harris 2-4 2-2 6, Perry 0-1 0-0 0, Muresan 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 38-79 23-31 107.

Milwaukee	**18**	**24**	**27**	**21— 90**
New Jersey	**31**	**28**	**18**	**30—107**

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 4-12 (R.Allen 2-4, Del Negro 1-1, Robinson 1-3, Cassell 0-2, Thomas 0-2), New Jersey 8-21 (J.Newman 3-5, Van Horn 2-3, Marbury 1-2, Kittles 1-5, Burrell 1-5, Harris 0-1). Fouled out—Thomas. Rebounds—Milwaukee 58 (S.Williams 10), New Jersey 46 (Feick 10). Assists—Milwaukee 16 (Cassell 5), New Jersey 26 (Marbury 14). Total fouls—Milwaukee 27, New Jersey 28. A—12,366 (20,049).

Hornets 113, Warriors 106

GOLDEN STATE (106): Caffey 6-15 2-3 14, Jamison 11-23 4-6 26, Foyle 7-11 3-6 17, Starks 11-23 1-1 28, Blaylock 3-11 0-0 8, Curley 2-6 0-0 4, Farmer 3-8 1-3 7, Carr 0-3 0-0 0, V.Cummings 1-2 0-0 2, Legler 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 44-103 11-19 106.

CHARLOTTE (113): Mason 2-6 2-2 6, Coleman 6-13 5-5 17, Fuller 2-7 0-0 4, Wesley 4-8 2-3 11, Jones 10-18 8-10 30, Miller 2-6 0-0 4, Robinson 7-12 1-2 15, B.Davis 5-5 0-3 11, R.Davis 6-9 3-3 15. Totals 44-84 21-28 113.

Golden State	**23**	**33**	**22**	**28—106**
Charlotte	**35**	**26**	**28**	**24—113**

3-Point Goals—Golden State 7-18 (Starks 5-9, Blaylock 2-5, V.Cummings 0-1, Legler 0-1, Carr 0-2), Charlotte 4-8 (Jones 2-3, B.Davis 1-1, Wesley 1-2, Coleman 0-2). Fouled out—Curley. Rebounds—Golden State 62 (Caffey 13), Charlotte 52 (Mason 15). Assists—Golden State 26 (Starks 9), Charlotte 29 (Jones 10). Total fouls—Golden State 31, Charlotte 17. A—15,327 (23,799).

Cavaliers 107, Bulls 93

CHICAGO (93): Artest 4-14 1-3 9, Simpkins 3-6 0-0 6, Antsey 4-8 0-0 8, Brown 5-11 2-2 12, Hawkins 0-1 0-0 0, Armstrong 4-6 0-0 9, Willoughby 3-11 0-0 8, David 2-5 2-4 6, Perdue 4-7 5-7 13, Ruffin 2-3 3-4 7, C.Benjamin 6-10 3-4 15. Totals 37-82 16-24 93.

CLEVELAND (107): Person 5-11 3-5 14, Kemp 4-12 13-18 21, DeClercq 2-6 2-4 6, Knight 7-9 4-4 18, Sura 12-19 0-2 29, Bryant 0-0 0-0 0, Henderson 1-5 0-0 2, Ferry 4-4 0-0 9, Miller 3-7 2-2 8, Bramlett 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 38-77 24-35 107.

Chicago	**27**	**15**	**25**	**26— 93**
Cleveland	**27**	**31**	**21**	**28—107**

3-Point Goals—Chicago 3-12 (Willoughby 2-7, Armstrong 1-1, Artest 0-4), Cleveland 7-13 (Sura 5-8, Ferry 1-1, Person 1-3, Henderson 0-1). Fouled out—Antsey. Rebounds—Chicago 46 (Antsey, Perdue 7), Cleveland 57 (DeClercq 12). Assists—Chicago 17 (Brown 4), Cleveland 26 (Sura, Miller 6). Total fouls—Chicago 26, Cleveland 26. A—11,226 (20,562).

Kings 103, Lakers 91

L.A. LAKERS (91): Rice 3-12 6-6 12, Green 4-5 1-2 9, O'Neal 11-19 5-8 27, Bryant 11-19 4-5 27, Harper 0-7 0-0 0, D.Fisher 4-14 2-2 11, Salley 1-2 0-0 2, Fox 1-3 0-0 3, Horry 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 35-83 18-23 91.

SACRAMENTO (103): Williamson 2-5 3-4 7, Webber 7-19 6-7 20, Divac 3-8 3-4 9, Anderson 5-15 1-4 12, J.Williams 6-11 6-8 19, Stojakovic 7-9 3-4 19, Pollard 1-2 1-2 3, Delk 0-4 0-0 0, Martin 2-4 0-0 4, Funderburke 4-5 2-2 10. Totals 37-82 25-35 103.

L.A. Lakers	**19**	**23**	**22**	**27— 91**
Sacramento	**17**	**32**	**24**	**30—103**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Lakers 3-15 (Bryant 1-2, Fox 1-2, D.Fisher 1-6, Horry 0-1, Green 0-1, Harper 0-1, Rice 0-2), Sacramento 4-13 (Stojakovic 2-3, J.Williams 1-3, Anderson 1-5, Delk 0-1, Martin 0-1). Fouled out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Lakers 49 (O'Neal 9), Sacramento 59 (Webber 12). Assists—L.A. Lakers 16 (Bryant 5), Sacramento 16 (J.Williams 5). Total fouls—L.A. Lakers 25, Sacramento 23. Technicals—Funderburke, Divac. Flagrant fouls—Harper. A—17,317 (17,317).

SuperSonics 110, Timberwolves 94

MINNESOTA (94): Garnett 10-17 2-2 22, Smith 2-5 0-0 4, Szczerbiak 7-13 2-4 16, Brandon 5-13 0-0 11, Peeler 5-9 0-0 11, Sealy 3-7 3-4 9, Nesterovic 1-3 0-0 2, Hammonds 1-4 5-6 7, Jackson 0-2 0-0 0, Mitchell 3-4 1-1 7, Avery 1-4 2-4 5. Totals 38-81 15-21 94.

SEATTLE (110): Baker 10-18 2-2 22, R.Patterson 3-5 1-2 7, Foster 3-10 1-2 7, B.Barry 4-13 0-0 10, Payton 12-24 5-5 36, Lewis 1-6 3-4 5, McCoy 1-2 2-2 4, Stepania 3-5 0-0 6, Maxwell 0-3 0-0 0, Davis 4-8 3-4 13, Borrell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-94 17-21 110.

Minnesota	**28**	**24**	**17**	**25— 94**
Seattle	**34**	**23**	**27**	**26—110**

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 3-9 (Peeler 1-2, Brandon 1-2, Avery 1-4, Garnett 0-1), Seattle 11-26 (Payton 7-11, Davis 2-5, B.Barry 2-8, Lewis 0-1, Maxwell 0-1). Fouled out—Smith. Rebounds—Minnesota 44 (Garnett 12), Seattle 62 (Baker 13). Assists—Minnesota 29 (Brandon 10), Seattle 24 (Payton 10). Total fouls—Minnesota 19, Seattle 20. A—13,180 (17,072).

NHL Results

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	16	8	4	1	37	84	63
New Jersey	14	9	3	2	33	72	63
N.Y. Rangers	10	14	4	1	25	65	78
Pittsburgh	8	14	3	4	23	76	76
N.Y. Islanders	6	15	3	0	15	49	75

Northeast Division

Team	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	16	9	4	2	38	83	61
Ottawa	14	11	3	1	32	74	68
Boston	11	9	7	0	29	70	69
Buffalo	11	14	4	1	27	72	77
Montreal	9	17	2	1	21	59	74

Southeast Division

Team	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	15	9	2	2	34	72	58
Carolina	12	10	7	0	31	69	71
Washington	10	11	5	1	26	66	73
Tampa Bay	9	14	4	2	24	75	86
Atlanta	7	16	2	2	18	60	92

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

Team	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	17	8	3	1	38	96	67
St. Louis	17	9	2	0	36	86	63
Nashville	9	17	1	2	21	68	87
Chicago	7	16	4	2	20	75	88

Northwest Division

Team	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	13	12	3	1	30	79	77
Vancouver	11	11	6	1	29	76	86
Edmonton	8	14	6	5	27	67	76
Calgary	10	15	3	1	24	70	90

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
Phoenix	18	8	3	0	39	93	71
San Jose	15	13	4	2	36	93	83
Los Angeles	14	7	6	1	35	86	68
Dallas	14	12	3	1	32	64	64
Anaheim	13	12	3	1	30	71	66

Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.

Wednesday's Games
Late Games Not Included

Ottawa 0, Buffalo 0, tie
N.Y. Rangers 2, Edmonton 1, OT
Detroit 6, Nashville 3
Dallas 2, Carolina 1
Florida 6, Phoenix 1
Vancouver at Anaheim (n)
Atlanta at Los Angeles (n)
Colorado at San Jose (n)

Thursday's Games

Edmonton at Boston, 6 p.m.
Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Washington at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

Stars 2, Hurricanes 1

Carolina	**1**	**0**	**0**	**— 1**
Dallas	**0**	**1**	**1**	**— 2**

First Period—1, Carolina, Francis 6 (O'Neil, Coffey), 14:39 (pp).

Second Period—2, Dallas, Hull 11 (Keane), 11:30.

Third Period—3, Dallas, Carbonneau 4 (Lind, Sydor), 18:22.

Shots on goal—Carolina 4-5-7—16. Dallas 10-13-5—28. Power-play Opportunities—Carolina 1 of 4; Dallas 0 of 3. Goalies—Carolina, Irbe 10-7-7 (28 shots-26 saves). Dallas, Belfour 11-9-2 (16-15). A—17,001 (17,001).

Senators 0, Sabres 0

Ottawa	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**— 0**
Buffalo	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**— 0**

First Period—None.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—None.
Overtime—None.

Shots on goal—Ottawa 6-11-5-1—23. Buffalo 6-10-10-4—30. Power-play Opportunities—Ottawa 0 of 2; Buffalo 0 of 3. Goalies—Ottawa, Tugnutt 7-5-2 (30 shots-30 saves). Buffalo, Biron 9-6-1 (23 shots-23 saves). A—16,789 (18,690).

Red Wings 6, Predators 3

Nashville	**2**	**1**	**0**	**— 3**
Detroit	**2**	**2**	**2**	**— 6**

First Period—1, Nashville, Johnson 4 (Yachmenev), 1:57. 2, Nashville, Kjellberg 6 (Legwand, Timonen), 5:35. 3, Detroit, Fedorov 8 (Fisher), 17:27. 4, Detroit, Butsayev 2 (Laplante, Roest), 18:30.

Second Period—5, Nashville, Johnson 5 (Robitaille, Timonen), 11:49 (pp). 6, Detroit, Yzerman 11 (Verbeek, Chelios), 15:26. 7, Detroit, Verbeek 3 (Lidstrom, Yzerman), 19:59.

Third Period—8, Detroit, Butsayev 3 (Roest, Bandenault), 3:18. 9, Detroit, Roest 3 (Butsayev, Lidstrom), 7:31.

Shots on goal—Nashville 12-8-8—28. Detroit 13-7-9—29. Power-play Opportunities—Nashville 1 of 3; Detroit 0 of 2. Goalies—Nashville, Dunham 9-10-0 (29 shots-23 saves). Detroit, Legace 1-0-0 (28-25). A—19,983 (19,983).

Rangers 2, Oilers 1, OT

Edmonton	**.0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**— 1**
N.Y. Rangers	**.0**	**1**	**0**	**1**	**— 2**

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, New York, Fleury 6 (Johnsson), 3:18.
Third Period—2, Edmonton, Smyth 12 (Marchant, Laflamme), 4:31.
Overtime—3, New York, Graves 8 (Hatcher, Fleury), 3:15.

Shots on goal—Edmonton 15-9-9-2—35. N.Y. Rangers 11-15-10-2—38. Power-play Opportunities—Edmonton 0 of 2; N.Y. Rangers 0 of 1. Goalies—Edmonton, Salo 8-11-4 (38 shots-36 saves). N.Y. Rangers, Richter 6-11-4 (35-34). A—18,200 (18,200).

Panthers 6, Coyotes 1

Florida	**1**	**0**	**5**	**— 6**
Phoenix	**1**	**0**	**0**	**— 1**

First Period—1, Phoenix, Adams 7 (Numminen, Roenick), 9:42 (pp). 2, Florida, Pitlick 2 (Kvasha), 16:27.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—3, Florida, Bure 11 (Mellanby), :38. 4, Florida, Hedican 2 (Whitney, Parrish), 2:10. 5, Florida, Bure 12 (Kozlov, Mellanby), 2:45. 6, Florida, Whitney 10, 10:40. 7, Florida, Bure 13 (Laus), 19:39.

Shots on goal—Florida 8-8-11—27. Phoenix 8-8-11—27. Power-play Opportunities—Florida 0 of 1; Phoenix 1 of 4. Goalies—Florida, Shtalenkov 8-6-2 (27 shots-26 saves). Phoenix, Essensa 9-1-1 (23-19), Esche (9:04 third, 4-2). A—14,891 (16,210).

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Grand Rapids	16	9	2	34	82	72
Cleveland	14	10	4	32	87	83
Orlando	14	9	2	30	71	70
Cincinnati	13	9	3	29	79	74
Milwaukee	12	7	3	27	61	61
Michigan	10	12	1	21	59	65
Detroit	7	17	2	16	63	94

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Manitoba	16	10	4	36	102	98
Utah	15	5	3	33	82	56
Houston	14	7	4	32	70	53
Chicago	13	9	2	28	70	71
Long Beach	12	13	3	27	80	99
Kansas City	9	11	4	22	76	86

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; one for a shootout loss. Shootout losses are only denoted in the SOL column, not the loss column.

Wednesday's Games

Grand Rapids 1, Cleveland 0
Utah 4, Long Beach 0
Houston 3, Michigan 0
Manitoba 5, Kansas City 4, SO
Milwaukee 7, Detroit 2
Chicago 7, Cincinnati 5

WPHL

Eastern Division

Team	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Lake Charles	14	7	1	29	88	70
Monroe	14	9	1	29	77	71
Shreveport	13	9	2	28	79	74
Alexandria	9	8	4	22	62	68
Arkansas	9	8	3	21	72	73
Tupelo	7	10	7	21	83	106

Central Division

Team	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Central Texas	19	6	1	39	91	62
Fort Worth	15	7	1	31	87	70
Austin	13	8	1	27	99	78
Corpus Christi	11	9	4	26	101	107
Waco	10	12	2	22	78	95
Abilene	6	16	4	16	70	115

Western Division

Team	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Lubbock	17	4	2	36	114	80
New Mexico	16	7	2	34	104	78
El Paso	13	7	4	30	101	90
Amarillo	11	10	2	24	86	99
Odessa	8	15	1	17	83	103
San Angelo	7	17	1	15	74	110

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; one for a shootout loss. Shootout losses are separate from losses.

Wednesday's Game

Lake Charles 6, Alexandria 1

Thursday's Games

Fort Worth at San Angelo
Amarillo at Lubbock
Central Texas at Odessa
Tupelo at Shreveport

Transactions

AUTO RACING

TREADWAY RACING—Signed driver Robby McGehee for the 2000 Indy Racing League season.

BASEBALL

American League

MINNESOTA TWINS—Agreed to terms with RHP Sean Bergman on a one-year contract.

NEW YORK YANKEES—Designated RHP Dan Naulty for assignment.

National League

COLORADO ROCKIES—Agreed to terms with OF Tom Goodwin on a three-year contract.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Promoted Lou DePaoli to vice president of sales and Jim Frevola to director of marketing. Named Pat McNamara director of season and group sales.

International League

INDIANAPOLIS INDIANS—Named Steve Smith manager, Dwight Bernard pitching coach, Luis Salazar hitting coach and Paul Anderson trainer.

Atlantic League

ATLANTIC CITY SURF—Named Cheri Bungard director of community relations and

REBS: Glover makes move to defense

(From 1C)

was a lot different on the varsity level," Glover said. "Still, I felt comfortable that I could learn the position quickly."

If you compare Glover's offensive statistics to his defensive statistics, there's not a lot of difference. He had nine receptions last year and seven interceptions this year. He had 105 yards in receptions in 1998, but he has 132 return yards for one TD, more yardage than he actually produced last year. The real added bonus, however, is 117 tackles, second best on the team.

"It's weird that I have almost as many interceptions as receptions," Glover said. "I even have more return yardage. The only thing is that I scored one more touchdown last year, so I've got one game to try to get another one.

"I really felt like I helped the team out last year as a receiver, but I wasn't the go-to guy when they needed a big play. On defense, I can make big plays all the time if I do my job."

It is no secret that the Lee defense was the key to the 1999 season. After all, only one starter (cornerback Kody Mathews) returned. It has almost been a defense by committee, but it has held together, some way, somehow.

When Lee held its first intrasquad scrimmage back in August, the Rebel offense scored on the defense 13 times. If you talk about slow starts, this was the prime example.

"We looked really sad," Glover said. "Cedric (Benson) and Clint (McNutt) went wild on us. We used the excuse that the offense returned a lot of players. But, really, there was no excuse. We weren't prepared mentally to stop a high-powered offense. I think that showed all of us (on the defense) what we had to do.

"People were saying all sorts of things about the defense early. The only way to answer that criticism was go out and get better. I think we've done that."

Like many on the Lee team, Glover will be playing his last high school game at Lee. He wants nothing short of victory.

"I just don't want to end the season with a loss," he said. "We don't win this one, then the other 14 wins don't mean much for this team.

"I had the feeling that we would be back (in the state game) after how hard we all worked in the off-season, but I think it's much harder to win the second time around. It's easier to get on top than stay on top. There is a lot of pressure on this team.

"Winning another state title would mean the world to me. That would mean that I played on both sides of the ball as a starter, and maybe, it would mean that I helped in some way. It's not easy to repeat."

But making moves like this one with Glover, sure helps in giving you the chance for a Back-2-Back.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Class 5A

DIVISION I
SEMIFINALS
Midland Lee 40, Mesquite 13
Aldine Eisenhower 55, Edinburg 14
CHAMPIONSHIP
Midland Lee (14-0) vs. Aldine Eisenhower (13-1), 12:07 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Austin.

DIVISION II
QUARTERFINALS
Region I
South Grand Prairie 45, Abilene 37
Region II
Garland 24, Plano East 14
Region III
Katy 24, Galveston Ball 10
Region IV
San Antonio Holmes 27, San Antonio Marshall 21
SEMIFINALS
South Grand Prairie (13-1) vs. Garland (13-1), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.
Katy (13-1) vs. SA Holmes (13-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Tully Stadium, Houston.

Class 4A

DIVISION I
SEMIFINALS
Hereford 13, Waco Midway 7
Texas City 45, Alice 0
CHAMPIONSHIP
Hereford (13-1) vs. Texas City (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.

DIVISION II
QUARTERFINALS
Region I
Stephenville 30, Canyon 10
Region II
Ennis 31, Greenville 8
Region III
Port Neches Gorves 22, LaMarque 6
Region IV
Schertz Clemens 21, San Marcos 13
SEMIFINALS
Stephenville (14-0) vs. Ennis (13-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.
Port Neches Groves vs. Schertz Clemens (14-0), 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Kyle Field, College Station.

Class 3A

DIVISION I
SEMIFINALS
Texarkana Liberty Eylau 46, Lamesa 16
Mathis 19, Gatesville 14
CHAMPIONSHIP
Liberty Eylau (13-1) vs. Mathis (12-2), 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

DIVISION II
QUARTERFINALS
Region I
Crane 14, Childress 9
Region II
Commerce 42, Alvarado 20
Region III
Robinson 13, Marlin 7
Region IV
Sealy 34, Hondo 13
SEMIFINALS
Crane (14-0) vs. Commerce (14-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene.
Robinson (11-3) vs. Sealy (13-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Kyle Field, College Station.

Class 2A

DIVISION I
SEMIFINALS
Boyd 34, Canadian 8
Mart 35, Comfort 6
CHAMPIONSHIP
Boyd (14-0) vs. Mart (14-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford.

DIVISION II
QUARTERFINALS
Region I
Stratford 29, Sonora 0
Region II
Celina 26, Gunter 0
Region III
Elysian Fields 17, Alto 7
Region IV
Refugio 42, Mason 6
SEMIFINALS
Stratford (12-2) vs. Celina (14-0), 6 p.m. Saturday, Vernon.
Elysian Fields (13-1) vs. Refugio (13-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston.

Class 1A

QUARTERFINALS
Region I
Wheeler 21, Rankin 7
Region II
Aspermont 33, Paducah 0
Region III
Detroit 33, Celeste 6
Region IV
Bartlett 48, Charlotte 8
SEMIFINALS
Wheeler (13-0) vs. Aspermont (13-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wylie Stadium, Abilene.
Detroit (13-0) vs. Bartlett (13-1), 7 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford.

Six-Man

SEMIFINALS
Groom 36, Rule 16
Gordon 73, Richland Springs 38
CHAMPIONSHIP
Groom (13-1) vs. Gordon (13-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Sweetwater.

TODAY'S NFL PREVIEW

OAKLAND (6-6) AT TENNESSEE (9-3)

TIME, TV — 7:20 p.m., ESPN
OPENING LINE — Titans by 3.
RECORD VS. SPREAD — Raiders 6-6; Titans 6-5.
SERIES RECORD — Raiders lead 20-14.
LAST TIME MET — Titans (then Oilers) beat Raiders 24-21 in OT on Aug. 31, 1997 at Tennessee.
LAST WEEK — Raiders beat Seahawks 30-21. Titans lost to Ravens 41-14.
RAIDERS OFFENSE — RUSH (1), PASS (10), OVERALL (5)
Gained 162 yards rushing, 129.9 per game leads NFL. QB Rich Gannon was 19-for-24 for 253 yards and 2 TDs. WR Tim Brown had 6 catches for 65 yards and 2 TDs. RB Tyrone Wheatley had 21 carries for 80 yards. RB Napoleon Kaufman had 10 rushes for 76 yards. TE Rickey Dudley had 4 catches for 54 yards. Gained 415 total yards; 352.3 per game is second in AFC.
TITANS OFFENSE — RUSH (20), PASS (14), OVERALL (16)
Gained just 65 yards rushing. QB Steve McNair was 28-for-48 for 288 yards and 2 INTs, with 33 yards rushing on 6 carries. TE Frank Wycheck had 10 catches for 87 yards. TE Jackie Harris had 4 catches for 52 yards. WR Chris Sanders had 4 catches for 50 yards. G Bruce Matthews played in his 260th game, most by an offensive lineman in NFL history.
RAIDERS DEFENSE — RUSH (8), PASS (19), OVERALL (13)
S Anthony Newman had 1 INT, 3 passes defensed and 1 fumble recovery. S Charles Mincy had 5 tackles and 1 INT. LB Greg Biekert had 6 tackles and 2 assists. CB Darrien Gordon had 4 tackles, 1 forced fumble and 1 fumble recovery. DT Darrell Russell had 1 sack. CB Eric Allen had 5 tackles. 27 total takeaways (17 INT, 10 fumble) rank third in AFC.
TITANS DEFENSE — RUSH (13), PASS (23), OVERALL (20)
Allowed 447 total yards. Had been allowing 310.5 per game. LB Eddie Robinson had 7 tackles. DE Jevon Kearse had 2 tackles, 1 sack and 1 forced fumble. CB Dainon Sidney had 4 tackles. S Blaine Bishop had 2 tackles and 1 fumble recovery. Allowed three plays of over 50 yards for first time this season.
KEY MATCHUP — RBs Wheatley and Kaufman vs. LB Robinson and DE Kearse.
STREAKS, STATS AND NOTES — Raiders are 1 of 2 teams in AFC with 2 players in top 15 in yards rushing (Wheatley, Kaufman). ... Brown became the third player with 1,000 yards receiving in 7 consecutive seasons. ... Over past 4 games, Gannon is 73-for-111 for 961 yards and 10 TDs for a 108 QB rating. ... Raiders are tops in AFC with 24 red zone TDs. ... Titans have not lost at home this season. ... Titans RB Eddie George needs 23 yards for 5,000 career and 84 yards to become seventh player in NFL history with 1,000 yards rushing in each of first 4 seasons. ... Kearse tops all rookies with 9 1/2 sacks including 6 1/2 in past 6 games.

Lamesa's Ellis leads Tech with 24 points

Associated Press

■ Texas Schools

NACOGDOCHES — Former Lamesa standout Andy Ellis had a double-double to lead Texas Tech over Stephen F. Austin 80-56 Wednesday night.

Ellis scored 24 points and had 10 rebounds for the Red Raiders (5-1). He was among four players to finish in double digits. Mario Layne and James Ware each had 14 points and Rayford Young added 13.

Aaron Radl led the Lumberjacks (3-4) with 13 points and three players scored 10 points — Terrance Lofton, Ron Banks and Jermaine Lyons.

Texas Tech led 44-24 at the half, shooting 57 percent to SFA's 37 percent.

Ellis shot 10-of-14 from the field and was perfect at the free-throw line, making 4 of 4 shots.

The Lumberjacks, meanwhile, shot just 3 of 16 from 3-point territory.

Tulane 64,
Texas A&M 60 OT

NEW ORLEANS — Dylan Osean hit two crucial 3-pointers — one to tie the game in regulation and another to keep his team ahead in overtime — as Tulane defeated Texas A&M 64-60 Wednesday night.

Tulane (6-1) trailed through most of the game, was behind by six at the half and trailed by as much as 10 in the second half. But Osean's late 3-pointer with 2:50 left, the last score from the field in regulation, tied the score at 49.

Carlton Brown hit a free throw for the Aggies (2-3), then Sterling Davis hit one for the Green Wave to send the game into overtime 50-50.

Davis opened overtime with two quick scores and Tulane never trailed, despite three 3-pointers from Texas A&M's Bernard King, his last one tying the score at 59.

Tulane's tight man-to-man defense held the Aggies to one more point, a free-throw by Jamaal Gilchrist. Davis hit two free throws, Morris Jordan hit one and Osean wrapped up the victory for Tulane with two more.

Lions, Bucs meet on the road to playoffs

By Dave Goldberg
AP Football Writer

Three quarters through the 1999 season, the Detroit Lions already have won three more games than they did in 1998 with Barry Sanders.

If they win Sunday in Tampa, they're probably back in the playoffs.

The Lions-Bucs game features the two improbable teams tied for first in the NFC Central, a game ahead of Minnesota and Green Bay, the preseason favorites.

It also could feature two improbable quarterbacks — Gus Frerotte for Detroit and rookie Shaun King for Tampa Bay. Frerotte, 4-2 as a starter, will go back to the bench when Charlie Batch's sprained right thumb is fully healed.

The Bucs are favored by four points after their Monday night win over the Vikings, with King throwing two TD passes and fullback Mike Alstott and the defense doing the rest.

The Lions forged their share of the tie by ending a 34-year, 18-game losing streak to Washington as Desmond Howard, signed two minutes before the deadline that would allow him to play, returned a punt 68 yards for a touchdown.

Detroit won the first game at home, 20-3. But the Bucs have won five straight and King seems to give them the spark that Trent Dilfer didn't.

In a division as tight as this one, splits are usually in order.

BUCS, 18-13

Oakland (plus 3) at Tennessee (Thursday)
The Raiders are in desperate straits. The Titans were shell-shocked in Baltimore.
TITANS, 16-15

New England (plus 7) at Indianapolis)
The Colts won't blow a 28-7 lead this time.
COLTS, 28-7

Minnesota (plus 1) at Kansas City
Does Jeff George start hitting the wall now?
VIKINGS, 24-20

New York Giants (plus 8) at Buffalo
The Giants got 490 yards of offense last week. Maybe 90 this week?
BILLS, 10-3

Arizona (plus 5) at Washington
No, Mr. Westbrook, Byron Boston will not officiate this game.
CARDINALS, 24-22

Philadelphia (plus 9) at Dallas
These days, the Cowboys are only America's Team at home.
COWBOYS, 19-6

Miami (plus 3) at New York Jets
The Jets will be up. But they're no match for Jimmy's defense.
DOLPHINS, 16-3

St. Louis (minus 10 1/2) at New Orleans
The Rams still have home field to clinch.
RAMS, 34-10

Denver (plus 9) at Jacksonville
This was supposed to be one of the few tough games on the Jaguars' schedule.
JAGUARS, 24-11

Carolina (plus 8) at Green Bay
A replay of the 1996 NFC title game when the Packers beat the Panthers 30-13.
PACKERS, 30-13

San Diego (plus 9 1/2) at Seattle
The Chargers would like to win. The Seahawks have to.
SEAHAWKS, 20-10

Atlanta (minus 3) at San Francisco
Only three?
FALCONS, 38-20

Baltimore (plus 1 1/2) at Pittsburgh
Can things get any worse for the Steelers?
RAVENS, 16-6

Cleveland (plus 7) at Cincinnati
The Bengals are on their annual late-season streak.
BENGALS, 27-15

Last week: 10-5 (spread); 10-5 (straight up).
Season: 87-94-7 (spread); 116-72 (straight up).

BOYS: Murray expected to join Cowboys team

(From 1C)

While he felt rusty during his initial practice, Coryatt said he felt much better than he did during his few training camp sessions.

"I love the game and that is why I'm back out there. Hopefully I can produce enough to get this team back in the playoffs," Coryatt said. "If anybody has any sour feelings towards me for what I did, I apologize, but I had to do what was best for me."

Gailey believes Coryatt can contribute. He just doesn't know how soon.

"He looked like he had fresh legs the way he moved around on the field. It was obvious that it was his first day back," Gailey said. "We'll go through the evaluation process each and every day. He'll probably get a lot better mentally each day. Some of that initial enthusiasm and emotion will probably wear off in a few days as well."

Murray, signed by Detroit earlier this year only to retire with his original team, cleared waivers Wednesday and was expected at practice Thursday. Like Coryatt, he's been out of the NFL since 1997 with Minnesota.

Cunningham, after missing just nine of 72 field goal attempts his first two seasons, was just 12-of-22 this year. Gowin has a strong leg, but has never attempted a field goal in his three NFL seasons.

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HOOPS: Carter, SA Jay headline field

(From 1C)

floor, it's likely that Blake Johnston will be handling the ball, which is a good thing. Johnston had a career-high 40 points in the loss to Hobbs, and should get a chance to show off his stuff against comparable players in the Oilman's.

Several college scouts are expected to be in attendance at the Chap Center, and most of them should have their eyes on the bracket featuring MHS, Jay and Carter. House considers it a particular coup to have secured Carter for the tournament.

"They had a chance to go to some other tournaments but they came to ours in part because they know how good the competition is," said House of getting Carter.

There's a good chance that fans might choose today and Friday to check out the talent, especially if they have any interest in Lee's gridiron exploits Saturday. House, whose team opens today at 6 p.m. against the winner of the 12:30 p.m. game between Odessa High and Eastwood, will be coaching his final games of the season without six players who still have commitments to that thing called the state football championship.

If there's a smaller turnout than planned on for Saturday's games, it could certainly be blamed on bad timing.

"You can't look into a crystal ball and see," said House of predicting the fate of Lee's football team. "It's going to hurt the crowd a bit going into the finals. There are some great teams here and that can only help us."

The 5-4 Rebels have been relatively shorthanded during their first nine games as people are still adapting to their assigned roles. When the football players arrive, there will be little time to adapt with Christmas vacation and the Byron Johnston Tournament looming before the District 4-5A opener against Midland High New Year's Eve.

"We're trying to see what we do best and what guys we have who can step up to the level of competition," said House. "We'll have more games than practices (before opening district) so that could be kind of tough."

Two of today's first round games will be at the Lee gym, with Abilene Cooper facing El Paso Franklin at 10:45 a.m. and El Paso Jefferson facing Levelland at 12:30 p.m. Alamogordo will face Odessa Permian at 10:45 a.m. at the Chap. The Carter-Hanks winner will play the Cooper-Franklin winner in a second round game today at 4 p.m. at Chaparral Center, while the Alamogordo-Permian winner will face the Jefferson-Levelland winner at 5:45 at Lee.

Friday's games begin at 9 a.m. at both Chaparral Center and Lee. The tournament will take a breather at the Chap Friday at 6 p.m. when the Lee girls host Odessa High in the 4-5A opener.

Stephenson, for one, isn't anticipating the tournament being an easy ride and he thinks that will benefit his team.

"You just have to play good people and we have a melting pot of those types of people on our schedule," said Stephenson. "We're going to have to beat some damn good people.

"There aren't any patsies here. Everybody's good and that's the way it should be."

And House thinks it all starts today.

"Thursday is going to be a great day of basketball," said House. "I think those games are going to be the best day of basketball in Midland, Texas you've ever seen. I mean, how often do you get top teams out of each region playing in one day like that?"

A pass for the tournament is $10 for all three days or $5 for a single day.

Tournament Schedule

Thursday's Games

First Round

San Antonio Jay vs. Lubbock Monterey, 9 a.m., Lee Gym.

Dallas Carter vs. El Paso Hanks, 9 a.m., Chaparral Center.

Abilene Cooper vs. El Paso Franklin, 10:45 a.m., Lee Gym.

Alamogordo, N.M. vs. Odessa Permian, 10:45 a.m., Chaparral Center.

El Paso Jefferson vs. Levelland, 12:30 p.m., Lee Gym.

Odessa High vs. El Paso Eastwood, 12:30 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Second Round

Carter-Hanks winner vs. Cooper-Franklin winner, 4 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Alamogordo-Permian winner vs. Jefferson-Levelland winner, 5:45 p.m., Lee Gym.

OHS-Eastwood winner vs. Midland Lee, 6 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Jay-Monterey winner vs. Midland High, 7:45 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Consolation Bracket

Carter-Hanks loser vs. Cooper-Franklin loser, 2:15 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Alamogordo-Permian loser vs. Jefferson-Levelland loser, 4 p.m., Lee Gym.

Friday's Games

Consolation Bracket

Jay-Monterey loser vs. winner of Thursday's 2:15 p.m. game, 9 a.m., Chaparral Center.

Losers of Thursday's 4 p.m. and 5:45 p.m. second round games, 9 a.m., Lee Gym.

Losers of Thursday's 6 p.m. and 7:45 p.m. second round games, 10:45 am., Chaparral Center.

Winner of Thursday's 4 p.m. consolation game vs. OHS-Eastwood-Lee loser, 10:45 a.m., Lee Gym.

Winners of Friday's 9 a.m. consolation games, 12:30 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Winner of Friday's 10:45 a.m. consolation games, 2:15 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Carter-Hanks-Cooper-Franklin loser vs. Alamogordo-Permian-Jefferson-Levelland loser, 12:30 p.m., Lee Gym.

Losers of Friday's 9 a.m.games, 2:15 p.m., Lee Gym.

Losers of Friday's 10:45 a.m. games, 4 p.m., Lee Gym.

Loser of Friday's 12:30 p.m. game vs. loser of Friday's 2:15 p.m. game, 5:45 p.m., Lee Gym.

Championship Bracket

Jay-Monterey-MHS winner vs. Carter-Hanks-Cooper-Franklin winner, 4 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Alamogordo-Permian-Jefferson-Levelland winner vs. OHS-Eastwood-Lee winner, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Consolation Bracket

Guaranteed games for Friday's winners, 12:30 p.m. and 2:15 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Consolation championship, 4 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Championship Bracket

Losers of Friday's championship bracket games, 5:45 p.m., Chaparral Center.

Championship game, 7:30 p.m., Chaparral Center.

COACH: Tech offers job to OU's Leach

(From 1C)

who announced his retirement Nov. 20.

"They talked to me about the job, they offered me the job and I've got to make a decision and don't have too long to do it, so I'll decide sometime here shortly," Leach said Wednesday afternoon. "Right now it's a great situation and it's definitely one that I'm serious about."

Oklahoma director of athletic media relations Mike Prusinski said before Leach announced he'd received the offer, he met with Sooners' quarterback Josh Heupel. Both emerged with tears in their eyes.

"I would be lying if I didn't say it wasn't emotional," Prusinski said. "He said the toughest thing about leaving Oklahoma is the people. He said it is not going to be an easy decision."

Leach said he needed time away from all the attention to figure out what he wanted to do. He said he liked the vision Tech has for its team and "how enthusiastic they are down there and how important it is to them."

"It's hard to leave," he said. "I really feel like Oklahoma is really going to be a good team next year, no matter what happens."

Oklahoma head coach Bob Stoops said if Leach leaves, the Sooners will support him.

"If that's the best situation for Mike and that's what he chooses to do, then we're all for him and proud of him and happy and appreciative of what he did for us here," Stoops said.

After meeting Tuesday with Tech Chancellor John T. Montford in Dallas, Leach flew to Lubbock for meetings, dinner and a campus tour.

Also present during the Dallas interview were Myers, Tech regent Alan White and Tech regents chairman James Sowell.

Leach became the leading candidate after Clemson offensive coordinator Rich Rodriguez said he no longer would pursue the job. Montford said there are many "applicants" when asked whether Leach is the only remaining candidate.

Leach started his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo. He then moved the following year to a full-time job coaching linebackers at College of the Desert in Palm Desert, Calif.

A year later, Leach was offered a chance to coach a team in Finland in the European Football League. In spring 1989, Leach took an assistant coaching job at Iowa Wesleyan, where he spent three years working on the team's passing game and setting school records. He then went on to Valdosta State in Georgia, where he spent five years. From there, Leach headed to Kentucky, where after two years, six NCAA records and 116 school records, Oklahoma head coach Bob Stoops swept him up.

SMU: School punishes itself for violations

(From 1C)

the investigation found. One prospect was allowed to accept Dallas Cowboys hats and T-shirts and enough money to buy used CDs and a used sweatsuit. Those inducements were worth a total of $160, SMU officials said.

Besides the football scholarship cuts, the self-imposed sanctions included:

— Allowing eight fewer official campus visits by high school recruits in each of the next two years.

— Operating during 1999 football season without replacing Malin, who was on suspension.

— Allowing one less coach to be involved in football recruiting in next spring.

"We can live with this and we'll go forward. We're committed to doing things the right way," head football coach Mike Cavan said.

Malin, who joined the program in 1994 as a graduate assistant under then-coach Tom Rossley, was the longest-tenured member of the SMU football staff. He has coached the defensive line since 1997.

The school said in August that it suspended Malin with pay and hired the Kansas City, Mo., law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King to investigate a possible recruiting violation by an assistant coach.

University officials credited the school's 1999 student athlete exit interviews — a part of its own internal compliance system — with uncovering the allegations.

It was during these interviews, that two students came forward with reports of possible violations. Officials would not identify any of the students involved, citing federal privacy laws.

One of the possible violations was brought to light in November, when The Dallas Morning News reported details of a former player's accusations against Malin.

According to the newspaper, Corlin Donaldson told school investigators that Malin had encouraged him to have someone else take the ACT test for him in 1998 to gain admission to SMU. Donaldson said Malin suggested the idea, helped him with the plan, and agreed to pay a friend of Donaldon's $100 for receiving a qualifying score on the test.

Donaldson left SMU when his athletic scholarship was revoked at the end of the last academic year.

On Feb. 25, 1987, the NCAA hit SMU with its harshest punishment, the "death penalty," after discovering that a banned booster paid 13 players thousands of dollars.

The once-proud program that produced Doak Walker, Don Meredith and Eric Dickerson was forced to disband for one year, but the school opted to also sit out 1988. The Mustangs returned in 1989 and didn't have a winning season until 1998.

Tyson to fight in Manchester

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike Tyson apparently will fight Julius Francis, the British Commonwealth champion, on Jan. 29 at Manchester, England.

The fight is all but signed, a boxing source told The Associated Press on Wednesday, speaking on condition of anonymity.

This would be Tyson's first fight since his one-round no-contest with Orlin Norris on Oct. 23 at Las Vegas. It would also be his first outside the United States since he lost the undisputed heavyweight title when he was knocked out in the 10th round by James "Buster" Douglas in Tokyo in 1990.

The site for the 10-round bout would be the MEN Stadium in Manchester. The fight would be seen on a delayed telecast on Showtime, beginning at 9 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Moore gets Lombardi

HOUSTON (AP) — Virginia Tech defensive end Corey Moore, once labeled too small to play big time college football, won his second award of the week Wednesday night when he received the Lombardi Award as the nation's top collegiate lineman.

Moore won the Mike Fox-Bronko Nagurski Trophy as the nation's top defender on Monday. For the Lombardi, he beat out Florida State nose guard Corey Simon, and defensive end Courtney Brown and linebacker LaVar Arrington of Penn State.

"A lot of schools recruited me out of high school but a lot of them thought I was too small to compete in Division 1-A football," Moore said. "To have been able to come to Virginia Tech and have a career here, I've been blessed with that opportunity."

Moore made the Hokies glad they took a chance on him. Moore led the Big East with 17 sacks for 132 yards this season. He also dropped 11 runners for 47 yards in losses.

At 6-foot, 225 pounds, Moore isn't the prototype college defensive end but he fit well in the Hokies defense.

"In our defensive scheme we don't ask Corey to line up over the offensive tackle," Hokies defensive line coach Charley Wiles said. "We put Corey outside so he can use his speed and strength. He makes the offensive tackle operate in space."

Moore is a combination of speed and strength. He's been clocked at 4.3 in the 40-yard dash and bench presses 400 pounds.

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Fantasy Football Standings

MEDIA STANDINGS

Jeff Kush
KMID TV BIG 2

41 POINTS 372 TOTAL

Melissa Hendrix
NEWSWEST 9

83 POINTS 435 TOTAL

Tom Glasman
KOSA CBS 7

35 POINTS 373 TOTAL

John Moesch
KNFM

73 POINTS 419 TOTAL

Terry Williamson
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109 POINTS 453 TOTAL

Rank	Name	Points	Total
47	Stan Sartain	32	406
48	Dan Alford	78	406
49	Mellissa Fesmire	47	405
50	A.J. Najera	55	404
51	Brett Stevens	72	403
52	Teresa Hernandez	87	402
53	Irene Montañez	91	401
54	Sage Kinney Deer	47	400
55	Buck Rogers	60	400
56	Mike Bargsley	62	400
57	Fred C. Carter	64	400
58	Pete Maciula	73	400
59	Henry Sanchez	37	398
60	Max Dobler	57	397
61	Judy Dunahm	33	394
62	Roger Fuentez	44	394
63	Jennifer Dodd	47	392
64	Megan Connell	58	392
65	Sherry Daehling	56	391
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ABNpA	ABN pfA	d21⅜	–¹¹/₁₆
ABNpB	ABN pfB	d20¾	–⅜
ACL	ACE Ltd	16¾	–⅝
ACG	ACMIn	6½	–⅛
GSF	ACM Sc	6⅝	
SI	ACMSp	5½	
ADF	ACMMD	8¹³/₁₆	–1/16
ART	ACNielsn	24¾	
AES	AES Cp	61⅜	+1¹/₁₆
AFL	AFLAC	46¹³/₁₆	–1³/₁₆
AG	AGCO	12¾	–⅜
ATG	AGL Res	17¹¹/₁₆	–½
AKS	AK Steel	17	–1¼
AMB	AMB Pr	d19⅜	–⅝
AFM	AMFM	74⅞	+⅞
AML	AMLI Rs	21¼	–⅛
AMR	AMR	61½	–9⅛
T	AT&T s	57¹³/₁₆	–1/16
AVX	AVX Cp	43	–1⅝
AXF	AXA Fn s	35⅛	–⅜
AAM	Aames	¹⁵/₁₆	
ABT	AbtLab	d35⅛	–1¹/₁₆
ANF	AberFitc	s29¹³/₁₆	+⅝
ABY	Abitibi g	11¼	+⅜
AIF	Acptfins	d5⅜	–1/16
ADX	AdaEx	31¹³/₁₆	...
ASF	Adminstf	19¾	+3⅝
ADG	AdvCmG	9¹/₁₆	+3/16
AMD	AMD	30	–1¾
AD	AdvoInc	21¹⁵/₁₆	
AEG	Aegon	94⅝	+3/16
ARX	Aeroflex	8¾	
AET	Aetna Inc	58¾	+3/16
ACS	AffCmpSv	36¹³/₁₆	–7/8
A	Agilent n	45¾	–1/16
AEM	Agnico g	6¾	–1/16
AGU	Agrium g	8⅛	–⅛
AHO	Ahold	d29⅝	–1⅝
APD	AirProd	31⅝	+¹³/₁₆
ABF	AirbFrt	22¹¹/₁₆	–9/16
ARG	Airgas	9⅝	–¼
ALPpQ	AlaPC pfQ	22	–⅝
ALG	AlamoGp	9	–¾
ALK	AlskAir	d35¼	–1⅜
AOG	AlbtrE g	26¹³/₁₆	–¾
ACV	Alberto	26⅜	–1¹¹/₁₆
ABS	Albertsn	d29⅛	–¼
AL	Alcan	35¾	–¹⁵/₁₆
ALA	Alcatel	42¹/₁₆	–1⅜
AA	Alcoa s	72¼	–⅝
AYE	AlgEngy	28⅜	–1/16
ATI	AlegTch	nd22¹⁵/₁₆	–¾
ALN	AlienTel	9⅝	–3/16
AGN	Allergn	89½	–1⅞
AC	AllCap	31⅝	+⅝
AWF	AllWrld2	8½	–1/16
LNT	AlliantEgy	27⅜	–⅝
AW	AlldWaste	7¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
AFC	AllmrFn	52¾	–1⅞
ALL	Allstate	27⅜	+3/16
AT	Alltel	90¼	+1⅞
ALO	Alpharma	29¾	+3/16
AZA	Alza	39⅛	–1⅜
ABK	AmbacF	55¾	–1¼
DOX	Amdocs	35	–1⅜
AHC	AmHes	55¾	–3/16
AEE	Ameren	33⅝	–⅜
AOL	AmOnline s	80	
AWA	AmWest	20⅞	+⅛
ABP	ABusnP	12⅝	+1/16
AEP	AEP	31¹¹/₁₆	
AXP	AmExp	158¼	–⅝
AFG	AFndGp	d25⅝	–¾
AGC	AGenCp	69⅜	–1¹¹/₁₆
AM	AGreet	23¼	+⅛
AHP	AHomeP	47½	–⅞
AIG	AmIntGp	s106⅝	+⅜
CAN	ANatCan	n13¾	+7/16
ASD	AmStd	44⅛	+⅜
AMT	AmTower	28	+½
AWK	AmWtr	d24¼	–⅜
ACF	Americdt	17¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
APU	Amerigasd	13¹³/₁₆	–1⅞
AAS	AmeriSrc	s11¹³/₁₆	
APH	Amphnl	u69⅝	+1/16
ASO	AmSouth	sd20⅛	–1⅜
AAP	AmwayAs	17⅞	+⅛
AJL	AmwayJ	7¹/₁₆	
APC	Anadrk	30	+1
ADI	Analog	71¾	–1¹/₁₆
AU	Anglogld	24¾	–⅛
BUD	Anheus	74	+1
AXE	Anixter	20¼	+1/16
ANN	AnnTayl	41	+¼
AOC	Aon Cp s	34⅞	–⅝
APA	Apache	32⅜	+1⅜
ApApC	Apach pfC	d31	+1¼
AIV	AptInv	37¹/₁₆	–⅝
APM	ApplMg	¹³/₃₂	–1/32
APW	ApldPw	34¾	+1¼
AHG	Apria	14	+¼
ATR	Aptargp	27	–⅜
WTR	Aquarion s	36¾	+1
ARA	Aracruz	23⅜	–⅝
AAC	ArcadiaFn	4⅞	
ADM	ArchDan	12¹⁵/₁₆	–⅛
ASN	ArchstnC	19¹⁵/₁₆	–⅛
ARI	ArdenRlt	18⅞	–⅛
AGY	Argosy	u17⅜	+2⅜
ACK	ArmWi	d30¼	–¹⁵/₁₆
ARW	ArrowEl	21¹⁵/₁₆	–⅜
ARV	Arvin	26⅝	+⅝
ASL	Ashanti	2¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
ASH	Ashland	33⅞	+1⅛
ARH	AsiaPR	1⅜	
PAP	AsiaPlp	8⅞	+1/16
AEC	AsdEstat	7¼	+3/16
AFS	AscFCap	30⅞	–⅛
AZN	AstraZen	44¹⁵/₁₆	+1½
ARC	AtlRich	88¹¹/₁₆	+3⅝
ATO	ATMOS	d21⅞	–⅜
AOR	AuroraF	8⅜	–1/16
AN	AutoNatn	9¾	–1/16
RTR	AutoTr	10⅝	+1/16
AUD	AutoDta	s50¹⁵/₁₆	–⅜
AZO	AutoZone	30	+⅝
AVY	AveryD	58¾	
AVL	Aviall	7⅝	
AVS	Aviation	15⅜	+3/16
AVI	Avis	21⅞	–⅝
AVT	Avnet	57	–⅜
AVP	Avon	32⅝	–1⅞
AZR	Aztar	10¹¹/₁₆	+3/16
AZX	Azurix n	7¹/₁₆	–⅜
BBT	BB&T Cp	30⅞	–1¹/₁₆
BCE	BCE g	73¹¹/₁₆	–1¹⁵/₁₆
BJS	BJS	36⅜	+3⅞
BJ	BJs Whls s	37⅞	+⅜
BMC	BMC	5¹/₁₆	
BKpE	BNY pfE	d20	–¼
BPA	BPAmoc s	60¼	+1
BRE	BRE	22¾	–1¹/₁₆
BKF	BakerF s	13⅜	
BHI	BakrHu	22½	+1⅜
STD	BcoSnCH	11⅜	+1/16
ONE	BankOne	32⅜	–5/16
BAC	Bk of Am	50½	–1⅜
MBK	BkTokyo	14⅜	–¼
BK	BkNY	36	–⅜
BBX	BkAtlA	4	
BCR	Bard	49⅝	–2
BKS	BarnNbl	21¹¹/₁₆	–1¼
BRR	BarrettRs	24⅝	–3/16
ABX	BarrickG	18¹/₁₆	–3/16
BMG	BatlMt	2⅜	–⅛
BOL	Bausch L	64⅞	–3⅞
BAX	Baxter	62⅝	–1¹/₁₆
BVC	BayView	15⅜	–¼
BSC	BearSt	40¹³/₁₆	–½
BDX	BectDck	26⅜	–⅝
BWC	Belden	20	+⅛
BHW	Bell&Hwl	32⅜	–⅜
BEL	BellAtl	63¾	–¼
Bi	BellInd s	4⅞	–⅛
BLS	BellSo s	46	³/₁₆+2¹/₁₆
BLC	Belo	19⅛	+¼
BMS	Bemis	31⅝	–⅛
BHE	BenchEl	25½	+1
BNO	BentonOG	1¾	
BBC	BergBr	7⅝	–1/16
BRK/A	BerkHa	A55500	–400
BRY	BerryP	14⅜	
BBY	BestBuy	47⅜	–3½
BFO	Bestfds	53¾	–¼
BS	BethStl	6½	–1/16
BEV	Beverly	3¹⁵/₁₆	
BDY	BindlyW	12¹³/₁₆	–⅜
BXM	Biomtrx s	19¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
BVF	Biovail	75½	–½
BIR	BirStl	8⅜	–⅛
BDK	BlackD	48⅝	+1⅝
BKH	BlkHlCp	22	–⅛
BTM	Blk2001	8⅞	
BKT	BlkIT	5¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
BKN	BlkIQM	d12¼	–⅛
BMN	BlkMTar	9¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
BNA	BlkNA	9⅝	–1/16
BSD	BlkStMT	nd12¼	–¼
BTT	BlkTT	9⅜	+1/16
EWB	Blanch	54¼	–1¾
HRB	BlckHR	46⅜	+½
BBI	Blckbstr n	15⅜	+⅜
BA	Boeing	37¼	–13/16
BCC	BoiseC	36⅜	+13/16
BOP	BoisCOff	15	–5/16
BBA	Bombay	5⅛	–⅛
BCU	BordCh	5	–⅛
BGP	Borders	15¹³/₁₆	–⅛
BWA	BorgWAu	40¼	+⅛
BXP	BostProp	29⅝	–3/16
BSX	BostSci	21	+1/32
BOW	Bowatr	48¹¹/₁₆	+1/32
BYD	BoydGm	6½	+3/16
BOY	BoykinL	d11⅞	–3/16
BTR	BradRE	16¾	–1/32
BDN	Brandyw	15¹¹/₁₆	–3/16
BGG	BrigStrat	51	–13/16
CBA	BrilCrA s	3⅝	–1/16
EAT	Brinker	d21½	–1½
BMY	BrMySq	s66	–¼
BRW	Brdwing s	32⅛	–⅜
BF/A	BrwnFA	57¼	
BF/B	BrwnFB	62	–1/8
BWS	BrwnShoe	s14¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
BC	Brunswick	20¹¹/₁₆	–3/16
BD	BudgetGp	8¹⁵/₁₆	+7/16
BUR	Burlinds	3¹³/₁₆	
BNI	BurlNSF	28⅝	+⅝
BR	BrlRsc	31⅛	+7/16
BPP	BurnPP	8¾	–⅛
BOR	Burns Intl	8¹³/₁₆	
VNT	CANTV	24⅜	–13/16
CBS	CBS	u57¹³/₁₆	+3⅞
CCB	CCB Fn	41¾	–1¹³/₁₆
CEC	CEC Ent s	29	–1/16
HS	CHS El	⅝	–1/16
CI	CIGNA	78¼	–⅞
HIS	CIGNA Hl	6	–1/16
CIT	CIT Gp	22¼	+⅝
CNW	CK Wtco	10	–¹¹/₁₆
CKR	CKE Rst	6	+1/16
CMS	CMS Eng	33⅛	–½
SUR	CNA Sure	11½	+⅞
CNF	CNF Tran	30⅝	–3/16
CNH	CNH Glbl	11¹³/₁₆	–⅞
CPY	CPI	d19	–¾
CSX	CSX	35⅞	+3/16
CTS	CTS s	80½	–5
CVS	CVS Cp	35¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
HKT	C&W HKT	30¼	+⅛
CWP	Cabl&Wrls	48⅛	+3½
CDT	CabiDsg	21	–¼
CVC	Cablvsn	78⅜	+2⅝
CS	Cabltrn	22⅞	–⅝
CBT	Cabot	18⅝	+3/16
COG	CbtOG	13¹¹/₁₆	–½
CDN	Cadence	19¹/₁₆	
ELY	CallGolf	14⅝	–⅛
CPN	Calpine s	63¼	–⅞
CCH	CmpR g	⅜	–1/64
CPB	CampSp	42⅞	–1¹¹/₁₆
CNI	CdnRy gs	28¹³/₁₆	+⅜
CP	CdnPc g	21⅝	–⅛
COF	CapOne s	48½	–1¹¹/₁₆
CSU	CapSenL	5⅛	+1/16
CMO	Capstd	3⅜	
CAH	CardnlH	48¹/₁₆	+⅝
CMX	CaremkRx	5⅜	+⅛
CKE	Carmik	d7¹³/₁₆	–⅞
CCL	Carnival	47–1¹³/₁₆	
CPL	CaroPw	30¼	–¼
CRS	CarpTech	25¼	–⅜
CSV	CarrSrv	5	–⅜
PWN	CashAm	8¹⁵/₁₆	+¹³/₁₆
POS	CatMkt	u113½	+3⅜
CDX	Catelus	12¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
CAT	Caterpillr	45⅛	–⅜
FUN	CedarF	18¹/₁₆	–⅛
CLS	Celestic g	u82⅜	+2⅜
CX	Cemex n	26	+7/16
CD	Cendant	19⅛	+⅜
CTX	Centex	23¾	–⅞
CSR	CenSoWst	19⅞	–1/16
ECP	CtrNws s	39⅜	+⅞
CPC	CentPrkg	19⅜	–1/16
CTL	CntryTel s	46⅝	–1⅛
CEN	Ceridian	s20¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
CHB	Chmpe	8¾	–¼
CHA	Chmpin	56⅜	–1/16
CF	ChartOneFd	19¼	
CWF	ChtwlDiv	d10	–⅛
CMB	ChaseM	77⅝	–1
CKP	Checkpnt	7⅞	–⅜
CHK	ChesEng	2¹³/₁₆	+3/16
CHV	Chevron	90½	+¾
JNS	ChicBy	¹¹/₁₆	+1/16
CTC	ChileTel	18⅞	–1/16
CHL	ChinaTlc	104¼	–2¾
CQB	Chiquita	3¹⁵/₁₆	+1/16
CB	Chubb	53¾	–½
CHD	ChurDwt	s27⅜	
CHY	Chyron	1¹¹/₁₆	+5/16
CRR	CIBER	25⅞	+1⅝
CIN	CINergy	d24⅜	–⅝
CC	CirCtyCC	s37½	–5⅞
KMX	CirCCar	2⅞	–3/16
C	Citigrp s	54¾	–2⅞
CZN	CitzUtil	13	–⅛
CYN	CityNC	33⅞	–1⅝
CLE	ClairesStr	21¹/₁₆	+⅝
CMH	ClaytnH	9¾	–5/16
CCU	ClearChan	85⅜	+1¾
CLF	ClvCff	29¹³/₁₆	+¹³/₁₆
CLX	Clorox s	49¹/₁₆	–7/16
CGP	Coastal	34⅜	+½
KO	CocaCl	60½	+½
CCE	CocaCE	d18	–⅜
KOF	CCFemsa	17⅜	+¹³/₁₆
CDE	Coeur	3¹³/₁₆	–⅛
CL	ColgPal	s58	⅞+¹³/₁₆
CNB	ColBgp	11	–5/16
CXE	ColHlth	6¹/₁₆	–⅛
CIF	ColtHI	d5	–¼
CMU	ColuMu	d5⅜	–⅛
CLP	ColonPT	d23¾	–1¹/₁₆
CG	ColumEn	59⅝	+5/16
COL	ColHCA	27¹⁵/₁₆	+1/16
CCZ	Comcst29	nu96¹⁵/₁₆	+4¾
CDO	Comdisco	26¹/₁₆	–⅛
CMA	Comeric	n64½	+2⅜
FIX	ComfrtS	7¾	+1/16
CFB	CmcFdl	d16¼	–5/16
NNN	CmolNL	10¼	+⅛
CTV	ComScop	39	–1¼
CPU	CmpUSA	6	–¼
CBD	CBD–Paou	27⅝	–5/16
CPQ	Compaq	25½	–⅜
CA	CompAs	62½	–2¹¹/₁₆
CSC	CompSci	u74¼	+2⅜
CQ	Comsat	18⅜	+⅛
CRK	ComstkRs	2⅞	–1/16
CAG	ConAgra	22½	–⅜
COE	ConeMl	4¹⁵/₁₆	
CIV	Conectiv	17¹⁵/₁₆	+5/16
CNE	ConnEn	39	+⅝
COC/A	ConocoA	24⅛	–1⅜
COC/B	ConocoB	nd24⅜	–1¼
CNC	Conseco	20	–3/16
CNX	ConsEgy n	9⅞	+¼
ED	ConEd	34¾	–¼
CGX	ConsGph	22	
CNG	ConsNG	64¼	–3/16
CDP	ConsPap	30⅞	+⅞
COP	ConsPdts	s d10	+⅛
CNS	ConStor	16¼	–⅜
DIN	CGDina	⅜	–3/16
CEG	ConstellEn	28⅞	–⅝
CFN	Contfincl	7³/₃₂	+1/32
CAL	CtlAir B	39⅞	–5/16
CVG	Cnvrgys	u30½	+2⅜
CAM	CoopCam	41⅜	+2⅞
COO	CoopCo	26¹⁵/₁₆	+1¼
CBE	Cooper	d41⅜	–⅛
CTB	CooprTr	d14	–⅛
ELP	Copel	8	–1/16
CRH	CoramH	¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
CDD	Cordant	30¹⁵/₁₆	–⅛
CDA	Cordiant	u22¹¹/₁₆	+1¹¹/₁₆
CLB	CoreLab	18¹¹/₁₆	+1/16
CPO	CornPdts	33¹¹/₁₆	+1½
CNO	CornPpn	d11⅝	–⅜
CPP	CorPrpt	13¹/₁₆	–5/16
GLW	CorningInc	u109¹³/₁₆	+4⅜
COY	CorpHY	9½	–1/16
CYE	CpHYIII	9¹⁵/₁₆	–3/16
CGA	CorusGr s	u22¹/₁₆	+¹³/₁₆
CGZ	Cotellignt	3¹³/₁₆	+⅛
CCR	CntwCrd	d26⅞	–¹¹/₁₆
CVD	Covance	9¹³/₁₆	–3/16
COX	CoxCom s	47¹³/₁₆	–1/16
PRI	CoxCm29	n u95	+3¼
CR	Crane	18³/₁₆	–⅜
CIK	CrSuisInc	od5¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
CEI	CresRE	17⅛	
CMM	vjCrimiM	1⅛	–1/16
XTO	CrosTbr	9	–5/16
CRT	CrosTim	9⅝	–1/4
CCK	CwnCork	22¼	–⅜
CRO	CwnPac	19³/₁₆	–3/16
CFR	CullnFr s	26½	–¹¹/₁₆
CUM	CumEng	40	–¼
CY	CypSem	28–1	–3/16
CYT	Cytec	22⅞	

D-E-F			
DHY	DLJ HiY	d7⅛	–3/16
DPL	DPL	17⅛	–1/16
DHI	DR Horton	13⅝	–7/16
DST	DST Sys	63⅝	–⅜
DTE	DTE	33½	
DCX	DaimlrC	68¹/₁₆	+1/16
DS	DalSem	u63½	–¼
DCN	DanaCp	27½	
DHR	Danaher	48¼	
DRI	Darden	17¼	–3/16
DAB	Dave&B	9¼	–3/16
DH	DaytnHud	66⅞	+¼
DV	DeVry	19½	
DF	DeanFd	38¹³/₁₆	+¹³/₁₆
DBU	DbtStrIII	8⅛	–1/16
DSU	DebtStr2	7¹/₁₆	–1/16
DBS	DebtStrt	6¾	–1/16
DE	Deere	41¹³/₁₆	+1/16
DLM	DelMnte n	11⅛	–1
DZA	DelhaizeA	20	–1
DZB	DelhaizeB	20¼	–½
DPH	DelphiAn	14½	–⅜
DLP	DelticPne	21¹⁵/₁₆	+1/16
DAL	DeltaAir	49¹¹/₁₆	–1½
DLX	Deluxe	28¼	–⅞
DFS	Dept56	20⅝	
DES	DescSA	17¹/₁₆	+1/16
DT	DeutTel	59¹³/₁₆	–1¹/₁₆
DDR	DevDv	13¹/₁₆	–1/16
DEX	Dexter	34⅛	–1/16
DEO	Diageo	d35¹/₁₆	–⅜
DL	Dial	24⅞	+1/16
DO	DiaOffs	30⅝	+½
DBD	Diebold	21⅞	–⅜
DDS	Dillards	18¼	
DME	DimeBcp	16¹⁵/₁₆	–⅜
DMN	Dimon	d3¼	–⅜
DIS	Disney	27⅛	–⅛
DOL	Dole	d15⅝	–½
DG	DollarG s	23¹¹/₁₆	–⅜
DTG	DollarTh	21⅞	–⅝
D	DomRes	43½	–⅝
DCI	Donldson	24¹/₁₆	+1/16
DLJ	DonLufJen	48¼	–2⅝
DIR	DLJ Dir n	15⅜	–⅜
DK	DKaran	8¹/₁₆	–1/16
DNY	DonlleyRR	24⅜	+¼
DOV	Dover	46⅜	–1¹⁵/₁₆
DOW	DowCh	119	⅞+1 ⅞
DJ	DowJns	u68⅛	+3⅞
DHF	DryHYSt	d10	–1/16
LEO	DrySfrt	d7⅜	–1/16
DSM	DrySM	d7⅛	–¼
DD	DuPont	59½	–1¾
DRD	DuaneR	20¼	–⅜
DNP	DufPUtil	d9	
DUK	DukeEngy	d48⅛	–¹¹/₁₆
DUT	DukeE 38 n	20¾	
DRE	DukeWks	d17¾	–⅜
DNB	DunBrad	26¼	
DQUpE	Duq pfE	30⅞	–1/16
DY	Dycom s	41⅛	+⅞
DYN	Dynegy	21⅝	–⅜
ETV	E4L	3	+1/32
EEX	EEX Cp	2¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
EMC	EMC s	u95	
EOG	EOG Res	15⅝	+1/32
EGR	Earthgr	17¾	–5/16
EFU	EastEnt	56¾	–1/16
EMN	EastChm	42	+⅝
EK	EKodak	60½	–⅞
ETN	Eaton	75¼	+¹³/₁₆
EVN	EV MulT n	11⅝	–1/32
EVF	EV Srlnc	9¹¹/₁₆	–3/16
ECL	Ecolab	33¹⁵/₁₆	–3/16
EIX	Edisonint	25¹/₁₆	–1/16
AGE	Edwards	28¹/₁₆	–1⅜
EPG	ElPasEn	34⅞	–5/16
ELN	Elan s	25⅝	–¹¹/₁₆
ELK	Elcor s	29⅞	–1/32
EDS	EDS	67⅝	+⅜
ELF	ElfAquit	75	+¹⁵/₁₆
EMT	Embratl	19⅛	–1/16
EMR	EmrsnEl	55¹/₁₆	–¹¹/₁₆
EDE	EmpDist	23¹¹/₁₆	+3/16
ELE	Endesa	19½	–1/16
NEG	EgyEast s	23¾	–5/16
ENI	Enersis	23½	+3/16
EC	EnglCp	18⅝	–1/16
EFS	Enhance	16⅞	–1/16
ENE	Enron s	36⅞	+¼
EXG	Enron02	nd17½	+⅝
ENEpC	EnrLLC	pf23¹¹/₁₆	–3/16
ESV	ENSCO	20⅞	+¹¹/₁₆
ETM	Entercm	n u64½	+2⅜
ETR	Entergy	d25⅝	–⅞
ETA	Entrade	u32⅜	+1¹⁵/₁₆
EOT	EottEng	13	1/16 –⅝
EPC	Epcos n	u83⅞	+7⅝
ENT	Equant	94½	–3⅝
EFX	Equifax	23⅜	–⅛
ENN	Eqtylnn	d6⅝	–3/16
EOP	EqOffPT	21¹³/₁₆	–3/16
EOPpB	EqOff pfB	36	–½
EQR	EqtyRsd	40½	–5/16
EL	EsteeLdr	s 41	+1/16
ETH	EthanAl	s 31¹¹/₁₆	+3/16
EY	Ethyl	3⅞	–1/16
EWF	EurWtFd	18¹¹/₁₆	+⅛
RE	EverestRe	23⅞	–⅜
EX	ExideCp	7¹⁵/₁₆	–⅛
ESA	ExtStayA	8⅛	+1/16
XOM	ExxonMob	84 1/16	+⅜
FDX	FDX Cp	s40¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
FMX	FEMSA	u43⅜	+1⅝
FMC	FMC	48⅜	+1¾
FPL	FPL Gp	42¾	–1/16
FCS	FrchldS n	31¹¹/₁₆	–1¹/₁₆
FFD	FairfCmts	10¹⁵/₁₆	+½
FDO	FamDlr	d16¼	–1⅝
FNM	FanniMae	83¹¹/₁₆	–⅝
FMO	FedMog	19¼	–⅜
FRT	FedRlty	18	–1/16
FSS	FedSignl	16⅝	
FD	FedrDS	44 99/128	+22/128
FII	FedInvst	18⅞	+⅜
FCH	FelCor	17¼	–⅛
FGP	Ferrellgs	d12½	–⅛
FIF	FinlFedl	19⅜	+3/16
FNV	Finova	35¼	–⅜
FAF	FAFncl	12¼	–⅜
FDC	FstData	44¹³/₁₆	+1¹/₁₆
FF	FFinFd	7⅝	–¼
FR	FstInRT	24⅜	–1/16
FTN	FstTenn	28½	–1¼
FTU	FstUC	35	–⅞
FSR	Firstar s	d22	–1/16
FE	FirstEngy	23⅞	–1/16
FBF	FleetBostd	33¾	–⅜
FLE	FleetEn	20	–⅝
FLM	Fleming	11⅞	–1/16
FFS	FletFD	34⅜	
FPC	FlaProg	43¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
FRK	FlaRck	34	+⅝
FLO	Flowers	16¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
FLR	Fluor	42¹³/₁₆	+½
FTS	Footstar	26⅝	–2⅝
F	FordMot	50⅜	+¼
FRX	ForestLab	53⅜	+¹⁵/₁₆
FST	ForestOil	10	–⅝
FJ	FtJames	27½	–⅝
FO	FortuneBr	32⅜	+⅝
FWC	FostWh	9¹¹/₁₆	–1/16
FHS	FoundHS	9⅝	–1/16
FS	FourSH g	51⅞	–⅜
FOX	Fox Ent	22¹¹/₁₆	+¼
FFA	FranFin	22⅛	–1/16
BEN	FrankRes	30¹¹/₁₆	–¹³/₁₆
FRE	FredMac	47¹⁵/₁₆	–⅛
FCX/A	FMCG A	14	–⅜
FCX	FMCG	16¹/₁₆	–9/16
FMT	Fremont	5⅜	+⅝
FMTp	Fremnt pf	16½	+2¼
FDP	FDelMnt	d7¹³/₁₆	–1/16
FGH	FGoldmn	d7⅝	+⅝
FBR	FriedBR	6¼	+⅝
FTR	Frntrins	2¹⁵/₁₆	–1/16
FTL	FruitL	1⅞	+⅝
FBN	FurnBrds	20	+3/16

G-H-I			
GMT	GATX	32⅜	+ 7/16
GPU	GPU	30⅜	–7/16
GTE	GTE	73¹⁵/₁₆	+5/16
GAB	GabelliET	11¹⁵/₁₆	–3/16
GGT	GabGloM	19	+⅜
GLC	Galileo Int	28¹¹/₁₆	–1⅞
GCI	Gannett	u77⅞	+3⅜
GPS	Gap s	44¹⁵/₁₆	+2¹/₁₆
IT	Gartner	12⅝	–⅜
IT/B	GartnrB n	11½	–½
GTW	Gateway	s65¹¹/₁₆	–1¹/₁₆
DNA	Genentc s	u93	+1½
GAM	GAInv	34⅝	–¼
BGC	GnCable	7¾	+½
GDC	GnData	6⅜	+⅜
GD	GenDyn	51	+7/16
GE	GenElecu	142⅞	+4½
GGP	GnGrth	27⅞	–1/16
GIC	GenInstu	73⅝	–1 37/128
GIS	GenMills	sd35⅞	–1⅛
GM	GnMotr	73	+⅜
GMH	GM H	u94½	+½
SEM	GenSemi	12⅞	–2⅛
GCO	Gensco	11¹¹/₁₆	–3/16
GHV	GenesisH	2¹/₁₆	+1/16
GEN	GnRad	17¹⁵/₁₆	+1
GPC	GenuPrt	25⅞	–1/16
GGC	GaGulf	27⅞	+1¹⁵/₁₆
GP	GaPcGP	s 40¼	–1/16
TGP	GaPTmb	24⅜	–⅜
GPW	GaPac un	43½	+⅜
G	Gillette	42⅜	–½
GLG	Glamis	17⅜	
GLX	GlaxoWki	57¼	–1⅜
GLB	GlenRT	12⅜	
GIX	Globlnds	12½	+1/16
GLM	GlobM	15⅞	+⅜
GTS	GlblTele s	29¼	–1⅞
GO	go com n	26¾	+1⅝
GSB	GoldStBc	17⅜	–⅞
GDW	GldWF	95⅝	–2⅜
GS	GoldmnS n	80	–1¹⁵/₁₆
GR	Goodrchd	21⅝	–1⅛
GRA	Grace	13½	–1/16
GWW	Graingr	49½	+⅜
GVA	GraniteCd	17¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
GAP	GtAtPc	24⅝	–1/16
GLK	GtLkCh	37¹³/₁₆	+⅜
GWL	GtWlfe pf	20⅝	–⅜
GCH	GtChina	7¹⁵/₁₆	–⅝
GPT	GreenptF n	24⅝	–⅜
GSI	GreenwSt	10	–1/16
MAK	GpMaint	9⅛	
EKT	GElektra	73¼	+⅜
TV	GTelevsa	u62	+7⅛
GTR	GTribasa	¹³/₃₂	
GTK	Gtech	20⅞	–1/16
GUC	Gucci	u95	+2⅜
GES	Guess	u18⅜	+⅞
GDT	Guidant s	46½	–2⅝
GOU	GtfCda g	3⅝	–3/16
GRL	GulfindoR	7½	–1/16
HMK	HÃ–LO s	7¹/₁₆	+1/16
HCC	HCC In	11¾	+1¹/₁₆
HCR	HCR Manor	18⅞	+1⅛
HRP	HRPT Prp	7¹⁵/₁₆	+1/16

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Thr	Name	Last	Chg
A			
ANET	ACT Net	6	-⅛
AUTV	ACTV	u30½	+2⅜
ADCT	ADC Tel	62½	-2⅜
ADBE	ABED Sys	n20¹¹/₁₆	+1¹¹/₁₆
ABMI	ABM Intl	19	+⅛
ABML	ABM Lithu	105¾	-¾
ATYT	ATI Tech	13¾	+⅜
ABTM	Abatrex	1¾	-⅜
ABGX	Abgenix	87	+7⅛
ABTE	AbleTel	8¾	-⅛
ACLM	Acclaim	5½	-1/16
ACRO	Acrodyne	2⅜	+1/32
ACTN	ActnPerf	14⅜	+⅛
ACTM	ActivISI n	u96¾	+23½
ACTU	Actuate s	44	+1⅞
ADCM	Acxiom	17⅜	+½
ADPT	Adaptec	52½	-1½
ADLZ	Adelphia	36	+½
ADLAC	Adelph h	56⅜	-1
ADFC	AdForce n	49	+3¼
ADBE	AdobeSy s	88	+7⅛
ADTN	Adtran	u48⅜	+4½
ADVP	AdvPara	s25½	+⅜
ADIC	AdvDigi	su55½	+1⅝
AFCI	AdvFCm	26⅛	-⅛
AGCM	Agcy.com n	78½	
AGIX	AGI Info	22½	
AMCC	AlNet n	37⅝	-3½
AKAM	AkamaiT	n241⅜	+15⅜
AKZOY	Akzo	u48¹¹/₁₆	+2⅜
ALSK	AlskCom n	13⅜	-⅛
ALKS	Alkerm	43¼	-½
ABCL	AllianceB	19	-½
ALSC	AllianSemi	14⅞	+⅛
ALLC	AlloCap	19¹¹/₁₆	-1/16
ALLP	AllosTher	n 20⅜	+1⅛
ALMI	AlphaMic	3½	+1/32
ALTR	AlteraCp	s 54⅛	-1⅜
AMZN	Amazon	s 88½	+2⅝
AMBAC	AmBiogn	9⅝	+⅛
ACEI	AmChmp	29½	-⅜
AEOS	AEagleO	s 46	+⅝
AMFH	AmFnclA	11⅞	
AMPN	AmrntPt	11/16	-1/16
AMSY	AmSi	34	-1⅛
SKYC	AmMbSat	15⅞	+2⅞
APCC	AmCmv	s 23⅜	-1⅛
AMTD	AmrTrde	s22¹¹/₁₆	-1⅛
AMES	AmesDS	27	-⅝
ANDW	Andrew	14½	-1⅜
ADRX	AndrxGp	s 44⅜	-2½
ANIC	Anicom	4¼	-1/16
ANSR	AnsThnk	33⅜	+1⅝
ANTC	Antec	42	+⅞
APEX	Apex s	25¼	-⅜
APOL	ApolloG	26⅞	-⅞
APNT	AppNet n	51¾	-3⅜
AAPL	AppleC	110	-8
APPB	Applebee	25	-1⅜
ADSX	AdDig n	72⅝	
AMAT	AplMatl	114⅝	+3¹⁵/₁₆
AMCC	AMCC s	u100¾	+4⅞
APLX	Applix	21¼	-⅜
APGR	ArchCm	8⅝	+1/32
ARDT	ArdentSft	33¼	+⅝
ARBA	Ariba n	u232	-1½
ARSP	AriesCp	12⅝	+3/32
ARTC	Arthro C	41½	-7⅝
ARTI	ArtisanC	u17½	+1⅝
ASTN	AshnT	6	-9/32
ASKJ	AskJvs n	12⅞	+⅛
ASPC	AspacT	u4½	+9/32
ASPT	AspectCm	40¾	+1½
ASDV	AspctDv	58⅝	+2¹¹/₁₆
AZPN	AspenTc	u28⅜	+4⅛
ATEA	Astea	u4⅞	+½
ASFC	AstoriaF	30½	-½
ATHM	AtHome s	43	-1⅝
ATML	Atmel	u53¾	+½
ADBL	Audible n	15½	-⅜
ABTL	autobytel	n 15¾	+1⅜
AUSK	Autodesk	31½	-1⅞
AIMM	Automnu	¾	
AWEB	Autoweb n	13¼	-⅛
AVGN	Avigen	27⅞	-3⅛
AWRE	Aware	44	-¼
AXNT	AxentT	20⅜	+1⅝
AXTC	AxtalC	4⅜	-⅛
BEAS	BEA Sys	120½	-⅝
BMCS	BMC Sft	74¼	+⅜
BWEB	BackWeb	n33⅛	-⅛
BNYN	BarnynSy	16⅞	-⅛
BNBN	barnsLin	n18⅜	-⅛
BSNX	BaseExpl	14⅛	-1⅜
BFRE	BeFree n	u84	+23½
BEOS	Be Inc n	14	+½
BBBY	BedBath	32¾	-⅛
BELFB	BelFuseB	s 30	+5⅛
BYND	byond.com	n9¾	-⅝
BIDS	Bid.com	gn 4⅜	-⅝
BVEW	BindView	u48⅜	+2½
BCRX	Biocryst	22⅛	+1⅛
BGEN	Biogen	s 71½	-1⅞
BJCT	BioJect	7⅜	+1/32
BMET	BioMet	31⅛	-2⅛
BIOM	Biomira	3⅞	-⅛
BTGC	BioToG	11	-¼
BITS	Bitstrm	4⅜	+1⅛
BTWS	Bitwise	9¼	-⅝
BWSI	BlueWave	u8½	+1⅛
BLSW	Bluestne	nu79½	+14⅞
BMYV	BlymtnT	n 43½	+8⅜
BWAY	Breakery	n 63	+7½
CELL	Brightpt	13⅛	+⅞
BRYO	BrkTech	61⅜	-1⅛
BVSN	BroadVis	s104⅞	+⅜
BRCM	Brdcom	su224¼	+⅛
BRCD	BrcdeCm	s 140	-2⅛
TMBR	BrownTom	12⅜	+⅛
BSQR	Bsquare	n 42	+2⅛
BOBJ	BusnObj	u132⅝	+28⅛
CCBL	C-CORT.net	52	-½
CUBE	C_CUBEsu	52⅜	+1⅝
CADA	CAM Dr	u23½	+4⅜
CBRL	CBRL Grp	9¹⁵/₁₆	-⅜
SMTF	CBT Gp	32⅞	-⅜
CDNW	CDnow	13¹¹/₁₆	+1⅛
CDIS	CDIS	4⅞	-⅜
CLIC	Calico n	61	-1¼
CAMP	CalAmp	27½	-1⅝
CAMD	CalMicr	u10	+1⅛
CATP	CampTch	22¹⁵/₁₆	+5⅞
CRDM	Cardima	2	
CDIC	CardDyn	u5⅝	+25/32
CBDR	CarBldr	n 66¹¹/₁₆	+1⅛
CACS	CarrAcc	60	+¼
CTAL	Catalyst	10⅞	+⅝
CATT	CbtlCm	d12	-7⅞
CEGE	CellGens	9½	
CNDS	CellNet	1¼	+1/16
CLST	Cellstar	10⅛	-⅛
CTRX	Celtrix	2¼	-⅛
CNTR	CentraSft	6+1/32	
CBIZ	CentBusn	9½	-⅛
CEPH	Cephln	u25½	+1½
CERN	Cerner	19¹⁵/₁₆	+1⅞
CHTR	ChadCm n	24	-1¼
CHRT	ChrtSm n	58⅛	-2⅜
CTLK	ChpTck n	13	+⅛
CHKP	ChkPnt	nu192⅞	+16⅞
CHKRW	ChkDr wt	⅛	
CKFR	ChkFree	u80⅞	-⅛
CHRX	ChiRex	15½	+1½
CHINA	China.cm	n123¾	-2¼
CHIR	Chiron	33⅞	-½
CIDCO	Cidco	4	-⅜
CIEN	CienaCp	59⅞	-⅞
CTAS	Cintas	50⅜	-1⅛
CPCI	Ciprico	10¾	-⅛
CIRC	Circ.com	n 13⅛	+1⅛
CRUS	Cirrus	14⅛	-⅜
CSCO	Cisco	u99¹⁵/₁₆	-1⅝
CTXS	CitrixSys	s 115¾	-5½
CLRN	Clarent	n 92	+7⅞
CLRS	Clarus	49	-1⅛
CLSC	ClassCm	n 30⅜	
CWEI	ClayEng	12⅛	+⅜
CLKS	clck2itn	11	+⅛
COBT	CobaltN	n145¹³/₁₆	+11½
COHR	Coherent	27⅛	-⅞
CMTO	Com21	20	-6⅝
CMCSK	Comc sp	s46⅜	-⅜
CTCH	ComTch	n 33	+5⅞
CMRC	ComOne	nu399¾	+19⅜
CICI	CompIntell	2¹⁵/₁₆	+⅝
CPSI	CmpBusn	18⅜	+⅛
CTEK	Computch	1⅞	+⅛
CMPC	Compton	3½	+3/32
CMNT	CptNetk	23½	-⅛
CPWR	Compuwr	s 34⅜	-1
CMVT	Commvrs	s130⅞	-6¼
CNCX	ConcNet	s 25¾	-2⅜
CCRD	ConcrdCm	47⅜	-4⅝
CEFT	ConcEPS	s26⅝	-⅛
CNQR	Concur T	n 32½	+3¼
CCUR	ConcCm	u16¾	+1⅛
CNXT	Conexant	s u73⅞	+5⅛
CONV	Convergnt	n 10¼	-1⅛
CPRT	Copart	s 27½	-1⅜
CMTN	Cablstrm	n 85¼	+7⅜
CORS	Cornerstn	u28¼	+5⅜
CRIS	Cornerstnt	u8¼	+1⅛
CAIR	Corsair	10½	+1½
COST	Costco	92¹⁵/₁₆	-3⅛
COVD	CovasdCm	s59¾	-⅛
CREAF	CreTecLtd	16¾	+⅜
CMOS	CredSys	u69¾	+2¼
CREE	CreeRsh	su73⅝	+3⅝
CPTH	CrtPath	n 71⅝	+9⅜
AMEN	Crsswrk	n 6⅝	-⅞
CMTSI	CrwnCstl	22	-3⅛
CUBST	CubistPh	u11¼	+⅝
CMLS	CumMed	42⅞	+⅛
CYCH	CybrCgh	10⅛	+1⅛
CYBR	CyberCare	4¼	-1/32
CGLD	Cybergld	nu13⅞	+2¼
CCOL	CybrOfp	13¼	+1¼
CYSP	CybrSnp	9¼	-⅞
CYBS	CybrSrce	n 63	+2
CYGN	Cygnus	u18¾	+⅜
CYLK	Cylink	u13⅝	+1⅛
CYMI	Cymar	44½	+3¼
D E F			
MFDE	DECS TrVI	37¹³/₁₆	+2
DGJL	DGJewlr	n 3¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
DIIG	Dil Grp	70	
DSLN	DSL net	n19¹⁵/₁₆	-1/32
DZTK	Daisytek	20¹³/₁₆	+⅞
DALN	DalenT	n 32	+4⅜
DANKY	Danka	13⅜	-⅜
DBCC	DtBdcst	9¹³/₁₆	+1/32
DCCA	DataCrit	n 15½	-2⅛
DRTN	DataRet	n 28½	-2⅜
DATC	Datatec	3¾	-⅛
DWTI	Dataware	u6½	+1/32
DWCH	Dtawtch	2¹¹/₃₂	-7/32
RACE	DataRce	3¹⁷/₃₂	+9/32
DWSN	Dawson	9¾	-⅜
DLIA	Delias	8¹⁵/₁₆	+⅞
DELL	DellComp	s 43½	-1⅞
DDDC	DlaThrm	n 28½	+1⅛
DRTE	Dendrite	s 30¼	+1⅛
DCAC	DnsePc	u9¹³/₁₆	+1⅛
XRAY	Dentsply	22⅞	-1⅛
DEST	Destia	n u22¾	+2¼
DMED	Diametrc	u7⅞	+⅜
DIGX	Digex	n u55¾	+10
DGII	Digilnti	u17¼	+⅞
DMRC	Digimrc	n 59⅝	-3½
DCTI	DigCourierd	8¼	
DGIT	DgitGen	5²⁵/₃₂	+25/32
DIGI	Digimpct	n 59¾	+5⅝
DSLD	Digislid	n u115½	+45⅜
DTLK	Digitlnk	u43¼	+⅜
DMIC	DiMed	u17⅝	+1⅛
DITC	DitechCo	n116¾	-13⅜
DVNT	Divrsnt	g u26	+1⅛
DCLK	DobleClck	su196⅞	+12⅞
DBRN	DresB	16¾	-¼
KOOP	drkoop	n 19	+1
DSTR	DualStar	8¹⁵/₁₆	+2⅜
DURA	DuraPh	12¾	-⅝
DROOY	DurbanRo	12⅜	+3/32
EGRP	ETrade	s 30½	-1⅜
ECRIC	E-Cruitr	n 8¼	-⅛
ETEL	e-Net	6⅛	+1/32
ESTM	EStamp	n 31	-1⅛
ETEK	ETekDyn	92¼	-6⅛
ESPI	e.spire	7¼	+½
EBAY	eBayInc	162¾	-1¼
ECCS	ECCS	u11⅝	+2¹¹/₁₆
ECIL	ECI Tel	24⅜	-⅛
EFAX	eFax.com	11⅜	+4¹³/₃₂
ECIN	EMCEE	8½	+1⅛
EPLUS	ePlusInc	23½	+⅜
ESST	ESSTech	n23¼	+⅜
EUSA	EgleUSA	s 36⅜	-2⅞
ELNK	Ethlink	61¾	+2¹⁵/₁₆
ERTH	ErthShnl	2½	-1/32
EWBX	ErthWeb	39⅛	+⅞
EBKR	ebookrs	n 20	-2⅛
ELDN	EchelonC	13	+⅛
DISH	EchoStar	su93⅞	+3¹⁵/₁₆
EDIT	EdpSurg	9⅝	-⅛
EDLP	Edpsys	26½	-2⅛
EFNT	EfnNetr	n u82½	+5
EGAN	eGainCm	nu57⅛	+7⅛
EGGS	Egghead	15½	-1¼
ELCO	Elcom	14⅜	+⅞
ERTS	ElcArt	108½	-½
EFII	EFII	53⅜	+9/32
ELSE	Elsinc	2¹⁵/₁₆	-⅛
ELRNF	Elron	39¼	+⅛
EMLX	Emulex	s 165½	+8⅝
ENGN	Engage	n u72	+3
ENGI	Engines	9¾	+2⅝
ENTU	Entrust	u61	+8
ENZN	Enzon	u37½	+1½
EPIC	EpicorSft	5½	-⅛
EPNY	Epsn n	183	+16
ERICY	EricTel	u84	+5⅛
ESPT	eSoft	u35½	-2½
ETYS	eToys	n 53	+⅞
ENON	Euro909	21¾	+⅛
EWEB	Euroweb	4¼	+⅛
XACT	Exactis	n 29⅜	+1½
ELOT	Executone	2¹⁵/₁₆	-1/32
EXDS	ExodusC	s u185½	+20½
XTND	ExtndSys	u27	+2
EXTR	ExtNetw	n 69⅛	-3⅜
FFIV	F5 Netw	n 132½	-15⅛
FVCX	FVC.com	9⅝	+⅛
FITB	FifthThrd	65⅝	-1⅝
FNCM	Finet.com	1⅞	-⅞
FNSR	Finsar	n 108¾	+7⅛
FCGI	FstCreat	12½	+1⅝
FPFC	FstPrtCe	n 11½	-⅛
FSCO	FSecCp	26⅞	-2/32
FISV	Fiserv	35⅞	-½
FLMLY	FlamelT	21/32	+2/32
FLEX	Flextrn	s 90½	+⅝
FCSE	FocusEn	4¹³/₁₆	+⅛
FONR	Fonar	2⅛	+⅛
FORS	Forsoft	u12	+1⅞
FFTI	4FrntTch	13⅞	-⅛
KIDE	4KidsEnt	s 46½	-2½
FSHP	FreeShp	nu26½	+5⅛
FFEX	FrozenFd	3¾	-⅛
G H I			
GSTX	GST Tele	7⅛	-⅞
GTIS	GT Interac	2	-1/32
ZQOX	Gadzoox	n 79¾	+4⅛
GALT	GalileoT	s 26⅞	+⅝
GMST	Gemstar	s u133	+4⅜
GLGC	GeneLgc	12⅞	-1½
GMGC	GMagic	3½	+9/32
GNSS	GenMicr	23¼	-⅜
GCTI	GenesyTel	s25⅞	-1½
GENM	Genicom	17⅝	+⅜
GNTX	Gentex	24½	-⅞
GGNS	Genus	4¹⁵/₁₆	-⅜
GENZ	GenzymGn	35	-½
GZTR	GenzTisRp	1⅞	+3/32
GWRX	Geoworks	u13½	+3¼
GERN	GeronCp	14⅞	+1⅛
GTHR	GetThere	nu43¾	+9¼
GETY	Getytm	41½	+3½
GICOF	GiatCo	21¾	+1⅝
GIATF	GiatSat	u100	+2¼
GEMS	Gemstare	u61⅝	+1½
GLIA	Gliatech	18⅞	+5¾
GBLX	GlbCross	s 47¾	-⅛
GLBL	Globllnd	7½	-1⅛
GLBN	GlblNetn	u38¾	+2¼
GSTRF	Globalstr	22¹¹/₁₆	-⅞
GCOM	Globeco	21¼	+3½
GBIX	GlobixCp	58⅞	+11
GLCBY	GloboCabo	7¹⁵/₁₆	-2⅜
GNET	Go2net	s 81½	+5½
GSBNZ	GteSitBc	wt 4½	+1½
GOTO	GoTo.cm	n 92	+5⅛
GOJO	GraphOn	nu22¾	+5⅞
GOJOZ	GrOn wtB	u15¾	+6¾
HNCS	HNC Sft	94	+9⅝
HTEI	HTE Inc	5	+⅞
HRBC	Harbngr	18	+⅜
HLIT	Harmonic	s 73	+3
HHGP	HarisHa	u9⅞	+2⅛
HPOL	Harrisint	nd18¼	-2
HCEN	HlthCent	n d9¼	-1¼
HLTH	HlthWMD	n45⅞	-⅞
HIFN	hifn Inc	n 48⅝	-⅜
HSAC	HighSpd	n 20⅜	-1
HLYW	HlywdE	14⅞	+⅛
HGSI	HumGen	117⅜	-8¼
HBAN	HuntBnk	25⅝	-⅜
HYSL	HyperSolu	30¼	-1⅛
ITWO	i2Tech	u141	+3⅛
IOGX	ICG Com	18⅛	+½
IDPH	IDEC	117	+3½
IDTC	IDTCorp	24	
IISLF	IIS	u2⅝	-9/32
IMRS	IMRglobal	12½	+⅜
INSO	INSO	u29½	+⅜
ISSX	ISS Grp	su66⅝	+2⅝
ITCD	ITC DKa	27	+1⅛
IIXL	IXL Entp	n 44⅛	+3⅞
IGAS	iGasis	n 36⅛	-⅜
ICAB	iCabie	n 31⅜	+1⅜
ITEC	ImagTech	½	+1/32
IMGN	ImaginOn	4⅜	+⅞
IMAN	iManage	nu36⅛	-1½
IMAT	Imatrn	2¼	
IMMR	Immersn	nu33⅛	+2⅝
IMNR	ImunRap	3½	+7/32
IMNX	Imunex	s 62¼	-1⅞
IMMU	Imunmd	3⅞	+⅛
INDI	Indvlnv	4¼	+⅛
IMIC	IndusMate	5⅜	-1¹¹/₁₆
INFR	Infernce	6¾	+1½
INCX	Infocure	s 17½	+2⅞
INFA	Informat	nu103½	+4⅜
IARC	InfoArch	8¾	+2⅛
IFMX	Informix	9¾	-⅛
INSP	InfoSpce	su169⅞	-2⅛
INKT	Inktomi	s u168	+4½
ICSL	InnovCiin	¾	
INVX	**Innovex**	**8¾**	**+⅛**
INPR	Inprise	13¹¹/₁₆	-⅞
NSIT	Insight	s 39	+1⅝
INSP	Inspire	4⅞	-⅛
INTA	Intalere	6¾	-⅞
IDTI	IntgDv	26⅞	-⅜
ISSI	ISSI	11¼	+⅞
INTC	**Intel**	**s 74**	**+2⅞**
ICOMC	Intelect h	1¼	-⅛
FILM	Intelefilm	u5¼	+24½
INTD	IntelliDta	3⅜	-⅛
ITIG	Intelligrp	19¹¹/₁₆	+1⅝
ITVU	InterVu	u85	+7¾
INET	Intrisant	n u28¾	+7½
LINK	InternetCl	u49¾	+15⅛
ICJX	IntrnsCm	29	+1⅝
INAP	IntrNAP	n 130	-3⅛
IFCI	IntFbcm	7¾	+⅜
ICGE	ItrntCap	nu213⅜	+43⅜
INCC	Interml	5	-1⅛
ILJI	Itrntltv	n 119⅝	-4½
INTM	Intrnt.cm	n 42	+8
IPIC	Internetur	5½	+½
INPH	Intphse	28⅛	+⅞
IPLY	Interplay	s 13¼	+⅛
ISPD	Intspeed	n18¹¹/₁₆	+1¼
INTV	IntVoxBrs	15⅜	+3⅛
INRS	IntnetSol	u31¼	+2⅜
ITRA	Intrawre	n 39⅜	+5⅛
INTU	Intuit	s 56¼	-⅝
IONN	IonNet	n u17	+2⅜
IRSN	Irvine	u21½	+5½
ISIP	Isis	15⅜	+⅛
ICOR	Isocor	32⅛	+4⅞
IVIL	iVillage	n 25½	-1⅞
J K L			
JDEC	JD Edw	27⅛	-1⅛
JBOH	JB Oxford	9½	-1/32
JDAS	JDASoft	u17¾	+2⅝
JDSU	JDS Uni	s 248⅞	-10⅞
JNIC	JNI Corp	n 79	+3½
JCDA	Jacada	n 20⅛	+⅝
JVLN	Javelin	11	-⅛
JFAX	Jfax.com	n 6⅝	+⅛
JMAR	Jmar	u2¾	+1⅛
JNPR	JnprNtwk	n u350	+18½
KLAC	KLATenc	96⅛	-5
KDIP	KPNQuest	n 48⅜	+5⅜
KMET	Kamet	39½	+½
KERA	KeraVis	7⅜	-½
KING	KingPin	s 53⅞	-1⅛
NITE	KnightTrn	s 44¾	-⅝
VLCCF	KnightT	d12¾	-⅝
KNOT	Knot n	13⅞	+⅝
KMAG	Komag	3⅛	+⅞
KOREA	KoreaThr	n 68⅛	-7⅛
KLIC	Kulicke	36⅜	+⅜
LCAV	LCA Vis	4⅞	+3/32
LTXX	LTX	17⅜	-⅛
LRCX	LamRsch	90⅜	-3¹¹/₁₆
LASE	LsrSght	14⅛	+⅜
LVCI	LsrVis	s 12⅜	+⅝
LSON	Lason	d20²¹/₃₂	-3³⁵/₆₄
LATD	LatCom	n 28	+2
LSCC	Lattice	s u53⅞	+3¹¹/₁₆
LWIN	LeapWr	53⅜	-⅛
LEAP	Leapnet	u8¾	+1⅛
LTWO	Lea/n2	cm 3	-1/32
LGTO	Legato	s 74⅜	-1½
LLTR	Lelliurpint	u12¾	+1⅜
LHSP	Lernr&us	u45¼	+7⅛
LVLT	Level3	68¼	-3⅛
LVEL	Level 8	u26⅞	+7½
LFMN	LifeMind	nu31¼	+6¼
LGND	Ligand B	11¼	+⅛
LPTHA	LightP	10½	-⅛
LLTC	LinearT	s 75¾	-4⅝
LIPO	Liposm	10¾	-⅜
LOOK	LkSmart	n37¾	+1⅛
LUMT	Lmknant	n 41¾	+9⅛
LQDS	Lycos	s u77¾	+10¹¹/₁₆
M N O			
WCOM	MCI Wrld	77⅞	-13⅛
MIPS	MIPS Tc	n 80¾	-1⅛
MMCN	MMC Nt	26½	+1⅛
MPPP	MP3.com	n 38¾	+2⅞
MRVC	MRV Cm	35¼	-1⅝
MTIC	MTI Tch	29½	+3
MACR	Macrmdiau	85⅛	+8⅞
MVSN	Macrvsn	su75⅜	+3⅜
MGIC	MagSft	58¼	-⅜
MAIL	Mail cm	nu26¹¹/₁₆	+2⅜
MAKR	MakerC	n 25	+1⅞
TMNG	MgeNetw	n 32⅜	-1⅜
MANU	Manugist	19⅞	-1⅛
MAPX	Mapics	10¼	
MQST	MapQst	n u27½	+½
MRBA	Marimba	n 34⅜	-2⅛
MSGI	MktServ	15¾	-1⅛
MAGR	MstGrph	¾	-3/32
MATH	Mathsft	3⅞	+1/32
MATR	MatrixH	n 31¼	-1⅛
MAVK	MavTube	22¾	+⅛
MXIM	Maxim	90¾	-4⅝
MXTR	Maxtor	6	
MCAF	McAfee	n 46⅛	+1⅛
MCLD	McLeod	s 43¼	-2½
MEDC	MedDsg	u11⅞	+1¾
MEDI	MedImun	s126½	+5⅝
MEDX	Medarex	18	-⅛
MMXI	MediaM	n 39¾	+2½
MIDEA	Media100	u23¾	-⅜
MMGR	MedMgrCp	75	+6⅜
MEDQ	MedQst	31¼	-⅜
MBRS	MemWks	30¼	+3⅝
MENT	MentGr	12	
MERO	MercIntr	s u97⅜	+5¾
MMSI	MerMed	7⅝	+⅜
MESA	MesaAir	4⅞	+⅛
MESG	MessgeMd	14	+⅝
MTLK	Metalink	n 22¾	+1⅛
MMNW	Metamoru	38¹¹/₁₆	+3⅛
MCOM	Metrom	u93½	+10½
MISI	Metroint	l 16⅞	+⅝
MFNX	MtrmdF	s 39¾	+2½
MIKE	MichStr	28⅝	-⅛
MICA	MicroAge	3¼	-⅛
MCHP	Microchp	89	-17/32
MUEI	MicronEl	11	-⅜
MCRT	Microrit	7⅝	+1
MSFT	Microsft	s 91¾	-1⅞
MSTR	MicroStr	u193¾	+15⅛
MWAR	Microwre	n 81¼	+1⅛
MLNM	MilliPhar	105⅝	-5⅜
MSPG	MindSpr	38¾	+1⅞
MNMD	MindMed	s 56	-5
MOLX	Molex	u51⅜	-1¾
MOLXA	MolexA	41¼	-1½
HEAR	Mpathint	n 28¾	-1
MLTX	Multex	n 34½	+1½
MZON	MultiZns	9¼	+1⅛
MYPT	MyPoints	nu38¼	+1¼
NBCI	NBC Int	n 8¾	+5⅜
NBTY	NBTY	9⅝	-2⅛
NCOG	NCO Grp	29⅝	-4¹¹/₁₆
NCSS	NCS Hlt	21⅝	-⅝
NNDS	NDS Grp	nu39¾	+5½
NTLI	NTL Inc	su107⅜	+1⅛
NGEN	Nanogen	10¹¹/₁₆	-1⅛
NAVR	Navarre	7	+⅛
NMGC	NeoMgic	9⅝	-⅛
NERX	NeoRx	3	-⅞
NTBK	NetBank	s 22¼	-½
NTOP	Net2Phn	n 56⅛	+1
NTMV	NetMoves	5½	+½
NSPK	NetSpk	u20¾	+¼
NCNT	Netcntrs	nu59⅝	+1¼
NGWY	Netgtwy	n 8¾	+²⁷/₃₂
NETX	NetLogix	3⅝	-1/16
NETM	Netmrkg	5¼	+⅜
NETO	NetObject	n 17⅝	+1⅝
NTPL	Netplex	7¾	-⅛
NTRT	NetRatin	n 27⅞	
NTRX	Netrix	u51¾	+3⅜
NSII	Netsilicn	n 18⅛	+⅝
NTAP	NetwkAp	s151½	+4⅜
NETA	NetwkAsc	22	+⅜
NPIX	NtwkPerl	u47	+3½
NSOL	NetwSol	s 213⅞	-3⅛
NBIX	Neurocrine	15¼	-½
NEON	NewEra	58⅞	+1⅜
NEWZ	NewsEdge	12¾	+⅛
NXTV	NextLevl	n68¼	-3½
NXCD	NextCrd	n36⅝	+2⅛
NXTL	NextelCm	102½	-3⅝
NXRA	Nextera	n 9⅝	+2⅛
NXLK	Nextlink	s 62¾	+8⅝
NSATF	NorsatInt	u13⅞	+1⅛
NPNT	NorthPnt	n29¾	+2⅝
NWAC	NwstAir	23	+⅛
NOVL	Novell	21½	-⅜
NVLS	Novlus	89½	+⅛
NUHC	NuHoriz	u12¼	
NVDA	NvidiaCp	n39⅝	+11½
ODSI	ODS Netw	u13½	+2¹¹/₁₆
ONTC	ON Tech	u12⅝	+1⅞
OAKT	OakTech	6¾	-⅛
ODIS	ObiDes	7⅜	+¹¹/₁₆
OSII	ObiSys	u7	-½
OMPT	Omnipoint	84	-3⅛
ONEM	OneMain	n 18	-⅛
ONHN	OnHealth	12¹¹/₁₆	+1⅛
OMKT	OpenMkt	48¼	-⅛
OPTV	OpenTV	n 78¼	-¾
OPEN	OpenroUeu	16⅞	+3⅜
OBAS	Optibase	nu24½	+1⅛
OPTK	Optikg	u7	+⅜
OPTN	OptnCr	3¼	+1/16
ORCL	Oracle	s 76⅛	-3½
OSIS	Osicom	28⅝	+2
OSSI	OutbkStk	s22	-2⅛
OXHP	Oxford-Hl	14⅛	-⅜
P Q R			
PCMS	P-Com	8¹¹/₁₆	+⅜
PMCS	PMC Sra	s u123	-4⅜
PSIX	PSINet	85	+5
PSSI	PSS Wrld	g¾	+1/32
PACW	PacWest	n 24½	+⅜
PCAR	Paccar	43⅞	+1⅛
PGEX	PacGate	n17⅞	-1⅛
PCNTF	PcIntnet	n 48¾	-1⅝
PSUN	PacSun	s 33¹¹/₁₆	-⅝
PHSY	PacifC	44⅞	-⅛
PAGE	PagingN	⅝	
PAIR	PairgTch	14⅜	-⅞
PALX	PalmAm	46½	+1⅞
PZZA	PapJohn	34⅜	-1⅞
PDYN	Paradyne	n 30½	+1¼
PLLL	ParPet	1¾	+1/32
PMTC	ParmTc	28½	+⅜
PTNR	PrtnrCm	n18¾	+⅝
PTEN	PattEng	11⅞	-⅜
PAYX	Paychex	s 39⅞	-1⅛
PCDR	pcOrder	n 50¼	+1½
PRIS	PeriphSys	u12⅜	+⅞
PSFT	Peoplesft	20	-⅛
PRGN	Peregrne	s 89½	-2⅛
PRSW	PersSft

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Wednesday	$26.54
Previous	$26.22

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Wednesday	$23.75
Previous	$23.50

NATURAL GAS

Wednesday	$2.288
Previous	$2.271

Seminar

A seminar on how to handle distributions when separating from or retiring from a company will be offered December 14 at the Texas Workforce Center, 2408 N. Big Spring at 3 p.m. Kenneth Dresel with Salomon Smith Barney will discuss how to properly handle 401(K) distributions, severance pay and 403(B) distributions, including choices available when leaving a company, tax and penalty consequences of those choices, choices available when a portion of the money is needed right away and what to do with large single stock holdings. Also addressed will be options available after age 59-1/2 and 70-1/2 when penalty-free or mandatory minimum distributions are available. Attendees will receive manuals on the seminar topics and, if desired, a complementary retirement analysis. The seminar is free and open to the public. Reservations are requested by calling 687-3003.

Futures rise

NEW YORK (AP) — Energy futures rose Wednesday on the New York Mercantile Exchange, despite mixed data from inventory reports on U.S. gasoline and crude oil stocks last week.

The International Energy Agency reported Wednesday that OPEC members continue to stick to output cuts they agreed to in March, helping futures rise. Their compliance rate was 89 percent in November, compared with a revised 83 percent in October.

Energy futures were also helped by Norway's decision to extend oil output cuts beyond the end of the year. Previously Norway, a non-OPEC member,would only agree to output cuts until the end of 1999.

Tech stocks soar

NEW YORK (AP) — Technology stocks roared higher Thursday, sending the Nasdaq composite index back into record territory and pushing the Dow Jones industrials firmly above 11,000.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 40.67 points to close at 11,039.06. The advance left the Dow more than 1,000 points above its mid-October low of 10,019.71 and poised to attack the all-time high of 11,326.04 set Aug. 25.

Broader stock indicators were also higher. The Nasdaq composite shot up 99.07 to 3,452.78, topping its November 26 record of 3,447.81. The Standard & Poor's 500 rose 11.32 to 1,409.04.

Dollar mixed

LONDON (AP) — The U.S. dollar was mixed against other major currencies in European trading today. Gold rose.

The euro was quoted at $1.0245 in late European trading, up from $1.0231 Tuesday. Later, in midday trading in New York, the euro traded at $1.0243.

Other dollar rates in Europe, compared with late Tuesday, included 102.95 Japanese yen, up from 102.43; 1.5623 Swiss francs, down from 1.5625; 1.4758 Canadian dollars, up from 1.4734.

The British pound was quoted at $1.6230, down from $1.6244.

In midday trading in New York, the dollar bought 103.00 yen, and the pound was worth $1.6248.

Currencies of the 11 countries participating in the euro are no longer traded separately, though they remain in use. Based on euro rates, the dollar is worth 1.9091 German marks, down from 1.9117; 6.4027 French francs, down from 6.4115; 2.1510 Dutch guilders, down from 2.1540; 1,889.97 Italian lire, down from 1,892.55.

Texas goes online to auction goods

By Melia McEwen
Staff Writer

Christmas shoppers may find some unusual gifts as the State of Texas goes high-tech to dispose of unclaimed property from abandoned safe deposit boxes.

Beginning Friday through December 16, the state will auction 81 items on three online auction sites: eBay, Yahoo! and Amazon.com.

"One of Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander's main initiatives is to get the government to conduct more business online," said Sheila Clancy, a spokeswoman for the Comptroller. "Online auction sites already exist and don't require a change in state law for us to use, so we decided to try this. It should be fun."

She added that, with Texas being the first state to hold an online auction, the auction companies were eager to try something new.

Appraisers have valued the 81 items at approximately $10,000. Among the 28 items to be auctioned on eBay are a circa 1870 antique diamond brooch with 49 diamonds valued at $1,500 and a survey of a site near Buffalo Bayou in Houston dated 1848. On the Yahoo! site, the 22 items include an antique diamond and enamel ring valued at $1,200. On the Amazon.com site, the 31 items include a vintage Blancpain ladies gold wristwatch.

Local bankers say finding such treasures in abandoned safe deposit boxes are rare.

"It's not real common for people to abandon items in safe deposit boxes," said Larry Burrow, president of Bank of America in Midland. "Generally there's nothing of value in those boxes."

Kathy Lance with Norwest Bank said that her bank, and most others, try to find the renters of the safe deposit boxes or their next of kin, before drilling out the locks and taking the items. As a rule, she said, boxes are drilled when the owner dies and no next of kin can be located.

"It's a hard process," she said. "We almost have to become detectives."

Andy Lane, president of Chase Bank Permian Basin, said that "rarely in my career have we found anything of value," estimating that 98 percent of the time the boxes are empty.

He added that drilling the locks on the boxes and taking the contents are a last resort for the banks because of the cost and inconvenience.

Linda Browning, branch manager with Chase Bank, explained that, by law, the banks cannot drill the locks and empty a safe deposit box until rent on the box is at least six months past due. The banks send out a rent renewal notice, two past-due notices and then an intent to drill notice. She said the banks usually wait a year or more before emptying the box.

Once the bank takes the box, it is opened in the presence of two bank officers and a notary public, the contents inventoried and sealed in a box or envelope and placed in a bank safe deposit vault. The list of boxes and envelopes in that vault is inventoried every year and, after five years, turned over to the state.

While she agreed with Lane that much of the time, nothing of value is found, employees have found certificates of participation in the Civil War, collector coins, jewelry and deeds to cemetery plots and houses.

Ms. Clancy said the best way to access the items the state will auction off on the three online auction sites is to access the Comptroller's web site, www.window.state.tx.us, and follow its link to the auction.

BEAM IT!

Infrared sharing: the new 'geek handshake'

By Kalpana Srinivasan
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Forget the pen and paper. It's all about beaming information.

When Steve Kan and his mother sat down one recent afternoon to swap family addresses and phone numbers, they simply lined up their handheld computing devices, pressed a button and instantly beamed complete lists to each other.

The phenomenon of zapping information via infrared beams is catching on for its novelty and convenience. Standing a few feet apart, people with portable devices like 3Com's Palm Computing series or Handspring's Visor can send memos, business cards, and even software with a touch of a button.

"It's kind of the geek handshake," said Kan, a management consultant in Los Angeles. When members of his family get together with their Palm computers, "we swap information all the time."

It is just one more way that technology is making it easier for people to exchange information quickly, without a lot of conversation or writing. Technology tools also make it easier for people to share very specific information, said Scott Chadwick, assistant professor of organizational communication at Iowa State University.

"People intentionally select and edit what they are going to communicate," Chadwick said. "Beaming is a perfect example of that."

Exchanging business cards is perhaps the most common use of this technology because the "beamed" information can automatically be stored in the computers' address book. But the ease of beaming and the growing sales of handheld computing devices are making it popular beyond the professional realm.

At retailer Banana Republic's flagship store in New York City, shoppers toting their handheld computers can get a map and directory of the store beamed to them by a concierge at the front desk.

"Technology is a part of everyone's life," said Cindy Capobianco, a company spokeswoman. "We wanted to recognize that and make it part of the shopping experience as well."

A new television ad for Palm Computing shows its romantic possibilities: A woman on one train locks eyes with a man on another train the next track over. Just as they are about to speed off in opposite directions, she pulls out her computer and beams her number to him.

AP Photo

A Palm Pilot, foreground, displays information available for download via an infrared beam to another at the Banana Republic store in New York's Rockefeller Center. Beaming, the swapping of information via infared beams, is becoming popular for its novelty and convenience.

Chris Johnson, an information technology administrator in Western Australia, began beaming more than five years ago. Back then, he used an Apple Newton Messagepad to surreptitiously pass doodle-type notes in class.

"It has risen to the level of an information appliance," said Jeff Bowman, a physician executive at St. Vincent Hospitals and Health Systems in Indianapolis. In the past few years, he has seen the popularity of the handheld computers burgeon among his colleagues so that the staff at the center now shares meeting notes and other information.

Consumers are taking greater advantage of beaming as more friends and coworkers pick up their own devices, said John Cook, director of consumer products for Palm Computing.

Worldwide sales of handheld computers are expected to exceed 5.7 million in 1999, a 47 percent increase over 1998, according to the research firm Dataquest. Sales are expected to reach 21 million in 2003.

The technology's applications are growing. For example, some owners of handheld devices also have infrared beaming equipment on their standard laptops or personal computers. That makes it possible for them to synchronize information between their machines.

Interactive games, where participants beam their moves back and forth to each other, are becoming another well-loved feature.

As beaming becomes more widespread, it is beginning to alter the way people interact. Cook cited the popularity of beaming in Japan, where trading business cards often is part of a cordial greeting. Now, users of handheld devices are "beaming and bowing."

Oil prices on the rise as demand grows with winter

By Bruce Stanley
Associated Press

LONDON — Consumers in the United States and Asia crave ever-greater quantities of oil, but global supplies have fallen since Iraq suspended oil exports and Iran curtailed production.

The resulting squeeze has boosted prices for petroleum products just as winter begins in some of the biggest oil-importing nations, the International Energy Agency reported Wednesday.

Global demand for oil grew 1.3 percent in the third quarter compared with a year ago, while demand in the United States increased 6 percent in November. Seasonal purchases of heating oil will eat even further into inventories as temperatures drop, the IEA reported.

At the same time, world production fell to 73.9 million barrels a day in November, down 250,000 barrels from October. The biggest reason for the decline was political — Iraq's decision on Nov. 24 to halt oil exports pending a U.N. decision on whether to renew the country's oil-for-food export program.

"This is a thirsty oil market," the IEA monthly survey said.

The Paris-based IEA is part of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, a group of the world's wealthiest nations.

Prospects for more oil from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries in the short term are unclear. OPEC members have been sticking closely to output cuts they agreed to in March.

Iraq, the third-largest OPEC producer, has suspended its exports until at least Dec. 11, reducing world supplies by a whopping 2.2 billion barrels per day, the IEA noted in its market survey. Neighboring Iran trimmed its daily output in November by 310,000 barrels to comply more fully with the OPEC cutbacks.

Together these reductions more than offset higher crude output in November from Norway, Sudan and Vietnam.

Peter Gignoux, senior petroleum analyst at Salomon Smith Barney in London, called the IEA report "a clarion call for higher oil prices."

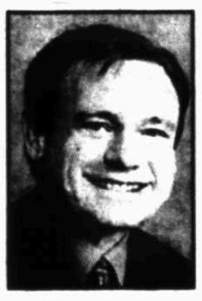
Contracts for North Sea Brent crude soared on Nov. 22 to a year-to-date peak of $25.90 per barrel — more than two-and-a-half times its low for the year of $9.90, reached on Feb. 17. Light sweet crude for January delivery ended Tuesday at $26.22 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Stiffer prices for crude translate into more expensive gasoline. U.S. gasoline prices surged 1.76 cents per gallon during the past two weeks, for a weighted national average of about $1.35 per gallon, according to Trilby Lundberg, director of a survey of 10,000 gas stations across the United States.

THE ECONOMIST

Population shift will establish new view of rural America

By M. Ray Perryman



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By 2020, over 53 million Americans, or about 16 percent of the projected population, will be of typical retirement age. Another 20 million will have reached age 60. They will be the wealthiest, best-educated group of older Americans yet — the Baby Boomers — and in 20 years, many of them will be ready to retire.

These retirees grew up in the back-to-nature atmosphere of the 1960s; that relaxed environment seems to be exactly what they want to rediscover. Americans who have grown up in cities, who have spent their whole lives cashing in on their talents, getting educated, and accumulating wealth beyond the dreams of their parents and grandparents, now seek a simpler life.

The American stereotype of a life with wide-open spaces and friendly neighbors is a possibility for many of these aging professionals. After many years of battling stressful jobs and traffic jams, the hard work seems to be paying off. They are already beginning to move back to the country. That means the possibility of dozens of millions leaving the metropolitan hubs of the country and migrating, basically westward again.

States known for their natural beauty such as Colorado and Alaska are expected to see the largest increases in their rural populations. States with temperate climates also can expect an inflow of retirees to the small towns. In general, the states in the west and southwest will likely prove the most attractive locations; the warm weather and genteel atmosphere of many of the southern states will make them an attractive second choice. In addition, the traditional retirement spots such as Florida and Arizona will be joined by Texas and Washington, who will see some of their rural populations rise at rates never experienced in their metropolitan areas.

This population shift will establish a new view of small town America. In addition to the quaint charm, small cities will boast a high level of professional and skilled labor, as well as the collected savings of a lifetime. If the economies of these rural areas are stimulated, there will be ample employment for younger members of the community to provide goods and services to the new residents. In addition to the general increases in consumption of daily commodities and unskilled services (such as retail clerks), the retirees will also demand expensive luxury goods and professional services such as attorneys, accountants and, of course, physicians. We may see resurgence in personal care medicine offered by the Rockwell-esque small town doctor.

There will be a new demand in these areas for high-end goods and services usually available only in larger cities. Everything from retail to housing will serve, and be served by, a population seeking refuge from the cities. Some demographers argue that, if spread evenly enough, the migration of wealthy older Americans may bring the economic benefits of increased consumption to rural America without the typical social costs of heavy pollution or congested traffic.

Conservative estimates place the number of rural migrants at about 35 million by 2020. More speculative estimates have guessed as many as 80 million migrants. Either of the extremes will have significant effects on the American economy. Such a mass movement, especially one connected to so much wealth, may provide opportunities for small towns to enjoy otherwise elusive economic prosperity; at the same time, it could relieve larger cities of some of their overcrowding, pollution, and urban sprawl. Many segments across the U.S. economy may gain from the Baby Boomers' lifetimes of production and retirement.

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Love, main ingredient in making tamales

By Beatrdz Terrazas
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Esmeralda Cisneros is making tamales. Esme, as she is known to her family and friends, will soon teach a class on making the Mexican holiday food and wants to have some of the tamales already made.

In her kitchen, her mother, sister-in-law and niece spread masa, or corn dough, on moist corn husks. They spoon seasoned beef and olives onto the dough. Then they roll them, fold them and stack them.

While they work, the women laugh, gossip and remember family history.

"We sit and talk about. . .issues that are going on in the family," she says. "Money. Relationships. Who got married. Who got divorced. Who ran away. My grandmother was stolen by her husband. She was taken by a jinete (a horseman). She couldn't go back home. They wouldn't take her back because she was already taken by a man."

Once Esme has started telling stories, the women can't help but recount the life story of Abuelita - Grandma - who is returning from a trip and will also be at the cooking class.

For all three generations of the Cisneros family, making tamales for the holiday season is more than a tradition: It's about sharing. It's about putting love into food for your family - and feeding your soul by strengthening family ties. By being together.

"I'm hoping that I'll pass on something they can share with their daughters, the way I shared with my mother," she says of the class. "Because we don't ever know if we're going to be here tomorrow."

Esme, her mother and grandmother meet at the West End Ballroom on a Sunday afternoon to teach several students. The class is sponsored by the Mujeres de LULAC. The women's council of the League of United Latin American Citizens is dedicated to Latina issues.

The instructors arrive with personal recipes and memories about food. And about love. From these memories, they will teach students how to turn simple ingredients of flour, water, red chile, salt and beef into tamales so moist they slide right off the corn husk.

Esme introduces her mother, Cecilia Cisneros, and her grandmother, Antonia Rodriguez. Mrs. Rodriguez is wearing a brown dress with gold buttons. Her hair is pulled back like her daughter's and her granddaughter's. But her hair is white.

Her job is to show the students how the shredded beef should look once it's cooked. "I feel bad," she says before the class. "I'm not young enough to be doing these things anymore." Then she takes several rings off her small fingers and walks to the front of the room.

The experience that Mrs. Rodriguez brings to the class goes way back. To Laredo, where she raised her family, and before that, a tiny ranch in northern Mexico. She's 91, but she doesn't look it. Her face and hands are brown but smooth.

"My life is long," she says in Spanish. "I can assure you I can't tell it (her life story) to you in two years. I grew up in the mountains. We ate mostly roots - zotol, maguey- I survived on that."

She helped her father plow the fields and make adobes. She could make 150 of them between 9 in the morning and 3 in the afternoon. But she also learned how to cook from her mother.

"I could teach them about enchiladas, gorditas," she says of the class. "I could teach them about menudo. If they pay attention, they need only be here once."

After she got married, and against her will, Mrs. Rodriguez planted 1,700 trees in the orchards with her husband. "Apple, apricot, peach," she says.

Years later, after her husband left her with eight children to feed, life got tougher. She washed clothes for rich people. She cleaned their homes. Her children waited for her at home, hoping that she would bring food home that day.

"Sometimes we had one meal a day," she says. "Sometimes we had none. If I had a taco, I used to split it among (the children)." And that was the important thing: sharing what they had. "In spite of all that I've suffered, I don't feel bad. I'm very grateful. I'm here."

The problem with cooking today is that you can easily get food already made, she says. "Even in Mexico, you have the ready-made tortillas," she says. "You can order tamales made for you."

But if you want to learn, "el querer es poder," she says. Where there's a will, there's a way.

While Esme talks to the class, the grandmother runs her fingers through the beef and shows the students how it's supposed to look. Esme takes the students through the steps of seasoning the beef and shredding it into thin strings.

"The salt," says Esme, and her mother hands it to her. "This is something kind of new to us." She measures out a portion of salt. "We never measure. We just cook everything to taste."

Holding the bowl with one hand, she kneads and pulls the dough with her other hand. She leans close to her mother - a petite woman with bifocals - and gestures to a pot on the table. Mrs. Cisneros takes the pot and goes to the kitchen to bring her daughter more water for the dough.

The gentle relationship among the three women touches the students." Que hermoso," says Betty Swinners. A member of the Mujeres de LULAC, she helped organize the class. She wants to learn so she can teach her son and two daughters.

"Somewhere down the line, we stopped focusing on culture," she says. "We want the American dream. We want (our kids) to be doctors and lawyers. We stopped the tradition of having family times together, of 'Let's make tamales.' This is what I wish every Hispanic could have."

Malcolm Broyles studies the masa Esme is preparing. He knew the class would be a way to reconnect with his own roots, he says. And Esme's masa reminds him of his grandmother's biscuit dough.

"I think what they're doing is absolutely beautiful," he says. "That three generations are standing together. ... In their eyes, you can see them say, 'I love you.' "

It is about love, says Cecilia Cisneros, who is 66. She got the family recipe for tamales from her mother and has passed it down to Esme. And she learned that love from her mother.

"When we lived with my mother, she gave us a good life," she says. "In spite of the difficulties, we weren't sad. There was always joy. With my mother, there was always joy. This is part of what I've taught them (her children). Wealth is knowing how to live, how to overcome."

Be happy with the things and the relationships you have, she has told her four daughters and three sons. Just do the best you can for your family. And do it with love.

"Without love, you can't do anything," she says. "My mother used to say that if you cooked for your husband, you had to do it with love. She used to say that if you were angry, your husband would get sick from eating your food. Sometimes I would say, 'I don't care if he gets sick.'"

But Esme remembers waking up before dawn, smelling delicious aromas from the kitchen. "My mom used to get up and make tortillas for my dad at 3 in the morning," she says. "You would hear the hustle and bustle in the kitchen. That was Mom. She's awake and making food. We'd go down and start eating."

There were always tacos filled with any combination of eggs, beans, potatoes and chile, she says. After eating breakfast with their father, Esme and her siblings would troop back to bed.

In the past three years, Mrs. Cisneros has had a kidney transplant and heart-bypass surgery. Now it's Esme's turn to cook.

Esme has been watching one group of people in particular - Rosanne Ortega and her daughters.

Ms. Ortega adds a tamal to one daughter's pile, then to the other daughter's pile. The most fun has been filling the tamal with meat, says Adrienne, 12. "Because you get to, like, squish it," she says.

Lauren, 15, notices she has only 16 tamales to Adrienne's 19. "That's 'cause Mom made some of yours," she tells Adrienne.

"They're actually sharing stories," says Esme of the girls and their mother. "They're experiencing a bonding that they're going to share every holiday."

Toward evening, Esme and the students carry pots of wrapped tamales to cook in the ballroom's kitchen.

Maybe the memories of sharing and eating together are precious because Esme's family experienced some lean times over the years. "At one time, we were very poor," says Esme, a counselor for a managed-care program for Medicare recipients.

She remembers sleeping on the concrete floor because they had no beds. "But we never went without. Even if it was beans and rice and tortillas, we had something."

Sometimes, her mother did wonders with a can of mushroom soup and leftovers. "She did it out of the kindness of her heart, so it had the flavor," says Esme.

And in a fast-paced society where so few families make the time to cook or be together, it's memories like these - of food and love - that she hopes to leave her sons, ages 8, 6 and 2.

"I want them ... to remember that Mom loved to cook for them," she says. "They'll remember what I did in my food, in my cooking. ... I cooked for them the way they like to eat."

Tamale Recipe

1 1/2 lb. pork roast, cooked & chopped
1 tbsp. chili powder, or more to taste
1 hot pepper, chopped very fine
1 clove garlic, chopped fine
1/2 tsp. oregano
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper

Dough:
1 c. shortening
2 c. masa corn meal
1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. chili powder
2 c. broth (from pork roast)
Corn husk

Cook pork roast in water until done. Save broth and set aside. Chop roast very fine. Add chili powder, pepper, garlic, oregano, salt and pepper to chopped pork roast. Set aside. Soak corn husks in water until soft and pliable. Leave in water and set aside. Mix together shortening, corn meal, salt and chili powder.

Add broth and stir together. Shake water off of corn husk and put on table. Carefully pat dough mixture onto corn husk. (4 x 4 inch is a good size.) Spoon heated meat mixture on top of dough. Only use enough meat mixture for 1 1/2 x 4 inch area. Roll up corn husk, folding one end over. Stand tamales up on folded ends, side by side, close together in large pan. Put 2 cups of water in bottom of pan. Cook covered over low heat 1-1 1/2 hours on top of stove. When done, the tamale will peel off very easily from the corn husk. May be frozen for a month. Yield 2 1/2 dozen tamales.

BOOK: Teachers write books in spare time

From 10C

" That way, when a teacher uses it, they know the lesson is clear to the children and the pitfalls have been covered."

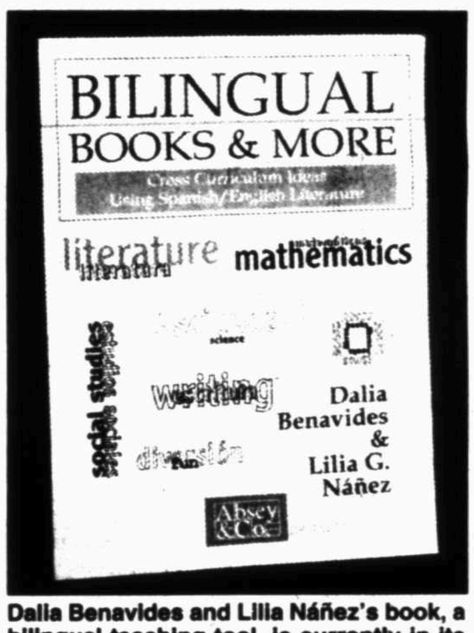
Selling enough copies of the book to put it into a second printing has not inflated the egos of the bilingual duo. In fact, Ms. Náñez said that their share, at 50 cents a copy of the book sold, eliminates any dreams they had about getting rich.

Currently the two are working on their second book, which they predict will be ready by next fall.

However, finding the time to put a book together can be quite a task. In addition to writing, editing and coming up with ideas, Ms. Benavides and Ms. Náñez occasionally have to shift gears from authors to mommies.

Both have 8-year olds, Jonathan Benavides and Xavier Náñez, and 4-year-olds, Clarita Benavides and Michael Náñez, in addition to their husbands, Raul Benavides and Nacho Náñez.

"We get home from a full day's work," Ms. Benavides said. "We make supper; do other mom chores (homework, giving healing kisses, etc.); tuck the little ones into bed; tuck the big ones into bed; and only then do we really have time to work on the book."



Dalia Benavides and Lilia Náñez's book, a bilingual teaching tool, is currently in its second printing.

WHY?: ...and what about buy two get one free if you only need one?

From 10C

During my time at the Reporter-Telegram (the finest news source in the Permian Basin) I have really been able to learn my way around town. Not because I have great desire to learn about Midland, but I have to figure out a way to get to my apartment in less than 30 minuets — or the usuall time it takes with traffic-light interruption.

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... the concept behind "buy two get one free," deals.

I was just grocery shopping this past weekend when I came across the green beans. There was a sign under the cans that said, "buy two get one free." My first instinct was, "Ha. What a great deal."

Then, I thought about it for a second. "I only want one. If I only want one, then how am I saving money by buying two to get a third one. Wouldn't I save more money by buying just one?"

If one can is 50 cents then, according to the special, three cans will be $1 or about 33 cents a can. However, if I only want one, then I'm wasting 50 cents to get more of something I don't need. Right?

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... why they put white gumballs in the gumball machine. Does anyone like the white ones?

I was under the impression that slot machines were illegal in Texas. However, there is one type that can be found by the front door of just about any restraunt in town.

Gumball machines.

There I am, quarter in hand, looking for the machine that's the most inviting. I put my money in, turn the handle and say, "Come on red," through the first quarter of the turn. "Please, let it be red," at the half- way mark. "All I want is red," as I round the home stretch. Finally I hear the little "clink." Lift up the little door, "Dang. White again."

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... how cows survived as wild creatures.

Watching Discovery Sunday, I saw three lions run down, catch, kill and eat a zebra. During the hunt, the announcer was talking about how fast the zebra can run and that the lions have to be cunning to catch them.

Then, I'm driving home and I see some cows hanging out by a fence. I pulled over, walked up to the fence and actually said, "Hey, cows. I'm going to eat you."

Nothing.

The cows didn't even blink. It got me thinking, "An animal so unafraid of a meat eater could probably be wiped out by a wild pack of hungry Chihuahuas."

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... how some people let their friends leave the house dressed they way they do.

Look I'm not saying anything about anyone, but people need to dress for their bodies. However, that isn't the problem. The problem is people's friends are letting them go out dressed the way they are. Ladies, all of you are so beautiful and at one time you may have had a tone body and a tiny, little waist. If that is no longer the case, please stop wearing cut-off shirts. Guys, I know when you were playing football you probably had a 34 by the "W" on your Levis. If you are still wearing a 34, good for you. If you are wearing a 34 and the inseam has dropped to 10, that is bad. Let it go and get the big jeans.

And if you are with someone that's dressed like that and you aren't doing anything about it then; shame, shame on you.

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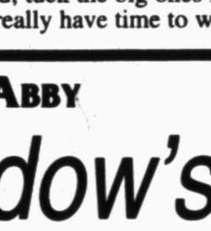
DEAR ABBY

Widow's charming escort appears to be a cheat

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I'm a widow in my 60s, and I'm beginning to think I'm the biggest fool in the world.

After my dear husband died two years ago, I convinced myself I would never get involved with another man. I needed peace after nursing my mate through five traumatic years of cancer and a painful death.



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A year ago, I met a charming man my age at church with whom I had many interests in common. He asked me out right after we met, and we have been a happy twosome ever since. He owns his own home a short distance from mine, and we've had a marvelous relationship in all ways. He told me he was divorced and that his ex-wife lived 3,000 miles away in another state.

However, after he told me that he had four unmarried, grown children but didn't feel comfortable telling them about me, I became suspicious. When he visits them in another state, he asks me not to write or call him because they "wouldn't understand." My children and grandchildren like him very much, as do all my friends.

Finally, I asked him outright if he were, indeed, divorced. After a long pause he replied, "Not yet." (After a eight-year separation!)

Noticing our friendship, church members began to approach me and advise me to back off and not get hurt. I was told he had been involved with another woman at the church for a long time before he met me, and that they had broken up for unknown reasons. The reason for this occurred to me -- that she didn't want to be caught in a dead-end relationship, either.

Abby, this man won't tell me straight, but I have this strong feeling that he cheated on his wife during their marriage, and she simply moved far away. He keeps my calendar full of dates and commitments extending far into the future, and I've always had a wonderful time with him. This is apparently the kind of life he wants, but it's not for me.

I am embarrassed and hurt. Do I just say to him, "I want marriage or nothing"? I am so emotionally entangled that an abrupt severing seems beyond my ability. Fragile as it is, I feel that we have something of great value together, but I only visualize an empty future together. Your thoughts, please. -- IN LIMBO IN WASHINGTON

DEAR IN LIMBO: Politely put, your charming escort is a cad and a liar, and I'm sorry your heart is hurting because of his dishonesty. You deserve better.

Ask him to come clean and tell you if he and his wife are really washed up or not. You seem like a lovely woman with terrific instincts, and you already know what you have to do.

DEAR ABBY: Here's another solution for the woman whose neighbor uses her hose and water to water his own lawn and shrubs. Most faucet handles have a screw in the middle. Even without the screw, you can use the faucet. And when you're done, the handle can be removed and taken into the house. It worked for us. -- SHARON L., PUYALLUP, WASH.

DEAR SHARON: Thank you for a helpful suggestion. I hope it will help the woman who wrote to stop the drip next door!

Good advice for everyone -- teens to seniors -- is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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VOTE: Local Hispanic representation low

From 10C

According to Mrs. Valencia, the current minority representation in Midland County remains low.

"Minorities are not well represented throughout the county," Mrs. Valencia said. "They don't have a chance outside Precinct 3 and if there were more minority representation, at least we would have a voice."

Out of 63 elected officials in Midland County, there are currently only nine that are minorities. Those elected Midland County Officials are Mrs. Valencia; Justice of the Peace David Cobos, Precinct 2; Justice of the Peace Michael Wallace, Precinct 3; and Constable Angel Hernandez, Precinct 3.

City of Midland elected officials are Cuevas and Councilman Juluis L. Brooks, District 2.

In the Midland Independent School District, Trustee James E. Fuller, District 1 and Trustee George Lara Sr., District 2 make up the minority representation. At Midland College Charlene Wurtz, Place 6 is the only minority on the board of trustees.

When Hispanics vote next year, concerns will be focused on education, crime, health care, jobs, the economy and social issues, according to People's poll.

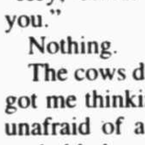
"Health issues is a big thing," said Mrs. Valencia. "People can't afford to get sick and I think it's going to remain a top issue."

Yet, for Cuevas, education ranks at the top of his concerns.

"We want education number one. Safe streets, health, wealth and happiness come next," Cuevas said, "When people talk about Bush's agenda, I say it's America's agenda."

When voting in next year's presidential election, Mrs. Valencia said she hopes the, "Hispanic people will see that it is our privilege and obligation to go to the polls and vote."

With that in mind, Cuevas said, "If you don't like what's going on in government, your voice is your vote."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Dear Abby/9C

This week in Hispanic history

December 9

In 1824 Antonio Jose de Sucre and his followers routed the Spanish army in the Battle of Ayacucho. The victory assured Peru's independence from Spain. He later became president of Bolivia. He was overthrown and fled to Ecuador. He later was involved in unsuccessful attempts to unify Ecuador, Colombia and Venezuela. After attending a unity conference, he was assassinated.

December 10

In 1898 Cuba became an independent country, and Puerto Rico and Guam became part of the United States as a result of the Spanish-American War.

December 11

In 1905 actor Gilbert Roland was born. Roland started as a bullfighter, like his father, but became an actor when his family moved to California. In a career that spanned nearly 70 years, he was best known as the Cisco Kid.

In 1928 movie director Gutierrez Alea was born in Cuba. After studying law, he moved into film. His films angered Cuban ruler Fulgencio Bastista, who ordered one of his films seized. After Fidel Castro came to power in 1959, Alea founded the Cinematographic Art and Industry Institute. In 1994, he made "Strawberry and Chocolate," the first Cuban film nominated for an Academy Award.

In 1931 actress Rita Moreno was born. She won an Oscar for her role in "West Side Story" in 1961.

December 12

In 1531 Juan Diego, an Indian living outside of Mexico City, said he saw a vision of what became known as the Virgin of Guadalupe. The Virgin, who had Indian features in the vision, became the patron saint of Mexico and the Americas.

In 1993 Eduardo Frei, the candidate of the ruling Concertacion center-left coalition for president of Chile, was declared the winner. Frei was a 45-year-old Christian Democrat whose father had been president from 1964 to 1970. The leading opposition party was the Union for Chilean Progress, a right-wing coalition of three parties whose candidate was 69-year-old Arturo Alessandri.

December 13

In 1474 Isabella of Spain was proclaimed queen of Castile. Her war of succession created modern Spain and made Isabella and her husband Ferdinand two of the most powerful rulers in the world. They used their power to launch expeditions to the New World.

In 1968 Brazil's President Costa e Silva seized emergency powers. The Fifth Institutional Act suspended all legislative bodies indefinitely, authorized the executive to rule by decree, and provided the legal basis for a new purge of outstanding political critics.

December 14

In 1997 Cuban President Fidel Castro announced that Christmas would be an official holiday in Cuba for the first time since 1968. His move came as Pope John Paul II prepared to visit Cuba.

December 15

In 1995 Mexico's major political parties announced an election reform plan. The plan included provisions for independent candidates to run, an independent election commission and limits on campaign spending. The nation's major political party, the PRI, had been accused of widespread political corruption leading to the reforms.

From Universal Press Syndicate

Poll shows Hispanics leaning toward GOP candidate

By Erica Garibay
Staff Writer

Historically, the Hispanic population votes primarily Democratic. In the current political arena, however, it is quite possible that the community will be casting its votes further to the right on the political scale.

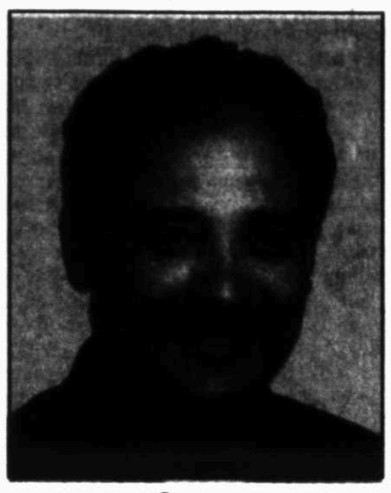
A poll conducted by People *En Español* shows a growing number of registered Hispanic voters, a group that is customarily Democratic, will vote for Texas Republican Governor George W. Bush for president.

Locally, Republican City Councilman Jose Cuevas Jr. agrees with the findings of the poll as to why more Hispaincs will likely vote for the Republican candidate.

"I think that Bush has made a lot of inroads in the Hispanic community," Cuevas said, "I think that for years the Democratic party has taken for granted the Hispanic vote."

Bush supports programs such as the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), which Cuevas said shows Bush cares about Hispanic issues.

Cuevas said that with Bush saying "There won't be alien bashing in my state of Texas," when talking about NAFTA, he is embracing the Mexican values and culture.



Cuevas

Valencia

On the other hand, Midland County Commissioner Louisa Valencia, a Democrat, said Hispanics will stick with their party if they are "true Democrats."

Mrs. Valencia said the Democratic Party has always stood for hard working people. However, a large number of them are still not voting and so political campaigns are targeting the growing Hispanic population.

"I know there's going to be an effort to get Hispanics to the polls," Mrs. Valencia said. "I know that there is really going to be a push out there for the Hispanic population since we're getting high in numbers."

Cuevas agreed and said that last year he helped the Republican Party campaign in commercials, which were targeted for the Hispanic community.

He also agreed that the Hispanic population is growing in numbers, yet, he added, "The Republican Party is the greater benefactor of the younger Hispanic voters." Die hard Democrats are splitting their vote and are no longer voting straight party because of Bush's views and actions towards the Latino community, Cuevas added.

Cuevas also said that if a high percentage of registered Hispanics go to the polls next year it will send the message that Hispanics are not going to be taken for granted anymore.

"A large voter turnout shows that Latinos want to become involved in the future of America," Cuevas said.

Because voting is the only way to voice opinions, it is a major issue with Mrs. Valencia. She said that in order for things to be better for minority children in the future, "we are going to have to voice our opinions and concerns publicly and not be afraid to come out and say what we feel."

Democrats and Republicans working together can make a more accomplished country, Cuevas said, and locally, Midland is still fragmented.

"We need to continue to keep talking about our responsibility as Midlanders and as Americans," Cuevas said. "With the young Hispanic community becoming more educated about political issues, in 5 to 6 years Midland will see more Latino leaders step up."

See VOTE/9C

Pulling double duty

Dalia Benavides (left) and Lilia Náñez work on their bilingual book inside Lilia's home.

Photo by D. Scott Williams Jr.

Midland teachers work on bilingual book

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Assistant Principal: Full-time job.
Wife: Full-time job.
Mommy: Full-time job.
Author: Full-time job.
Bilingual education consultant: Full-time job.

The perfect balance of all five: Dalia Benavides and Lilia Náñez.

Not everybody's life can be like a Master Card commercial, but two educators from Midland Independent School District have found a way to make the result of their hard work priceless — or $10.75 plus tax.

Ms. Benavides, who works at Parker Elementary School, and Ms. Náñez, who is at Sam Houston Elementary School, are floating on Cloud Nine.

Their book, "Bilingual Books & More, Cross-Curriculum Ideas Using Spanish/English Literature," is in its second printing; they each have a husband and two children (and each of their youngest children was born on the same day); they both have jobs they love and they both have each other.

"We are like soul mates," Ms. Benavides said of the twosome, whose passion for bilingual education lit their fire for writing.

"We were both at the New Jersey Writing Project in Texas in 1993," Ms. Náñez said. "We were very vocal and were the only two bilingual (teachers) out of 40 there."

"We talked about how we could translate the skills they were showing us to work for bilingual education," Ms. Benavides added.

The ideas they had did not fall on deaf ears. In the fall of 1993, the language arts director for the New Jersey Writing Project asked Ms. Benavides and Ms. Náñez to be trainers.

"It is a little overwhelming, being responsible for training on a district level," Ms. Benavides said. "In addition to traveling to all the conferences..."

"The state director told us that we need to come up with some teaching materials, so we started working on the book," Ms. Náñez finished for her.

The two took great care in writing their book. They put each lesson through a number of tests before allowing it to become part of the book.

"I would think, 'My child is in kindergarten. How can we incorporate what they are learning in kindergarten with the bilingual lessons?' " Ms. Benavides said. "We would also test the lessons in the classroom to work out all the bugs.

See BOOK/9C

ñFACE

Things that make you go ...What?

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Acosta

Maybe it is just me, but I think the stuff I don't know far outweighs the stuff I do. Which is not necessarily a bad thing.

Think about it.

Nobody likes a know-it-all. In fact, the more someone acts like he knows everything, the dumber people tend to think he is.

Here, at the secret underground Que Pasa page headquarters, we racked our brains to come up with some of the nuttiest things we don't understand.

Here are of some of the more interesting items on our list:

We don't understand...

... how they can make a cell phone that's so clear I can talk to someone on the other side of the planet, but they can't make a cordless phone that won't get all static-y when you go from one room to another.

I was on the phone, with a friend who lives across town and, every time I went into the kitchen the signal would start to break up. However, this weekend I was on my cell phone to Dallas (free weekends - yeah!) and the signal was clear as a bell, in my kitchen, outside, in the car, in the bedroom, everywhere.

... how a certain fast-food Mexican restaurant can take a taco shell, make it thicker and call it a *gordita*, then fry it and call it a *chalupa*?

Come on people. Trust your eyes. It's still a taco, regardless of what the little dog says.

... why it is impossible to get anywhere in Midland without stopping for at least 10 traffic lights.

See WHY?/9C

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3. ***Mil Botellas*** by Jay Perez
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5. ***Mi Vuelvo A Enamorar*** by David Lee Garza
6. ***Tiki Tac*** by Elida Y Avante
7. ***Me Hace Llorar*** by Masizzo
8. ***El Cazador*** by Bobby Pulido
9. ***Dejalo Al Tiempo*** by Intenso
10. ***El Perdedor*** by Intocable
11. ***Me Enamore*** by La Tropa F
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13. ***Otra Vez A La Cantina*** by Michael Salgado
14. ***Solamente Mia*** by Masizzo
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16. ***Duele*** by Elida Y Avante
17. ***Tengo Miedo*** by Jennifer Y Los Jetz
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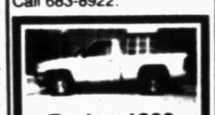

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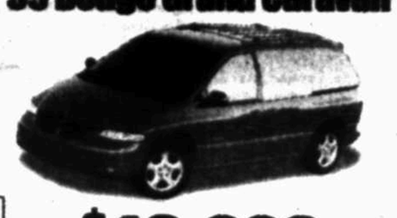

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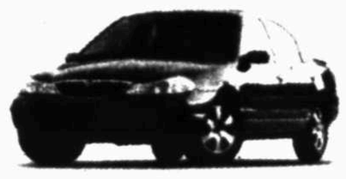

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HONDA 1994 GOLD-WING- Aspencade with CB radio, backrest, luggage rack with matching bag, new tires and battery. 20k miles. $10,500. Match helmets with headsets available. 694-7408.

HONDA NIGHTHAWK 250 Motorcycle. Like new, one owner $2,250. 352-0129 or 385-1000.

KAWASAKI 1999 KX250- Race ready, suspension and motor work. $4,750 Call 684-0056 or 684-7166.

KTM 1999 300EXC- Race ready. New tires, chain and sprocket. $4,900. Call 684-0056 or 684-7166

KTM-50 1999 PRO-JR. Perfect condition. $1,350. Call 684-0056 or 684-7166.

YAMAHA 1984 VENTURE 1200 Tour bike. New paint job, good chrome, well maintained, 39K miles, matching helmets/ intercom. $3,500. 499-0259.

YAMAHA 1996 V-MAX, 1,200 CC, 145 HP, Shaftdrive, 9K. Excellent condition, very fast, many extras. Asking $6,950, 687-1530.

1998 HARLEY DYNA Wide Glide. Immaculate, 1,100 miles, custom paint, lots of chrome, one of a kind. $18,500 firm. 694-0451.

MAX IV- four person amphibious 6 wheel drive. ATV. Like new condition. $3,500. 689-6892. Serious inquires only.

1997 HARLEY DAVID-SON, full dresser FLHTCUI, fuel injected with all chrome. $15,900. Please call 520-6620.

SUZUKI 1999 BANDIT-1200cc, brand new 200 miles. $5,800. Call 699-4249 after 6 p.m.

250 Recreational Vehicles

CASITA 1995 FREEDOM-Deluxe 16', fully contained, recreational vehicle, good condition, has awning, TV connection. $6,500. Call Dan Spalding 915-684-7049.

ROCKWOOD 1997- 1260 Signature Model. top of the line pop-up, loaded, every option. Transferable warranty. Perfect condition. $7,500. 697-4754.

1995 35' FIFTH WHEEL Road Ranger, super slide Washer/ dryer, stereo, microwave. Excellent condition. Asking wholesale price $18,200. 570-5767.

1988- 32' WINDCRUISER, 23K actual miles. Good condition. Very nice. $29,995. Please call 915-597-0348 for more information.

1995 KOUNTRY AIRE Motorhome- 38'- 12' slide, 16K, loaded, list on request. $69,995 firm. 689-3374.

260 Boats & Motors

'90 SKEETER 18.05' Bass Boat. 150 HP Yamaha Pro-V Motor. Motor guide, trolling motor. Excellent condition. $9,500. 570-4131, pager 620-3062.

1998 LARSON SKI- Wake Board boat, 6' wake board pole, been to lake 6X, mint condition, $11,500. 689-4113, 495-2638 pager.

MACGREGOR-26 1992-SAILBOAT Trailerable, water ballast, 8/horsepower outboard, excellent shape, all the extras. Good family boat sleeps 6. $11,975. 689-9377.

1975 INVADER- with 1975 Chrysler 120 horsepower motor. Needs work $500 or best offer. call 522-2093 after 5 p.m.

BOAT 1969- EVINRUDE motor, 55 HP, trolling motor, trailer, everything good condition. $950 o.b.o. Please call 563-5497

CAJUN 1997 1700 ESPRIT- 17 foot fish and ski, 112HP, 2 fish finders, 2 wells, keelguard, trolling. $9,500. 683-3071

1995 20' SKEETER 200ZXD Bass Boat. 200 Mercury, tandem trailer. $15,500. 915/570-6281 days, 915/699-4928 evenings.

1998 VIPER 201D, 20' 3", 225 HP Johnson, dual console, lots of extras, like new, $22,500. 685-0979.

1991 CAJUN. 20' Fish & ski bass boat. 200 Johnson motor, loaded. $ 9,500 call 683-7939 or cell 664-8353.

1976 QUACHITA, 18' fiberglass, Fish -N- Ski, inboard/ outboad, 140 HP, trolling motor, tandem trailer. $1,850. Call 682-9007.

1997 SPRINT 286 Pro Tournament. 150H.P. Johnson, dual console, lots of extras, excellent condition. $14,500. 685-0979, after 6PM.

1987 Phathom Bass Boat 15' 4", 88 horse power Evinrude, trolling, fish finder, two wet wells, lake ready. $4,000. 687-0744.

270 Airplanes

CESSNA 150 1973- Pretty in and out. Leaseback available. Fly and make money at the same time. Fred at 915-682-5724.

280 Auto Services

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T&H MOBILE- Auto repair. We come to you! Electrical and mechanical repairs. Call 689-6555.

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BEWARE Of Anyone who tries to sell you information about Government & Postal Job Vacancies. This info. is free... call 210-805-2402 (24 Hours) or 210-805-2406 (To request application forms). A public service message from the Midland Reporter-Telegram & the FTC.

310 General Help Wanted

($$) Need extra money? Full time, part time, & Weekend Bell- Ringers needed. Apply at Salvation Army, 300 South Baird Street ($$).

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A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY
Seeking 20 Customer Service Representatives to join us in creating a team.
Great opportunities and definitely a chance for advancement.
Great attitude and professional look a must.
$250- $500 weekly
CALL AMANDA @ 682-2335

Attention Readers:
See other opportunities under Classification 170, Schools and Instruction.

REPRESENTATIVES Needed- sell Avon part time- full time. Great earnings. Call Verla 520-0119, Independent Rep.

310 General Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

***BLUE JEAN JOB! CALIFORNIA BOUND**

National company needs sharp people who enjoy working in a rock-n-roll environment, to demonstrate products. Training and traveling at our expense, high earnings. To qualify, must be free to travel entire U.S., CA, Las Vegas, New York, and return transportation guaranteed. Call Ms. Trindade, 915-697-3236 x118. Interviews Thursday and Friday only 10:00am- 5:00pm. Parents welcome at interview.

***TRAVEL* U*S*A**

Fort Lauderdale, FL. Redondo Beach, CA. Are you 18 years or older & free to travel major cities & resort areas. Exciting US firm has 5 immediate openings for sharp guys and gals free to start today. 2 week paid training, transportation furnished, return guaranteed. For interview call Ms. Jenkins at 915-337-3006. 10am- 5pm. Best Western Garden Oasis, Odessa TX. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday only.

APARTMENT COMPLEX IN Midland for a combination manager- maintenance position. Apartment furnished. Air conditioner certification a plus. Send resume to: Box N-4183, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

BEST TIPS IN TOWN- The Bar, downtown Midland, accepting applications for Waitstaff. Apply in person only 606 W. Missouri between 8 am- 10 am/ 2- 4 Monday thru Thursday. No phone calls please.

BLIND BOX REPLIES
When replying to a blind box number listed in an advertisement, address your reply to:
(this is an example)
BOX Z-01
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702
Readers who are interested in a position offered, but do not want their resume to go to certain companies, can simply address the reply to the specific box number and place it in another envelope addressed to: "Classified Supervisor" & the address above. Include a list of the companies that you do not want your resume to reach. If the advertiser is anyone on your list, we will shred your resume without opening it. If you have any questions please call 682-6222. We do not open or screen any mail that has a blind box number on the envelope. The Midland Reporter- Telegram shall not be responsible for any disclosures of information, loss of responses or misdirection of responses.

310 General Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

CAFETERIA MANAGERS. Assistant managers. Send resume to: Great Western Dining, Inc. 112 Heather Lane, Russelville, Ark. 72802. Equal opportunity Employer.

COUNTER POSITION: Part-time, apply in person, Iron Press Cleaners 3323 North Midland Drive.

CRUDE OIL DRIVER wanted. Must have Class A CDL with all endorsements. 2 Years experience preferred. Call 683-5002.

FULL TIME POSITION for Make- ready/ Maintenance. Criminal background check required. Apply in person at The Clusters Apartments. 4415 Northcrest Drive.

FURNITURE MOVERS with experience. Heavy lifting and drivers license required. Leave name /number (915)553-1464.

Garrett Trucking Company of Oklahoma City has expanded to Midland. We are looking for over the orad drivers with oilfield and heavy haul experience. Excellent benefits. Insurance.. Apply at: 1306 W. County Road 114, Midland, Texas. 915-620-8921.

HIRING IMMEDIATELY: Truckdrivers needed for oil field work. Prefer ex-Dowell, ex- -BJ, ex-Halliburton hands. Must be able to travel. No need to relocate. Class A CDL, clear driving record, 2 years truck driving experience a must. Call 1-800-588-2669, Monday- Friday, 8 am- 5 pm. No calls after 5 pm.

NEW IN TOWN? For your FREE "New Resident" Welcome Packet. Call Newcomers Unlimited, 570-8045.

INDEPENDENT PLUG-GING Company is looking for experienced backhoe operator. Must have Class "A" CDL and backhoe experience to apply. Clean driving record required. Welding experience helpful. Salary DOE. Good benefits. Apply @ Triple N Services @ 1110 West County Road #114 in Midland. 570-0029.

KENT KWIK
24 Hour * Job Hotline
520-4053 ext. 371

LABODEGA RESTAURANT, 2700 N. Big Spring, now accepting applications for Kitchen Line Cook, apply in person or call 684-5594.

LITTLE CAESARS Pizza hiring part-time drivers Must be 18, courteous, have good driving record. Apply at 1000 North Midkiff.

LOOKING FOR- Someone willing to work hard, to clean my home. Will pay top dollar. Send replies to: P.O. Box 10280. Midland, TX. 79702.

→NEW TODAY←

NEED EXPERIENCED Person for mobile car wash business. Call 686-8682.

TELEMARKETERS
We need 6 full- time sales people for telemarketing positions. Must be dependable. Will train. Apply in person only!
10601 W. County Rd. 127
(Behind Warfield)

CLASSIFIED FAX #!
682-6999
Please include the following information:
★ Full name and address
★ Billing phone number
★ Phone number of person placing ad
★ Start date ★ Classification
Faxed ads are subject to normal deadlines. We reserve the right to edit, properly classify or decline any ad.
Pam, Jennifer, Nancy & Emily are available to help you with all of your advertising needs.

310 General Help Wanted

NEEDED EXPERIENCED person for a small meat company. Need to know kill floor and processing of beef, hogs, goats and lambs. This is a full time permanent job. Top wages for the right person. Call John at 915-835-2611 in Mertzon. Experienced only need apply.

NOW HIRING; All kitchen positions. Apply in person at "The Garlic Press" between 2:00- 4:00 pm, #6 Oak Ridge Square, at Wadley and Garfield.

PIZZA DRIVERS Wanted. Flexible hours, great pay. Good economy car needed. Call 685-5032.

Pro Snips has openings for hair stylist in Midland. Great pay. Apply in person at 3109 East University, Odessa, TX or call 915-368-7475 ask for Betty.

SONIC DRIVE INN, 1109 N. Midkiff, is now hiring Carhops for day or evening shifts. (flexible hours). Please apply in person. Personality is a plus.

Telemarketing phone work Like talking on the phone? Easy- Easy- Easy! $8- $16/ Hour, Full-time or Part-time- days or evening. Hourly/ Communication plus. Cash daily. No experience necessary. Will train! Call today- Start Tomorrow! Delivery Drivers Also Needed Call Now!! 683-7395.

TWIN CITIES Communications; Now hiring Telesecretaries for 3 pm to 11 pm shift. Excellent communication skills required along with typing skills. May apply at: 2002 South County Road 1276. Located at Air Terminal (directly behind Big 2 News). Mondaythrough Friday- 10:00am to 2:00 pm.

V.I.P Employment Services 686-9722
Give your resume a face lift. Professional Resumes and Typing Available.

VILLAGE CAR WASH looking for an outgoing dependable person for Cashier, 27- 32 hours weekly. Apply in person at: 604 Andrews Hwy, Midland, Texas. Between 8:00 and 12:00.

WIRELINE OPERATORS/ Service people, CDL required with good driving record, drug test, 24 hour call. Must have phone. Uniforms, 40 hour guarantee, scheduled days off, health insurance. Apply Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm 563-0891.

HIRED
XXXXXXXXXX is looking for a central dispatcher to work closely with XXXXXXXX in Midland at the XXX office. Knowledge of transportation industry, some computer skills and dispatching helpful. Interested parties come by XX XXXXXXX XXX South XXXX. Call XXX-XXXX.

311 Medical Help Wanted

IMMEDIATE OPEN-ING for certified Paramedics, EMT-I's, EMT's. Full or part time. Top pay. Call 570-4892.

CLINIC OFFICE Manager: Odessa physician office is hiring office manager. Previous experiance in medical billing, charting, and workers compensation very important. Position requires strong communication, organization, and management skills. Benefits. Send resume to: Administrator, 4808 S County Road 1310, Odessa, TX 79765.

NEEDED Aggressive Pro-Bono attorney to represent my children for modification of child support case from well of ex. Please have the Christmas spirit call 699-1370 for details.

312 Professional Help Wanted

ACCOUNTING DEGREE Required. Must be experienced in all aspects of G/ L, P & L, AP, AR and tax reports. Knowledge of jog costing and International business helpful. Send resume with salary requirements to Office Manager, PO Box 60136, Midland, TX 79711.

CHILD THERAPIST. Requirements include: Master's degree and LPC or LMSW-ACP. Experience with children, in- take, assessment, diagnostic instruments and strong case management skills required. Experience in the areas of child abuse, play therapy, group, individual, family counseling, case review, court testifying preferred. Bilingual preferred. Salary range from $28,000- $35,000. Send resume and salary history to: Harmony Home Children's Advocacy Center, P.O. Box 3087, Odessa, TX 79760. 333-5233. Deadline 12/ 10/ 99, 5 pm.

GROWTH ORIENTED CPA Firm. We need experienced, self-motivated professional accountants with income tax background to participate in our growth. Contact Teresa Nunley, Trott & Company, L.L.P., 110 Marienfeld, Suite 500, Midland, TX 7 9 7 0 1 . nunleyt@trottco.com

HIRING LICENSED Esthetician. Guaranteed Insurance and 401K. Please contact Ric @ 682-8299.

IMMEDIATE OPENING for experienced Insurance Customer Service Representative. Stable company, excellent benefits, salary DOE. Please fax or mail resumes to Insurance, PO BOX 5534, Midland, TX 79704 or fax 915-694-2588.

MARKETING OFFICER Position Available. Financial institution taking applications for an experienced individual in the field of marketing. The individual should have experience working with all types of advertising media. Team player and effective communication a must. Excellent computer skills, including word processing, Microsoft Excel, publishing programs, are a definite plus. Send detailed resume to: Human Resource Department, P.O. Box 3782, San Angelo, TX 76902. EOE/ AA.

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314 Clerical Help Wanted

Career Opportunities
TEMPORARY RESOURCES
HAS OFFICE JOBS
Experience only
Full Time or Temporary
684-0527.

INDEPENDENT OIL Operator is seeking a responsible, dependable person to handle all office duties. This is a one person office. Experience needed would be answering phones, typing, filing, Work 97, Excel, oil and gas computer knowledge, joint interest billing, opening mail, various bookkeeping responsibilities and some lease/l and experience. Replies to Box P-6014, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

Global Personnel Network Positions Local & Worldwide! 686-8360.

→NEW TODAY←

GAS SUPPLY COORDINATOR

Needed for Midland based Natural Gas Pipeline Company. Entry level applicant with accounting or business background preferred. Working knowledge of Internet, MS Word and Excel. Experience in natural gas industry a plus. Salary DOE.Send resume to: 211 N. Colorado, Midland, Texas 79701.

320 Skilled Trades

→NEW TODAY←

AUTOMOTIVE PAINTERS

Ranger Aviation is hiring *experienced* auto body paint technicians for hands on training for a future in aerospace painting. This opportunity will enhance your skills, and provide excellent benefits including higher pay, health insurance, and a retirement plan. Drug screen required. Mail resumes to Dan Pena; P.O. Box 61010; San Angelo, TX. 76906-1010 or call 915-949-3773 for interview appointment.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

KELLY IS YOUR JOB Connection... To Quality Jobs! Call Kelly Services 689-9801

LEGAL ASSISTANT position available. candidate must have good typing, language and organizational skills. Bilingual a plus. Legal experience a plus but not necessary, neat professional appearance. Salary DOE.. Please send resume to Box P-6013, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

PART TIME all round office help needed. $5.20 per hour. Apply 602 North Baird, Suite 200, Midland.

PART TIME Bookkeeper/ Receptionist with LOE royalty experience. Send resume to P.O. Box 2334, Midland, TX 79702.

★ DP PERSONNEL ★
Temp & Perm Positions
Benefits & Bonuses Available
682-0033 or 570-0197

RECEPTIONIST- Bookkeeper for Doctor's office in Stanton. Must be computer literate preferably familiar with Medisoft and Quickbooks programs. Self motivator. Fluent Spanish a strong plus. Call Dr. Miller at 915-756-3211 after 4:00pm.

316 Sales Help Wanted

$ LOOK $
My Resume
5 Years with Fortune 500 Company. 2 Years with National Bank. And I made $75,000 Last Year Selling Manufactured Homes. 2 or 3 Positions Open.
Call
552-9595 or 1-888-981-9595.

FURNITURE/ DECORATOR SALES
Career opportunity in interior design and sales. opportunities exist now to represent the nation's finest home furnishing Gallery in this area. Great salary plus benefits.
Call Sherry 335-0900 or 563-1776 for an appointment.

RETAIL SALESPERSON/ Merchandiser to call on established accounts. Retail experience/ good driving record a must. Base salary plus good commission. 22k to 25k Send Resume to: Box R-1017, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

SALES PERSON: Experienced in the HVAC Trade a plus. Ask for Michael call 570-8105 or come by 2302 Garden City Highway.

Schwan's Ice Cream
Seeking friendly motivated sales person willing to work extended hours. Starting pay $500 weekly with opportunity to earn additional commission. Excellent benefits. Must be 21 & have good work & driving record. For an interview call
580-0059.

SERVICE TECHNICIAN needed with some plumbing and electrical knowledge. Truck preferred. Apply at Morgan Buildings & Spas. 1/4 mile east of Water Wonderland on Hwy 80. Ask for Liz.

TRUCK PARTS SALES. Largest truck dealership in the Basin is looking for a parts salesperson for inside and/ or outside position. Trucks parts experience preferred, but will consider resumes from all who demonstrate aggressive, positive attitude. Basic business knowledge and reasonably good mechanical knowledge are beneficial, but eagerness and enthusiasm in job performance are what we seek. Pay commensurate with experience. Excellent opportunities for advancement and relocation possible. Great benefits. This is a superb opportunity for the right candidate. Interview by appointment only. Call Ruben at 580-7571.

319 Oil Industry Help Wanted

FIELD SERVICE-Technician. Monday through Friday regular work hours. Good driving record necessary. Mail inquiries to: Microtreat Incorporated P.O. Box 8910. Midland, TX. 79708.

320 Skilled Trades

ENERGIZE YOUR FUTURE!
Red Simpson, Inc, the largest Power Line Contractor in the South Central United States, is seeking a full time experienced Lineman for electrical pole line construction. We offer vacations, insurance, 401K, bonuses paid quarterly. Must have or be eligible for CDL. For information Call (915)721-0435.

EXPERIENCED ROUSTABOUT Pushers. Apply at Rusty's Oil Field Service in Stanton. 915-756-2821.

LATHE OPERATOR Wanted, 3 years experience, must have own tools and be able to read blueprints. Benefits include uniforms, medical, paid vacations and holidays. Call 915-686-0405 between 8:00am- 4:30pm.

WANTED; EXPERIENCED Overhead Crane and hoist inspector. Call 915-689-6341 for appointment.

336 Adult Care Providers

IN HOME CARE provides care for almost any situation at affordable rates. For more information or questions call (915)570-4475.

341 Child Care Providers

OPENING FOR toddlers, 18- 30 months, in small group. Meals, love, learning. Excellent references. 694-9871

CHILD CARE- In my home Monday through Friday 7:00 a.m. to 7 p.m. Call 520-5309 or Page at 561-1997

CHILD CARE: In My home. Flexible hours, children of all ages. $1 per/hour per child. Call Amy or Rebecca 689-3985.

GRACE LUTHERAN ECP has openings for children who were one year old on or before Sept. 1st. If you need loving Christian care from 9- 2, we offer low child to teacher ratio. Call Amy or Judi 694-3063.

REGISTERED CHILD Care 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM Monday thru Friday only. Meals Provided 563-1910.

350 Business Opportunities

RESTAURANT For Sale! Fully equipped. Like new and ready to begin business. very nice! Serious inquiries; Mail correspondence to: P.O. Box 2683 Midland, TX. 79702.

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FOR SALE
Quality, profitable West Texas convenient stores with gas. Serious inquires only. Please write- Box E-3015, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.
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Attention Readers
Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card or bank information.

LOCAL BUSINESSES for sale. Small and large. Some have low down payments and owner financing. Call for a free confidential interview- Sunbelt Business Brokers, 520-1515.

PIZZA RESTAURANT for sale. All equipment, small wares, phone lines, etc. in place and ready to go. Very nice condition. $30,000, terms available. 520-8016.

Get your Real Estate license quickly, short, day, weekend, evening classes. Southwest College 697-7277

VENDING MACHINES, Established vending machine route for sale. 10 Machines, 6 Dollar changers. 570-0049.

Let "Sure Sell" Work For You! Call 682-6222

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MARTY'S MARKETPLACE

Leading you to the best bargains in Midland and the area!

Do you need to get rid of some of your extra goodies around the house?

Don't want to spend a lot of cash?

*Marty's Weekday Special

3 Line Ad
1 Item Priced $300 or Less
Monday through Thursday ONLY
$4.00

Call or Fax Classifieds today to schedule your special Marketplace ad!

682-6222
Fax 682-6999

***Private Party merchandise ads only. 1 Item per ad, Price must be in ad to qualify. Other restrictions may apply, ask consultant for details.**

410 Miscellaneous Sales

FOLD UP roll-a-way ping pong table- great condition- $75 firm. Call 687-4279, leave message.

→NEW TODAY←
RIDING MURRAY Lawn mower with catcher, 1 year old, $675. White washed entertainment center, $125. Entertainment center, $100. 520-4657.

REGULATION SIZE, custom pool table, solid oak, curved legs, all equipment included. $4,900. 689-6900.

BEAUTIFUL 40" Square 3/4" glass for pedestal base. $50 firm. Call 685-0851

QUEEN BEDROOM Suite, $325. Floral sofa, loveseat, chair, $700. Lighted Bassett wall unit, $275. 699-4733.

SUPER go-cart, 5HP Briggs & Stratton. Helmet included, paid $1,200 take $600, 687-4279- message.

RCA TV. Lawn mower, ceiling fans. 30% off hair products of Aveda and Paul Mitchell. Call 522-1931.

AIRLINE TICKETS (2). 1 Way/ round trip anywhere in the US. $139 each way, 877-359-1929.

→NEW TODAY←
4 ROUND TRIP SOUTHWEST Airline tickets, anywhere in US Southwest flies, $300 each. 682-3480.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

↓SOLD↓
LITTLE TYKES Roller coaster, 8 in 1 play ground and round crib. Call xxx-xxxx.

SECTIONAL WITH A sleeper, $400. 6' tall glass and wood Curio, $300. Chevy bench seat, $125. Call 425-8064.

BINGO, American Legion, 501 Airpark Road, Friday nights, games start at 8. Food, Refreshments. 682-5511.

STEP 2 Play tower with slide. $125. Please call 697-5746.

NECCHI PORTABLE Sewing machine with case. Like new, $100. 10 cu. ft. Kenmore upright freezer, weeks well, $140. 689-7486/ 694-7106.

SONY STEREO- system. Playstationand games. Call for details. Call 685-1747.

SWING SET BY Hedstrom, with glider, three swings and slide in new condition- $150. Muskin 4'X15' round pool with pump and accessories- $100. Call 689-3436.

FOR CHRISTMAS- Barbie Power wheels. Pink lamborghini, good condition, brand new battery. 699-0156 nights. $85.

SCHWINN AIR DYNE: Exercise bike like new! $500 firm. Call 688-5514.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

NUTONE Vent-a-hood clean no grease next to new 36" white, $20. Desk $35. Call 685-1780.

LEE HIGH School jacket, maroon in color. Good condition- $40. Please call 694-0585.

EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS Gift! Mans Rolex Presidents Day/ Date, diamond dial and bezel. After 5:30 call 694-2047, weekends, anytime.

413 Jewelry & Furs

→NEW TODAY←
HIP Length GRAY fox coat, size 8- $450. Reversible black mink and leather jacket, size 8 $500. Both like new. 523-3377.

COLLECTION OF Diamonds. Contact Jon Nielsen, trustee, 915-580-3424 9:00am- 5:00pm.

EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS Gift! Mans Rolex Presidents Day/ Date, diamond dial and bezel. After 5:30 call 694-2047, weekends, anytime.

ROLEX- Men's Stainless Steel Submariner- 3 years old, perfect condition. Call 686-9550.

ONE PLUS- Karat. Emerald cut diamond solitaire, with two eternity bands. Call 686-1908.

415 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANT TO BUY or Trade land for 2,000' drilling rig. 915-823-5651. 903-326-4851.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

BUYING, SELLING and Shelling Pecans- Gardendale Pecan- 550-7609., 16396 Hollyhock, Gardendale.

FRESH SHELLED Pecans. $6 per/ pound or $7 a quart. Call 570-8729.

DELICIOUS BAKLAVA Pastries. Great Christmas Gift Idea! Order through December 14th. Call Nancy (afternoons): 699-4747.

430 Household Goods

USED CARPET- 86 yards plus pad- $140. brown sculptured. Please call 694-1675 for more information.

432 Household Furniture

↓SOLD↓
POOL TABLE- whitewash base with rust felt- $1,000. xxx-xxxx.

QUEEN SIZE Sofa sleeper with innerspring. Good condition. $95. 694-0232.

→NEW TODAY←
COUCH- Two chairs, five dinning chairs, stepmaster, exercise bike, GE washer /dryer and Sears refrigerator. Call 683-3203 leave message.

✓ MITSUBISHI 45" Color TV. Excellent working condition. $550. Please call 684-5418.

COMPUTER DESK with hutch, $50. Please call 520-5969.

MUST SELL matching couch and loveseat. Very cute and clean- $200 or best offer. 683-7327.

BLUE FRENCH Country Hide-a-bed sofa. Good condition. $150. Call 683-7019 after 6 pm.

SOLID OAK dining table, round with 2 leaves, 6 captains chairs and large china cabinet with lighted mirrored back. 689-6900.

BRASS DAY/ Trundle bed, $250. Beautiful draw leaf glass table/ 6 cushioned burgundy chairs, $550. 915-362-2746.

432 Household Furniture

TWO PIECE- Bedroom suite, white tall chest of drawers, matching white student desk $200. 520-6957.

HOWARD MILLER Grandfather clock. Beautiful oak cabinet. Enchanting chimes. Only one year old. $600. Call 697-7112 after 5:00 pm to see.

SOFA and TV stand. Good condition. $50 for both. Please call 687-0944.. Ask for Mary.

KITCHEN TABLE- White with oak top, 4 chairs. $75. Double bed frame Headboard and foot board $25. Nightstand $30. Desk with chair $50. Dresser with mirror $75. Call 685-3907.

BRASS AND Glass dining room table, 40"x72" plus 6 heavy brass/ cane chairs, $195, 686-8112.

GOING OUT OF Business Sale. Branham Furniture, Midland store only- Everything must go. 30% Off all merchandise. Cash and Carry, sorry no checks. Cash and credit cards only. December 14th will be the last day of business, 1211 S. Big Spring. 687-5966.

QUEEN SLEEPER- Sofa $150. Loveseat sleeper sofa $250. Swivel rocker $75. Twin electric bed $350. TV stand $25. Desk chair $20. 684-9963

LAZYBOY RECLINER- blue, perfect gift for Dad. $50. 694-7524.

435 Household Appliances

REFRIGERATOR/ FREEZER. 21 cubic foot, excellent condition, almond. $225. Call 689-7304.

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25/CUBIC FOOT- G.E. Side by Side refrigerator, ice/water dispenser. $200 Phone 683-8847 after 7 p.m.

WHIRLPOOL WASHER, large capacity, heavy duty. Very good condition- $75. Please call 697-9830 for information.

GENERAL ELECTRIC- upright Freezer, Great condition, very clean. $200. Or best offer. Call 683-6777.

440 Firewood

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453-2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

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450 Sporting Goods

→NEW TODAY←
LYNX SILVER Cat Full set, 1- 3- 5 woods, 3- TW- SW, all graphite, like new condition, 5 months old. Paid $980, must sell $500. 528-0033 anytime.

NEW BOW FLEX Pro XT with leg curl and 310 pound rods. Paid $1,400 sacrifice $900. Call 689-3436.

460 Antiques & Arts

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH'S. Let our experienced team liquidate your estate. 687-3040, 687-2868, 694-5034.

→NEW TODAY←
METAL DOUBLE- Bed, cedar chest, dresser, vanity, dinning table and four chairs, rocking chair. console radio and mirror. Call 634-1629

465 Antiques & Arts

→NEW TODAY←
FINE ANTIQUE European Furniture, Orientalia (Porcelain, Cloisonne, Bronze), and Persian Carpets. Visit Artisan Antiques at Antiques Etc. 2101 W. Wadley.

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ANTIQUE German made grandfather clock, good condition. Appraised at $2,000 selling for $1,500. Call 684-4935, leave message.

LARGE ANTIQUE- and irons for wood burning fire place. Great Christmas gift. $38 Call 699-5815

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485 Collectibles

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ST. LOUIS Chantilly Crystal- 6 glasses, colored. Originally $1,800; asking $900. Perfect of New Years. 561-8196.

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COLLECTIBLE SHOW Saturday, December 11, 10- 6, Odessa Holiday Inn Express, 3001 East Hwy 80, Beanie Babies, Sports Cards, Hot Wheels.

470 Musical Instruments

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470 Musical Instruments

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480 Computers/ Accessories

TANDY DOT matrix printer works fine, works with Southwestern bell e-mail. $25 or offer, 557-8376.

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500 Pets and Supplies

DISCUS FISH- Gorgeous pair, mated/ spawning Pigeon bloods. Large and beautifully colored. Call Denise 682-0951.

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AKC POMERAIN puppies, 2 males, $300. Will hold for Christmas. Call 561-5154.

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THE PERFECT- Gift for Christmas! Full blooded Rottweilers, six weeks old with first shots. $225 OBO. 520-4178 After 5 p.m.

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MACAW For sale, $600. Great Christmas present. 687-0344.

→NEW TODAY←
READY FOR Christmas! AKC MINIATURE Dachshunds. 3 females black/ tan and red dapple. Males red dapple black/ tan and red. All smooth coated. $225. each. 337-5186

→NEW TODAY←
AKC CHIHUAHUA- Puppies. Very cute Parents on premises. $275. Call 563-9241 leave message.

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TOY CHIHUAHUA- For sale. Female, 1 year old. white with black spots. $300 OBO. Call 520-4909 after 6 p.m.

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CARALOT KENNEL & Training Center. Boarding. Puppy, beginner, advanced classes. Board/ train service available. 683-4718.

SHIH TZU Puppies- 2 females, 1 male. AKC registers eligible. $300. 686-8217.

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1991 BRUTON Gooseneck 3 horse slant load trailer. $3,900 or best offer. Excellent condition. ($12,000 new). 398-5478/ 263-0498 leave message.

515 Office Furniture & Misc.

1940'S SOLID OAK Office Desk- 34"X60", 4 drawer with typewriter compartment. $125. Call 694-7108.

520 Store & Café Equipment

STORE DISPLAYS- approximately, 4' X 5' with adjustable glass shelves and storage on bottom. Call 694-6660.

540 Building Materials

18 HOUSE WINDOWS, $300 for all. Please call 682-4587 after 5:00 pm for more information.

550 Portable Buildings

FOR SALE- 14'X26' heavy duty built. Portable field office, tandem axles, bathroom, coffee bar with sink, storage closet. $10,500. 694-7603.

BRAND NEW- Wooden 8' X 10' Storage shed. $500. Delivery not included. Call 685-0085.

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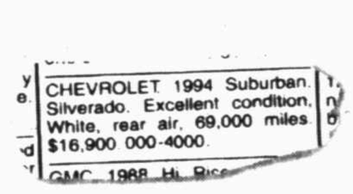

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Midland, TX
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Guest dealers- Suzzane from El Paso and Rara Aris from Arkansas will be here to give a truck show of fine English china, Transferware, Chintz, Majolica, Imari, Old Brass, Estate Jewelry & a host of other lovely things.

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Thurs. & Fri.12/9 & 10th, 9 am- 4 pm.
Duo Delights
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Dealers Welcome!

79703

4308 PRINCETON: Starts Thursday. Craft supplies, new t-shirts, decorations, books, pictures, many other various items, some old- some new.

1106 MANOR. Thursday & Friday 8:30- 1 pm. Dining table/ 6 chairs, couch, queen bed, lots of household items, toys.

79705

2303 NEELY; Thursday- Friday- Saturday- 8:00 am! Furniture, lamps, dishes, clothes, decorator items. Much more!

The Deadline to place an Ad in our Saturday Garage Sale Section is Noon Friday. Call 682-6222 to place your ad today.

79707

☆3808 STANOLIND- (Patio- carport in rear) Moving sale! Worthington air compressor (220V), Bean pump tree sprayer, skill saw, knitting machine, yarn, microwave, luggage, Christmas tree, shop storage cabinets, lots of $1.00 items, too much to mention. Saturday 8- 2.

3301 CRESTMONT DRIVE Friday 10:00am. Must sell!! love sleeper, computer desk, comforters, rocker, home, kitchen, bath decor, putting green, much more.

☛2117 MARCIE COURT- Friday- Saturday 8- 6. Couches, microwave, microwave stand, trampoline, Christmas tree, Pentium computer, computer stand, software, dining tables, lamp table, coffee tables, book cases, bicycles, bar stools, Little Tykes pool, clothes and miscellaneous.

GARAGE SALE SERVICES

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- **Garage Sale Kit** (includes Signs, Stakes, Marker, Balloons, Helpful Hints. $6 Value!)
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630 Houses Furnished
635 Condo/Townhome Furnished
640 Condo/Townhome Unfurnished
650 Mobile Furnished
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660 Mobile Home Space for Rent
665 Business Office Property for Rent
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680 Out of Town
685 Hunting Leases
690 Oil/Gas Leases
695 Oilfield Misc.

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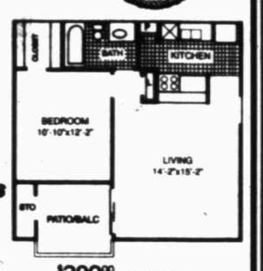

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1210 COLLEGE- clean three rooms, bills paid. $350 monthly, $100 deposit. Inquire rear apartment D.

610 Apartments Unfurnished

GARDEN VILLAGE Apartments, 3007 Louisiana, Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath upstairs apartment- Utility room, large kitchen. Quiet complex. $325 monthly with $50 deposit. Call 699-7788 after 5 or leave message.

LARGE ONE bedroom in secured courtyard, free basic cable, $265 monthly. 1/2 Off the first month's rent! American Realty, 520-7577.

SAGEWOOD CONDO, $199 Move In Special! 1 & 2 Bedrooms. 3300 Caldera Blvd. 699-1693.

RED BRICK 2 bedroom duplex 300A Marianna. $275 monthly $150 deposit. Other two bedrooms starting at $200 monthly. Call 697-2724/ 684-7535.

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CEDAR ELM Apartments: 2 Bedroom Townhouses and studio apartments. All bills paid including basic cable. 570-4611.

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★ SERENE LIVING; Large very beautiful, two bedroom, one bath, fireplace, cathedral ceilings, covered parking, free basic cable, free laundry facility. $425 per month. In quiet secluded Whispering Oaks, 1904 North Midland Drive, 694-4001.

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625 Houses Unfurnished

NICEST DUPLEXES in Midland! Minimum Sq Ft 1,530. Washer- dryer connections Covered parking. Fireplace. 2 & 3 Bedrooms available. Call for appointment, 683-8126.

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3 BEDROOM- 1 1/2 bath. Ceiling fans, central heat and air like new, drapes and curtains included garage with electric door and fenced backyard. NO PETS. $575/400. 684-8884.

FOR SALE- Or lease 500 Devonian. 2 bedroom, 1 bath on corner lot, across from Jane Long Elementary. Lease $400/ month. $400 deposit. Call 697-4362. No calls after 8 p.m.

WEST SIDE; Refrigerated, three bedroom, 1 3/4 bath brick home with fireplace, dishwasher, ceiling fans, built-ins, carpeting throughout, large covered patio, shade trees. Very clean. References with one year lease. $650 monthly/ $500 deposit. 697-4606 evenings.

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LOVELY HOME; Two fireplaces, two baths (jacuzzi/ sky light). Beautiful courtyard- $750 monthly. 1200 College.xxx-xxxx.

1503, 1505 W. Washington. Big, small, grass, trees, no pets, nice, $400, $300, 684-6909, Steve.

NICE CLEAN newly refurbished. Two bedroom, possibly third. $450 monthly plus deposit. Please call 694-0849.

3 BEDROOM, 1 Bath, corner lot, huge backyard newly remodeled. $200/ Deposit, $500/ Monthly. 3901 Monty. 570-4514.

4313 (A) W. STOREY. 3 bedroom, 2 bath double garage. References required. $650 monthly, $600 security. No pets. Smoke free building. Water/ sewer/ trash paid. 686-9090/ 694-4702.

CLEAN 1 bedroom house for lease or sale. Central heat and air conditioning, stove and refrigerator, fenced yard. 1602 W. Missouri. Call 684-6894.

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ATTRACTIVE- 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, good location. For more information call 683-9270

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HOUSE FOR rent; Live in the Country! Spacious four bedroom, three bath house, with fenced yard off Cottonflat Road. Monthly rent, $600 and $500 deposit. Small pets allowed. References required. Contact Chuck. 915-687-0348.

NEW CONSTRUCTION! 3 Bedroom, 2 bath in Crestgate Addition. Neutral decor. Lots of amenities. Low maintenance yard. 559-5479 or 520-5096.

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ONE & TWO Bedrooms, 1 bath duplexes. Appliances, central air/ heat, fenced yard, carport. 689-3053

RENT/ SELL- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, nicely renovated. $675 monthly. Call 684-3843

NICE CLEAN; Two bedroom, one bath, carport, fenced yard, $375 monthly. 1923 English Drive, 694-9853.

2407 COLLEGE: 2 bedroom, 1 bath house $275/ monthly, $100/ deposit. Call 682-0302 if interested.

2105 WYDEWOOD: Beautiful, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage with lovely yard. Lots of Mexican tile, $950 per month, $950 deposit. Call Lee Denny 694-4637 or Langston Realtors, 685-0400.

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