SPORTS

Tiger makes history

With a heart-stopper at Augusta National punctuated with a birdie at the end, Tiger Woods claimed the greatest feat in modern golf Sunday by winning the Masters, giving him a clean sweep of the four professional majors in a span of 294 days./**1B**

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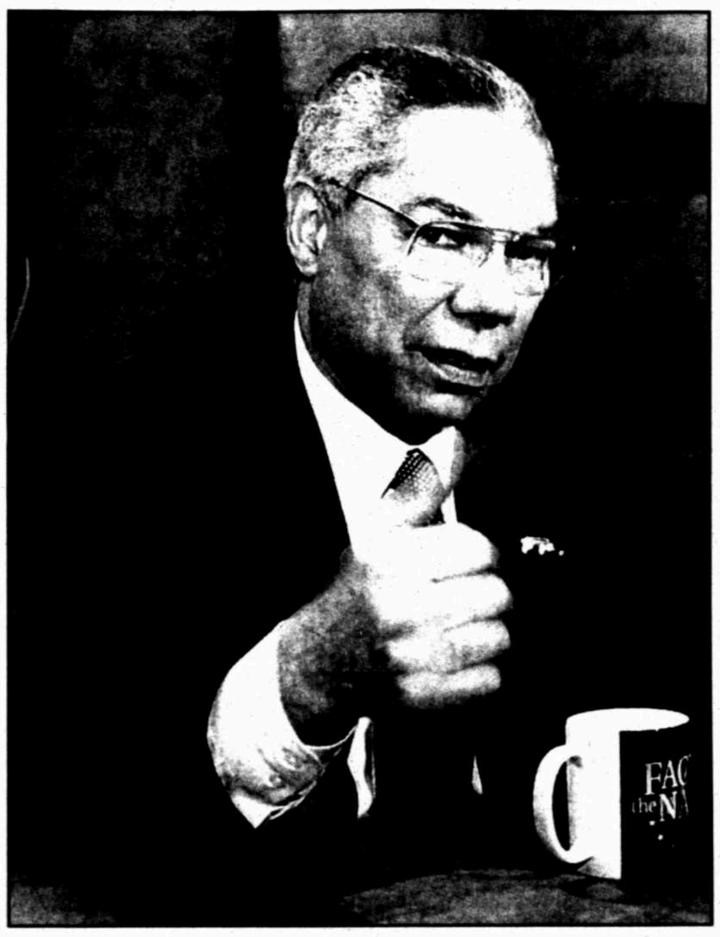

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ABOVE LEFT: Secretary of State Colin Powell speaks during an interview on CBS's "Face the Nation" at their studio in Washington Sunday. Powell said a quick resolution to the U.S.-China standoff over 24 detained Americans is critical to limit damage to U.S.-China relations. ABOVE RIGHT: Chinese President Jiang Zemin puts on a typical gaucho (cowboy) hat, Sunday as he visits the San Ceferino ranch on the outskirt of Buenos Aires, Argentina in the second country in his Latin America tour.

U.S. says quick end to plane standoff critical to relations

By Will Lester
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As the standoff over the detained crew of a downed American spy plane entered its second week, top Bush administration officials said Sunday a quick resolution was crucial to avoid further straining U.S.-China relations.

Continued delay in sending the 24 Americans homes could have repercussions on Capitol Hill, said members of Congress, citing a possible trade fight later this year and an upcoming decision on U.S. weapons sales to Taiwan.

The administration refused again to apologize for the collision between a Chinese fighter jet and the U.S. plane, which was forced to make an emergency landing on an island in southern China. The Chinese jet and its pilot are missing. Over the weekend, the Chinese military took a tough stance on who was to blame.

Secretary of State Colin Powell said the United States was "sorry" about the pilot's fate as he used a word the administration has generally avoided. But he emphasized the United States should not and will not apologize for the collision of the planes.

Both Powell, Vice President Dick Cheney and the president's national security adviser, Condoleezza Rice, said an extended standoff threatened to make it harder to repair relations between the two countries.

"I don't want to put a timetable on it, every day that goes by without having it resolved raises the risks to the long-term relationship," Cheney said on NBC's "Meet the Press." Administration officials were careful to avoid spelling out specific consequences of further delay.

Shifting from a diplomatic to personal level, the White House said the president was answering the missing pilot's distraught wife, who had written Bush and accused his administration of being "too cowardly" to offer an apology.

"The purpose of the letter is to respond in a humanitarian way, in an American way, to a widow who is grieving," Powell said on "Fox News Sunday. "Whatever you think about the politics of it, she's lost her husband.

"We have expressed regrets, we've expressed our sorrow, and we are sorry that a life was lost," Powell said, referring to the missing pilot.

■ More on Bush's letter to pilot's wife./2A

In comparison, he offered this explanation for the U.S. position on an apology to Beijing for the collision: "The question of apology is something quite different, because then we are being asked to accept responsibility. And that

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City to add $2.5 million to final tally for stadium

By Stewart Doreen
Staff Writer

The Midland City Council will consider a resolution Tuesday to approve and authorize an additional $2.5 million to complete the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

The additional funds will be used to cover the base bid and two alternative additives — armchair seating and two additional satellite concession stands, which were approved by the City Council during a near-historic Feb. 28 meeting when the council voted 7-0 to execute a contract with M.W. Builders of Temple to construct the $45 million dual stadium facility.

The armchair seating is expected to cost $340,000. The additional satellite concession stands carry an estimated price tag of $316,000.

The additional funds brings the total amount of bonds sold to $38.4 million. Projected payment of the $38.4 million is 16 years with a three-percent growth factor. That is well below the 30-year amortization.

It is thought that the city will need 10 to 12 months to pay off the extra $2.5 million.

In November 1999, Midland voters overwhelmingly approved the complex, which at the time was said to cost $35 million and would be paid for by a quarter-cent increase in the city's sales tax. The actual total cost of the sports complex is now projected at $45,022,593.

In March of 2000, the City Council voted to issue bonds in the amount of $35.9 million to fund the construction of the complex.

More than $5 million of the city's street and sewer funds were used to pay for the off-site infrastructure.

In other business, the City Council will consider:

■ Approving plans and specifications for the find bid item at the complex. The specifications include all on-site streets, the public streets adjacent to the complex, the parking lots and all landscaping on the outer perimeter of the sports complex. This bid represents nine percent of the total project. The council is expected to award the bid in late May.

■ Appropriating $3,000 for capital improvements for Midland Airpark Airport.

■ The appropriation of general fund money to pay for a South Loop 250 feasibility study.

■ Appropriating $30,000 for the July 4 celebration at Centennial Plaza.

■ An ordinance adopting a four-month moratorium on portable signs and billboards.

The council meets at 10 a.m. at City Hall.

Investigators to probe site of oilfield accident

By Dan Bell
Staff Writer

Investigators will continue to sift through evidence in an effort to determine the cause of Friday's oilfield accident that claimed the lives of two Midland men.

Norman Pera Pallanes, co-owner of West Texas Tank, and Gilbert Urias were standing on the crown of a 16-foot, 436-barrel stock storage tank in an oilfield about 10 miles northwest of Pyote off Highway 2355 in Ward County, according to a Ward County Sheriff's Department report. The men attempted to loosen two of the tanks connectors with pipe wrenches, but were unable to break the connectors free. Pallanes, 32, placed a call to welder Isias Baeza who drove to the Orson Lease site. Upon arrival, Baeza, armed with an acetylene torch, climbed onto a catwalk directly below Urias, 28, and Pallanes and heated the connectors with the torch. Shutting off the torch, Baeza, using a ladder, lowered himself to the ground to retrieve a pipe wrench and hammer to complete his task. The tank then exploded, throwing Urias and Pallanes several feet from the site.

Pallanes

Urias

"After personally taking a measurement, I found these two men traveled a distance between 60 and 70 feet," said Bill Bergman, president of Chi Operating, the leasor of the Orson Lease sight.

Pallanes and Urias were declared dead upon impact, the sheriff's report stated. The bodies were transported to Lub-

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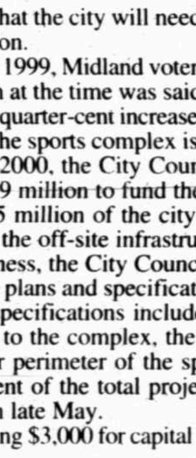
MISD to consider contract hiring Baressi as consultant

By Danielle Belton
Staff Writer

After retiring, some people take a vacation. Other people go golfing.

If the school board votes as they are anticipated to do so on Tuesday, retiring Midland Independent School District Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. may be spending his retirement working with MISD's new superintendent to help ease the leadership transition and advise on any up and coming issues that may arise.



Baressi

"I think it's a good thing for the district from the perspective we have several ongoing issues that have been long running throughout his tenure," said MISD Board Vice President Dale Strauss, mentioning Baressi's history with the district's desegregation case and recent unitary status litigation. "In those he can be a major asset in the district."

First brought up after Baressi's retirement announcement last summer, the board is now preparing to act upon appointing Baressi to a consultant or advisor-type position.

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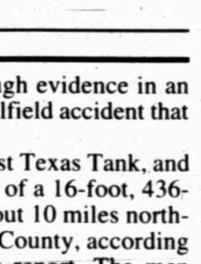

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County hopes to recoup $9 million in fines

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Ways and means for Midland County government to recover an estimated $9 million in uncollected criminal fines dating back for undetermined years will be explored in today's session of the Midland County Commissioners' Court in the Midland County Courthouse.

"They are not collected for various reasons," said Midland County Commissioner Randy Prude, a 49-year-old Midland oil-and-gas investor. "Sometimes they are just difficult (to collect). Sometimes there is not the manpower. But for one reason or the other, they get overlooked as time goes by. Some are uncollectible."

However, collectable or not collectable, "You never know which debt falls into which category until you try," Prude said. "One of the things proposed is to get some part-time help" in a 90-day trial period "that

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Midland County Fines Fiscal Year 2001

Projected general-fund revenue from fines and forfeitures for Midland County in Fiscal Year 2001 from Oct. 1, 2000 through Sept. 30, 2001 are:

District Clerk $80,000
($83,310 in 1999)
Vivian Wood

County Clerk $460,000
($454,470 in 1999)
Shauna Brown

Justice of the Peace No. 1 ..... $70,000
($82,461 in 1999)
JP Joe Matlock
Constable Gene Smith

Justice of the Peace No. 2 ..... $160,000
($132,139 in 1999)
JP David Cobos
Constable Charles "Choc" Harris

Justice of the Peace No. 3 ..... $200,000
($192,417 in 1999)
JP Michael Wallace
Constable Angel Hernández

Justice of the Peace No. 4 ..... $70,000
($69,002 in 1999)
JP George Zimmerman
Constable Charlie Hall

County Public Library $25,000
(27,524 in 1999)
Librarian Denise Johnson

Library — Lost & Paid $4,500
($4,588 in 1999)

Projected Total $1,069,500
($1,045,911 in 1999)

Source: Midland County Fiscal Year 2000-2001 Budget adopted by the Midland County Commissioners' Court.

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WEATHER

Midland forecast

3-day forecast

Today	Tuesday	Wednesday
Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Partly cloudy
High 82	High 80	High 82
Low 55	Low 53	Low 52

For today, look for partly cloudy skies in the morning with variable winds, reaching 10 to 20 mph by the afternoon. High temperature will be in the lower 80s. Tonight, expect overcast skies and a low in the mid-50s.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, look for partly cloudy skies with lows in the lower 50s and highs in the lower 80s.

After a morning low of 54, the high for Sunday was 83. The record high for April 8 was 95, set in 1963. The record low was 28, set in 1938.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Sunday	.0.00 in.
Rainfall Saturday	.0.00 in.
Total for month	.0.00 in.
Total for year	.2.71 in.
Normal total (year to date)	.1.68 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

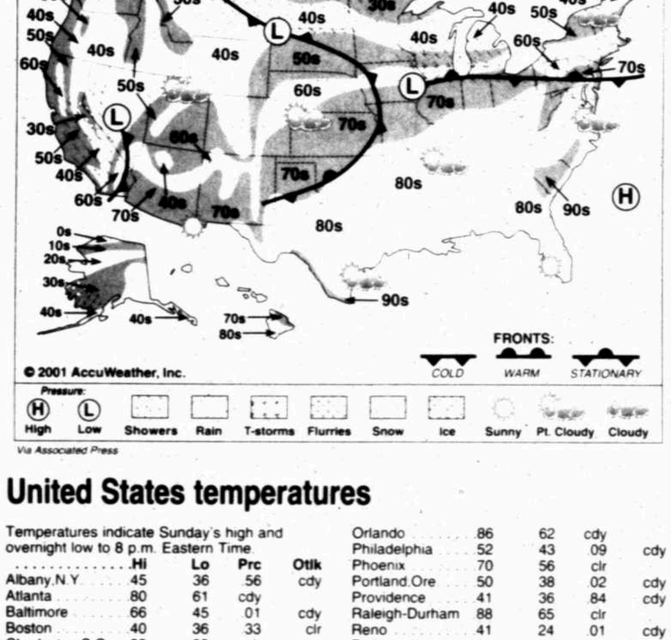
High	83
Low	54
Normal high	77
Normal low	45

Sunrise ... 7:28 a.m.
Sunset ... 8:15 p.m.

National forecast

National weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, April 9.



Via Associated Press

United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Albany,N.Y.	45	36	.56	cdy
Atlanta	80	61	cdy	
Baltimore	66	45	.01	cdy
Boston	40	36	.33	clr
Charleston,S.C.	85	63	clr	
Charlotte,N.C.	87	61	clr	
Chicago	77	45	cdy	
Denver	64	34	cdy	
Eugene	51	36	.32	cdy
Fairbanks	37	30	.06	sno
Fargo	45	32	.01	sno
Green Bay	57	43	rn	
Honolulu	83	71	.02	clr
Indianapolis	83	64	cdy	
Jacksonville	85	57	clr	
Knoxville	83	60	cdy	
Las Vegas	61	41	cdy	
Los Angeles	61	44	.04	rn
Memphis	82	68	cdy	
Miami Beach	82	71	clr	
Nashville	83	67	cdy	
New Orleans	83	72	cdy	
New York City	45	42	.09	cdy
Oklahoma City	79	61	cdy	
Orlando	86	62	cdy	
Philadelphia	52	43	.09	cdy
Phoenix	70	56	clr	
Portland,Ore	50	38	.02	cdy
Providence	41	36	.84	cdy
Raleigh-Durham	88	65	clr	
Reno	41	24	.01	cdy
Richmond	85	48	cdy	
Roanoke	88	53	cdy	
Rochester	76	50	.21	cdy
Rockford	76	42	cdy	
Sacramento	58	36	.01	cdy
St Louis	87	64	cdy	
Salt Lake City	40	32	.78	cdy
San Diego	59	51	rn	
San Francisco	56	45	cdy	
Santa Fe	66	31	clr	
Savannah	87	59	clr	
Seattle	50	39	mm	cdy
Spokane	44	33	.02	cdy
Tallahassee	84	61	cdy	
Toledo	79	65	rn	
Tucson	71	47	clr	
Washington,D.C.	70	45	cdy	
Yakima	56	25	cdy	
Youngstown	81	68	rn	
Yuma	67	50	clr	

State forecast

Monday, April 9

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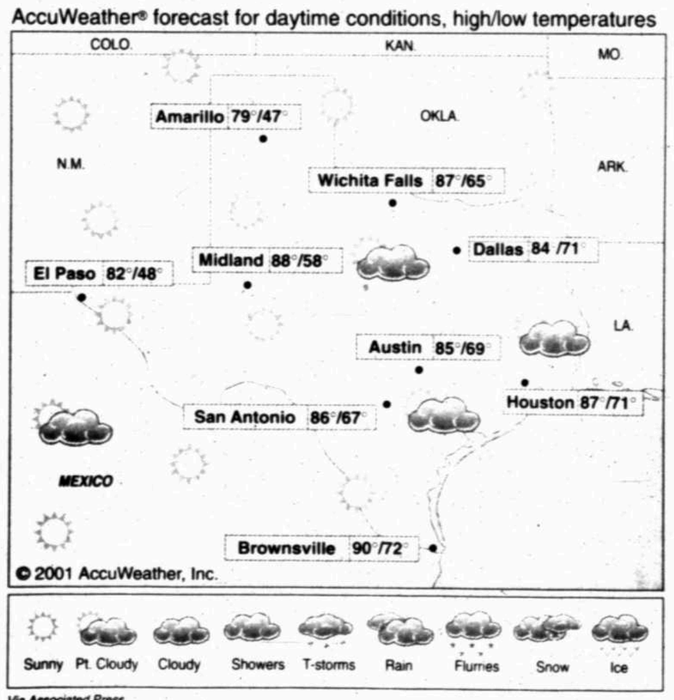

Via Associated Press

Police Reports

Compiled from Staff reports

Drunk driving

William H. Braswell, 24, of Midland was arrested by a Texas Department of Safety officer at 3:31 a.m. Saturday on Texas Highway 158 on charges of third offense driving while intoxicated and driving without a license. Bond: $5,500.

Assault

James E. Butts, 23, of Midland was arrested by a Midland Police officer at 6:13 a.m. Saturday in the 2300 block North "A" St. on a charge of assault to a family member. Bond: $5,000.

Resisting arrest

Shawn L. Cook, 29, of Midland was arrested by a Midland Police officer at 11:55 a.m. Saturday in the 5300 block of West Wadley on charges of resisting arrest, evading arrest and possession of drugs. No bond.

Robbery

Michael K. Jones, 36, of Midland was arrested by a Midland Police officer at 6:49 p.m. Saturday in the 1100 block of East Illinois on a charge of aggravated robbery. No bond.

Parole violation

Dunn H. McFatter, 29, of Midland was arrested by a Midland County Sheriff's deputy at 5:15 p.m. Saturday in the 100 block of West Industrial on a charge of parole violation. No bond.

Drug possession

Charles R. Schoenborn, 38, of Midland was arrested by a Midland Police officer at 8:17 a.m. Saturday in the 3100 block of Caldera on charges of injury to a child and possession of drugs. No bond.

PLANE: Officials meet with eight crew members

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we have not done, can't do, and therefore won't apologize for that."

Cheney rejected the description of the crew as "hostages" by Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill. Cheney said the United States has access to them and they were being treated well. But Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said, "We're getting precariously close to that."

Bush spent the weekend at Camp David, conferring with aides, including Rice and senior adviser Karen Hughes. In China, U.S. Ambassador Joseph Prueher had two meetings Sunday with Chinese officials and reported back to State Department officials.

U.S. officials were allowed to meet with eight members of the crew Saturday, not all 24 members, Rice said, noting the U.S. had picked the crew members so there were no concerns about those they did not see. "We have clearly said to the Chinese that we want access to our people and we want unfettered access to our people," she said on CNN's "Late Edition."

"I think they're pawns being used by the Chinese to try to gain some goals that they're not going to achieve," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich. The Chinese have been concerned about issues such as U.S. arms sales to Taiwan and a proposed anti-missile shield.

Lawmakers frustrated the impasse was dragging on said it could lead to a bitter fight later this year if Congress is asked to extend trade benefits to Beijing; possible U.S. opposition to China's bid to stage the Olympics in 2008; and an arms package Bush is now considering for Taiwan, which China considers a renegade province.

"There are a lot of very significant things which if China would ... step up and solve this thing now, will more likely occur," said GOP Sen. John Warner of Virginia, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Taiwan is seeking an arms package that includes four destroyers equipped with the Navy's most advanced anti-missile radar system.

"The Taiwan arms sale stands alone and apart," Powell said on CBS. "But of course it's affecting the environment that we will be facing when we take the sale up on Capitol Hill if there is a perception that China is not acting in a responsible and reasonable manner."

Some lawmakers cautioned against using trade relations as a weapon.

"I don't know that anybody's made any conclusion as to what the next steps ought to be," Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota said on Fox.

Rice, meantime, said China may not fully understand U.S. resolve in the confrontation.

"The Chinese government should not underestimate on this side either the feeling of the American people that this was an emergency landing of a crew that was in distress, and that we now need to resolve this," she said.

Bush's letter to pilot's wife a 'humanitarian' response

By Scott Lindlaw
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush is sending a letter to the wife of the missing Chinese fighter pilot as a humanitarian gesture, U.S. officials said Sunday.

Ruan Guoqin had written Bush a letter in which she accused him and his administration of being "too cowardly" to offer an apology for the collision a week ago between the Chinese jet and a U.S. spy plane. Ruan wrote that the administration defamed her husband, missing pilot Wang Wei, according to the official Xinhua news agency.

"Our 6-year-old son has kept asking me when his father will come home," she wrote. "I pray and call out time and again hoping in tears that there will be a miracle."

Bush's letter is intended "to respond in a humanitarian way, in an American way, to a widow who is grieving," Secretary of State Colin Powell said. "Whatever you think about the politics of it, she's lost her husband."

Powell, speaking on "Fox News Sunday," said he had not seen a final draft.

Ruan entered a Beijing hospital Sunday, overcome by stress, according to a Beijing newspaper.

"What is incredible is you and your government's apathetic attitude toward my husband's life," the news agency quoted from the letter.

Bush's national security adviser, Condoleezza Rice, emphasized that the letter did not represent a shift in the U.S. approach to the impasse.

"The president is taking the high ground here and he is simply responding to the expression of grief, and nothing else," she said on CNN's "Late Edition."

"We understand that this probably is the most difficult moment ever in this woman's life," Vice President Dick Cheney said on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Two White House officials said the letter would not be released publicly. It had not been sent as of late Sunday morning, but was likely to go out late Sunday or early today, they said. It would not include an apology, one official said.

The United States has expressed regrets about the loss of life, but has refused to apologize for the collision between the fighter jet and the spy plane.

Though Powell called Ruan a widow and Rice said she had "lost a husband," other White House officials called her the pilot's wife. A search for the pilot was in its eighth day Sunday, but a rescue commander was quoted Saturday as saying that "the hope of Wang Wei surviving is getting slim."

Powell said Bush saw Ruan's letter and felt he should "pick up those elements in her letter that talked about hope for the future and respond along those lines."

FINES: County collects $1 million in fines each year

(From 1A)

works on nothing but (collecting) the fines."

County Auditor Carole Wayland, who cited to Prude the $9 million in uncollected fines, said among the fines listed in her accounts receivable ledgers are those satisfied through community service projects performed by probationers, through others serving jail time, and other fines that go uncollected after criminal defendants are convicted and sent to prison and unable to make restitution or fine payments.

"Chances are you are not going to collect" fines on district-court defendants who are sent straightaway to the penitentiary, Ms. Wayland said.

Overall, the $9 million in uncollected fines "is not that staggering when you really consider the volume" over the years.

"There are certainly receivables that are out there," Ms. Wayland said.

Each year, the county collects about $1 million in fines and $2 million in fees, she said.

Ms. Wayland said there is a "new accounting pronouncement that has changed a lot of the financial-reporting perimeters for government" — the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

"We have to really present all of our receivables and then make a determination of what's going to be collectable of those receivables," she said.

The county fines, from the Justice Courts through the Texas District Courts, are collected through efforts of such offices as the Justices of the Peace Joe Matlock, David Cobos, Michael Wallace, and George Zimmerman; Constables Gene Smith, Charles "Choc" Harris, Angel Hernandez, and Charles Hall; Sheriff Gary Painter; offices of County Clerk Shauna Brown and District Clerk Vivian Wood; and the juvenile and adult probation offices.

"We are going to explore all the various options that we have," Prude said. "I know that some (fines) aren't collected because no one is trying. Some of them are collectable, and all you have to do is just work them."

Allen Bell, deputy director in charge of operations for the Midland County Judicial District's Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD), noted that in calendar year 2000, CSCD collected $414,988.97 in county and district-court fines and that in the first quarter of 2001, those collected fines totaled $138,569.63.

"Not all of them pay," Bell said of probationers. "If they haven't paid their fines, they can't successfully complete probation." And, if their probation is revoked, they are imprisoned following court action. Some abscond and become fugitives.

Sheriff Gary Painter said a potential "source of revenue (via fines) is outstanding warrants.

"There are thousands of warrants that are outstanding that have not been served," Painter said. "And we have officers that are trying to serve them. With the constables, we have four new officers out serving warrants. You arrest them (the defendants), and you put them in jail. They either pay the fine, or they serve it (out) in jail.

"All we can do is put them in jail, and then take them before a judge, and he issues the order. If they don't pay (the fine), then they serve it (out) in jail."

Painter said people who have outstanding warrants should "not be surprised if they don't get thrown into jail someday. Most of those are out of Justice Court — justices of the peace."

Justice Cobos said that, based on his experience as a JP since 1997, the $9 million estimate in collected fines is "somewhat inaccurate because there are some dismissed cases on the accounts receivable that are still reflected.

"When you dismiss a case, it doesn't take the money part out," Cobos said. "I question the complete accuracy of that.

"There is a portion of those (uncollected fines) that had already been dismissed that are still reflected as accounts receivable," Cobos said. "It shows up on her (Ms. Wayland's) records as one that needs to be collected but the case may have already been dismissed."

Cobos said "the goal is to collect the fines. If we (the courts) are not collecting the fines, . . . and we are putting people in jail, then in actuality what happens is the county is paying the confinements. So, we are actually losing money."

MISD: Board to vote on 2001-06 goals

(From 1A)

Baressi, who has said he would be more than happy to help with the transition, would be paid his regular salary on a prorated basis if the school board appoints him. Baressi would be acting as a consultant for about three months, paying him more than $36,000.

Many board members have been fielding calls and questions regarding Baressi's possible new role with the district. Strauss said he hopes Midlanders understand Baressi will be merely assisting in the transition process.

"There's no implication that he's here to train or mentor Dr. (Robert) Nicks," Strauss said. "When we've reached a contract decision, he will be the person running the district."

Also during Tuesday's meeting, the board will be once again examining the school uniform issue. The board will be voting on the latest revisions made to the school dress code policy in the section that relates to school uniforms.

After deciding to remove wording that would have called for all junior high and freshman schools to wear uniforms, many board members had a change of heart and decided to remove the wording that would have forced Goddard Junior High to wear uniforms without having a uniform vote. Goddard is the only junior high that does not require its students to wear school uniforms.

"Most of them (Goddard parents) do not want the uniforms, but at least they are happy they are going to get a chance to vote on the issue," said Goddard parent Cathie Broten. "At least we're going to be able to vote. We're very happy that it's not going to be mandated."

The board also will be voting on revisions to rules and procedures on how school uniform votes are held. New rules include only requiring one school uniform removal vote every three years and giving parents only one option if they do not want their child to wear a uniform. Before parents had the option of asking for a transfer or asking for an exemption. The new proposed policy only allows exemptions. It states that exemptions must be for a "bona fide religious or philosophical objection."

In addition, the board will finally be voting whether to approve its board goals for 2001-2006, hearing a report regarding the magnet school lottery and reviewing additional staff needs and the job description for the athletics director position.

Some board members have eluded that they would like to wait until the new superintendent is in place before hiring an athletic director because of the position's level of importance.

The meeting will be at 4 p.m. at MISD administrative offices on 615 West Missouri Ave.

OIL: Men traveled 60-70 feet in explosion

(From 1A)

bock for an autopsy and returned to Midland Saturday evening. The results of the autopsy were not available over the weekend.

Baeza was not injured in the accident.

Roman Pallanes, Norman's brother, co-owned West Texas Tank. Roman, 36, alleges Chi Operating should have warned his brother and Urias there was a "live energy source" running from the well to the back of the stock tank.

"A new well had just been drilled and the pump jack had just been set, and there was a temporary line running from the well to the tank," Roman Pallanes said. "The pusher from Garland's Roustabout told Norman what connections needed to be loosened, knowing the tank was a live energy source, meaning there was oil, gas and water released directly into the tank. A separator should have been used to divert the three components to three different tanks."

Roman Pallanes said their company had sold the tank to Chi Operating and installed the tank Thursday at the Orson Lease site.

When contacted, Bergman expressed a profound regret on behalf of Chi Operating for the families of both men, but stressed pending completion of the investigation of the incident, he felt confident Chi Operating would not be held accountable in the accident.

"I know OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) and the Ward County Sheriff's office will find out whatever has gone on at the site and I don't believe we are liable for a darn thing," Bergman said.

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Lower interest rates put money in people's pockets

By Jeannine Aversa
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Alton Bradford is feeling good even though the news about the economy is gloomy. He has extra money to spend now, having taken advantage of lower interest rates and refinanced his home mortgage.

"I'm able to pay bills and put some money in my business," says the retired federal worker who runs a retail shop. "It just takes a big load off my mind."

Bradford estimates that swapping high-interest debt for lower cost debt has reduced his monthly mortgage payment by several hundred dollars. "I'm very happy," says Bradford, who lives near Rockville, Md.

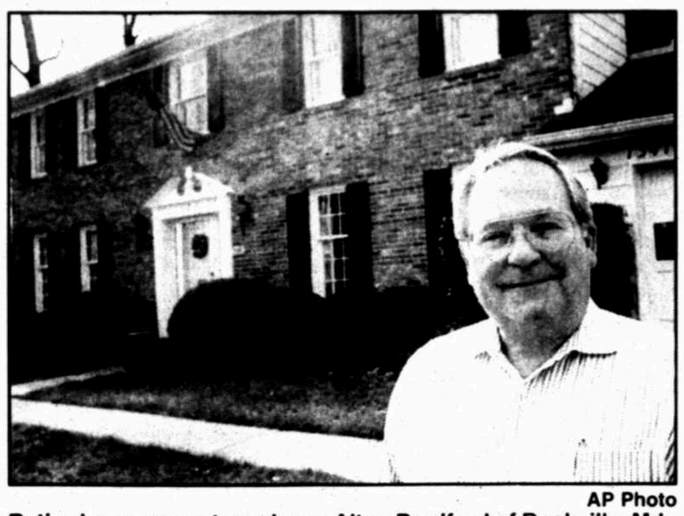
So many other Americans are doing the same thing that the Mortgage Bankers Association of America projects that 2001 will turn out to be the second biggest year for refinancing.

That is one of the things the Federal Reserve looks for when it lowers interest rates: A cut will translate into billions of dollars in extra consumer spending, the driving force of economic activity.

Savings are coming not only from new mortgages and mortgage refinancing but also other consumer and business loans.

Larry Southward bought a new Chrysler Sebring because financing was so cheap. "It was a very good interest rate — 3.9 percent. That's pretty much why I decided to buy," says the Quinton, Va., electrician. He is financing the car through the automaker.

Car companies are offering low financing to drum up sales and work off inventories, which piled up as the economy slowed sharply in the second half of last year.



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Retired government employee Alton Bradford of Rockville, Md., stands in front of his refinanced home. Bradford took advantage of lower interest rates, and estimates he's been able to reduce his monthly mortgage payments by several hundred dollars.

Trying to stave off recession and give a boost to economic growth, the Fed cut interest rates three times this year, totaling 1.5 percentage points.

But for those looking to put some money into CDs, savings accounts and money market mutual funds, the lower rates mean smaller returns.

The mortgage refinancing boom started last fall and activity this year is expected to total more than $600 billion, second only to the 1998 mark of $750 billion, says Doug Duncan, chief economist for the Mortgage Bankers Association of America. Last year, just under $200 billion worth of mortgages were refinanced.

The Fed's rate decisions directly affect mortgage rates in setting the levels for one-year adjustable rate mortgages and indirectly through the Fed's influence on longer term rates that bond markets set. Rates for 30-year fixed-rate mortgages have fallen in anticipation of Fed moves since they peaked last May at 8.64 percent.

"Refinance now," advises Greg McBride, an analyst with bankrate.com, an online financial information service. "With fixed-rate loans so cheap right now, to sit on the sidelines and wait for rates to fall lower is a bit of a gamble and may not pay off."

The average rate on a 30-year mortgage was 7.01 percent for the week ending April 6, compared with 7.83 percent six months earlier, according to Freddie Mac, the mortgage company. Rates for 15-year mortgages and one-year ARMs have fallen by close to a full percentage point over the same period.

The Fed's rate cuts will have more of an impact on other forms of debt, such as variable-rate credit cards, auto loans and home equity loans that are linked to the prime lending rate, the benchmark for millions of consumer loans and short-term business loans.

That is because the prime rate moves in lockstep with changes in a key interest rate controlled by the Fed — the federal funds rate, the rate banks charge each other for overnight loans.

Immediately after the Fed's last one-half percentage point cut on March 20, banks followed suit, lowering their prime rate to 8 percent.

About 70 percent of all credit cards are variable rates and many of those are linked to the prime rate, which moves with the Fed's rate cuts, experts say.

But "there can be a lag time before consumers see lower rates because many credit card issuers readjust rates on a quarterly basis," says bankrate's McBride. "Generally, it's going to be a couple of statements before consumers see the lower rates."

The average national rate on a standard variable rate credit card was 17.16 percent for the week of March 21, down from 17.36 percent six months earlier on Sept. 21, according to bankrate.com's national survey.

For cars loans, some of the best financing deals have been through automobile makers' finance companies, which are trying to lower inventories of unsold cars, experts say. Still, auto loans from banks, thrifts and other financial institutions are quite attractive, they say.

The average national rate on a new car loan was 9.27 percent for the week of March 21, down from 9.73 percent six months earlier, says McBride. Bankrate.com's survey does no include rates from car manufacturer's finance arms.

At the same time, the Fed's rate cuts tend to quickly affect the rates for certificates of deposit and savings accounts, while it may take a month to fully pass through to money funds, experts say.

A three-month CD is now paying an average yield nationwide of about 4 percent and a one-year CD is paying about 4.52 percent. Those rates should continue to drift lower depending on the magnitude of future Fed rate reductions, says Peter Crane, managing editor of the Money Fund Report, which tracks savings rates.

Even with that income loss, economists believe the overall impact of the Fed's rate reductions will be positive for the U.S. economy through stimulating consumer demand in interest-rate-sensitive sectors such as housing and autos.

Mark Zandi, chief economist for Economy.com, a consulting firm, estimates that between 0.50 and 0.75 percentage point probably were added to economic growth in the recently ended first quarter.

"People are pretty glued to what lenders are doing and respond very quickly," he says.

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Panel investigating New Jersey police bias to hear minorities

By John P. McAlpin
Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. — After six sessions that brought calls for the resignation of a state Supreme Court justice, a state Senate panel investigating racial profiling by the New Jersey State Police is turning its attention to black and Hispanic witnesses.

The committee plans at least two more hearings, said state Sen. William L. Gormley, the panel's chairman.

"They're going to tell us things they think we should know. We're going to listen," Gormley said.

Some lawmakers have called for Peter G. Verniero to step down from the New Jersey Supreme Court, saying evidence in the hearings so far showed that when he was attorney general he was aware that troopers targeted minority drivers at least three years before he admitted it publicly.

Acting Gov. Donald T. DiFrancesco also said Verniero should resign. One lawmaker said he was drafting an impeachment resolution.

Verniero admitted that state police targeted minorities in an April 1999 report issued one year after two white troopers fired on a van stopped for speeding on the New Jersey Turnpike. Three black and Hispanic men were wounded.

He has denied withholding evidence of racial profiling from federal investigators.

Among the witnesses scheduled to appear is state police Sgt. Vincent Bellaran. In 1998, a federal judge upheld Bellaran's complaint that he was subjected to racism and harassment as a member of the force.

Bellaran has outlined several incidents he said contributed to the hostile environment, including watching fellow troopers force a black motorist to tap-dance to avoid an arrest, and an incident in which three white officers wearing civilian clothes jumped on a black family's car, screaming racist threats.

Bellaran also said his superiors berated him with racial and ethnic slurs, that his formal complaints of racial discrimination were ignored, and that he was passed over for promotion.

Other minority troopers, some of whom have similar lawsuits pending, also are expected to testify.

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Gasoline prices up 7 cents as demand goes up

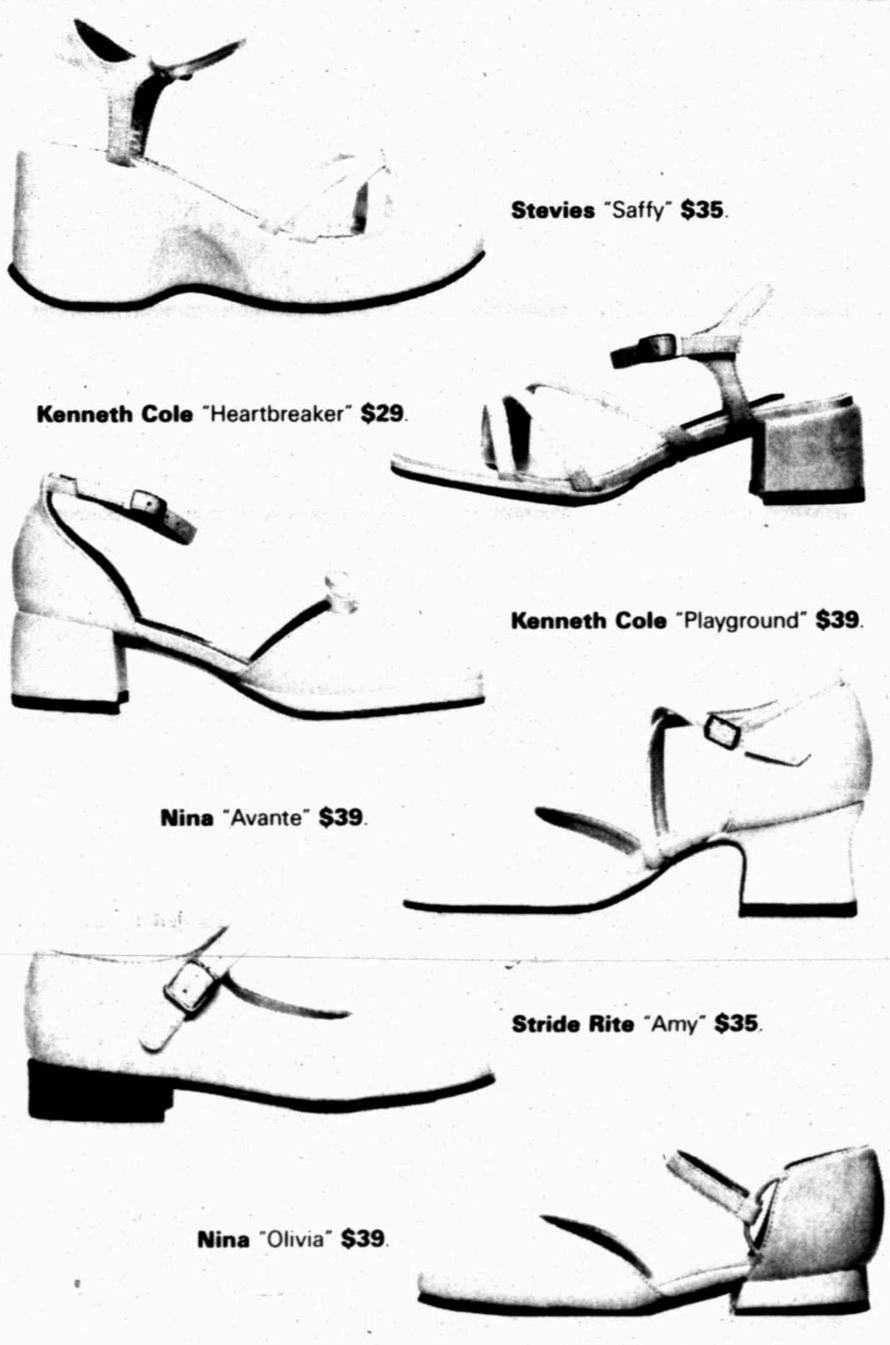
CAMARILLO, Calif. (AP) — Gas prices at the pump shot up 7 cents in the past two weeks, the first such rise since early January, an oil industry analyst said Sunday.

The price increase was due mainly to seasonal demand, said analyst Trilby Lundberg.

The average price of gasoline was about $1.54 a gallon, up 7.1 cents from March 23, according to the Lundberg Survey of 8,000 stations nationwide.

Prices had fallen more than 5 cents per gallon since Jan. 15 as the winter season reduced driving, which in turn reduced the demand for gasoline.

Refineries are also beginning to shift production to special environmentally friendly formulas required in some states. That, plus a routine decrease in refining capacity because of scheduled maintenance, also contributed to the price hike.



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Cheney warns of vetoes if Congress loads budget with pork

By Martin Crutsinger
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With President Bush preparing to release the point-by-point details of how his $1.96 trillion budget would rein in government spending, Vice President Dick Cheney said Sunday that Bush will not hesitate to veto spending bills he considers excessive.

Democrats, still celebrating an initial victory in trimming Bush's tax cut, awaited today's release of the full budget so they could see which government programs were targeted for deep reductions.

They said opposition to those proposed cuts will help as they seek to hold the line on the administration's $1.6 trillion, 10-year tax cut.

In Bush's first major defeat, the Senate last week voted to reduce the tax cut by one-quarter, to $1.2 trillion, an action that must now be reconciled with a House resolution endorsing the president's original request.

"When people see the budget, they're going to say, 'Oh, my God, I wanted a tax cut, but I didn't know what you were going to do to health care and to Medicare and national defense,'" Sen. John Breaux, D-La., said on ABC's "This Week."

Cheney defended the administrations budget decisions, arguing that spending has gotten out of control since 1998 when the first of a series of budget surpluses began.

"This president is eager to veto appropriations that come in over budget," Cheney said on ABC.

The administration's budget is proposing to limit the growth in discretionary spending — everything outside of mandatory benefit programs such as Social Security — to a 4 percent increase this year, far below the 8.7 percent rise former President Clinton won in his last budget.

The new administration is proposing outright cuts or no increases in discretionary spending at 12 of the government's 25 major departments, with the sharpest reductions occurring at the departments of Agriculture and Transportation.

Those cuts are balanced against increases in priority areas, including education. A senior Education Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Sunday that the agency's proposed spending for 2002 would include $375 million to support charter schools, including construction of new charter schools, and $320 million for a new initiative to help states develop reading and math assessment programs. All are Bush campaign issues.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press showed that among the cuts in Bush's budget are reductions in rural health, disease prevention, mental health and support for training doctors at children's hospitals.

A Justice Department official, also speaking on condition of anonymity, told the AP that the popular Community Oriented Police Services program, a Clinton effort to put 100,000 new police officers on the streets, would be cut by 17 percent to $855 million, down from $1.03 billion budgeted for this year.

The Bush budget also will propose cuts in several other Clinton initiatives including efforts to combat nuclear proliferation, coordinate health care for the uninsured, promote energy conservation and boost economic development in poor communities.

Chris Ullman, a spokesman for the Office of Management and Budget, said that in many cases the administration was redirecting money to programs it believed would be more successful in achieving desired goals. He said part of the savings from the police program would help pay for a pilot program that would put police officers in schools.

Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., predicted a huge uproar after people see the details. He said the full budget "will put in sharp relief what this president is doing in order to be able to get this humongous tax cut."

The budget resolution passed by the House accepted the full $1.6 trillion Bush tax cut and his proposed spending caps. On Friday, the Senate passed a budget resolution that reduced the Bush tax cut to $1.2 trillion and raised to 7 percent instead of 4 percent the proposed increase in discretionary spending authority.

House and Senate negotiators will begin work after a two-week spring recess on a compromise budget resolution that will set the broad outlines for the separate tax and appropriations bills that will follow. Bush in his weekend radio address urged voters to attend congressional town hall meetings to voice support for his plan.

The congressional budget resolution has been based on a 207-page broad budget outline Bush unveiled on Feb. 28. Today, the administration was to send Congress a four-inch thick stack of budget documents providing precise details on the administration's spending proposals for all government programs.

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Dr Giles lists five main symptoms that can mean it would be a good idea to have a professional examine you for TMD.

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Recurring headaches or neck aches. If one or more of your jaw muscles becomes stretched due to stress or jaw misalignment, they may cause pain. Because of the varied points at which they connect around the face, neck and head, these muscles can hurt at places far from the jaw.

Uneven wearing of teeth. Your teeth should wear evenly. If they are not wearing evenly, the cause could be a misaligned jaw joint. Crowded or misaligned teeth can also lead to painful stress on the jaw or its muscles.

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Dr. Grant E. Giles, DDS, FAES, FAGD, FICCMO, DAAPM is director of Cranio-Mandibular Affiliates of Midland. He has lectured internationally on TMD diagnoses and treatments. His office is located in the Westwood Medical Building at 4214 Andrews Highway, Suite 201. For an appointment, call 522-1450 or 1-888-263-2631 toll free.

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Minorities seek greater political power following Census

By Robert Tanner
Associated Press

PATERSON, N.J. — When Pepe Mercado's father opened a luncheonette 31 years ago, he offered a taste of home for fellow Puerto Ricans who were streaming into a city of Italian, Irish and blacks.

Now, for the first time, Hispanics from many countries outnumber all other groups in this one-time industrial center: new Census numbers show Hispanics make up 50.1 percent of the city's 149,922 residents.

Mercado's son, looking past plates of spicy chopped liver and stewed pig ears, thinks government ought to catch up and reflect the faces at the diner's counter. "It's our time," he says.

The same cry is being heard throughout the nation as political maps everywhere must be redrawn in the once-in-a-decade process of redistricting.

Explosive population growth has given Hispanics, Asians and other ethnic groups a shot at a political voice — a new Asian congressman for California, perhaps, or the first Hispanic state senator in New Jersey.

At the local government level, there's a chance for Indians, Palestinians, Vietnamese and other groups to elect representatives. But for several reasons — party politics, court decisions and conflicts between minorities among them — it won't be easy.

AP Photo

Pepe Mercado, right, leans on the counter while his daughter Lizbeth Basquez prepares a plate of rice and beans at the Rincon Criollo luncheonette, Monday, April 2, that his father started in Paterson, N.J., 31 years ago. With new Census figures showing that Hispanics are now a majority in Paterson at 50.1 percent, Mercado says government ought to reflect the Latino faces he sees at his luncheonette.

Redistricting follows the release of Census numbers. Maps must be redrawn so political districts are equal in size at each level of government.

New Jersey and Virginia, which have state legislative elections this autumn, are redistricting first. The other states, with elections in 2002, won't need to finish redistricting for months.

Party politics always plays a major role in redistricting, and in Virginia the Republicans are in control. The GOP-controlled legislature decides on the maps and the governor, Republican Jim Gilmore, must agree.

Hispanics do not figure to gain much, if anything, there. Gilmore has reached out to Hispanics in northern Virginia, though their numbers are still too small to ensure a Hispanic representative. Blacks are struggling to maintain the gains they've achieved in the past.

New Jersey, like a handful of other states, has tried to reduce political infighting by putting redistricting in the hands of a 10-member commission — half appointed by Democrats, half by Republicans.

It hasn't helped. The commission deadlocked, and with a decision due today, a judge has appointed a political science professor as a tiebreaker.

Hispanics in New Jersey want representation equal their 13 percent statewide population. That would mean 10 Hispanics in the state Assembly (there are now five), and five senators (none currently).

With the commission working behind closed doors, it's hard to say whether their goal will be achieved. But it won't be for lack of trying. Late last month, Hispanic lawmakers presented a proposed map of their own for commissioners to consider.

"Power is never voluntarily given up, you're never invited to get a seat at the table," said New Jersey Assemblyman Wilfredo Caraballo, a Democrat. "You have to almost take the seat yourself."

Minorities arguments can be lost in the bigger battle that shadows all redistricting efforts: Politics. Each party hopes to gain the advantage for the coming decade.

Democrats have promised to spend $13 million on redistricting this time around; Republicans are more circumspect. Analysts say the stakes could be a 10-seat swing in the U.S. House.

"This is up close and personal," said Tom Hofeller, a redistricting expert for the Republican National Committee. "It's a very, very political activity."

And the rules for redistricting are changing along with the nation's cultural mix.

The 1965 Voting Rights Act and subsequent court decisions gave tools to minority groups seeking equal representation, bringing sweeping changes, particularly for blacks in the South. But recent decisions from the U.S. Supreme Court seem to have diminished the importance of race in redistricting.

Now, race and ethnicity are considered as just one factor. The geography of a community, its interests, its history all must be weighed, redistricting experts say.

The new approach, however, has yet to be tested, says Laughlin McDonald, a voting rights expert with the American Civil Liberties Union in Atlanta. "Nobody knows what the rules are, they're very conflicting."

Those conflicts may well end up in court, McDonald and others said.

And there are more potential conflicts on the ground, as minority groups wind up elbow-to-elbow. Many predict battles, especially in urban areas where, in the past few decades, blacks have struggled for representation.

"You're going to see Hispanic politicians make the same demands of black politicians as blacks made of whites," said Paula McClain, a Duke University political science professor. '"We want city council seats, police officers, school boards.'"

In places like Virginia, where Asians and Hispanics are concentrated in the suburbs of Washington, the communities are still too new to become politically involved.

"You're trying to survive," said Karen Narasaki, executive director of the National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium in Washington. "It takes a while to establish yourself and get fully involved."

Asian advocates, for now, are focused on New York and California. Hispanics are pursuing a broader approach, paralleling their larger numbers nationwide.

For all the potential conflicts, Lizabeth Vasquez, helping her dad at the Paterson diner, is hoping the final outcome is that more of her people end up in office.

"They grew up in your community," she said as her 3-year-old daughter clung to her hip. "They have more of an understanding."

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Massachusetts getting its first 'Gov. Mom' this week

BOSTON (AP) — An expectant mother will become Massachusetts' first woman governor this week and the state's second lieutenant governor in a row to take the helm in midterm.

Jane Swift, 35, who is expecting twins in June, will take over Tuesday after Gov. Paul Cellucci resigns to become U.S. ambassador to Canada. Cellucci, then a lieutenant governor himself, took charge in 1997 when Gov. William Weld resigned to pursue an unsuccessful nomination as ambassador to Mexico.

Even her allies concede Swift faces considerable challenges beyond juggling her job, childbirth and parenting three small children.

As a Republican in a Democratic state, she must fend off potential candidates from both parties for the gubernatorial election 20 months away. And she must try to win back voters disillusioned with her because of widely publicized scandals.

"I'm not sure the public is ready for Jane Swift because of the way she's used public money," said Grant Ritter, 17, a Hadley high school student visiting the Statehouse on Friday for Student Government Day. "Where I'm from, there's a lot of dislike for her."

An October poll showed only 20 percent of the 400 likely voters surveyed held a favorable view of her, while 46 percent viewed her unfavorably.

Swift, an obscure former state senator and unsuccessful Congressional candidate, won wide attention in 1998 when she announced she was pregnant while campaigning for lieutenant governor as Cellucci's running mate.

Once in office, she became embroiled in controversy for using her staff to baby-sit her daughter for free and for having a state helicopter take her across Massachusetts to her home in North Adams for Thanksgiving.

The ethics commission later ruled she had created an appearance of impropriety with the baby-sitting incident and fined her $1,250. She was criticized for what some saw as her arrogant response when she initially refused to apologize, saying she didn't do anything wrong. She later did apologize.

Backers say she has assets that could help her win back voters. Cellucci calls her "bright, articulate and passionate." She'll also have the powers and perks of incumbency and a reservoir of goodwill from women who want to see another woman succeed, political analysts say.

All 49 women state lawmakers, mostly Democratic, signed a letter last month expressing enthusiasm at the prospect of having a woman in the governor's office and wishing her well.

"She'll do far better than her critics have suggested," said state Sen. Mark Montigny, a Democrat. "She's up to it."

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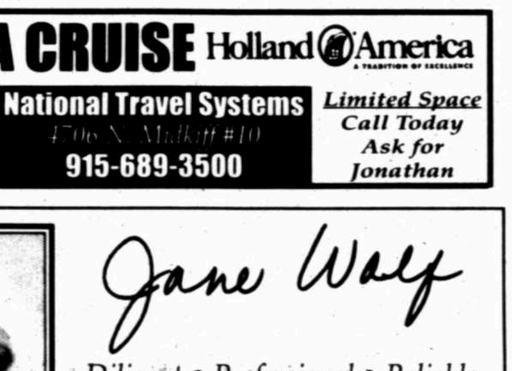
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MISD ought to think twice about consultant deal

We hope the Midland Independent School District Board of Trustees will think long and hard about the idea of hiring retiring Superintendent Joseph Baressi Jr. as a consultant for three months beyond his retirement.

We think the school board has landed a winner in MISD superintendent-designate Robert Nicks. He will be assuming the reins after Baressi officially steps down this summer. We have been impressed, as have others in the community, at the advance work Nicks did in familiarizing himself with Midland before he was selected by the board as the top candidate to fill the superintendent vacancy.

Our experience tells us that rarely does a smart, competent CEO have to rely on his predecessor for continued advice. Most incoming CEOs have a good idea of what they're getting into and what they hope to accomplish. Nicks strikes us as a fellow with that type of keen insight.

The current MISD School Board is starting to regain trust and respect in the community, even after the thrashing the district took this past October in the doomed $72.2 million high school renovation referendum.

That's why we hate to see the school board spend $36,000-plus to hire Baressi as a "consultant" after his retirement date. That fee would be an extension of his $145,000 salary.

That fee could be misconstrued by the public, and we know expenses like this tend to stick in the craw of many Midlanders. Some cynics might view this as a $36,000 bon voyage gift for Baressi.

How many voters who cast ballots against the school bond were lashing out against the $10,000 raise the board gave Baressi the previous year or the $94,212 payout to Midland High School Neil Richmond when he took early retirement in the wake of a scandal?

Midlanders have openly expressed their concern about the common-sense business practices they believe ought to be demonstrated by the MISD School Board and administration.

But as we have said previously, the current school board is working hard to try to dispel the notion that they are out of touch with the hard-working men and women who pay the taxes to support the school district.

Soon, the school board will consider the consultant contract with Baressi. Before school board members sign on the dotted line, we hope they will ask a few questions. Does our incoming superintendent think this is a necessity? Does he plan to put Baressi to good use as a consultant? What do the long-time veteran administrators at the MISD Administration Office think? Could they stretch their time and talent to help our new superintendent accelerate his learning curve? Could we offer a per diem rate to Baressi, in effect spending money only if we have to actually call him back into service?

In relation to the size of the MISD budget, the $36,000 to be paid to Baressi is really chump change.

But can the school board afford the public relations expense?

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Monday, April 9, the 99th day of 2001. There are 266 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On April 9, 1865, Confederate General Robert E. Lee surrendered his army to Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House in Virginia.

On this date:

In 1682, French explorer Robert La Salle reached the Mississippi River.

In 1940, Germany invaded Denmark and Norway.

In 1942, American and Philippine defenders on Bataan capitulated to Japanese forces; the surrender was followed by the notorious "Bataan Death March," which claimed nearly 10,000 lives.

In 1947, a series of tornadoes in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas killed 169 people.

In 1963, British statesman Winston Churchill was made an honorary U.S. citizen.

In 1965, the newly built Houston Astrodome featured its first baseball game, an exhibition between the Astros and the New York Yankees. The Astros won, 2-1.

In 1992, former Panamanian ruler Manuel Noriega was convicted in Miami of eight drug and racketeering charges.

Five years ago: In a dramatic shift of purse-string power, President Clinton signed a line-item veto bill into law. Dan Rostenkowski, the once-powerful House Ways and Means chairman, pleaded guilty to two mail fraud charges in a deal that brought with it a 17-month prison term.

One year ago: President Eduard Shevardnadze won a second term as leader of Georgia; Peruvian President Alberto Fujimori fell just shy of the majority needed to avoid a runoff for an unprecedented third term. Vijay Singh won the Masters, closing with a 3-under 69 for a three-stroke victory over Ernie Els.

JACK ANDERSON & DOUGLAS COHN

Clinton's leftover land mine claims Whitman

WASHINGTON — In his last days in office, President Bill Clinton laid some land mines for his successor, George W. Bush, but land mines are effective only if someone steps on them. President Bush obligingly took the fatal step, but it is his Environmental Protection Agency Administrator, Christine Todd Whitman, who was blown up.

Anderson

Friends and foes alike wondered why Whitman, a political pro and former governor of New Jersey, didn't resign after President Bush publicly humiliated her by reversing his campaign pledge to reduce carbon-dioxide emissions associated with global warming. Instead, Whitman — along with her husband and dog — accepted Bush's invitation to spend the weekend at Camp David. She evidently patched up her relationship with the president: Soon after, Whitman stood before the media to announce that the administration was recalling a Clinton-era rule to cut the arsenic allowed in drinking water by 80 percent.

"She's an athlete," says a friend. "I don't think she ever feels she gets knocked down and doesn't get up." Whitman earned a respectable — though controversial — record as governor of New Jersey on environmental issues, and must realize that she risks her credibility by defending policies she may not fully support. Testifying on Capitol Hill, she had a hard time keeping a straight face when she confirmed that New Jersey law lowers arsenic levels to 10 parts per billion — the identical standard that, as Bush's EPA administrator, she is now rebuffing.

Whitman is a talented public servant with the bearing and background to contend for the presidency someday. To walk away from a Cabinet-level position in the first months of a new administration might make her a martyr in the environmental community, but it would do little to advance her political future. She would be a woman without a party if she cut herself loose. Whitman surely believes she has just begun to compete and that there are victories waiting to be had if she stays the course.

Republicans grumble that Clinton set up Bush by issuing a flurry of last-minute rules that he knew would trip up his successor. The administration's rollbacks began with the repeal of federal ergonomics rules, which had been 10 years in the making and launched by Elizabeth Dole when she was Secretary of Labor under former President Bush. The Clinton ban on road building in national forests, which Bush is contesting, was debated in some 600 public hearings over several years. If Clinton delayed his executive orders until the last minute, it was at least partly in response to opposition from Congress.

The rule on arsenic is a prime example of this. When the Safe Drinking Water Act was renewed in 1996, proper arsenic levels were hotly debated. The GOP claimed the proposed lowering of the level was based on poor science, so additional studies were ordered by Congress. It was based on conclusions drawn by the National Academy of Science that Clinton finally acted, having given up on bringing along the Congress.

For much of Clinton's presidency, he was a disappointment to environmentalists. Not until his consuming search for a legacy during his last months in office did he begin to understand the power of the environment as an issue. He angered many on the West Coast, but gained votes among urban dwellers by setting aside lands as national monuments to protect them from development. By the time he left office, he had become an expert, for example, on climate change. When he met with foreign leaders, global warming was always on the agenda.

Clinton got bolder as his time in office ran out, but the mines he laid so far have claimed only one casualty: Christine Todd Whitman.

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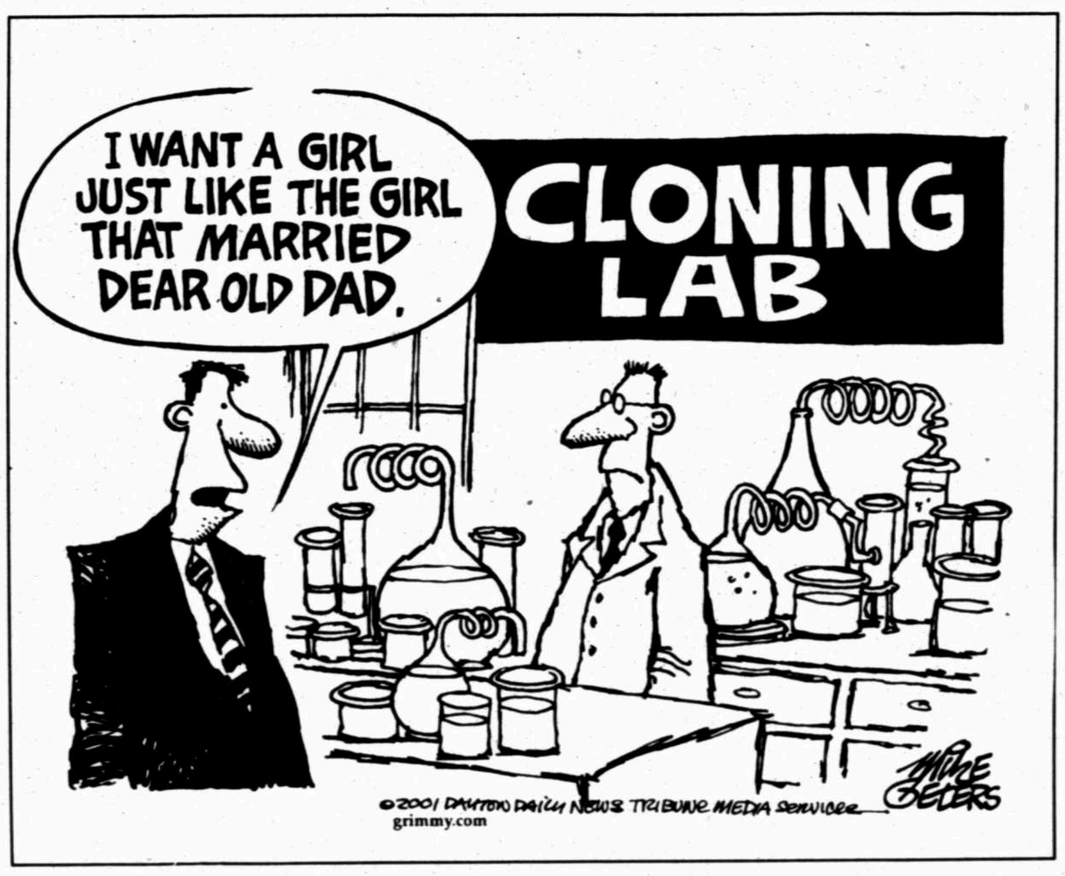

LETTERS

Attend City Council meetings and see what really happens

For the past several years I have videotaped all public meetings held by either the City Council or County commissioners. I have witnessed many disturbing things the non-attending public is not aware of.

Particularly in the case of City Council meetings, I have been appalled by the way some of the present members, and certainly some of those in the past, have ignored or ridiculed comments or suggestions from the concerned individuals who attend. Lee Wood made unfounded, insulting and character impugning comments to a Reporter-Telegram reporter concerning Ms. Hillman's valid question concerning the questionable appropriation of certain public funds. Ms. Hillman deserved a public apology. No apologies were offered either by Wood or by other members of the council. This was not an isolated incident.

Former councilman, Jose Cuevas, seemed to enjoy making belittling comments of suggestions offered by concerned citizens, particularly if they were female senior citizens. Whenever these belittling comments were made no rebuttal was offered either by Mayor Burns or Dale Brown when he was serving as mayor pro-tem. Brown also ridiculed comments made by these same female senior citizens. The City Council would never get away with this behavior if more retired citizens in this community would regularly attend the council meetings.

Some of the illegal votes made by council members are caused by the city attorney telling the members they can vote on topics involving their own financial interests or items not on the agenda even though state law specifically forbids practices of this sort. I have witnessed this numerous times. This would never happen at county meetings because Russell Malm, the county attorney, never allows the commissioners to even discuss something that isn't on the agenda or let them vote on topics involving their own personal financial interests. He has stated, "you can't even leave the impression you are not following the law." Let's have more of this in city government.

Midge Erskine

Canon deserves our support as he bids for mayor of Midland

The City of Midland is at a critical crossroads. It would seem that in the next few years, our leaders will be making decisions which will affect our city and the quality of life for years to come. Mike Canon grew up in Midland and has chosen to raise his family in Midland. Canon recognizes Midland is a unique place to live and a city that is conducive to the raising of a family.

Canon is an individual who takes pride in Midland and who offers a unique and solid set of morals, values, outlook and ability to deal with others, including our citizens and those who would wish to locate or relocate businesses here. Canon is a "class" individual for a "class" city and should receive our support for mayor.

Alan G. Moravcik

Jurors should closely examine affects of children's placement

I am a junior at Robert E. Lee High School and recently in my honors government class the topic of child custody came up. Child custody rulings have traditionally given little weight to the wishes of the child. Though the courts are designed to base their decisions on the best interests of the children, many times the rights held by adults overpower the interests of the children. Numerous cases that deal with child custody battles include instances where adoptive or divorced parents are present or where children are mistakenly switched at birth.

Though biological parents are the natural parents of their children, if the children never knew their biological parents why should they have to subject themselves to people they do not know. Many people believe a parent is someone who has been there and loved their children from the moment they first laid eyes on them. The courts must learn to realize there is more to a family than just biological parents, there are the children who should be the most important.

Monica Diaz

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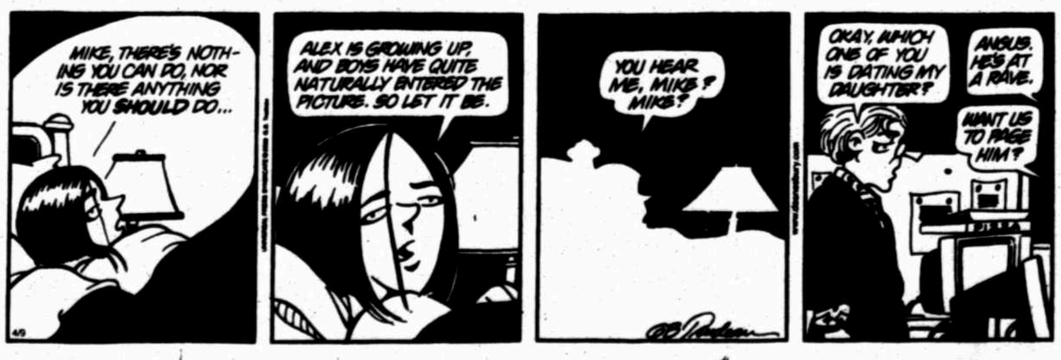
BY GARRY TRUDEAU



HELEN THOMAS

Bush's team: Disciplined, conservative

WASHINGTON — In his short time in the White House, President Bush has created a highly disciplined administration to push his conservative agenda.

The new president has surrounded himself with a team whose members share his ideology and follow their marching orders.

Like his role model, President Ronald Reagan, Bush knows how to delegate — and he's got Andrew Card, the White House chief of staff, to act as traffic cop and drill sergeant.

Card, in an interview with Hearst Newspapers, noted it's his job to sift through the many different matters that come across his desk and to decide what can be handled by other officials and what should land in the president's lap.

Thomas

Card added: "I think we've done a good job in allowing the president to make the important decisions."

As for Bush's work habits, Card said the president follows a schedule that allows him to "eat, sleep and be merry and (have) time to make decisions."

He explained the president is an early-to-bed-early-to-rise man, getting to his office around 7 a.m.

"He works hard, plays hard and sleeps hard," Card said.

Bush's punctuality is well known, compared to what White House reporters used to call "Clinton standard time," meaning he was always late.

By contrast, Bush is very disciplined and expects others to be punctual, efficient and responsible.

Card said Bush inherited his mother's genes and has the same sense of humor with "a bite" to it.

The administration has been bombarded with applications from GOP job seekers looking for work in the federal departments and agencies. Ironically, these are the same people who scorned government when they were in private enterprise. Their perception undergoes a miraculous change when a Republican administration takes power.

Meantime, conservative leaders are ecstatic about the large number of their philosophical colleagues getting jobs in the new administration. Among the celebrants is Paul Weyrich of the Free Congress Research and Educational Foundation, who was quoted as saying: "This administration is shaping up to be the best."

Michael Horowitz, a staffer in the Reagan White House and now with the Hudson Institute, agreed.

There have been no turf wars so far, according to Card. He remembers when he began the first of his three stints at the White House in the Reagan era. He walked into the Cabinet room for a meeting and a secretary, placing name cards around the table, asked him: "Baker or Meese?" The meaning was: Are you on chief of staff Jim Baker's side or counselor Edwin Meese's team?

Speaking of turf, Card dismissed as "not a fact" the widespread perception in Washington that Vice President Cheney is calling the shots as the chief White House guru. Not so, said Card. Cheney is only overseeing energy policy, economic policy, the budget and legislative strategy.

In the interview that took place in his spacious West Wing office, prime real estate a few steps from the Oval Office, Card said "it's great to be back in the White House" and in his words:

"I was blessed to be there when he (Bush) walked into the Oval Office for the first time as president of the United States. I could see him rise to the role of national leader. He stood tall. He wasn't intimidated. He knew he was the president.

"When his dad came in, it was extremely emotional. The former president said: 'Hello, Mr. President.' Tears were in both their eyes."

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MIDLAND REPORT

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By Monte Haye
Associated Press

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Toledo wins Peru presidential first round but faces runoff

By Monte Hayes
Associated Press

LIMA, Peru — Alejandro Toledo, a U.S.-trained economist with Indian roots, finished first in Peru's presidential election Sunday but fell short of a majority and will face a runoff, according to exit polls.

He will likely face former President Alan Garcia, a left-leaning populist, the polls showed. Eight candidates were vying to become the successor to disgraced former President Alberto Fujimori.

Toledo, 55, finished second to Fujimori in elections last year but ended up boycotting a fraudulent runoff vote against the autocratic leader, who fled Peru in November amid mounting corruption scandals.

Toledo received 40.1 percent of the votes, falling short of the majority needed to avoid a runoff, according to Apoyo, Peru's most prestigious polling firm. Two other polling firms gave similar results.

Alfredo Torres, director of Apoyo, said 30,000 voters were interviewed and the margin of error was 5 percentage points.

Toledo faced his strongest challenge from Garcia, a discredited ex-president returned from exile, and Lourdes Flores, a conservative former lawmaker.

The Apoyo poll gave Garcia 24.3 percent and Flores 22.8 percent, but Apoyo said the race for the second spot in the runoff was too close to call until official results were in.

Garcia, 51, a tall, silver-tongued populist, led Peru's government from 1985 to 1990. His administration left the country mired in hyperinflation and surging guerrilla violence.

Forced into exile two years after Fujimori was elected in 1990, Garcia returned in January when corruption charges against him expired. His phoenix-like resurrection is a tribute to his oratorical skills and, according to his foes, to the short memories of his countrymen.

"I don't say I haven't made mistakes. Certainly I have, but I accept them and have corrected them," Garcia said after the exit polls were released, explaining why Peruvians should not fear his return to power.

Painting himself as elder statesman who has matured and put behind his youthful leftist ideas, Garcia said earlier that regardless of who wins the runoff he was "convinced that things are going to improve because we are leaving behind a dictatorship."

Flores, 41, is a member of Lima's white elite with a reputation for honesty. She had been in second place in opinion polls going into Sunday's election, but her campaign had begun to fade in recent days after her father made a racial slur against Toledo.

AP Photo
Presidential candidate Lourdes Flores casts her ballot during the presidential election in Lima, Peru Sunday. Peruvians went to the polls to elect a new president and a 120-member Congress.

The election was Peru's first since the ouster of Fujimori, Peru's iron-fisted ruler for more than a decade.

A year ago, Fujimori trampled constitutional restrictions and won a third five-year term in elections marred by fraud and dirty tricks. But he fled in November amid corruption scandals involving Vladimiro Montesinos, his intelligence chief, and he now lives in self-imposed exile in Japan, his ancestral homeland.

In a televised speech to the nation Saturday night, interim President Valentin Paniagua assured Peruvians that this year's special elections would be clean and fair.

Toledo, who has a doctorate from Stanford University and has been a visiting scholar at Harvard, is a "cholo," the Peruvian term for a person of mixed Indian and white blood. He has capitalized on his rise from shoeshine boy to an economist with the World Bank and on the resentment toward the European-descended elite that has long dominated politics in Peru.

Of Peru's 26 million inhabitants, 45 percent are Indians and another 37 percent are of mixed Indian and white. No Indian or mestizo has been freely elected in Peru's history although several have come to power through military coups.

"My candidate is Toledo because he is a cholo like me," said Juan Hurtado Rivera, 59, who lost a high-paying job in a state petroleum company when it was privatized under Fujimori's free-market economic program.

"He did a lot to force out Fujimori, who did so much damage to the country," said Rivera, who now works as a tailor out of his small home. "He deserves to be rewarded with the presidency. He is offering more work and we have to support him."

Nearly 15 million Peruvians were registered to vote for president as well as a new 120-member Congress.

Analysts said that the widespread corruption found in Fujimori's government had contributed to voter malaise.

Secretly recorded videotapes unearthed since Fujimori's ouster document Montesinos, now a fugitive, buying political favors with bribes to election officials, lawmakers, judges, generals, business leaders and media heads. Dozens of distinguished Peruvians have been tainted by the scandal.

Mudslinging and racial slurs dirtied the election campaign, with candidates accusing one another of resorting to the sleazy tactics that Fujimori's regime used against his opponents.

Toledo faced allegations he fathered a child out of wedlock and tested positive for cocaine use after a hotel rendezvous with three women. Flores charged that her foes were preparing a smear campaign involving accusations she is a lesbian.

In the closing days of the campaign, Toledo's wife, Eliane Karp, a Belgian anthropologist who speaks the Indian language Quechua, lashed out at "the little whites" in Lima. "A cholo government will come whether they want it to or not," she said.

A few days later, Flores' father referred to Toledo as "that llama from Harvard." Used in that sense, llama is an old racial slur against Indians that translates roughly as "jackass."

Brezhnev's grandson, coup plotter among candidates

MOSCOW (AP) — Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev's grandson and an official who tried to overthrow Mikhail Gorbachev in 1991 were among the choices in an election Sunday for governor of the southwestern region of Tula.

Andrei Brezhnev, head of a minor communist group, challenged incumbent Vasily Starodubtsev in the vote. Starodubtsev was a member of the group that staged an unsuccessful attempt to depose reformist Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev in August, 1991, and restore hard-line rule.

The collapse of the coup led to the end of Communist Party rule and the breakup of the Soviet Union. Starodubtsev remains a communist nostalgic for the old ways.

Other candidates included local official Andrei Samoshin and businessman Viktor Sokolovsky. Tulas is located about 125 miles south of Moscow.

Results were not expected until today. Elections also were held in the Amur region on the border with China, and in the Evenkia region in eastern Siberia.

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Leaders of Iran's main opposition group arrested

By Afshin Valinejad
Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Forty members of Iran's main opposition group have been arrested, media reports said Sunday, the latest crackdown by Islamic hard-liners who appear to be trying to clear the field ahead of the June presidential election.

The action against the outlawed Freedom Movement's top leadership was immediately condemned by the largest party backing reformist President Mohammad Khatami. The Islamic Iran Participation Front called on Iranians "to turn out in large numbers in the presidential election to exercise their rights and say 'no' to actions incompatible with freedom, justice and the rule of law."

The upcoming election could determine the course of a popular reform movement that began after Khatami's election in 1997. Khatami has not said if he will run for another four-year term. Most Iranians favor the political and social freedoms he has championed. But hard-liners, who control the judiciary and security forces, have either barred nearly all his closest associates from politics or arrested them.

Ali Mobasheri, head of the Tehran Revolutionary Court, said 42 people were arrested and that some were linked to the Mujahedeen Khalq, an Iraq-based opposition group. He did not say how many were from the Freedom Movement.

In comments reported on Tehran radio, Mobasheri denied that the arrests were linked to the presidential elections, saying the court was simply carrying out its duty "to confront those who are trying to overthrow the establishment."

But the reform-minded Khatami expressed his regret over the recent wave of arrests.

"Such measures are not in the interest of the political system and people," he said in a speech reported by the state-run Islamic Republic News Agency. "No threat is more serious to our popular system than a situation in which the rulers of the country cannot justify their conduct to the people."

Khatami said those who break laws should be dealt with "but if anybody ... (is) oppressed, it is regrettable."

The Iranian Students News Agency reported that 40 Freedom Movement members were arrested late Saturday, and newspapers reported that the group's offices had been closed nationwide. The Islamic Republic News Agency quoted a Revolutionary Court statement as saying that the detainees were charged with seeking to "overthrow the Islamic establishment."

The Freedom Movement, once tolerated by Iran's ruling Islamic establishment, is reviled by hard-liners, who do not call it by name.

Relatives of 10 members, contacted by telephone Sunday, confirmed six arrests in Tehran, two in Isfahan in central Iran, and two in the city of Zanjan in the northwest.

The daughter of one arrested member said her family was worried about the health of her aged, ailing father.

"My father is 84 and has some heart problems," said Nilufar Sadr Hajseidjavadi. "They searched our house from afternoon till almost midnight, then took my father. We begged them to let him sleep at home and then take him the next morning, but they refused," she told The Associated Press by telephone.

Zahra Tavassoli, the daughter of another Freedom Movement member, said agents searched their home and then took her father along with his papers, books, and computer discs.

The daily Aftab-e-Yazd said Sunday that liberal dissident Fazlollah Salavati, editor of the banned Navid-e-Isfahan paper, has also been arrested in Isfahan. He was close to the Freedom Movement but was not a member.

Last month, the Revolutionary Court banned the Freedom Movement on charges it was seeking to overthrow the Islamic establishment. Twenty-one of its members were arrested on orders of the hard-line judiciary; several later were freed. Four pro-democracy newspapers also were banned, raising the number of publications closed in a year to about 36.

The liberal dissidents who support Khatami's reform program have denied the charges against the Freedom Movement, saying the suppressive measures were aimed at further undermining reforms ahead of the election.

Among those arrested Saturday were Mohammad Tavassoli, Hashem Sabbaqian, Ahmad Sadr Hajseidjavadi, Abolfazl Bazargan and Mohammad-Hossein Baniassadi, according to their family members. All five are senior members of the group. Its leader, Ebrahim Yazdi, was in the United States during the first wave of arrests and has not returned to Iran.

Bazargan is the nephew and Baniassadi the son-in-law of the late Mehdi Bazargan, who founded the Freedom Movement in 1961 and was briefly prime minister after the 1979 Islamic revolution.

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Venezuela, Mexico, Colombia plan oil cooperation pact

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — Oil producers Venezuela, Mexico and Colombia will announce an accord to help stabilize oil prices, Mexico's foreign minister said Sunday.

The pact will be included in a declaration to be released later Sunday by Presidents Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, Vicente Fox of Mexico and Andres Pastrana of Mexico, who were meeting in Caracas to revive a 6-year-old trade bloc called the Group of Three.

Foreign Minister Jorge Castaneda told The Associated Press the countries will coordinate energy policies "to continue contributing to the stabilization of the market at fair price levels."

"It's not a new (price) band or a new policy. It's simply the reaffirmation of the same Mexican-Venezuelan commitment, but that now incorporates Colombia," Castaneda said. He declined to provide details.

Venezuela, a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, reduced production April 1 as part of an overall cartel production cut of 1 million barrels a day to strengthen world oil prices. Non-OPEC member Mexico supported the move by reducing its own production.

Venezuelan Oil Minister Alvaro Silva Calderon said Saturday OPEC was hoping to prevent a global recession and seasonal drop in demand from producing a price crash. OPEC meets in June to determine if more cuts are needed.

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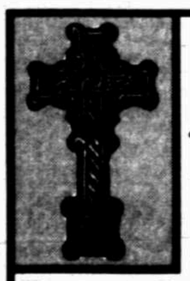
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Jarrett captures Virginia 500 race

By Hank Kurz Jr.
AP Sports Writer

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Dale Jarrett debunked the supertire strategy with five laps to go Sunday, using fresher rubber to pass teammate Ricky Rudd and win the Virginia 500 Winston Cup race.

Jarrett, who never led until sneaking his Ford inside that of Rudd entering the first turn, won for the third time this season and for the first time in 30 career starts at tight, nasty Martinsville Speedway.

On the day after Scott Riggs drove the final 151 laps on the same tires to victory in the Craftsman Truck Series race, the thinking that teams wouldn't need to pay as much attention to tires proved false.

"Tires won the race," Jeff Burton said. "There was a lot said about not needing tires today, but anytime I can get them, I want them."

Rudd, who had led for 50 laps, hung on for second, followed by Burton's Ford, Bobby Hamilton's Chevrolet and Sterling Marlin's Dodge.

Jarrett and most everyone else pitted for four tires and gas with 135 laps to go, but when a caution flew again on lap 413, Jarrett abandoned his sixth-place position and headed back in for four more new tires.

Rudd and most of the leaders stayed out.

"Todd Parrott made a great call to come in and get tires to adjust the car," Jarrett said. "We weren't good enough to win the way we were.

"The car just wasn't sticking very good. It was pushing in the center and I knew it wasn't going to come in and do any better, so we knew that we could come in and make the car better. It had been bet-

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AP Photo
Dale Jarrett celebrates his victory in the NASCAR Virginia 500 race. Jarrett beat out teammate Ricky Rudd in the last few laps to win the race.

Earnhardt's wife seeks help in keeping autopsy photos from the Internet

By Hank Kurz Jr.
AP Sports Writer

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Dale Earnhardt's wife appealed again to keep her husband's autopsy photos private, fearing they will wind up on the Internet for everyone to see.

"I want to let the NASCAR community and the people of Florida know just how much pain this ordeal is causing my family," Teresa Earnhardt said in a statement released at Martinsville Speedway, site of Sunday's race.

Earnhardt was killed Feb. 18 when he crashed during the final lap of the season-opening Daytona 500. Several newspapers and a Web site have sought access to the autopsy photos, saying they wanted a medical expert to review them.

At the time of the crash, autopsy photos were considered public record in Florida, but Florida Gov. Jeb Bush signed a measure late last month making it a felony for a medical examiner to make the photos public.

Earnhardt thanked Florida lawmakers for their "sensible approach" to privacy, but she remains frustrated by what has happened.

"Each day we are faced with new threats that these photos will end up on the Internet," she said. "We just want it to end. No one should be subjected to the kind of harassment and torment to which we are by the media."

NASCAR president Mike Helton said he was disappointed by efforts by news organization to gain access to the photos. He referred questions about Sunday's statement to Teresa Earnhardt and Dale Earnhardt, Inc.

"Throughout this whole ordeal, we've been very supportive of Teresa and her efforts, particularly as they

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Buzzards force 7th game against Jacks

■ Game 7 back at the Jack Shack Tuesday night.

Staff Report

EL PASO — The only really good news for the Odessa Jackalopes after Sunday night was that they at least had the last chance to hold serve.

In a Western Professional Hockey League series in which the home team has won every game, the trend stayed in place in Game 6, as the El Paso Buzzards beat the Jacks, 6-4, to tie the series at 3-3. The win by the Buzzards sends the series back to Odessa's Ector County Coliseum for the decisive seventh game Tuesday at 7 p.m.

As has been the case in the entire series, the Jacks encountered a physical style against the Buzzards which officials were lenient in calling penalties against according to Jacks coach Don McKee.

"The situation was a little bit frustrating," said McKee in a post-game radio interview. "We felt we got mugged an awful lot down in the offensive zone. We expected it."

In the first three minutes of the game, though, the Jacks found plenty of room to move offensively. Derek Laxdal scored the first of his two goals only 65 seconds into the game, followed shortly thereafter by a power play goal by John Bossio which made it 2-0.

But the Jacks couldn't build on this momentum as El Paso roared back into the game.

"We're very upset with our performance," said McKee. "We got up 2-0 then got very, very lazy defensively."

Taking advantage of the lax defensive effort was Kelly Riou, who scored a hat trick for the Buzzards. Riou's first goal tied it at 2-2, and his second tied it 3-3 shortly after Trevor Allman gave the Jacks a short-lived lead.

Riou completed his hat trick with a goal early in the second period which gave El Paso a 4-3 lead. Laxdal then tied the game with a fine individual effort, stealing the puck and racing in for an

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'Hounds bats explode for 12 runs in victory

Staff Report

ROUND ROCK — The Midland RockHounds enjoyed their biggest offensive day of the young season so far to even their series with the Round Rock Express Sunday afternoon.

The 'Hounds pounded out 16 hits to bury the Express 12-4 and tie up the series at two games apiece. Midland jumped in front early and never trailed.

Ryan Ludwick hit a home run in the second inning which helped the 'Hounds jump out to a 3-0 lead, and from there the Express was never able to pull closer than two runs.

The 'Hounds broke the game open with a big sixth inning to go up 7-1. Todd Mensik led off the inning with a homer before Josh Hochgesang hit a two-run triple which capped the inning.

Hochgesang made up for the previous night, when his throwing error at third base allowed Round Rock to score the winning run. Hochgesang went 4-for-5 and drove in five runs. He fell a home run short of hitting for the cycle.

Round Rock scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth to cut the lead to 7-4, but the 'Hounds put the game away with three runs in the top of the next inning.

Brian Luderer had three hits and drove in three runs for the 'Hounds while Ludwick had two hits and drove in a pair of runs. Jacques Landry had two hits and

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THE MASTERS

Can't tame this Tiger

Woods has grand finale at Augusta

By Doug Ferguson
AP Golf Writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Slam or not, Tiger Woods was simply grand.

With a heart-stopper at Augusta National punctuated with a birdie at the end, Tiger Woods claimed the greatest feat in modern golf Sunday by winning the Masters, giving him a clean sweep of the four professional majors in a span of 294 days.

When that 18-foot birdie putt disappeared into the hole, Woods raised both arms in triumph as the massive gallery roared its approval. He doffed his cap to cover his tears as he left the green and walked into the arms of his father, Earl, who trained him to be a champion, and his mother, Kultida.

"I've never had that feeling before," Woods said. "I finally realized I had no more to play. I'm done."

Woods closed with a 68, steady down the haunting back nine of Augusta National as David Duval and Phil Mickelson failed to harness the magic that has carried Woods to five of the last six majors.

The only thing left to debate is what to call this remarkable feat. Purists argue that a Grand Slam is accomplished in a calendar year. Woods, emotionally drained after a relentless battle from start to finish, stayed out of the argument.

"I won four," he said with a coy smile.

Locked in a thrilling battle with his two chief rivals, Woods hit a daring approach from 149 yards into the perilous 11th hole. The ball grazed the cup for a tap-in birdie, giving Woods a lead that he never let go.

Duval, believing this might be his year after three close calls, made it through Amen Corner without a mistake but took bogey on the par-3 16th, firing his tee shot over the green and missing an 8-foot putt for par.

He had two chances to catch Woods, but looked on in shock as birdie putts from 12 feet on the 17th and 5 feet on the final hole failed to fall.

Mickelson, poised to claim his first major, also missed an 8-foot par putt on the 16th hole. He also failed to cash in on birdie putts on the final two holes.

Woods never faltered.

His lead remained at one stroke when he missed a 3-foot birdie putt on the 15th, but he traded spectacular golf for solid play with history on the line and delivered, as he has done from the time he turned pro five short years ago.

"I've succeeded in what I wanted to accomplish," Woods said as he sat in Butler's cabin waiting for last year's winner, Vijay Singh, to help him put on another green jacket. "I don't feel ecstatic yet. It hasn't sunk in."

He later took a congratulatory call from President Bush.

The Grand Slam traditionally has meant winning four majors in a calendar year.

Woods can simply take out his trophies from the Masters, U.S. Open, British Open and PGA Championship — and claim a place in history that no professional has occupied.

Not Jack Nicklaus, his idol, who missed his chance to hold the titles of all four majors in 1972. Not Arnold Palmer, who dreamed up the idea of a Grand Slam in 1960 but only got halfway there.

The only Grand Slam in golf not up for debate is the one that belongs to Bobby

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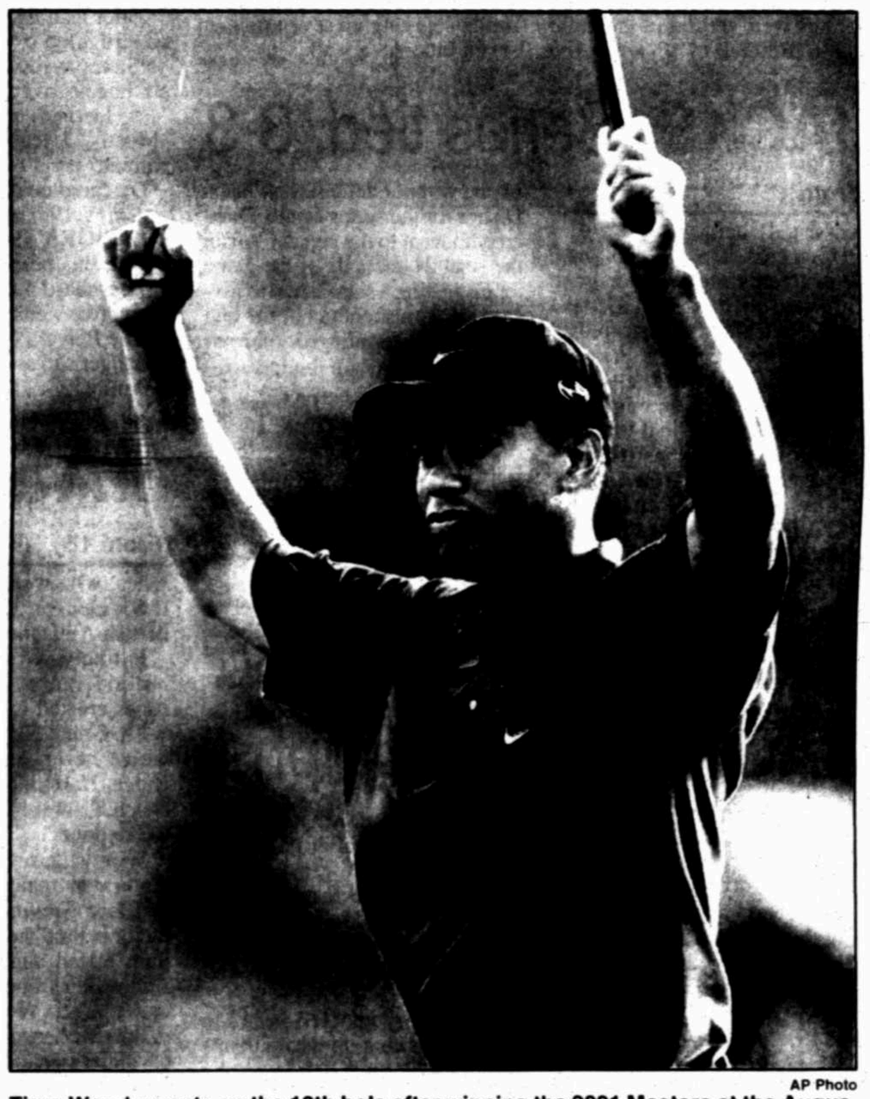

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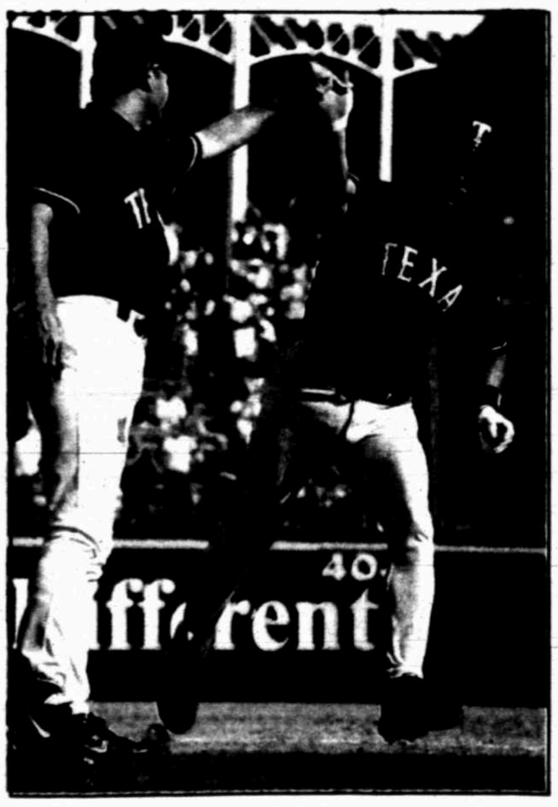
Tiger Woods reacts on the 18th hole after winning the 2001 Masters at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga., on Sunday. Woods captured his second Masters' title, defeating David Duval by two stokes.



Velarde hits game-winning homer vs. Seattle

By Stephen Hawkins
AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON — The Texas Rangers had already traded for Randy Velarde by the time the team made big news last winter with the free-agent signings of Alex Rodriguez, Ken Caminiti and Andres Galarraga.

Texas's trade with Oakland for Velarde may have been overshadowed by those big-name signings, but the 38-year-old second baseman shouldn't be overlooked.

Velarde, who got a break from the starting lineup Sunday, hit a game-winning homer in the eighth inning as the Rangers beat the Seattle Mariners 5-4 to avoid a three-game sweep.

That came an inning after he entered the game as a defensive replacement.

"I'm really familiar with this role, but it's not a role I care for. It's a tough role," said Velarde, who spent the first nine years of his career with the New York Yankees (1987-95) primarily coming off the bench.

Texas Rangers' Randy Velarde, right, receives congratulations from third base coach Jerry Narron after his two-run home run against the Seattle Mariners on Sunday. The Rangers won 5-4.

AP Photo

Velarde still made coming off the bench look easy.

Not only did Velarde's second homer win the game, it extended his hitting streak to seven games. He is the only Texas player to have a hit in every game this season, and he leads the AL with five doubles.

Velarde also had an outstanding defensive play to start the ninth. He charged a slow roller by Ichiro Suzuki, then scooped and threw in one motion to throw out Seattle's speedy leadoff hitter.

"Randy is doing everything we would have hoped he would do, and the outstanding defense is the first thing," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "He has a lot of extra-base hits and is hitting with power, but the defense is the thing I'm excited about."

Velarde was the first batter faced by reliever Jose Paniagua (0-1), who was pitching for the third straight day.

"He's a power pitcher, but today I think he came in with a tired arm," Velarde said. "He wasn't popping the ball the way he is capable of, and he's vulnerable like that. He left a fastball over the plate."

Mark McLemore had tied the game at 4 in the top of the eighth with a two-out, two-run homer off Mike Venafro, the first pinch-hit homer by the Mariners since Matt Mieske hit one April 7, 1999.

"It was nice. It would have been nice if it would have won the game," said McLemore, who played in Texas from 1995-99. "But we won the series. That's what matters."

Bret Boone beat out an infield single — on a slow high-hopper that shortstop Rodriguez fielded and followed with a strong throw — to start the inning before McLemore's homer.

Venafro (1-0), the third Texas pitcher, was the winner though he got just two outs. Tim Crabtree got the final two outs for his second save.

Rodriguez, Seattle's former All-Star shortstop who signed a record $252 million, 10-year contract with Texas during the offseason, was 0-for-2 but reached base three times (two walks, hit by pitch). He was 4-for-11 in the series, and is 8-for-27 (.296) on the season.

The Rangers had gone ahead 4-2 when Galarraga greeted reliever Norm Charlton with a leadoff homer in the seventh.

Rusty Greer's second double tied the game at 2 in the sixth by scoring Bo Porter, who beat out an infield single to start the inning. Frank Catalanotto followed with an RBI double to put the Rangers ahead.

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Lady Chaps split again with Howard

Staff Report

BIG SPRING — For the second straight day, the Midland College softball team split with Western Junior Conference Athletic Conference leader Howard College on the road.

The Lady Chaps won the first game 6-2, and came within three outs of pulling off a sweep and a share of the WJCAC lead, but fell on a seventh inning home run for a 6-5 loss.

In the first game, Katia Eronina was the winning pitcher, striking out nine. She was helped at the plate by Tiala Tagaloa, who went 2-for-3 with a two-run homer in the top of the fifth. Jennifer Bryant was 2-for-3 with a solo homer for MC.

In the second game, the Lady Chaps led 5-2 until the sixth inning when Howard mounted a rally. Eronina came back to try to save the game in the bottom of the seventh, but Diana Faulkner hit a two-run homer which gave the Lady Hawks the win.

Stacy broman was 2-for-3 with a triple and drove in two runs for Midland College. Michelle Hoffman was 2-for-4 with a triple and also drove in a pair of runs while Savanna Adams was 2-for-3.

The Lady Chaps are now 35-12 overall and 15-5 in conference, just behind Howard at 16-4. Midland College will return home Friday for a WJCAC doubleheader with El Paso Community College.

Ramirez hammers Pirates past Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Aramis Ramirez homered three times in his first three at-bats, leading the Pittsburgh Pirates over the Houston Astros 9-3 Sunday.

Ramirez drove in a career-high six runs. He tied the team record for home runs in a game, becoming the first Pittsburgh player to do it since Darnell Coles against the Chicago Cubs on Sept. 20, 1987.

Ramirez, who had three home runs after five innings, only got to the plate one more time in his bid to tie the major league mark for homers in a game.

He drew a four-pitch walk from Wayne Franklin in the seventh, then was left on-deck when the Pirates were retired in the ninth.

Joe Beimel (1-0) went five innings to win in his major league debut. He gave up two runs on five hits and three walks.

The Pirates won their second in a row at Enron Field after losing their first eight.

Ramirez hit his first homer of the season, a two-run shot off Scott Elarton (1-1) in the first.

Ramirez connected for a three-run homer in the third off Elarton that made it 7-1. Ramirez topped off his day with a solo home run in the fifth against reliever Nelson Cruz.

It was Ramirez's second multihomer game in the majors. He hit two last July 28 against San Diego.

Elarton lasted only three innings, giving up seven runs on seven hits and a walk.

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unassisted goal.

However, Troy Linna gave the Buzzards the lead for good with a third period goal to make it 5-4. Then after the Jacks pulled goalie Grant Sjerven in the final minute for an extra attacker, Brent Scott scored an empty net goal for El Paso's final margin.

It was the second straight loss in El Paso's rink for the Jacks.

"Coming back from a 3-1 deficit you'd have to think the momentum is on their side," said McKee of the Buzzards. "Tonight there some things which just weren't in sync."

Compounding the situation for the Jacks is that they could possibly be without defenseman Jason Disher for the series finale. Disher, who went to the penalty box in the final 21 seconds of the game for instigating a skirmish, was given a gross misconduct at the end of the game for allegedly throwing a metal chair on the ice.

El Paso 6, Odessa 4

Odessa	3	1	0	—4
El Paso	3	1	2	—6

First Period: 1. Odessa, Laxdal (McKay, Hillman), 1:05. 2. Odessa, Bossio (Sanderson, Hoffman), 3:10. 3. El Paso, Waring (Bordeau, Nemirovsky), 4:31. 4. El Paso, Riou (Bordeau, Linna), 10:52. 5. Odessa, Allman (Brenner, Campbell), 12:23. 6. El Paso, Riou (Dudley), 14:56.

Second Period: 7. El Paso, Riou (Van Perys, Zaleski), 6:50. 8. Odessa, Laxdal (unassisted), 12:39.

Third Period: 9. El Paso, Linna (Van Parys, Riou), 5:48. 10. El Paso, Scott (Riou, Burgess), 19:31.

Shots on Goal: Odessa 26, El Paso 19. **Penalties/Minutes:** Odessa 7-22, El Paso 4-8. **Power Play Opportunities:** Odessa 1-3, El Paso 1-6. **Saves:** Sjerven (Odessa) 13, Levy (El Paso) 22.

RACE: Jarrett triumphs

(From 1B)

ter than that."

Jarrett lost only five spots on the stop, and gradually worked his way back into contention. He passed Jeff Gordon for fourth with 41 laps to go, got by Marlin several laps later, then set his sites on Rudd.

When Rudd caught lapped traffic with about 20 laps remaining, it gave Jarrett a chance to close what had been a one-second gap. He moved up to Rudd's bumper with about 10 laps left, then passed him for the victory.

"The decision was made way back not to get tires," said Rudd, who felt he couldn't give up the lead to pit again after moving to the front.

"They had the restarts at the end and we couldn't come in at that point. We either got outsmarted or they made a luckier call."

The victory enabled Jarrett to increase his championship points lead to 123 over Gordon, who faded in the final laps and finished 12th.

The race was a classic short-track duel on the .526-mile oval, featuring 15 lead changes and 12 cautions that slowed things for 98 laps. It ended with 17 cars on the lead lap, a track record.

FIGHT: Hearing to be held later this month

(From 1B)

relate to the issues and challenges that she's got in Florida," Helton said at the speedway.

DEI spokesman Ty Norris, speaking at the infield media center, said Teresa Earnhardt is seeking the media's help because "it seems to continue on even when we felt it was behind us."

"She comes to the motorsports media because you guys understand what the Earnhardt family is wanting, what they're looking for," he said.

Norris said Earnhardt and DEI have taken issue only with The Orlando Sentinel and its sister paper, the Fort Lauderdale-based South Florida Sun-Sentinel, the Independent Florida Alligator newspaper at the University of Florida and Michael Uribe of DeLand, Fla., operator of the Web site also involved in efforts to gain access to the photos.

Norris declined to take questions.

The Sentinel released a statement Sunday.

"The actions by the Independent Florida Alligator and Mr. Michael Uribe are independent and totally separate from the binding agreement between the Orlando Sentinel and Mrs. Earnhardt," the Sentinel said. "As stated many times, the Orlando Sentinel has absolutely no intention of publishing the autopsy photos. In addition, the newspaper does not condone the publication of Mr. Earnhardt's autopsy photos in any form whatsoever."

Trey Csar, managing editor of the Independent Florida Alligator, also commented on the issue Sunday.

"We do understand that she is continuing to mourn the loss of her husband," Csar said. "At the same time, I think she's ignoring the fact that this is a vitally important lawsuit for a number of reasons."

Teresa Earnhardt had believed a compromise reached last month with the Sentinel would put to rest any claims by the public to view the photos. But all three newspapers and the Web site are challenging the constitutionality of the new law restricting such access.

A judge in Daytona Beach, Fla., on Thursday ruled the challenge to the law is valid. A hearing will be held this month.

LOCAL SPORTS

Basin Bulldogs win first game

MESQUITE — The Basin Bulldogs scored their first win of the season Saturday night, scoring early then holding on defensively late to defeat the Mesquite Falcons, 18-14.

Tracy Bickerstaff scored the first touchdown for the Bulldogs (1-1) on an 8-yard run in the first quarter. Later in the quarter, Tim Matthews completed a 12-yard scoring pass to Jason Fobbsto make it 12-0.

Nobody scored again until the fourth quarter when Phillip Mathews, who gained 138 yards on 19 carries, scored from a yard out.

Mesquite finally got on the board by returning an interception 15 yards for a score. The Falcons cut it to 18-14 on a touchdown pass with three minutes left, but the Bulldogs held on.

Bickerstaff had eight carries for 46 yards for the Bulldogs.

Defensively, Eric James had seven tackles and an interception, John Butts had five tackles, Derwin Jackson had an interception and Cory James blocked a punt.

The Bulldogs will open their home schedule by hosting the Houston Gunslingers 7 p.m. Saturday at Ratliff Stadium.

Results from MCC Masters

Here are the final results from the 2001 Midland Country Club Masters Tournament at Midland Country Club Sunday.

Magnolia Flight: 1, A. Lane-D. Essex-P. Mickelson 260; 2, S. Dufford-R. McKeller-F. Couples 262; 3, C. McDonnold-H. Rasumssen-T. Woods 264; 4, G. Womack-W. Hill-T. Lehman 265; 5, D. Wilkins-V. Pearcy- E. Els 268; 6, M. Thomas-S. Wentworth-T. Izawa 269.

Azalea Flight: 1, L. Petersen-M. Spence-T. Woods 258; 2, D. Alsup-T. McDonald-V. Singh 258; 3, D. Griffin-R. Letz-D. Duval 262; 5, J. Philbeck-J. Pool-B. Faxon 264; 6, C. Mulloy-L. Murphy-T. Izawa 268.

Redbud Flight: 1, B. Reinert-W. Reinert-M. Jiminez 258; 2, E. Ohlenburg-J. Merrell-D. Duval 264; 3, B. Wilson-J. Mays-T. Lehman 267; 4, J. Garrett-B. Babb-J. Parnevik 268; 5, A. Boudreaux-S. Northern-B. Langer; 6 (tie), R. Patterson-M. Barton-T. Woods and J. Breedlove-S. Kimbrough-T. Izawa 272.

USTA National Open results

Here are Sunday's results from the USTA National Open Championships for boys and girls 16 and under held in Midland, with hometowns of players listed.

Boys

Singles Quarterfinals: David Tran, Houston, def. Josh Seyferth, Ann Arbor, Mich. 6-2, 6-3; Jay Cunningham, Edmond, Okla., def. William Gray, Tulsa, Okla. 6-3, 7-6 (6); Richard Sanborn, Houston, def. Chris Cozad, St. Louis 6-2, 6-1; Ryan Friend, Tulsa, Okla., def. Evan Specht, Boise, Id., 6-2, 6-4.

Doubles Quarterfinals: D. Homan-J. Ritchie def. B. Clinard-K. Narasimhan 7-5, 2-6, 6-2; F. Coll-R. Sanborn def. B. Boswell-W. Gray 6-1, 1-6, 6-3; C. Cozad-D. Tran def. Z. Bromberg-N. Rahman 6-1, 6-2; A. Connelly-J. Cunningham def. N. Cromydas-J. Seyferth 6-3, 6-0.

Girls

Singles Quarterfinals: Lauren Leo, Staten Island, N.Y., def. Stephanie Smith, Salina, Kans. 6-1, 6-2; Chelsea Orr, Tulsa, Okla., def. Sarah Giles-Madden, Columbia, S.C. 6-3, 6-3; Kimberly Romero, Denver, Colo., def. Gia Sullivan, Oak Brook, Ill., 6-3, 6-3; Susan Meng, Overland Park, Kans., def. Samantha Shapiro, Deerfield, Ill. 6-1, 6-1.

Doubles Quarterfinals: C. Orr-S. Smith def. M. Boyd-S. Moore 6-3, 6-2; M. Druss-T. Grant def. S. Shapiro-T.Stecko 7-5, 6-1; A. Raindl-L. Wilson def. C. Scardina-C. Sullivan 2-6, 6-4, 6-1; S. Huxtable-S. Meng def. S. Giles-Madden-K. Romero 6-4, 6-3.

Mission Masters

ODESSA — Here are the final results from the Mission Masters tournament held Sunday at The Club at Mission Dorado. The top three finishers in each flight are listed.

Championship Flight: 1, Lonnie McGaughy-Larry Nunez 62-65—127; 2, Mickey Wilson-Jim Sumner 62-66—128; 3, Christian Keener-Jason West 62-68—130.

First Flight: 1, Tommy Melton-Coy Edge 64-67—131; 2, Brian Knighten-Randy Lewis 66-65—131; 3, Paul Slaughter-Kelly Hughes 64-67—131.

Second Flight: 1, Charles Whisner-John Arrick 63-69—132; 2, Dee Witt-Al Underwood 65-69—134; 3, Andy Campbell-Tom Campbell 65-69—134.

Third Flight: 1, Sam Ares Jr.-David Dunn 65-71—136; 2, David Callaway-Paul Callaway 67-70—137; 3, Mike Bridges-David Long 64-73—137.

Fourth Flight: 1, Jeffrey Luer-Dave Simpson 66-73—139; 2, Greg Burnett-Shane York 64-76—140; 3, Richard Thomason-Tommy Thomason 67-75—142

Hogan Park has two aces

A pair of hole-in-ones were scored on two separate courses Sunday at Hogan Park Golf Course.

On the No. 8 hole at the Road Runner Course, Jerry Stanaford aced the 180-yard hole with a 7-wood. Stanaford's ace was witnessed by Jay Stanaford, Mickey Pepper and Chris Pepper.

On the No. 6 hole at the Quail Course, Manuel Alvarado aced the 155 yard hole with a 5-iron. Alvarado's ace was witnessed by Donny Thomason, Denver Rhoden and Kevin Frye.

DiMarco makes field, learns lessons

By Eddie Pells
AP Sports Writer

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Chris DiMarco didn't know it until he walked off the course. By making two birdies in the last three holes, he finished among the top 16 and ensured a return trip to the Masters.

He was below the cutoff line until he made birdies on Nos. 16 and 18 to finish tied for 10th.

"Oh, really?" DiMarco said, when informed he wouldn't have to worry about his spot on the money list, or any other criteria. "I'm glad I finished strong."

After leading the first two rounds, DiMarco struggled over the weekend. He shot 72 on Saturday, and opened the final round with six bogeys over the first 14 holes.

"I learned a lot this week," he said. "Mostly, I learned to slow down and be patient."

DiMarco qualified for his first Masters by finishing 19th on the money list in 2000.

LANGER SHINES: Even though he didn't feel his best, two-time Masters champion Bernhard Langer stayed on a roll that began two weeks ago when he finished third in The Players Championship.

Langer shot a 69 on Sunday to tie for sixth at 9 under.

His opening-round 73 was his worst round of the week, and that was when he was still dealing with flu-like symptoms.

"I'm very pleased," said Langer, who won the Masters in 1985 and 1993. "Anytime you finish in the top 10 in a major, it's outstanding, especially when you shoot a 73."

SPOILS OF VICTORY: Tiger Woods collected the biggest prize — $1,008,000 and a green jacket for winning the Masters.

Still, there was plenty of loot to go around.

David Duval received $604,800 for finishing second, in addition to a silver medal and a silver serving dish. He also got two crystal vases for low rounds both Friday and Sunday.

Japan's Toshi Izawa, who finished fourth, will need to buy an extra suitcase to get his bounty home. Along with a $246,400 paycheck, he picked up two crystal vases for tying Duval's low score in the second and fourth rounds, not to mention three pairs of crystal goblets for each of his eagles in the tournament.

In fact, everyone in the top six received extra prizes except Phil Mickelson, who had to settle the third-place check of $380,800.

MONEY MATTERS: Mark Calcavecchia birdied No. 18 tie for fourth place. That moved him into third place in the Ryder Cup points standings, although he was barely aware of it.

"I was more thinking about the money," he said when somebody asked about the Ryder.

At least he's honest. Calcavecchia won $246,400 — an extra $56,560 for making the birdie.

SINGH STARTS OVER: As promised, 2000 champion Vijay Singh started on a new streak of rounds under par, shooting 69 to finish the tournament at 6 under.

On Saturday, he shot 73 to end a tour-high string of 34 rounds of par or below. When told about the end of the streak, he said it was OK, he'd just have to start a new one Sunday.

"I played OK," Singh said. "I still left a lot out there. It was disappointing the second and third day for me. I just didn't take advantage."

Masters champion Tiger Woods holds the current streak with 22 rounds of par or better.

THE TIGER FACTOR: Once again, Tiger Woods' presence on the leaderboard is having a big impact on television ratings.

CBS did a 7.9 rating with a 19 share Saturday, its second highest third-round overnight rating ever. The only better numbers came in 1997, when Woods won his first Masters. Last year, CBS pulled a 6.6 rating with a 15 share on Saturday.

A ratings point represents 1.02 million households. The share is the percentage of in-use televisions tuned to a given show.

MASTERS: Woods has won six majors

(From 1B)

Jones, who won the U.S. Open, U.S. Amateur, British Open and British Amateur in 1930.

Fittingly, Woods finished his historic run at the tournament Jones created in 1934.

"A Grand Slam is something we've never seen before," said Butch Harmon, Woods' swing coach. "But we may see it before we're done."

Woods now has won six majors, as many as Nick Faldo and Lee Trevino and only one major behind the likes of Palmer, Sam Snead and Harry Vardon. And with his winning score of 16-under 272, Woods swept the majors with a combined score of 65-under par.

It started with a runaway at Pebble Beach in the U.S. Open last June, and concluded with the biggest thriller of them all.

The final leg at the Masters featured one dramatic moment after another involving three of the best players in the world. All of them had their chances. Every putt could have turned the tide. The crowds watched breathlessly as it all unfolded.

"He simply does what is required," Mickelson said.

Mickelson shared the lead twice early in the final round, but was undone by the mistakes that cost him earlier in the tournament — a missed 2-foot putt on No. 6, a drive into the trees on No. 11 that led to bogey and left him trying to make up ground on Woods.

Still, he was only one stroke back with three holes to play when his approach into the 16th stayed on the top ridge. Mickelson aimed nearly sideways, but his ball rolled left down the slope and past the cup.

Bogey.

Duval, who wasn't even sure he could play the Masters because of an injured right wrist, three-putted for par from about 60 feet on No. 13 and can only look back at missed birdie chances on three of the last five holes.

He finished with a 67, his fourth straight year in contention at Augusta, and the first time he has ever been runner-up to Woods.

Toshi Izawa had a 67 and tied for fourth at 278, the best finish ever by a Japanese player in the Masters. He was joined by Mark Calcavecchia, who had a 72.

It was Calcavecchia who called Woods the "chosen one" after Woods completed the career Grand Slam by winning the British Open in St. Andrews last summer.

"He's not like anyone we've seen before in the game," Calcavecchia said. "It's pretty impressive."

Woods was all business from the time he arrived at Augusta National, eyes locked ahead as he walked past Nike chairman Phil Knight and an entourage of swoosh-clad executives. He and Mickelson never looked at each other on the practice green, even though they stood just 10 feet from each other.

A huge gallery that lined up outside the gates some eight hours before Woods teed off followed en masse, standing a dozen rows deep around the green as roars echoed from all corners of Augusta.

Woods punched out from behind a Georgia pine, over the first green and made bogey. Just like that, there was a four-way tie for the lead. That was only the start of an afternoon of constant momentum swings among the top players in the game.

The biggest challenge came from Duval, who had six birdies on his first eight holes and had the outright lead ever so briefly with a two-putt birdie on No. 8. His putter deserted him when it mattered the most.

"I've been here before, huh?" Duval said. "I played well today, but I had a few opportunities coming home that I wish I would have capitalized on."

Woods won his third straight tournament — so much for that "slump" — and earned $1,008,000, his second consecutive $1 million payoff.

He improved to 25-4 worldwide when leading going into the final round, and he has been particularly tough in majors. Woods now has had at least a share of the lead in 13 of the last 16 rounds of major championship golf.

He now has won 27 times on the PGA Tour in just 98 tournaments, and six majors in only 17 starts as a professional.

What's next?

Maybe a Grand Slam that no one can debate. Next stop, the U.S. Open.

'HOUNDS: Midland has 16 hits against Express

(From 1B)

belted a solo homer, his third of the season, while Jay Pecci also had two hits.

Justin Lehr went the first five innings on the mound to pick up the win for the 'Hounds.

Midland 12, Round Rock 4

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	Round Rock	ab	r	h	bi
Pecci 2b	6	0	2	0	Bruntlett dh	5	0	1	0
Lockwood rf	5	0	1	0	Huffman 3b	5	1	0	0
Salazar ss	5	0	0	0	Lane lf	4	0	1	1
Mensik 1b	5	2	1	1	Carter 1b	4	0	1	0
Landry lf	4	2	2	1	Morillo 2b	4	1	1	0
Furniss dh	3	1	1	0	Porter cf	4	1	3	0
Keith ph	1	1	0	0	Wesson rf	3	1	1	0
Ludwick cf	4	3	2	2	Tremie c	3	0	1	2
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Totals	**42**	**12**	**16**	**12**	**Totals**	**35**	**4**	**10**	**4**

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Shearn	4.0	9	9	8	1	3

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EASTERN CONFER
Atlantic Divisio

Team	W	L	TOL
z-New Jersey	48	19	12
x-Philadelphia	43	25	11
x-Pittsburgh	42	28	9
N.Y. Rangers	33	43	5
N.Y. Islanders	21	51	7

Northeast Divisi

Team	W	L	TOL
y-Ottawa	48	21	9
x-Buffalo	46	30	5
x-Toronto	37	29	11
Boston	36	30	8
Montreal	28	40	8

Southeast Divisi

Team	W	L	TOL
y-Washington	41	27	10
x-Carolina	38	32	9
Florida	22	38	13
Atlanta	23	45	12
Tampa Bay	24	47	6

WESTERN CONFER
Central Divisio

Team	W	L	TOL
y-Detroit	49	20	9
x-St. Louis	43	22	12
Nashville	34	36	9
Chicago	29	40	8
Columbus	28	39	9

Northwest Divisi

Team	W	L	TOL
z-Colorado	52	16	10
x-Edmonton	39	28	12
x-Vancouver	36	28	11
Calgary	27	36	15
Minnesota	25	39	13

Pacific Divisio

Team	W	L	TOL
y-Dallas	48	24	8
x-San Jose	40	27	12
x-Los Angeles	38	28	13
Phoenix	35	27	17
Anaheim	25	41	11

Two points for a win, or a tie and overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Sunday's Game
Pittsburgh 6, Carolina 4
Colorado 4, Minnesota
Philadelphia 2, Buffalo
Washington 2, Tampa
Columbus 4, Chicago
San Jose 4, Anaheim 1

Flyers 2, Sabres

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Buffalo	0	0	

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San Jose	2	0	
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WPHL Playof

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Saturday, April 7
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Thursday, April 5
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Bossier-Shreveport wins ser

SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
z-New Jersey	48	19	12	3	111	295	195
x-Philadelphia	43	25	11	3	100	240	207
x-Pittsburgh	42	28	9	3	96	281	256
N.Y. Rangers	33	43	5	1	72	250	290
N.Y. Islanders	21	51	7	3	52	185	268

Northeast Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Ottawa	48	21	9	4	109	274	205
x-Buffalo	46	30	5	1	98	218	184
x-Toronto	37	29	11	5	90	232	207
Boston	36	30	8	8	88	227	249
Montreal	28	40	8	6	70	206	232

Southeast Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Washington	41	27	10	4	96	233	211
x-Carolina	38	32	9	3	88	212	225
Florida	22	38	13	9	66	200	246
Atlanta	23	45	12	2	60	211	289
Tampa Bay	24	47	6	5	59	201	280

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Detroit	49	20	9	4	111	253	202
x-St. Louis	43	22	12	5	103	249	195
Nashville	34	36	9	3	80	186	200
Chicago	29	40	8	5	71	210	246
Columbus	28	39	9	6	71	190	233

Northwest Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
z-Colorado	52	16	10	4	118	270	192
x-Edmonton	39	28	12	3	93	243	222
x-Vancouver	36	28	11	7	90	239	238
Calgary	27	36	15	4	73	197	236
Minnesota	25	39	13	5	68	168	210

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
y-Dallas	48	24	8	2	106	241	187
x-San Jose	40	27	12	3	95	217	192
x-Los Angeles	38	28	13	3	92	252	228
Phoenix	35	27	17	3	90	214	212
Anaheim	25	41	11	5	66	188	245

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Sunday's Games
Pittsburgh 6, Carolina 4
Colorado 4, Minnesota 2
Philadelphia 2, Buffalo 1
Washington 2, Tampa Bay 1
Columbus 4, Chicago 3, OT
San Jose 4, Anaheim 1

Flyers 2, Sabres 1

Philadelphia	0	0	2	— 2
Buffalo	0	0	1	— 1

First Period—None.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—1, Philadelphia, Plante 1 (Gagne, Fedatenko), :57. 2, Buffalo, Audette 34 (Satan, Gilmour), 6:33 (pp). 3, Philadelphia, Fedatenko 16 (Gagne, Plante), 12:26.
Shots on goal—Philadelphia 6-3-8—17. Buffalo 8-14-15—37. Power-play Opportunities—Philadelphia 0 of 3; Buffalo 1 of 5. Goalies—Philadelphia, Cechmanek 35-15-6 (37 shots-36 saves). Buffalo, Hasek 37-24-4 (17-15).

Capitals 2, Lightning 1

Tampa Bay	1	0	0	— 1
Washington	0	1	1	— 2

First Period—1, Tampa Bay, Aucoin 4 (Richards, St. Louis), 11:49 (pp).
Second Period—2, Washington, Konowalchuk 24 (Witt, Dahlen), 5:37.
Third Period—3, Washington, Dahlen 15 (Halpern, Konowalchuk), :32.
Shots on goal—Tampa Bay 7-8-9—24. Washington 6-10-9—25. Power-play Opportunities—Tampa Bay 1 of 3; Washington 0 of 5. Goalies—Tampa Bay, Flaherty 6-12-0 (25 shots-23 saves). Washington, Kolzig 37-26-8 (24-23).

Avalanche 4, Wild 2

Colorado	1	2	1	— 4
Minnesota	0	2	0	— 2

First Period—1, Colorado, Nieminen 14 (Blake, Drury), 2:20.
Second Period—2, Colorado, Tanguay 27 (Sakic, Hejduk), :48. 3, Colorado, Sakic 53 (Tanguay, Hejduk), 7:36. 4, Minnesota, Walz 18 (Mitchell), 13:51 (sh). 5, Minnesota, Hendrickson 18 (Johnson, Kuba), 17:02.
Third Period—6, Colorado, Sakic 54, 19:33 (en).
Shots on goal—Colorado 12-10-6—28. Minnesota 2-10-9—21. Power-play Opportunities—Colorado 0 of 4; Minnesota 0 of 4. Goalies—Colorado, Roy 40-13-7 (21 shots-19 saves). Minnesota, Gustafson 1-3-0 (27-24).

Penguins 6, Hurricanes 4

Pittsburgh	3	1	2	— 6
Carolina	0	3	1	— 4

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Morozov 4 (Beranek, Hrdina), 5:19. 2, Pittsburgh, Moran 3, 11:07. 3, Pittsburgh, Straka 27 (Kovalev, Kucera), 13:27.
Second Period—4, Carolina, Tanabe 7 (O'Neill, Irbe), 5:37 (pp). 5, Carolina, O'Neill 41 (Francis, Tanabe), 7:26 (pp). 6, Carolina, Westland 5 (Pellerin, Willis), 14:06. 7, Pittsburgh, Hrdina 15 (Kovalev, Ference), 16:21 (pp).
Third Period—8, Pittsburgh, Sanch 4 (Primeau, Kucera), 11:04. 9, Pittsburgh, Morozov 5 (Kovalev, Bergevin), 11:36. 10, Carolina, Brind'Amour 20 (Hatcher, Ozolinsh), 16:39 (pp).
Shots on goal—Pittsburgh 12-3-7—22. Carolina 11-11-9—31. Power-play Opportunities—Pittsburgh 1 of 2; Carolina 3 of 8. Goalies—Pittsburgh, Hedberg 7-1-1 (31 shots-27 saves). Carolina, Irbe 37-29-9 (22-16).

Blue Jackets 4, Blackhawks 3, OT

Chicago	1	1	1	0 — 3
Columbus	2	1	0	1 — 4

First Period—1, Columbus, Sloan 3 (Nummelin, Gardiner), :34. 2, Columbus, Heward 11 (Whitney, Vyborny), 10:32 (pp). 3, Chicago, Amonte 35 (Daze, Zhamnov), 17:15 (pp).
Second Period—4, Columbus, Quint 7 (Heward, Whitney), 3:17 (pp). 5, Chicago, Daze 33, 4:36.
Third Period—6, Chicago, Sullivan 34 (Nylander, Spacek), 7:06 (pp).
Overtime—7, Columbus, Wright 16 (Quint), 2:41.
Shots on goal—Chicago 7-10-15-0—32. Columbus 14-7-4-3—28. Power-play Opportunities—Chicago 2 of 5; Columbus 2 of 8. Goalies—Chicago, Passmore 3-12-2 (28 shots-24 saves). Columbus, Tugnutt 22-25-5 (32-29).

Sharks 4, Mighty Ducks 1

San Jose	2	0	2	— 4
Anaheim	0	0	1	— 1

First Period—1, San Jose, Matteau 13 (Hannan, Selanne), :35. 2, San Jose, Marchment 7 (Korolyuk, Lindsay), 2:47.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—3, San Jose, Korolyuk 11 (Lindsay, Stuart), 2:38. 4, San Jose, Korolyuk 12 (Lindsay, Smith), 12:13. 5, Anaheim, Tverdovsky 14 (Kariya, Friesen), 18:08.
Shots on goal—San Jose 13-6-9—28. Anaheim 9-5-9—23. Power-play Opportunities—San Jose 0 of 1; Anaheim 0 of 2. Goalies—San Jose, Kiprusoff 2-1-0 (23 shots-22 saves). Anaheim, Giguere 11-17-5 (28-24).

WPHL Playoffs

First Round
Best-of-7
Series A
Odessa vs. El Paso
Friday, March 30
Odessa 7, El Paso 1
Saturday, March 31
Odessa 6, El Paso 4
Sunday, April 1
El Paso 7, Odessa 4
Friday, April 6
Odessa 2, El Paso 0
Saturday, April 7
El Paso 4, Odessa 3
Sunday, April 8
El Paso 6, Odessa 4, series tied 3-3
Tuesday, April 10
El Paso at Odessa
Series B
Lubbock vs. San Angelo
Friday, March 30
Lubbock 6, San Angelo 1
Saturday, March 31
Lubbock 5, San Angelo 1
Tuesday, April 3
Lubbock 4, San Angelo 2
Friday, April 6
Lubbock 3, San Angelo 0, Lubbock wins series 4-0
Series C
Tupelo vs. Corpus Christi
Friday, March 30
Corpus Christi 7, Tupelo 3
Saturday, March 31
Tupelo 7, Corpus Christi 1
Sunday, April 1
Tupelo 4, Corpus Christi 3
Friday, April 6
Tupelo 5, Corpus Christi 2
Saturday, April 7
Tupelo 6, Corpus Christi 3, Tupelo wins series 4-1
Series D
Bossier-Shreveport vs. Austin
Friday, March 30
Bossier-Shreveport 3, Austin 2, OT
Saturday, March 31
Bossier-Shreveport 3, Austin 2, OT
Tuesday, April 3
Bossier-Shreveport 3, Austin 2, OT
Thursday, April 5
Bossier-Shreveport 4, Austin 1, Bossier-Shreveport wins series 4-0

Major League Baseball

AL Boxes

RANGERS 5, MARINERS 4

SEATTLE	ab	r	h	bi	TEXAS	ab	r	h	bi
Suzuki rf	5	0	1	0	Greer lf	4	2	3	1
Javier 1b	3	0	0	0	Ctinotto 2b	4	0	1	1
EMrtnz dh	4	0	0	0	Velarde 2b	1	1	1	1
Cmeron cf	4	0	2	0	ARdrgz ss	2	0	0	0
BBoone 2b	4	2	2	1	RPlmo dh	3	0	1	1
ASndrs lf	2	0	0	0	IRdrgz c	4	0	0	0
Olerud 1b	1	0	0	0	Glrrga 1b	3	1	2	1
DaBell 3b	4	1	1	1	Mateo rf	4	0	1	0
DWilsn c	3	0	1	0	Porter cf	4	1	2	0
McImre ph	1	1	1	2	Sheldn 3b	3	0	0	0
Lmpkin c	0	0	0	0					
CGuilln ss	4	0	0	0					
Totals	**35**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**Totals**	**32**	**5**	**11**	**5**
Seattle					010 010 020 — 4				
Texas					100 002 11x — 5				

E—CGuillen (1), Catalanotto (1). DP—Seattle 2, Texas 1. LOB—Seattle 8, Texas 12. 2B—Greer 2 (3), Catalanotto (1), RPalmeiro (3). HR—BBoone (1), DaBell (1), McLemore (2), Velarde (2), Galarraga (3). SB—ARodriguez (2). CS—Porter (1). S—Sheldon.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Seattle						
FGarcia	6	8	3	3	5	3
Charlton	1 1-3	2	1	1	0	2
Paniagua L,0-1	2-3	1	1	1	0	
Texas						
Rogers	6 2-3	6	2	2	3	1
JRZimmermn	1	1	1	1	1	1
Venafro W,1-0	2-3	1	1	1	0	0
Crabtree S,2	2-3	0	0	0	0	1

HBP—by FGarcia (Galarraga), by FGarcia (ARodriguez). WP—Rogers. T—3:18. A—44,306 (49,115).

ROYALS 15, TWINS 4

MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi	KANSAS CITY	ab	r	h	bi
CGzmn ss	5	2	2	0	Febles 2b	4	2	1	0
Rivas 2b	5	0	2	1	CBeltrn cf	4	2	3	0
Lawton dh	4	0	1	0	DBrwn cf	0	0	0	0
DOrtiz 1b	5	1	1	1	MJSwy dh	5	2	2	3
Bchnan rf	4	0	0	0	Dye rf	3	2	1	1
JJones cf	3	1	2	0	Ibanez rf	0	1	0	0
CAllen lf	4	0	0	0	Randa 3b	4	1	1	2
JMxwll 3b	3	0	1	1	Quinn lf	5	2	3	5
Prince c	4	0	0	0	McCrty 1b	3	1	0	0
					Hinch c	4	1	1	3
					RSnchz ss	3	0	0	0
					Ordaz ss	1	1	1	0
Totals	**37**	**4**	**9**	**3**	**Totals**	**36**	**15**	**13**	**14**
Minnesota					000 100 111 — 4				
Kansas City					107 000 25x — 15				

E—McCarty (1). DP—Minnesota 1. LOB—Minnesota 9, Kansas City 4. 2B—Lawton (1), JJones (3), CBeltran (1), Quinn (1). 3B—CGuzman 2 (4). HR—DOrtiz (2), Quinn (3), Hinch (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Minnesota						
Romero L,0-1	2 2-3	5	7	7	4	1
Carrasco	2 1-3	2	1	1	1	3
Santana	1	0	0	0	1	1
TEMiller	1	1	2	2	1	0
Guardado	1	5	5	5	0	0
Kansas City						
Suzuki W,1-0	5	3	1	1	1	5
DHenry	2	2	1	1	0	2
Cogan	1	2	1	1	1	1
Wilson	1	2	1	0	0	1

HBP—by Cogan (JJones). WP—TEMiller, Guardado. T—2:53. A—15,028 (40,793).

TIGERS 5, WHITE SOX 3

DETROIT	ab	r	h	bi	CHICAGO	ab	r	h	bi
Cedeno rf	4	0	0	0	Drham 2b	5	0	0	0
Easley 2b	4	3	3	0	JAVltin 3b	4	0	1	0
Hggnsn lf	3	0	1	1	Thmas 1b	4	0	0	0
TClark 1b	3	2	2	2	JRmrz pr	0	0	0	0
Palmer dh	3	0	0	0	MOdnz rf	5	0	0	0
DCruz ss	4	0	3	2	Baines dh	4	0	1	0
JEcrcn cf	4	0	0	0	CNLee lf	2	1	1	0
Halter 3b	4	0	1	0	Snglton cf	4	1	1	1
Inge c	3	0	1	0	SAlomr c	4	0	2	0
					Clayton ss	4	1	1	1
Totals	**32**	**5**	**11**	**5**	**Totals**	**36**	**3**	**7**	**2**
Detroit					000 202 010 — 5				
Chicago					000 000 003 — 3				

E—Cedeno (1), DCruz (1), Halter (1). DP—Detroit 1, Chicago 3. LOB—Detroit 3, Chicago 10. 2B—Easley 2 (2), Higginson (2), DCruz 2 (3), Singleton (1), Clayton (1). SB—Easley 2 (2), Higginson (2), CNLee (1). CS—Higginson (1). SF—TClark.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
JWeaver W,1-1	7	5	0	0	2	3
DPatterson	1	0	0	0	1	0
MJAnderson	1-3	2	3	1	0	0
TBJones S,3	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Chicago						
DWells L,1-1	8	11	5	5	2	5
Howry	1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by JWeaver (JAValentin). T—2:49. A—19,887 (44,321).

YANKEES 16, BLUE JAYS 5

TORONTO	ab	r	h	bi	NEW YORK	ab	r	h	bi
Stewart lf	4	0	0	0	Knblch lf	6	2	3	1
ASGziz ss	3	1	1	0	Jeter ss	5	2	3	2
Wdwrd ss	1	0	1	0	Bllnger ss	1	0	0	0
Mndesi rf	4	1	2	0	O'Neill rf	4	2	2	1
Smmns rf	1	0	0	0	Cleman rf	1	0	0	0
CDigdo 1b	3	1	1	0	BeWms cf	3	2	1	0
Fllmer dh	4	1	2	2	Justice dh	3	2	2	2
TBtsta 3b	3	1	1	0	Seabol dh	1	0	0	0
Fltcher c	4	0	0	0	TMrtnz 1b	4	2	3	4
JoCruz cf	4	0	1	2	Posada c	5	1	2	4
Freel 2b	4	0	1	1	Soriano 2b	4	2	2	1
					Brosius 3b	5	1	2	0
Totals	**35**	**5**	**9**	**5**	**Totals**	**42**	**16**	**20**	**15**
Toronto					000 500 000 — 5				
New York					615 102 10x —16				

E—Mondesi (2), O'Neill (1). DP—Toronto 1, New York 1. LOB—Toronto 7, New York 9. 2B—Knoblauch (1), Jeter (1), O'Neill (1), TMartinez (1), Posada (2). HR—Posada (3). SF—Soriano.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Parris L,0-2	1 1-3	8	7	6	2	1
Beirne	2	7	6	6	2	0
Painter	2 1-3	4	2	2	1	3
Plesac	1 1-3	1	1	1	1	0
Borbon	1	0	0	0	0	1
New York						
Clemens W,2-0	6 2-3	8	5	5	2	5
Choate	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2
Almanzar	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Clemens (TBatista). T—3:32. A—31,970 (57,545).

RED SOX 3, DEVIL RAYS 0

TAMPA BAY	ab	r	h	bi	BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi
GWlms cf	4	0	0	0	DLewis lf	4	0	0	0
SCox lf	4	0	0	0	Offrmn 2b	2	2	1	0
GVghn dh	2	0	0	0	CEvrtt cf	3	1	2	1
McGriff 1b	4	0	2	0	MRmrz dh	3	0	2	2
Grieve rf	4	0	0	0	TNixon rf	3	0	0	0
Castilla 3b	3	0	0	0	Varitek c	4	0	0	0
BoSmith 2b	3	0	0	0	Hlnbrn 3b	4	0	2	0
DnFlice c	3	0	0	0	Dubach 1b	4	0	0	0
FMrtnz ss	3	0	2	0	Grbeck ss	4	0	0	0
Totals	**30**	**0**	**4**	**0**	**Totals**	**31**	**3**	**7**	**3**
Tampa Bay					000 000 000 — 0				
Boston					100 010 10x — 3				

DP—Boston 1. LOB—Tampa Bay 6, Boston 9. 2B—Offerman (1), CEverett 2 (4), Hillenbrand (2).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tampa Bay						
ALopez L,1-1	7	6	3	3	5	6
Yan	1	1	0	0	0	1
Boston						
PMartinez W,1-0	8	3	0	0	3	16
DLowe S,1	1	1	0	0	0	1

Balk—ALopez. T—2:32. A—31,383 (33,871).

INDIANS 4, ORIOLES 3

BALTIMORE	ab	r	h	bi	CLEVELAND	ab	r	h	bi
BKAsn rf	4	0	0	0	JolCbra cf	4	0	1	0
Bordick ss	4	1	1	0	Vizquel ss	3	1	0	0
DShlds dh	3	1	0	0	RAlmr 2b	4	0	0	0
Conine 1b	3	1	1	3	JGnzlez rf	4	0	2	2
Knkade lf	3	0	0	0	Burks dh	3	1	2	1
Gbbons ph	0	0	0	0	Thome 1b	3	0	1	0
Rchard pr	0	0	0	0	WCrdro lf	4	0	0	0
Frdyce c	3	0	1	0	Brnyan 3b	4	1	1	1
Segui ph	1	0	0	0	EADiaz c	2	1	1	0
Rpkn 3b	2	0	0	0					
Mora cf	3	0	0	0					
Hairstn 2b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	**29**	**3**	**3**	**3**	**Totals**	**31**	**4**	**8**	**4**
Baltimore					300 000 000 — 3				
Cleveland					010 010 20x — 4				

DP—Baltimore 1. LOB—Baltimore 3, Cleveland 7. 2B—Bordick (2), Fordyce (2), JGonzalez (1), Burks (2), EADiaz (1). HR—Conine (1), Burks (2), Branyan (3). SB—JolCabrera (1). CS—Ripken (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
McElroy	5	4	2	2	2	4
Maduro L,0-1	1 2-3	2	2	2	2	2
WRoberts	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Groom	1	1	0	0	0	1
Cleveland						
Sabathia	5 2-3	3	3	3	2	3
Speier W,1-0	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Shuey	1	0	0	0	0	1
Wickman S,2	1	0	0	0	1	1

WP—Sabathia. PB—Fordyce 2. T—2:43. A—40,754 (43,368).

ANGELS 6, ATHLETICS 4

ANAHEIM	ab	r	h	bi	OAKLAND	ab	r	h	bi
Erstad cf	4	0	0	0	Damon lf	3	1	0	1
OPlmro lf	1	1	0	0	Ortiz 2b	5	0	1	0
Eckstin 2b	5	0	1	1	Tejada ss	5	2	2	1
Salmon rf	5	0	1	0	JaGmb 1b	3	0	1	0
Glaus 3b	4	1	0	0	Saenz dh	1	0	0	0
GAndsn lf	5	2	2	0	MVldez dh	1	0	1	1
GHill dh	5	0	0	0	Long cf	3	1	0	0
BMolna c	4	1	2	2	Piatt rf	2	0	0	0
Wooten 1b	3	2	2	1	Jnnings ph	0	0	0	0
Joyner 1b	1	0	0	0	Chrstns rf	1	0	0	0
Gil ss	4	0	4	2	Chavez 3b	3	0	0	0
					RJHdz c	3	0	1	0
Totals	**41**	**6**	**12**	**6**	**Totals**	**30**	**4**	**6**	**3**
Anaheim					001 104 000 — 6				
Oakland					100 001 110 — 4				

E—Gil (1), Ortiz 2 (2). DP—Anaheim 3. LOB—Anaheim 9, Oakland 8. 2B—BMolina (2), Wooten (1). HR—Tejada (2). SB—GAnderson (2), Damon (1). CS—RJHernandez (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Anaheim						
Schnws W,1-1	6	3	3	3	6	3
Hasegawa	1	2	1	1	2	1
Weber	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Holtz	2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Percival S,2	1	0	0	0	0	1
Oakland						
Zito L,1-1	5 1-3	9	6	6	1	7
TJMathews	1 2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Guthrie	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Mecir	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1

Schoeneweis pitched to 2 batters in the 7th, Hasegawa pitched to 2 batters in the 8th.
T—3:29. A—26,211 (43,662).

NL Boxes

PIRATES 9, ASTROS 3

PITTSBURGH	ab	r	h	bi	HOUSTON	ab	r	h	bi
ABrwn cf	5	1	2	0	Lugo ss	4	1	2	1
DeBell rf	4	0	0	0	Biggio 2b	4	0	0	0
Vn Wal 1b	4	2	2	1	Bgwell 1b	3	1	2	2
Giles lf	4	2	2	1	Hidalgo rf	4	0	0	0
EBrwn lf	1	0	0	0	Brkmn lf	4	0	2	0
ANRmz 3b	3	3	3	6	Truby 3b	4	0	0	0
EWilsn ss	4	0	0	0	Esebio c	3	0	0	0
Meares 2b	4	1	1	0	GBarkr cf	3	0	1	0
Osik c	4	0	0	0	RMgnr p	0	0	0	0
Beimel p	2	0	0	0	BWgnr p	0	0	0	0
ANunez ph	1	0	1	1	Spiers ph	1	0	0	0
Taylor p	0	0	0	0	Elarton p	0	0	0	0
Wehner ph	1	0	1	0	JVzcno ph	0	1	0	0
Silva p	0	0	0	0	Lnbrnk p	0	0	0	0
					Hayes ph	1	0	0	0
					NCruz p	0	0	0	0
					Merced rf	2	0	0	0
Totals	**37**	**9**	**12**	**9**	**Totals**	**33**	**3**	**7**	**3**
Pittsburgh					304 011 000 — 9				
Houston					101 000 100 — 3				

E—ANRamirez (3), Lugo (2), NCruz (1). DP—Pittsburgh 1, Houston 1. LOB—Pittsburgh 4, Houston 6. 2B—Giles (2). HR—ANRamirez 3 (3), Lugo (1), Bagwell (1). SB—ABrown (1). CS—ABrown (1), Berkman (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pittsburgh						
Beimel W,1-0	5	5	2	2	3	3
Taylor	2	2	1	1	0	3
Silva	2	0	0	0	0	2
Houston						
Elarton L,1-1	3	7	7	7	1	3
Linebrink	1	0	0	0	0	0
NCruz	2	4	2	1	1	1
Franklin	2	1	0	0	1	0
BWagner	1	0	0	0	0	1

NCruz pitched to 2 batters in the 7th.
T—2:47. A—30,174 (40,950).

PADRES 11, ROCKIES 3

SAN DIEGO	ab	r	h	bi	COLORADO	ab	r	h	bi
DJcksn 2b	2	2	0	1	Pierre cf	3	1	1	0
Darr rf	6	1	4	0	TWalkr 2b	3	0	0	0
Klesko 1b	5	1	1	0	LWalkr rf	4	1	3	2
Nevin 3b	5	1	3	5	Helton 1b	4	1	1	0
Trmmll lf	4	1	2	1	Cirillo 3b	4	0	0	0
WGnzlz c	5	0	0	0	Hlndsw lf	2	0	0	0
BDavis c	1	0	0	0	Davis p	0	0	0	0
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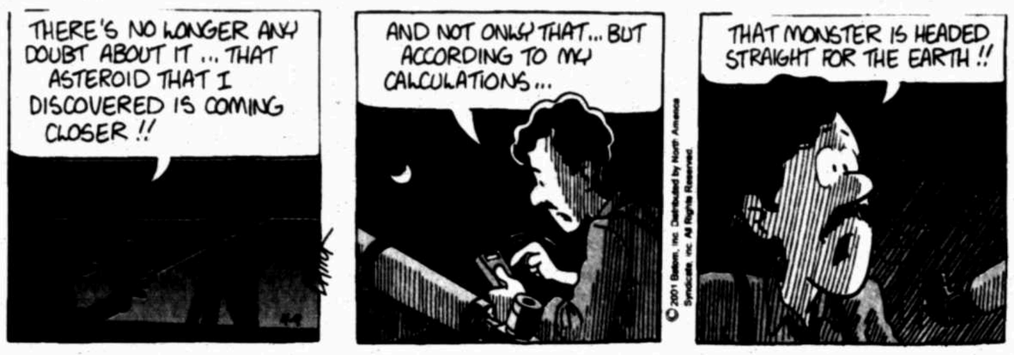

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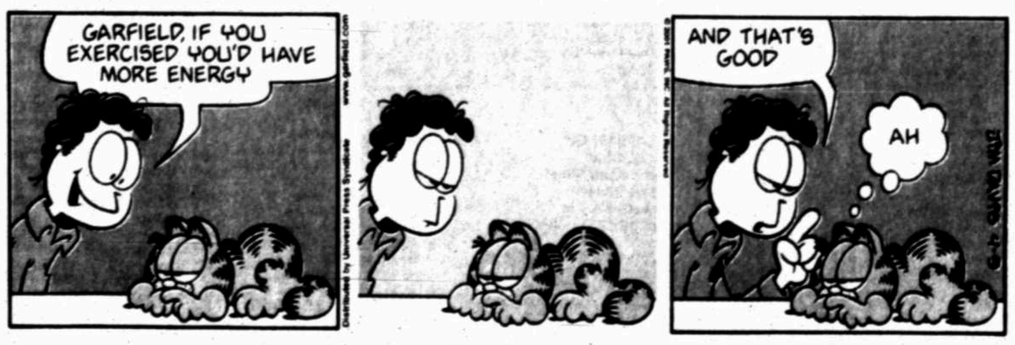

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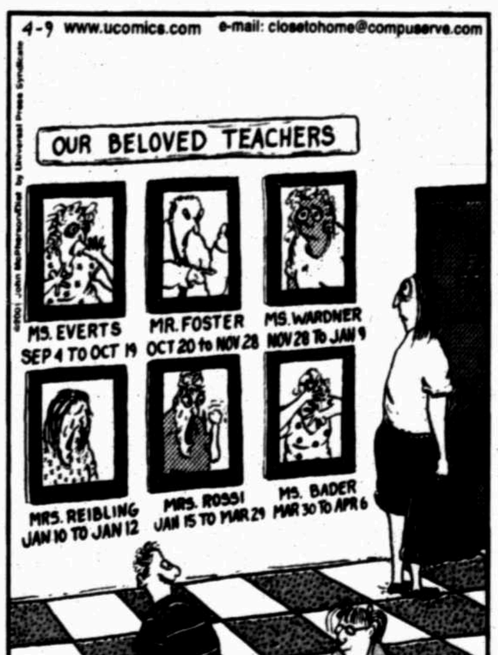

Replacement teacher Ellen Twitchell has a sudden sense of foreboding.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"SINCE WE'RE BOTH AWAKE, HOW 'BOUT READIN' ME ANOTHER STORY?"

CATHY

FAMILY CIRCUS

"We get cotton from rabbits. They grow it on their tails."

WIZARD OF ID

LOCKHORNS

"LEROY ALWAYS CHOOSES THE CHEAPER OF TWO EVILS."

DILBERT

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Academy president apologizes for Mike Myers' degrading comments

AP Photo
Mike Myers presents the sound sound editing Oscars during the 73rd annual Academy Awards in this, March 25, file photo in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES — The president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has offered a written apology to the group's sound branch over comments by actor **Mike Myers** during last month's Oscars ceremony, the Los Angeles Times reported.

During the March 25 telecast, Myers presented the winners for best sound and sound editing while belittling the importance of the two categories.

The next day, one of the governors of the academy's sound branch wrote president **Robert Rehme** to complain, calling Myers' comments an insult, according to the newspaper.

Academy guidelines prohibit presenters from being dismissive of any of the categories for which Oscars are presented.

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NEW YORK — It's springtime for **Mel Brooks**.

The writer and director of the classic Hollywood comedy "The Producers" says he's delighted the show is on Broadway, and theatergoers appear to share in his pleasure.

"I haven't been this happy since I did my first sketch on (television's) 'Your Show of Shows' with Sid Caesar. I'm back doing what I was born to do. And I love it," Brooks tells Time magazine in editions appearing on newsstands Monday.

Brooks is producing the musical stage version of "The Producers," a comedy about a group of people who put on a musical called "Springtime for Hitler." The show sold $13 million worth of tickets even before it opened.

Star Matthew Broderick says Brooks has been very hands-on during the project.

"He's totally attentive, watching like a hawk," he says, adding that Brooks arrived at one rehearsal yelling "No, no, you're ruining my masterpiece!"

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NEW YORK — Actress **Renee Zellweger** kept an eye on her day job until recently.

The star of "Bridget Jones' Diary" says that even after a string of movies including "Jerry Maguire," "Me, Myself & Irene" and "The Bachelor," she lacked confidence in her acting ability.

Zellweger says she wasn't sure she was going to be able to make a living as an actress until she won a Golden Globe award in January for her role as a deluded soap-opera fan in "Nurse Betty."

"It was a very profound moment," she tells Newsweek in its April 16 issue. "It made me realize that I had a reason to be there that night, that I wasn't crashing the party and about to be found out and shown the door."

"Bridget Jones' Diary," adapted from the best-selling comic novel, opens this week.

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COLUMBUS, Ga. — The bad news for Mamie and Garry Pound: They had to say goodbye to their house guests — **Mel Gibson**, **Greg Kinnear**, **Keri Russell**, **Chris Klein** and **Madeleine Stowe**.

The good news: For the first time in a month, the Pounds can take showers in their own home.

The Pounds and their two children moved out while the cast of "We Were Soldiers Once ... And Young" filmed in Columbus and stayed in the family's bed and breakfast.

"We bathed the kids in a sink and showered at the Y," Garry Pound said. "But we'd do it all over again. Every one of our rooms was booked for a month. That doesn't happen very often."

Rumors flew during the shooting that the stars were in town, but the Pounds' lips were sealed.

"We had to lie," said Mary Dana Knight, who helps Mamie Pound prepare meals. "We'd receive telephone calls all the time asking if Mel was staying here. We'd have to say no."

The movie is currently filming in California.

Compiled from Associated Press wire reports.

TV TONIGHT

MONDAY EVENING — APRIL 9, 2001

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

Broadcast		C	B	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
3	KMID	2	3	News 286	Wheel of Fortune 538	Final Jeopardy (01) Dana Delany, Billy Burke, Joelle Carter. Premiere. (TV14) 89489				Gideon's Crossing 9538		News 3408002	Nightline (N) 93142335	Politically 5629199	(:36) Cheers 7105267
5	KPEJ	24	5	3	Cosby 56737	Suddenly 96199	Boston Public "Chapter Nine" '14' 11083		Ally McBeal "Without a Net" '14' 20731		Arrest & Trial 73335	Nanny 82880	Blind Date 85489	Jerry Springer '14' 481354	Spin City 35335
7	KOSA	7	7	7	(:15) Town Hall Meeting 10953606		King 8712	Yes, Dear (N) 7539	Raymond 7460	Becker (N) 3267	Family Law 65985		News 3658460	(:35) Late Show (N) 'PG' 56489083		Late Late 5868557
9	KWES	9	9	9	News 3151	Seinfeld 7731	Dateline (N) 57267		First Years "Touched by a Reindeer" (N) '14' 66915		Third Watch "Honor" (N) '14' 46151		News 1877248	(:35) Tonight Show (N) '14' 68441286		Late Night '14' 2442118
12	KMLM	42	12	19	Update With 26977	John Hagee 40557	Light of the Southwest (Live) 68199				Hour of Healing 88793		Update With 61847	How Can I Live? 47267	Promise 63996	Church 20441
13	KOCV	36	13		Newshour With Jim Lehrer 620002		Antiques Roadshow (N) 171151		American Experience "Joe DiMaggio: The Hero's Life" 'G' 888199		Long Season 632847		Business Rpt. 986170	Telecourse 902118	Telecourse 146825	
10	WGN		10		Family Matters 131489	Suddenly 115441	Baby, It's You (R, '83) Rosanna Arquette, Vincent Spano, Joanna Merlin. 540373				News 643809		In the Heat of the Night "AKA Kelly Kay" 646996		Matlock "The Suspect" 546557	
11	WTBS		11	11	Fresh Pr. 919373	Fresh Pr. 7004606	A League of Their Own (:05) (PG, '92) Geena Davis, Tom Hanks, Madonna. Based on the story of the all-girl baseball league of 1943. 15419151						Sixteen Candles (9:50) (PG, '84) Molly Ringwald, Anthony Michael Hall, Paul Dooley. 4424373			
18	UNI		42	13	Carita de Angel 90847		Abrázame Muy Fuerte 95083		Mi Destino Eres Tú 61101		Cristina: Edición Especial 91267		Primer Impacto 34793	Noticiero Univ. 43441	¿A Qué No Te Atreves? 60557	
20	DISC		20	26	Pet Love The role of the domestic animal. 259538		Giants: Lizards and Snakes 'G' 726625		Walking With Dinosaurs 'G' 735373		Making of Walking With Dinosaurs 'G' 722809		Justice Files "Vigilantes" 725996		Giants: Lizards and Snakes 'G' 708489	
21	AMC		21	31	Hollywood	3 Stooges	Do Not Disturb ('65) Doris Day. 159199				Backstory	When Dinosaurs Ruled the Earth 298903				Do Not
22	TNN		22	35	Miami Vice 464354		Miami Vice 948731		WWF Raw '14' 924151		WWF War Zone 8305422		Bull Riding 1968660		(:07) Miami Vice 1870199	
23	TNT		23	28	Pretender 457064		Last Stand at Saber River (TV14) 900731				Riders of the Purple Sage (TVPG) 927248				Last Stand-Bir 310354	
24	CNN		28	22	Moneyline	Crossfire (N)	Wolf Blitzer	The Point	Larry King Live 388489		Tonight	Spin Room	Sports	Moneyline	Larry King Live 337915	
26	BET		26	33	106 & Park	BET.com	For Us the Living: The Medgar Evers Story 160151				Comicview 296915		BET News	BET Tonight	Midnight Love 166335	
27	DISN		27	41	The Luck of the Irish (01) Ryan Merriman. (TVG) 4997625			The Next Karate Kid (:35) (PG, '94) Noriyuki "Pat" Morita, Hilary Swank. 2393266				Noah (:35) ('98) Tony Danza, Wallace Shawn. (TVG) 16547460		Videos 27803644	Mickey 824847	
28	ESPN2		63		RPM 2Night	NFL 2Night	Extreme 5254002		High School Basketball: Roundball Classic 5241538				Extreme 5253373		NFL 2Night	RPM 2Night
29	ESPN		29	30	Outside the Lines (N) 602606		Dick Schaap – Flashing Before My Eyes 186083		NFL's Greatest Moments (N) 195731		Baseball Tonight (N) 182267		Sportscenter 185354		Baseball Tonight (N) 151557	
30	USA		30	38	JAG "Second Sight" 'PG' 880422		Clear and Present Danger (PG-13, '94) Harrison Ford, Willem Dafoe. Jack Ryan battles Colombian drug lords and villainous feds. 224199						Martin 179828	Martin 155248	Baywatch "Second Time Around" 'PG' 322083	
31	FX		31		NYPD Blue 6123422		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Predator (R, '87) Carl Weathers 3167644				Shocking Mom. 3146151		Son Beach	X-Files
32	A&E		32	25	Law & Order "Corpus Delicti" 'PG' 244606		Biography: Hugh Hefner: Playboy 711793		100 Centre Street "Bobby and Cynthia" '14' 720441		Investigative Reports (N) 717977		Law & Order "Kids" 710064		Biography: Hugh Hefner: Playboy 793557	
33	TLC		33	21	Medical Detect 577267	Medical Detect 591847	Junkyard Wars "Mileage Marathon" 'G' 940199		Police, Camera, Action! (N) 959847		Supersleuths: Ivan Milat (N) 'PG' 939083		Junkyard Wars "Mileage Marathon" 'G' 932170		Police, Camera, Action! 908373	
34	NICK		34	37	Hey Arnold! 'Y' 285793	Rugrats 'Y' 209373	Thornberrys 573460	Brady 205557	Diff. Strokes 559680	Facts of Life 578915	3's Co. 440539	3's Co. 252625	All in Family 513248	All in Family 522996	Jeffersons 490034	Jeffersons 242719
36	LIFE		36	40	Intimate Portrait "Cindy Williams" 433538		Unsolved Mysteries 591557		Love Can Be Murder ('92) Jaclyn Smith, Corbin Bernsen, Cliff De Young. 696101				Golden Girls 'PG' 799606	Golden Girls 'PG' 708354	Designing 340354	Designing 255847
39	OUTDR		39		Hunting 5029286	Sportsman 5010538	Yachting 2138267	Outback 5009422	CanoeKyk 2147915	Surfer 2126422	Perception 7152731	Sport Diver 8319847	Yachting 6878625	Outback 6887373	CanoeKyk 7131248	Surfer 5755335
43	FSN		43	29	Totally NASCAR 41625	SW Sports 32977	You-See This! 60444	Rodeo Mesquite Championship. (Taped) 599624		Preps 34847	Thunderbox (Taped) 79083		SW Sports Rpt. 43489	Sports Report 29809	You-See This! 54286	Last Word 99644
44	COM		44		Daily Show 8701373	Ben Stein 8792625	Whose? 6234557	Whose? 8798809	Whose? 6210977	Whose? 6222712	Funhouse 3172335	Presents 9820606	Daily Show 6195441	Ben Stein 6111489	Saturday Night Live '14' 2764625	
45	CNBC	8	27		Business Center 6619538		Hardball 1976170		Rivera Live 1992118		Brian Williams 1972354		Hardball 1975441		Rivera Live 1210248	
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47	E!		47		Homes	Talk Soup	Scandals	Scandals	True Hollywood Story "Farrah Fawcett" 'PG' 836557				Howard S.	Howard S.	Wild On 898557	
48	TVL		48	24	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Emergency! 6937129		M.T. Moore	Van Dyke	Andy Griffith	Get Smart	BarneyM	Hogan	Baretta 9687460	
49	ODY		49		Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Medicine Woman 946373		Christy "The Sweetest Gift" 933809				Rescue 911	Rescue 911	Young Riders 911847	
50	HGTV		50	42	Old House	BeforAftr	Auction	Collect	Home	Country	If Walls	Modern	Auction	Collect	Home	Country
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52	TELE		52		Amantes-Des. 168098		Betty la Fea	La Baby Sitter 826606			Terra Nostra 634151		Noticiero	Laura en America 764286	Xica 617129	
54	FAM		14	6	Step 564847	Step 555199	Bushwhacked ('95) Daniel Stern. 973731				Providence 'PG' 220257		700 Club 846444		Boss?	Boss?
59	FOOD		59		Cooking Live		Emeril Live		Mario Eats	Best Of (N)	Calling	Food Finds	Emeril Live		Mario Eats	Best Of
60	TOON		60		Scooby	Dexter	Bravo	Dexter	Bugs	Tom Jerry	Flintstones	Scooby Doo	Bravo	Dexter	Dragon-Z	Big O
61	TCM		61		Jericho (5:30) 8142064		Man Alive ('45) 3988422			The Iron Major 5189977			Bliss ('37) 3897489			ChinaClipr
62	HIST		62	32	Black Sheep 3794557		This Week-Hist 4137147		Raise the Monitor! 'G' 8537903				Most 'G' 5587688		This Week-Hist 9696118	
63	BRAV		24		St. Elsewhere 968070.		The Red and the Black ('97) 553847				Cold Feet 'PG' 649083		The Red and the Black ('97) 903793			
64	SCIFI		64	39	Babylon 5 8180828		Crusade 1675422		Interceptor Force (R, '99) 1695286				Crossing	Crossing	Quantum Leap 7918422	
53	PLEX				Amy Wed. 5100731	Fulfillment (:20) ('99) Cheryl Ladd, Ted Levine. 82542680			Nobody's Fool (PG-13, '86) Rosanna Arquette, Eric Roberts, Mare Winningham. 5861373				Love Is Never Silent (9:50) ('85) Mare Winningham. 87710557			Amy Wed. 26183002
65	FLIX		65		Of Mice and Men (5:00) ('92) 1080286		Radio Days (PG, '87) Mia Farrow, Dianne Wiest. 7499880			Punchline (R, '88) Sally Field, Tom Hanks, John Goodman. 78964557				Too Scared to Scream (:35) (R, '85) Mike Connors. 71102170		
66	SHOW		66	20	Cheech & Chong's Corsican Brothers 28946625		Dirty Dancing (PG-13, '87) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze, Jerry Orbach. 340489				Chris Isaak "The Real Me" (N) 'MA' 360083		Playboy 2000: The Party Continues 'MA' 7390248		Sensual Friends (:15) (NR, '99) 33320199	
67	TMC		67	16	Amos & Andrew (:15) (PG-13, '93) Nicolas Cage, Samuel L. Jackson. 54001644				Who Killed Atlanta's Children? ('00) James Belushi, Gregory Hines. (TV14) 285809				Belly (R, '98) Nas, DMX, Taral Hicks.		One Good 1376489	
68	HBO		68	15	Another Stakeout (5:00) ('93) 980996		Wit ('01) Emma Thompson, Christopher Lloyd, Eileen Atkins. 4115267			Light It Up (:45) (R, '99) Usher Raymond, Forest Whitaker, Rosario Dawson. 39480915			Taxicab Confessions 7 'MA' 324002		The PawnR. 2072335	
69	HBOP		69		Twice Upon a Yesterday (5:15) 58273170		Go (R, '99) Desmond Askew, Taye Diggs, William Fichtner. 9070880				Sopranos "Second Opinion" 'MA' 6646557		Naked States 'MA' 2886118		Kates 88301151	
70	HBOS		70		Anna Karenina (PG-13, '97) Sophie Marceau, Sean Bean, Alfred Molina. 6623606				This Is My Father (R, '98) Aidan Quinn, James Caan, Stephen Rea. 6628151				City of Joy (PG-13, '92) Patrick Swayze, Pauline Collins, Om Puri. 61292335			
71	MAX		71		Wild Wild West (5:15) ('99) 80129731		Gremlins ('84) Zach Galligan. A lovable little creature spawns hundreds of evil beings. 955335				Certain Guys ('99) Diedrich Bader. Five longtime buddies learn the true meaning of friendship. 2317422				Hold Up (10:50) ('00) Jamie Foxx. 2103915	
72	MAX2		72		Wing Commander (:15) (PG-13, '99) Freddie Prinze Jr., Saffron Burrows. 11333915				Eight Days a Week (R, '97) Joshua Schaefer. 5295625		The Mating Habits of the Earthbound Human (R, '99) 9214606				Hell's Kitchen (R, '98) 2586441	

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-especially if they don't have any relevance to what you are doing. Tonight: Luxuriate in a hot shower.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, April 9, 2001:

You inspire others to unprecedented levels, and by the same token, others energize you. These exchanges will be instrumental to your success this year. You care about others, so express it in a way that can make a difference. Pioneer a key cause or commitment, and you will make many new friends as a result. If you are single, though you are friendly and gregarious, others respond best to your attention and focus. If attached, your relationship grows through a greater commitment to something you both want. SCORPIO helps you with bottom-line problems.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ A gentle haze descends around you. Use this fog to do some daydreaming and brainstorming. Taking strong action, which is your normal reaction, could backfire. An associate joins in and enjoys the easygoing pace. Seeds of wisdom burst forth. Tonight: Light candles and create atmosphere.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You always deal with the here and now and are always practical. What proves to be frustrating is the vagueness surrounding a boss or someone you look up to. Work with the uncertainty rather than trying to define the undefinable. Tap in to your sense of humor. Tonight: Toss the practical down the drain.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Screen your calls, which might be difficult for curious and chatty you. Of course, do this only if you want to get something done! You might enjoy the news and gossip that comes your way. Jot down ideas as they come to you,

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Your imagination enjoys a day of roaming, though you should attempt to focus on important chores. Your reverie involves developing greater emotional and financial security. You need both to flourish. The issue is: How much is enough? Tonight: Be whimsical.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ What has been troublesome is that you see someone as you would like to see him. Your instincts guide you. Your natural creativity bubbles forth, leading to many ideas and solutions to a personal matter. Tonight: Let another take the lead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Precision becomes you, but you might have to settle for vagueness from a doctor or associate. But Virgo needs clean answers! Keep asking questions. Stay in the moment when driving or talking to others, even if your mind is elsewhere. Tonight: Do something ultimately relaxing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You could be so busy weighing the pros and cons that you might never get off your duff. Oh, dear. Sometimes your inaction, though frustrating to those you deal with, is your strongest suit. In this case, you might avoid a problem by not jumping forward. Tonight: Take action and enjoy yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Use your penchant for structure at work rather than at home. Others will simply throw obstacles into your path if you insist upon being controlling on the domestic front. Don't be so secretive. Others respond to the authentic you. Tonight: Anything goes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★ Do something different: Step back rather than sticking your foot into your mouth. Say little and do little, which might be difficult. Instead of disseminating news and information, listen more. Much will be revealed. Take your good old-fashioned time! Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Your financial aspirations can become possible, but your strong suit today isn't reality. You could be fed the wrong information, or you might have difficulty seeing the story completely. Your moneymaking talents will return soon enough. Tonight: Get into a game of racquetball or volleyball.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Quirkiness is your middle name, but recently others find you downright elusive! A boss or a key associate becomes frustrated when dealing with you. Give up some of your willfulness and be more easygoing. Which is more important: being right or having success? Tonight: Work late.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Having a mind and an imagination that wander is one of your strengths, as well as one of your liabilities. Work on testing an idea. Find someone who understands enough to brainstorm. Great ideas come together with someone's help. Tonight: Relax to music or a movie.

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BORN TODAY

Playboy founder Hugh Hefner (1926), actor Dennis Quaid (1954), model Paulina Porizkova (1965)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ A Q 10 9 ♡ 8 2 ◇ K 6 ♣ 10 9 6 5 4

The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	?	

What action do you take?

A — The double fit in the black suits enhances the value of the South hand. Clearly, it is good enough for an invitational bid, and it is simply a matter of which one to choose. The obvious bid, in our opinion, is to tell partner about the fit in his suit. Bid three clubs. That is forcing so unless partner jumps to four spades, you cannot be sure how many spades North has in support.

Q 2 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♠ K Q 8 ♡ A 7 6 ◇ K 8 4 2 ♣ A K 9

The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	1♠	Pass
?			

What do you bid now?

A — This is textbook. With a perfectly balanced, 19-point hand with three-card, albeit good, support for partner's suit, there is no reason to consider raising partner's spades. A jump to two no-trump describes it exactly.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♠ K J 7 6 ♡ A Q 6 ◇ 6 5 ♣ A 7 6 5

The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	3◇	Pass
?			

What do you bid now?

A — Partner has asked you to evaluate your diamond holding for game purposes. With a very sound, minimum opening bid and a diamond holding, which will be helpful to partner, jump to four spades.

Q 4 — Neither vulnerable, you hold:

♠ A Q J 10 ♡ 8 6 ◇ Q 7 5 3 ♣ A 9 2

Your right-hand opponent opens the bidding with a weak two spades. What action do you take?

A — When your opponents open the bidding in your best suit, there is little you can do. You do not have the values for an overcall in no-trump or a suit good enough to bid, and you can be sure to hear partner respond in hearts to a takeout double. When you are fixed, stay fixed. Pass.

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS
1 Colorado's __ Park
6 Happy hour stops
10 Work with acid
14 Coloring cosmetic
15 __ cheese
16 Pouting grimace
17 Civic group
19 Greek "I"
20 Artist's workroom
21 Various, as chocolates
23 Actress Thompson
25 Long time
26 In the style of
29 Dutch Schultz rival
35 Apple of a bull's eye?
37 Brenda or Peggy
38 One with a collateral loan
39 Raise in rank
41 Chip enhancer
43 Period of power
44 Comment
46 Composer Rorem
48 Actress Spelling
49 Jilted lover's despair
52 __ de plume
53 Fair-hiring abbr.
54 Hull attachment
56 Identical
61 Type of recording or computer
65 Most populous continent
66 "Just Shoot Me" actor
68 Proust's "Remembrance of Things __"
69 Hungarian spa town
70 Ruhr Valley city
71 Dines
72 Family rooms
73 Actress Della

DOWN
1 Goofs
2 Chimney deposit
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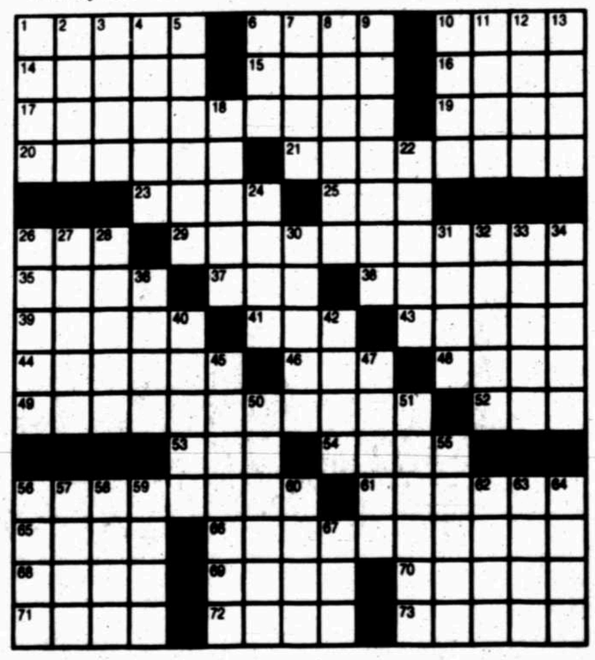

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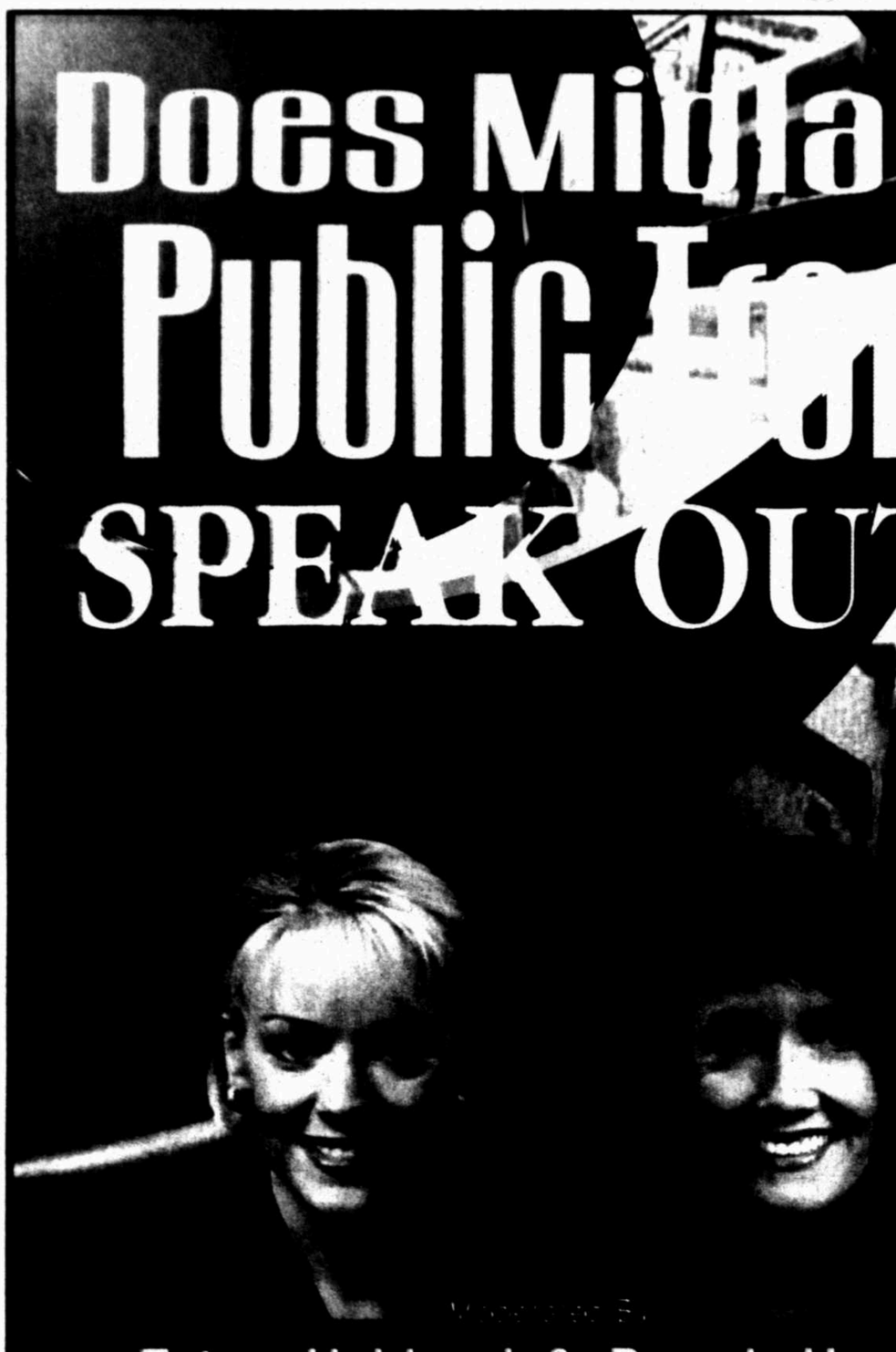

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★ Outstanding
■ Worthy effort
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Charlie's Angels (PG
Dancer in the Dark
Girlfight (R)
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Red Planet (PG-13)
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MONDAY MORNING

Dear Abby/2C
Talkin' Texas/2C

DAVE BARRY

I changed my name to better bilk you with

Several months ago, out of the blue, a company named "Cingular" started sending me bills. I had never heard of Cingular, and I honestly did not know what these bills were for, so I put them in the pile where I keep documents that I intend to scrutinize more carefully later on, after my death.

Barry

Then I started seeing TV commercials for Cingular, but of course they did not make it clear what Cingular is, because the First Rule of Modern Advertising is: "Never reveal what you are advertising." In the Cingular commercials -- maybe you've seen them — these little characters, which look like mutant starfish from space, walk around and make gestures. It is not at all clear why they are doing this. It crossed my mind that maybe they ARE mutant starfish from space, and Cingular is the name of their home planet, and they've sent bills to all of humanity, and they are gesturing to indicate that if we don't pay them, they'll vaporize the earth.

Eventually, I found out that Cingular is the new name of my cellular telephone company. It used to be named BellSouth Mobility. Before THAT, I think it was just BellSouth, and before THAT, it was Southern Bell, and before that, I'm sure it was several other things. If you go far enough back, you'd probably find out that at one time, the name actually included the words "telephone company," so you could tell, from the name, what it did, which today would be a serious violation of business ethics.

So I paid my Cingular bills, because I need my cellular phone to communicate vital information ("Hello? Hello? Can you hear me? I can't hear you. Hello?"). I apparently have a special cellular plan wherein all my calls are routed through a Burger King drive-thru intercom in Bolivia. I envy the people whose cell phones always seem to work — the people you see in airports, with their phones attached to earphone/microphone devices, so they can stride around, gesturing and talking really loud into the air, looking kind of like Hamlet delivering his soliloquy ("To be, or not to be, that is the ... Hello?").

But my question is: Why do companies keep changing their names? And why do they always change them to names that don't MEAN anything? We consumers like names that reflect what the company does. We know, for example, that International Business Machines makes business machines; and Ford Motor makes Fords; and Sara Lee makes us fat. But we don't know, from the name "Verizon," what Verizon does. As far as I can tell, Verizon consists of some big telephone companies that joined together. So why couldn't they call themselves "An Even Bigger Telephone Company"?

And what in the world is "Accenture"? This is a company that buys a LOT of ads, the overall message of which seems to be: "Accenture — A Company That Buys a LOT of Ads." I checked the Accenture Internet site, and here's what it says about the name: "Accenture is a coined word that connotes putting an accent or emphasis on the future." Swell! I am all for the future! But what does Accenture DO? What if it sends me a bill? Should I pay it? What if I don't, and it turns out that "Accenture" is the new name for the organization formerly known as "La Cosa Nostra?" My body parts would be found in nine separate Hefty bags. The police would shake their heads and say, "Looks like he didn't pay his Accenture bill."

This brings me to my idea for how you can make big money. You start by inventing a new, modern-sounding company name, such as "Paradil" or "Gerbadigm," which are coined words that connote a combination of "paradigm" and "gerbil." Then you print official-looking invoice forms for this company, and you send out a mass-mailing of bills for, let's say,

Please see **BARRY**/2C

Person to Person

With Johnnye Montgomery

Brian Adamcik/Reporter-Telegram

This is Cindy Wolfe, an Easter enthusiast; she's wearing her favorite item, an Easter bonnet.

Keeper of traditions Cindy Wolfe

If you feel that spring has been a little slow in coming in this year, full of fits and starts and rainy, blue Mondays and if you need a little Easter, right this very minute, then Cindy Wolfe is the woman to see.

Cindy is a water colorist, a keeper of traditions, a celebrant of holidays from Presidents' Day to Christmas, and if her Easter treasures don't lift your spirits, her Easter traditions will.

"I love all holidays, but Easter is probably my favorite, not only because of its spiritual significance, but because of its natural significance," she said. "It's just a joyous time, a coming of light. And every year, when I get out my box of Easter treasures, and start to unpack them, I get to touch what my father had, and what my grandmother and great-grandmother had. And they're there with me as I unpack."

Here is her father's Easter basket, small enough to fit into her outstretched hand, of Appalachian design and woven sometime before 1930. It was later given to Cindy's sister, Debbie, but because of its small capacity, Cindy remembers that Debbie also carried another basket to the back yard to hunt Easter eggs every year.

Here is Cindy's own 50-year-old Easter basket. Cindy, who is 50, has a photograph of herself as a 6-week-old baby in her crib, and the basket — filled with a straw-stuffed chenille bunny rabbit with wire ears — is also in the bed. Here, also, is the rabbit from the photo, with some of its fuzz loved off over the years, but with all his parts intact.

And here too, are postcards from the past. There's a card from Cindy's grandmother, Agnes Wolfe, to her mother, Cindy's great-grandmother, Katherine Moff, bearing one-cent stamps. One is postmarked 1911.

"We don't throw anything away in this family," said Cindy. "The reason we have these postcards is that when my father went to visit his grandmother, she let him look at them. She let him bring them home with him. He kept them, and now we have them."

Also in the box of Easter relics are hand-blown milk-glass eggs, larger than goose eggs, so thin they're almost translucent, with tiny flowers and poems painted on them. Some were Easter gifts for family members handed down through the generations. Others, Cindy has found at garage sales and antique shows, treasures that had somehow lost their meaning when the owners died or no longer cared about them.

"These were common in the late 19th and early 20th centuries," said Cindy. "It just breaks my heart that nobody wanted them."

Every one of Cindy's Easter objects comes with a story. In the little hand-woven Appalachian Easter basket that once belonged to Joe Wolfe, who died in 1993, are three ducklings — not toys, but the real thing, their down-covered bodies preserved by a taxidermist, their eye sockets filled with tiny black glass eyes.

"This seems a little, well, morbid," said Cindy. "These were mailed to my sister and me by our grandmother on our mother's side, Grandmother Adelhardt, who lived in Baltimore."

One of the little ducks is wearing a paper top hat. Cindy plucks it out of the green confetti grass in the basket to show its leathery yellow feet. "See, it's still in good shape.

"Grandmother Wolfe also would give us little chicks and hens that she would crochet," said Cindy, reaching for a basket filled with crocheted figures whose hollows were stuffed with plastic eggs. "You see, they were the perfect size for the eggs we would find in the grass on Easter

Please see **CINDY**/2C

PARENTS' GUIDE

NEW MOVIES IN THEATERS

Movie title/MPAA rating	Language	Violence	Drug use	Nudity
Along Came a Spider (R)	Strong	Strong	None	None
Blow (R)	Strong	Medium	Strong	Partial
Brigham City (PG)	Mild	Medium	None	None
The Brothers (R)	Strong	Mild	None	Partial
The Dish (PG-13)	Mild	None	None	None
Heartbreakers (PG-13)	Mild	Mild	None	None
Just Visiting (PG-13)	Mild	Mild	None	None
Pokemon 3: The Movie (G)	Mild	Mild	None	None
Someone Like You (PG-13)	Medium	None	None	Partial
Spy Kids (PG)	Mild	Medium	None	None
The Tailor of Panama (R)	Strong	Medium	Medium	Partial
Tomcats (R)	Strong	Mild	None	Partial

G All ages admitted
PG All ages admitted, parental guidance suggested
PG-13 Parents strongly cautioned, some material may be inappropriate for children under 13
R Restricted, under 17 requires accompanying parent or guardian

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VIDEO RATINGS

FROM AROUND THE NATION

★ Outstanding
■ Worthy effort
▼ So-so
● A bomb

	Chicago Tribune	Dallas Morning News	Detroit Free Press	Miami Herald	N.Y. Daily News	Orange County Register	Philadelphia Inquirer	Seattle Times
Charlie's Angels (PG-13)	▼	▼	▼	■	▼	■	■	▼
Dancer in the Dark (R)	★	■	■	■		■	▼	■
Girlfight (R)	■	★	■	■	■	■	■	▼
Nurse Betty (R)	★	■	■	▼	■	■		■
102 Dalmatians (G)	●	■	▼		■	▼	■	▼
Red Planet (PG-13)	▼	▼		▼	▼	▼	▼	▼
Rugrats in Paris (G)	▼	■	■	▼	▼		■	▼
...Bagger Vance (G)	▼	■	■	▼	▼	▼	▼	▼

Upcoming video releases:
April 10: Bounce, Men of Honor

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CINDY: Dressing up Easter part of tradition

(From 1C)

morning."

On a table sits a large metal mold, hinged on one side, with the outlines of four rabbits lined up on each side.

"This is another story," said Cindy. "We lived in Midland, and my grandmother lived in Baltimore, and in the neighborhood where she lived was a candy maker.

"They must have been very good friends, and I guess she had talked about her two little granddaughters who lived in Texas.

"One year when we were very small, we received this big package from Baltimore, and in it was a big solid chocolate milk basket, and a big solid chocolate bunny."

Cindy said other memories spring from the unpacking.

"Maybe a lot of it has to do with our being Catholics, and all during Lent, all the statues are draped in purple, and then at Easter, the drapes come off, and there's light everywhere," she said.

"But all my Easter memories are so joyful.

"My sister and I would always leave a carrot for the Easter bunny, and we'd wake up very, very early and run out to the yard to find our eggs and gifts that he had left us," she remembers, adding that they were exacting and scrupulous about sharing.

"We counted every egg, every jelly bean, every little toy, and shared, to make sure that we each had exactly the same amount. Then when we were through with that, it would be good daylight, and we'd run wake up our mother and dad.

"One year, my sister and I each got these little porcelain rabbits. This one standing on its hind legs is mine. My sister's is crouching on its four legs."

Cindy said another tradition was dressing for Easter.

"You've got to understand that in the 1950s, and even as late as the 1960s, there were unbreakable fashion rules," she said, smiling.

"You didn't wear white shoes or white gloves until Easter, and the minute Labor Day dawned, you stopped, and wore black. You wore a straw hat at Easter and beyond, and a felt hat at Labor Day.

"It was also important for us to make things for Easter. We would go down to the five and ten cent store and buy Styrofoam and make bunnies and chicks."

But Cindy's Easters aren't all about the past. Many of the Easter toys and decorations find their way into her paintings. A plate of gingerbread bunnies is bordered by Styrofoam bunnies. Mechanical Easter toys figure in another painting.

And every Easter for the past 10 years, Cindy has made old fashioned cream eggs.

"This was something that I can remember looking forward to every Easter when I was a child, and then about 10 years ago, I realized that I hadn't seen any for a while" she said.

"I went down to the stores, looking for those large chocolate-covered cream eggs, and I couldn't find any. Not the kind that I remembered. So I looked in the library until I found a recipe, and now I make them every year.

"Maybe some day when I'm no longer around, someone will remember that during their childhood, there was this woman who used to make wonderful chocolate-covered cream eggs for Easter."

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Chocolate-covered cream Easter eggs

3 1-pound boxes confectioner's sugar

2 8-ounce packages cream cheese

1/2 pound butter, softened

1 teaspoon vanilla

12 ounces semisweet chocolate chips

3 ounces unsweetened chocolate

Cream butter and cream cheese in a large bowl. Add sifted confectioner's sugar 1 cup at time, stirring well after each addition. Add vanilla.

Chill several hours until quite firm, then form into 12 large eggs, then place them on a large flat pan in the freezer while preparing chocolate.

Melt chocolate over hot water in the top of a double boiler, then dip the eggs with a wooden spoon and a form. After dipping, let them cool to harden.

TIP: If desired, add maraschino cherries, coconut, nuts, or other flavorings to the cream before forming into egg shapes.

BARRY: Plan has one flaw

(From 1C)

$20.38 apiece, to several million randomly selected people. You enclose an announcement with a perky corporate marketing statement that is clearly a lie, and thus appears totally realistic, such as: "We've changed our name to serve you better!"

Granted, some consumers would throw the bill away. But a LOT of them would pay it, because they're used to companies suddenly mutating on them. You'd get rich!

The only flaw in this plan is that the postal authorities might question its legality. If they give you any trouble, refer them to me, OK? My name is now Enron P. Citigroup.

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DEAR ABBY

Cute chicks, ducklings make foul pets for kids

By Abigail Van Buren

Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: In years past, you have warned parents that it is inappropriate to give young fowl or baby animals to small children as Easter gifts. Not only are the children too young to properly care for them, but they pose a health risk.

Many chicks, ducklings and other young fowl shed salmonella bacteria in their feces. Humans become infected from direct contact with the birds or when feces-contaminated food, hands or objects are placed in the mouth.

Children have more frequent hand-to-mouth contact than adults and are less likely to wash their hands properly after handling chicks or ducklings. Infants, children under 5 and immuno-compromised persons are at high risk for severe infections and diarrhea.

Abby, please stress to your readers that if they handle young fowl, they MUST thoroughly wash their hands with soap and hot water. — KAMMY JOHNSON, DVM, PHD, CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, ATLANTA

DEAR KAMMY: Thank you for the timely warning. Parents who want to give their children chicks and ducks should buy the cuddly "stuffed" kind. Not only do they not have to be fed, they also don't pose a health risk.

DEAR ABBY: My father, now in his late 60s, seems to enjoy upsetting people. For many years, he has given gifts with the intention of deliberately shocking the recipient. When the package is opened, he breaks into a big grin if the person is reduced to tears.

He sent my sister's rooommate insulting literature because he doesn't like the way she manages her money. He doesn't like my niece's husband, so he sent him a pair of dirty socks.

As he ages, it appears that my father's desperate attempts to hurt people have accelerated. The last straw came a few weeks ago when I was a passenger in my father's car. He purposely stopped across three lanes of oncoming traffic -- on my side of the car! I became hysterical. My husband wants to sell our home and move me as far away as possible from my abusive father.

Abby, our family is planning to get together again soon. I feel like excluding my father. What should I do? — HURT IN VIRGINIA

DEAR HURT: Whether or not to invite your father to a family gathering is the least of your worries. Your father's behavior appears to be escalating from eccentric to dangerous. One definition of serious mental illness is, "The person is a danger to himself or others." By stopping his car across three lanes of traffic, he placed you in serious jeopardy. Talk to a lawyer and to his doctor about his behavior. Your father must be evaluated for dementia or mental illness.

DEAR ABBY: Returning home from a small dinner party given by some close friends, I remarked to my wife that the gin had been watered. She observed that so was the scotch.

How can we delicately call this to the attention of our hosts? They don't read Dear Abby. We're concerned that their housekeeper may be nipping and refilling the bottles of expensive booze with water. — BOMBED IN BEVERLY HILLS

DEAR BEVERLY HILLS: (Far be it from me to call anyone "Bombed.") Since you're afraid you'll offend these close friends if you approach the subject directly, the next time they entertain you, bring your own bottle as a bread-and-butter gift.

Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips, aka Abigail Van Buren, and daughter Jeanne Phillips. Their column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

TALKIN' TEXAS

The value is all in the eye of the holder

By Tumbleweed Smith

I heard about this auction stuff. Where you take things in, get them appraised. The amounts for some items are astronomical. One question:Who the heck's gonna buy them?

So you happen to have a Foujita drawing valued at $15,000. How do you find a buyer?

I like putting a value on things the old fashioned way: if you like something enough to keep, and it means a lot to you, it's valuable.

Someone suggested I visit with a man who had a collection of pocketknives. It was, in my opinion, a modest collection. Just a cigar box full of knives. He wouldn't let me interview him because he thought someone would read about the collection and come steal it.

I ran into the same situation with a woman who had a table she bought in England. It weighs just under a ton. She did let me interview her, but called back and didn't want me to use her name or where she lived. She thought someone would hear about the table, hunt her house down, break in and take the huge table.

On a recent weekend I heard a radio program where a couple of guys were appraising books. People came to the live broadcast carrying books that had been in their possession for years.

The book guys were knowledgeable, and seemed to really get a kick out of telling someone who was extremely proud of a "first edition Charles Dickens" that it really wasn't a first edition, that it was a second printing and worth $6.95 The owner, of course had hoped to have it appraised at half a million dollars.

On the other hand, a woman brought in a book that she considered worthless and it was appraised at two thousand dollars. Again, is there a big market for an early edition of "The Little Engine That Could?"

People collect everything, I guess. A man in Lamesa collects hymn books with shaped notes. Not many of those around today. Somebody in Woodville collects hornets' nests, the ones that look like small barrels. The only place I've ever seen one of those is in his collection.

In the regular course of life, you run into people all the time who collect pencils, coins, stamps, records, Edsels, barbed wire or books by H. Allen Smith. You seldom run into someone who collects two story houses. But I know two people who do. They have several of them all lined up on their acreage.

It's a good thing people enjoy their collections because finding a buyer for their stuff would be difficult. Anyway, to them it's invaluable.

Tumbleweed Smith is a Big Spring storyteller and folklorist.

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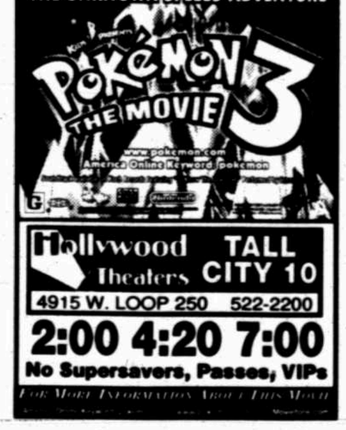

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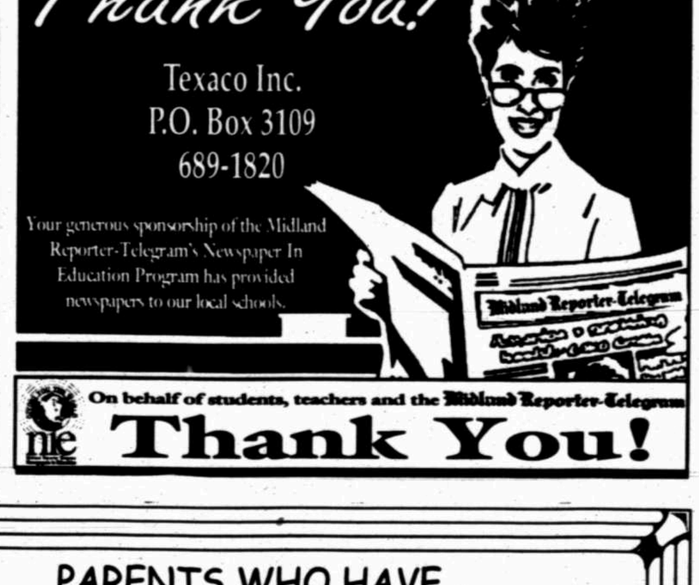

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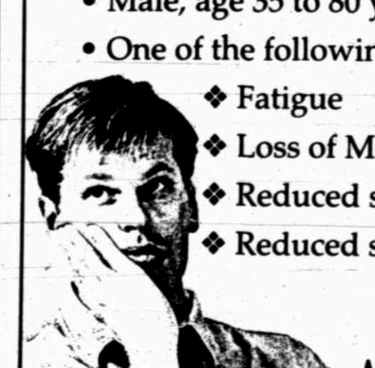

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Georgia Warene Wise Bray

Georgia Warene Wise Bray died at her home in Midland, Texas Wednesday afternoon April 4, 2001. She was born in Midland County on January 14, 1928, to Charles and Ada Wise. She graduated Valedictorian from Courtney High School and attended Texas Tech University and Howard Payne College. After graduating, she returned to Midland and was employed with Sun Oil Company. It was here that she met her beloved husband of 48 years, Raymond Earl Bray, whom she married on April 18, 1952.

Georgia was preceded in death by her parents, Ada and Charles Wise, three brothers, Gordon, Douglas, and Charles Jr. Wise and two sisters, Sybil Flournoy, and Wanda Gamewell.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Earl Bray of Midland, her daughter, Sharon Webb and husband John also of Midland; step-daughter, Linda Hagood and husband John of Merritt Island, Florida; stepson, Thomas Albert Bray and wife Claire of Austin, Texas; two brothers, Willard Wise and wife Dorothy of Granbury, Texas; Johnny Wise and wife Mary Lou of Midland; one sister, Jewel Fisher of Austin, Texas; eight grandchildren, Elizabeth, Jonathan, and Andrew Webb of Midland; Terry Hagood of Greenville, South Carolina; Christopher Hagood of Louisville, Kentucky; Sandy Macke of Atlanta, Georgia; Timothy and Marianne Bray of Austin; and two great-grandchildren, Richard and Erin Macke of Atlanta, Georgia.

Georgia was a loving wife and devoted mother. She was past-president of White Shrine and Tallahassee Country Club Golf Association. She was also involved in the Garden Club of Tallahassee, Daughters of American Revolution and a member of the American Contract Bridge League. While in Midland she was past president of the Woman's Golf Association at Midland Country Club, active with Camp Fire Girls and Midland Symphony Guild. She was a member of First Presbyterian Church, taught several Children's Sunday school classes, Vacation Bible School and Circle leader. At the time of her death she was a member of the Elizabeth Circle.

Georgia will always be remembered for her love of golf and bridge. She was the first woman to win the Midland City Golf Championship for three consecutive years, along with MCC Club Championships, and several holes in one. Some of her happiest times were spent with her grandchildren. She was their biggest fan, attending various sporting events and recitals.

The family would like to give a special "Thank You" to Beatrice Lambdin for her love and support of our family and her care of Georgia over the past two years.

Visitation with the family will be Saturday, April 7, 2001 from 6-8 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home.

A graveside service for family and friends will be held on Sunday, April 8 at 4 p.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park. A Memorial Service is scheduled for 1 p.m., Monday, April 9 at First Presbyterian Church in Midland with Dr. Richard Braun and Dr. Ray Riddle officiating. Serving as Honorary Pallbearers will be her grandsons, Terry and Chris Hagood, Jonathan and Andrew Webb and Timothy Bray.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggest memorial donations be made to: The American Heart Association, 3523 Andrews Hwy., Midland, Texas, The American Lung Association of Texas, 3520 Executive Center Drive, Austin, TX or The Alzheimer's Association, 4400 N. Big Spring St., Midland, Texas 79705, Hospice of Midland, Inc. 911 Texas Ave., Midland, Texas 79701 or to the charity of your choice.

Karen Davisson

Karen Davisson went to be with the Lord April 7, 2001.

Karen was born September 22, 1944 in Omaha, Nebraska. She attended high school in Plattsmouth, Nebraska. She moved to Odessa-Midland in 1965. Karen worked in various jobs in West Texas as a bookkeeper. Her most recent job was at the Midland County Sheriff Department as a jailer, from 1990-1993. For the last several years Karen was actively involved in a correspondence Bible Study program through the Westside Church of Christ under the guidance of Don Mitchell, Minister of Education.

She was preceded in death by her parents Rudolph and Madeline Zajic.

She is survived by one sister, Jacqueline R. Redden and brother-in-law, Tom Redden of Littleton, Colorado. She is also survived by close friends; Sam and James Glover, Sandy Davis and Kathy Hunter who helped care for her and were her extended family.

Graveside services will be held 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2001 in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Jack Kidwell

Jack Kidwell was born October 25, 1928 in Big Spring, Texas to Orvil Kidwell and Kate Lamb Kidwell. He moved with his family to Midland in 1935 and graduated from Midland High School in 1947. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. Mr. Kidwell retired from the U.S. Post Office in 1990 with more than 30 years of service. He was a member of Ranchland Heights Baptist Church

Mr. Kidwell was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Patricia Kidwell of Midland; a sister, Boerne Phillips of Midland; several nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

Mr. Kidwell died Saturday, April 7, 2001 at his Midland residence.

Visitation with family and friends will be 6 to 8 p.m. Monday in Ellis Funeral Home.

Funeral services are scheduled for 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in Ellis Funeral Home with Reverend Robert Kepple, of Ranchland Heights Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by Reverend Robert Frazier of Valleyview Baptist Church. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be John Foster, Morris Howell, Burton Cain, Ben Olliff, Earl Selman and Bob Hughes. Honorary pallbearers are U.S. Postal Workers.

The family request memorials be directed to the Ranchland Heights Baptist Church Building Fund, 3203 South County Road 1211, Midland, Texas 79706.

Thomas Nix

Thomas Donald Nix was born September 18, 1918, in Paris, Texas, to Thomas Marvin Nix and Mabel Viola Nix. His death occurred April 8, 2001 of natural causes.

During World War II he served with the U.S. Marine Corps as a SBD Dive Bomber gunner, radar and radioman; ultimately achieving the rank of Technical Sergeant. His military awards included the Distinguished Flying Cross in addition to many other citations.

On August 25, 1946, he took Nelda Joyce Vaughan as his wife. Together they established their home and their business in Midland, Texas, where they remained until his death. They operated Nix Trading Post until retiring in 1986.

He was a charter member of St. Mark's Methodist Church and served on many church boards. He was also a long time volunteer of Hospice of Midland, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, John Douglas Nix, his sister, Evelyn Louise Nix, and his grandson, Bryce Daniel Nix.

He is survived by his wife, two children, Dr. Thomas Donald Nix Jr. and Linda Carol Nix, two grandchildren, Tiffany Renee Ortega and Benjamin David Nix, and three great-grandchildren.

He was a man who loved God, Country, family, and friends. Services will be held at 9 a.m. Tuesday, April 10, 2001, at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

Pallbearers will be Thomas D. Nix Jr., Scott P. Vaughan, Benjamin D. Nix, Paul R. Garza, R. Michael Roberts and Christopher M. Ortega. Honorary pallbearers are Jimmy Carter, Ira Reavis, C. W. Lawrence, Jim Green, Jimmy Green and Gerald Anderson.

Please direct memorials to Hospice of Midland, P.O. Box 2621 Midland, Texas 79762.

Norman Gerald Pallanes

Beloved husband, father, son and friend, Norman Gerald Pallanes, died Friday, April 6, 2001, in an oil field explosion. He was 32.

Norman was born on October 5, 1968, in Pecos, Texas, to Lucia Pallanes and Isabel "Chester" Pallanes. Norman attended Midland schools and graduated, after playing varsity football, from Midland High School in 1987.

Norman will be remembered for many things, most notably, for his commitment and respect for family, faith, hard work and community. Norman made his family a priority which made him his children's hero and his wife's knight in shining armor. Norman was a devoted husband and father whose love for his family led him into entrepreneurship. In 1995, he started his first company, West Texas Roustabout, with a single vehicle. From this small operation, Norman soon honed his skills in the oil field industry and expanded his business to include several partnerships: West Texas Environmental, Cit-Go, and most recently, West Texas Tank. Norman used a hands-on approach to make these companies succeed and he was a natural leader which helped him express his religious beliefs and community contributions by coaching a junior baseball team, serving as President of the Stewardship Committee at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church and by being a member of the Knights of Columbus and a Cursillista. Moreover, Norman was a good and loving son who always seemed to know when he was needed and never expected anything in return. Lastly, everyone will remember the bear-hug and contagious smile that was always there to greet us and his love for country music which included his favorite song, "Just Don't Take the Girl."

He is survived by his wife, Jesusita Martinez Pallanes, of Midland, Texas; children, Zacariah Adam, Jeremiah Matthew, Jonathan Elijah, John Michael and Hanna Angelita, of Midland, Texas; mother Lucia Pallanes, of Midland, Texas; father, Isabel "Chester" Pallanes, of Midland, Texas; sisters, Lisa Pallanes and Stephanie Herrera, of Midland, Texas; brothers, Roman Pallanes, Jason Pallanes and Nathan Pallanes, of Midland, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Rosaries are scheduled at 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 8, 2001, and Monday, April 9, 2001, at the Thomas Funeral Home in Midland, Texas, who is handling the arrangements. Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 10, 2001 at 11 a.m., at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Burial will follow at Resthaven Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Cecil Herrera, Edward Martinez, Dedrick Pallanes, Jason Pallanes, Nathan Pallanes and Roman Pallanes.

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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

Evelyn Marie Landers

Evelyn Marie Landers, 89, of Houston, formerly of Big Spring, died on Saturday, April 7, in a Houston hospital.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Tuesday, April 10, at the First Baptist Church Chapel with Rev. Jeff Donnell, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 6 to 7 p.m., today, April 9, at the funeral home.

She was born on July 10, 1911 in Newark, Arkansas and married Martin Landers on August 19, 1936 in Ada, Oklahoma.

He preceded her in death on July 12, 1989 after 53 years of marriage.

She received her bachelor's degree from East Texas Central State Teachers College in Ada, Oklahoma, a master's degree in education from Baylor University, and also a master's degree in Religious Education from Southwestern Theological Seminary. Mrs. Landers had done graduate studies toward her Doctorate Degree at Texas Tech University.

She was a preachers wife and was a dedicated school teacher. She had taught elementary and high school in Oklahoma and Texas, teaching at Hugo and McAlester, Oklahoma, and then in Fort Worth, Plainview and Big Spring, Texas. In Big Spring she taught for 15 years at Kentwood and Parkhill elementary schools.

She was a member of the Wiliams Trace Baptist Church in Sugarland, a former longtime member of First Baptist Church in Big Spring and had served as teacher of the Questers Sunday School Class for 30 years, and also a member of the Texas State Teachers Association and Kappa Delta Gamma .

Survivors include: one son, Dr. William Landers of Houston, four grandchildren, one great-granddaughter.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Children's Ministries at the William Trace Baptist Church in Sugarland, Texas.

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

Diego Cano

Diego Cano, 62, died Sunday, April 8, at a local hospital.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m., Tuesday, April 10, at Second Baptist Church, 3215 Travis, with the Rev. H.W. Erwin Jr., officiating and assisted by Pastor Truman Friday.

A prayer service will be 7 p.m., today, April 9, at South Memorial Baptist, 1700 W. Carter with Richard Magallanes officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Reyes-Garcia Funeral Home.

He was born May 5, 1938, in Valentine and was reared and educated in Marfa where he grew up ranching. He graduated in 1957 from Marfa High School. He entered the Army Reserves and later worked with Globe Exploration as a seismographer from 1961-1970 and had worked for Midland 66 as a transport driver from 1970 until present. He was a member of South Memorial Baptist Church and served as a Deacon since 1979. He also was a Sunday school superintendent and a member of Midland Hispanic Scholarship Society.

He was preceded in death by his father, Diego Cano Sr., and a sister, Lois Herrera.

Survivors include his wife, Maria C. Cano of Midland; daughters, Diana Cano and Dolores Cano, both of Midland; sons, D'Arcy Cano and Denis Cano, both of Midland; one brother, Tony Cano of El Paso; his mother, Jacinta Healy of Midland; five grandchildren; numerous aunts and uncles; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be directed to Make a Wish Foundation West Texas, Inc., 3800 E. 42nd Street, Suite 618 Odessa, Tx., American Heart Association 3525 Andrews Hwy. Suite 111 Midland, 79703 or South Memorial Baptist Church 1700 W. Carter Midland, 79701.

Lela Johnson

ODESSA — Services for Lela Johnson, 98, will be Tuesday, April 10, at Hubbard-Kelly Chapel with the Revs. Terry Pugh and J.T. Pugh officiating.

Burial will be at Rosehill Cemetery.

She was born June 21, 1902 in Mansfield, La., and had been a long-time resident of Odessa as well as a retired minister.

Survivors include her sisters, Robbie Hilton of Midland and Katie Bell of Tacoma, Wash., three nephews and one niece.

Xenia Williams

Xenia Williams died April 7, in Conroe where she had lived for the last several years.

A memorial graveside service will be held April 11, at 2 p.m., with interment at Fairview Cemetery in Midland.

She was born Jan. 31, 1911 in Callahan and spent most of her life in Abilene and Midland.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert R. Williams.

She is survived by a daughter, Bobbie Jean Hamilton of Garland; a son, Lewis M. Williams of Montgomery; five grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Angela Williams

Funeral services for Angela Williams are pending with Ellis Funeral Home. She died in Sunday, April 8, in Austin.

Robert Beaty

STANTON — Robert Alton Beaty, 53, died Saturday, April 7, in Stanton. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring.

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SPORTS CAR for Sale- 1998 Pontiac Firebird. Power windows/ power locks, tilt, cruise and T-Tops. Monsoon Stereo with CD player. Must sell! Call Leon at 694-8432.

CADILLAC 1992 Sedan Deville, white with navy leather, all electric, CD player, 97K miles, clean, $4,900. 694-6546.

CORVETTE 1996 RED Convertible. Service records, warranty included, hardtop, Bose, nice. Motorcycle or Musclecar trade. Bank financing available. $24,000. 522-1776.

PONTIAC 2000 Grand Am GT- enhanced stereo, sunroof, power seats, lumbar, very nice, $16,500. 661-7707.

DODGE 1991 STEALTH, white/ tan leather, loaded, low miles, all maintenance records. Must See! $6,250 obo. 686-1857.

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200 Autos Domestic

CADILLAC 1994 Seville, SLS sedan, gold color, tan leather, garaged. Excellent condition! 90K miles. Transferable extended warranty. $11,500 obo. 687-4830.

CADILLAC 1998 DEVILLE- Beige, light beigeleather, 65K miles, clean, new tires. $18,500. 699-4490.

CHEVROLET 1995 CAMARO Z28, red, T tops, 81K, CD player, loaded. Excellent condition! $8,000. Call 570-7657 after 6 pm.

JEEP 1989 CHEROKEE- Two door, 4X4, tinted windows, white, 119K, new tires. Runs great! $4,000. 520-0185.

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CADILLAC 1994 Sedan deVille. 48K, while/ grey leather. Perfect condition. $12,500. 915-687-3798 for address and viewing.

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OLDSMOBILE 1998 INTRIGUE- Sporty 4 door, white/ gray. Smells, looks new! 4 wheel ABS, traction control, cruise, all power, tinted windows. $12,900. 664-8605, 697-4589.

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CHEVROLET 2000 Corvette Coupe. All options, both tops, leather interior. Less than 3,000 miles, luxury Tax paid. $43,000. (915)586-6608, (915)586-2857.

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CHEVROLET 1947 pickup 1/2 ton, fully restored, red, black fenders, white wall tires, $6,500. 661-9275.

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210 Autos Imports

AUDI 2000 TT COUPE. 180hp, black on black/ black leather, Borla exhaust. Very rare. $33,500. 520-6222 or 570-1994, office 682-2422.

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TOYOTA 2000 CAMRY LE- All electric, 7,000 miles. Showroom condition. $17,900. 684-9753.

HONDA 1999 CIVIC SI, one owner, clean, power windows, locks, CD, 34k miles, $15,000. 520-0917.

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AUSTIN HEALY 1987 Sebring. 350 L82 Vette engine, B&M shifter, convertible, 26,000 miles, red. $14,995. 520-9060 evenings, Days 332-0441.

BMW 1998 328I CONVERTIBLE. White, black top, tan leather, new condition, 25,000 miles, 6 disk CD changer, 4 year 50,000 mile warranty. $37,000. 697-6417 after 5:30 pm.

HONDA 1999 Accord LX One Owner, only 19K miles, auto with full power. Make payments w/$ down. 634-5999 Kevin.

MERCEDES 1968 250S. One family car- looks great- runs great. Lots new. Power steering, auto, air, electric windows, $3,700. 684-8884.

MITSUBISHI 1999 Eclipse. 3 Door hatchback, 2.0 4 cyl., 26k, laser red, auto transmission, power drive/ locks, tinted glass, CD player, rear spoiler +. Call 694-8432, ask for Jesse.

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BMW 1998 Z3 Roadster. 8,600 miles, 6 cylinder, auto, very nice. $32,000. 694-8596 after 6 pm.

MERCEDES 1994 S320 Sedan- Champagne, taupe, 52K miles, loaded, sunroof, sheepskins. Excellent condition! Book $31,285. Asking $28,500. Call 697-3953, 688-9096.

NISSAN 1995 300ZX. Classic, Red, 59K miles, warranty. Excellent condition, good tires, AM FM CD, cover. $18,500. 915/447-4241, leave message.

TOYOTA 1998 Camry. 28,000 miles, AM FM Cassette, CD, remote start, alarm. Still under warranty. $15,400. 689-4326 or 352-5335.

MAZDA 1992 929- 90K miles, burgundy, gray leather, sun roof, one owner, all options, new tires. $6,900. Call 697-8506.

MERCEDES 1991 300E- Good condition! Burgundy with tan leather interior. 117K miles. Solid car. $11,250. 694-1940.

BMW 1994 318ia, alpine white, black interior, automatic, Alpine CD/ alarm system, 17" rims, spoiler kit, 92K, $10,200, 915-567-2633 pager.

HYUNDAI 1998 33k miles, automatic, Asking $7,500. Phone 689-2429.

MERCEDES 1975 450 SEL 4 Door. V8, power steering/ brakes/ paint/ air conditioning. Second owner. $3,500. Day 687-0391, evenings 682-2786.

MITSUBISHI 1990 Eclipse. Red, 5 speed turbo coupe, CD/ cassette player, 105,000 miles, $3,300. 2813 Maxwell Drive. 699-6544.

TOYOTA 1994 Camry LE. Excellent condition, extra clean, emerald green, all power, new tires, keyless entry alarm, 72k. $7,900. 689-2212.

HONDA 1997 ACCORD LX- Eucalyptus green, one owner, low mileage (35K). Excellent condition! Asking $11,800. 688-5130 days, 682-2711 evenings.

MITSUBISHI 1995 Diamante. Excellent condition, leather, CD changer, power windows/ locks. $8,000. 620-8066.

HONDA 1996 Accord Coupe. One owner, perfect condition. CD player, 60K miles, champaign colored. Priced under Blue Book $12,900. 915-683-2534.

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215 Sport/Utility Vehicles

CHEVROLET 1996 TAHOE LS- Extra clean, white/ tan cloth interior, automatic, all power, CD, rear defroster, luggage rack. (915)495-7202, (915)685-0509.

FORD 1996 EXPLORER XLT -Loaded, V6, factory CD changer/ cassette, Cooper tires, fiberglass running boards, luggage rack, 60K. $11,500. 686-2430.

90 Legal Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Proposals will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, First Floor, Suite 107 of the Midland County Courthouse, 200 W. Wall, Suite 107, Midland, Texas 79701 until 4:00 PM, Local Time, on April 16, 2001. The responses will be opened and acknowledged at 4:05 PM, on April 16, 2001.

The Commissioners Court will be made within 30 days. Interested parties are invited to attend the acknowledgement and Commissioners Court meeting.

Sealed bids must be received by the County no later than April 16, 2001, at 4:00 P.M. to be considered.

01MCO270- Three (3) Used Police Pursuit Vehicles

Midland County reserves the right to reject any or all of the proposals, to waive all formalities, and to withdraw the IFB at any time.

Bid information may be obtained from County Purchasing Agent's Office.

Paul M. Thompson
County Purchasing Agent

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150 Lost & Found

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110 Lodge Notices

Midland Masonic Lodge #623
1600 W. Wall
Reg. stated meeting 2nd & 4th Thursdays 7:30 pm
Paul Thompson, W.M.
Robert Kiker, Sec.

Midland Chapter #253 O.E.S.
Order of Eastern Star
Stated Mtgs. 2nd & 4th Tues. 7:30 pm.
WM Verla Carpenter
WP Tom Carpenter

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1000 Upland
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 7:30 P.M.
Keith Hughes, W.M.
Al Talbot, Sec.

Centennial Lodge #1448
1600 W. Wall
Reg. meeting, 1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30 am. Breakfast 7:30 am.
Wayne Reddin, W/M.,
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LOST: Reward- 8 year old, large tan/ white male cat. Black/ silver flea collar. 684-6140, 661-8800.

FOUND Yellow Lab male about 15 miles out on 1788. 520-7801, 520-2764.

LOST: Blue Healer puppy, approximately 1 year old. Lost near Midkiff and Neely on 3/27/01. 520-8078.

LOST Male miniature Schnauzer- grey/ white, black collar. Answers to Teddy. Reward. 682-3581.

IF your pet is lost- even if you live in the county, please check with MIDLAND ANIMAL CONTROL (on Fairgrounds Road) every three days.

FOUND: 4/5/01 on Big Spring Street, Golden dog with green collar, recent puppies. Call 685-7420.

162 Mortgages Wanted

PDH FINANCIAL Services pays cash for your mortgage loan. 550-2025.

163 Money To Loan

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110 Lodge Notices

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Gary Anderson, Secty.

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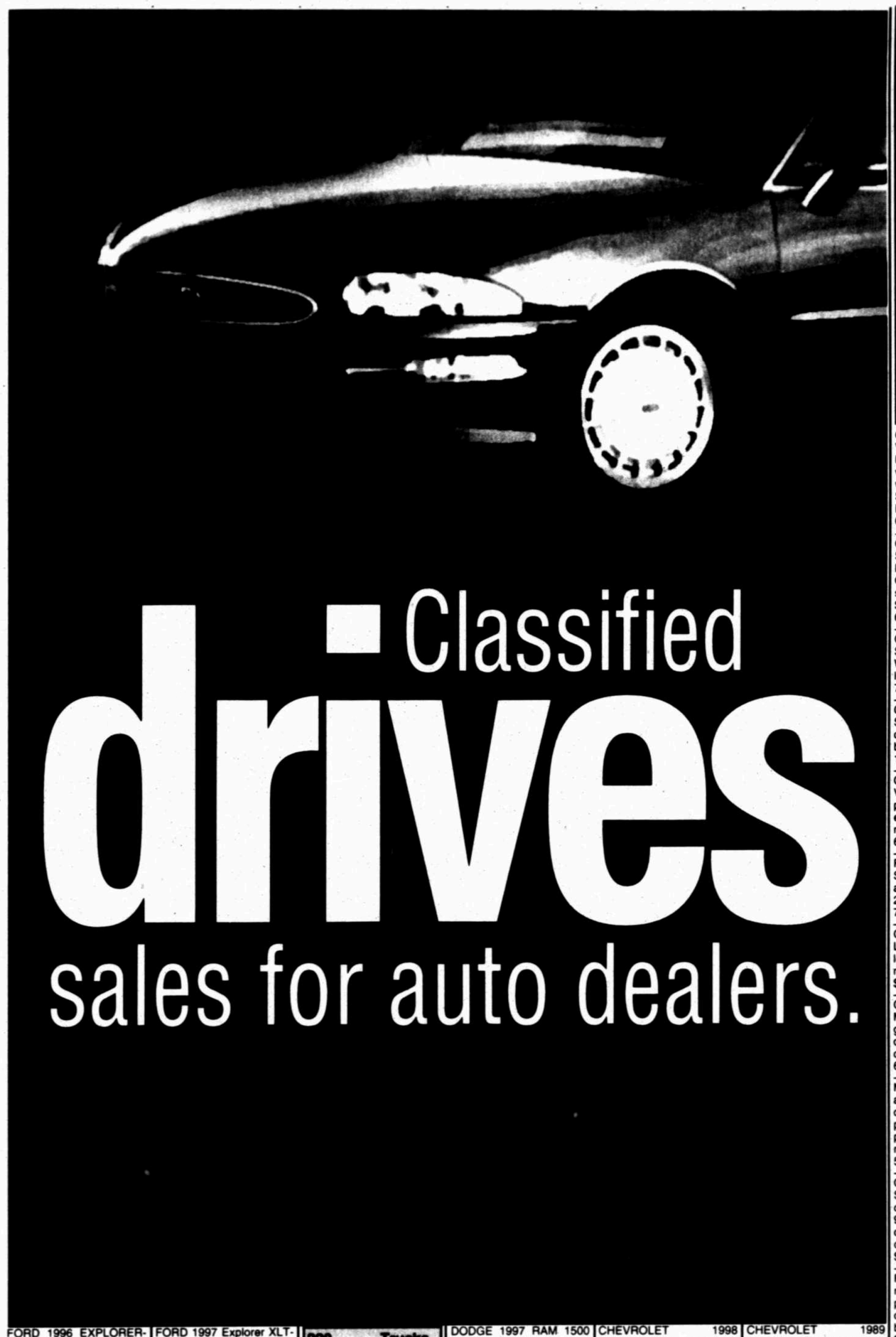

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2000 Chevrolet Suburban LS Storm Gray, #192795	$26,995.00

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222 Suburbans & Vans

CHEVROLET 2000 Astro Van. Power windows, door locks and mirrors. Tilt wheel and cruise control with overhead console. Silver pear/ paint. Low, Low miles. Call Leon at 694-8432.

CHEVROLET 2000 GOLD Suburban, 11K, fully loaded with leather, ONSTAR, desperate to sell, asking pay- off. $36,100. Save thousands! 686-7819.

CHEVROLET 2000 Suburban. 22,500 miles, White/ grey leather, loaded. $29,500 obo. 528-7877.

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CHEVY 1995 Conversion Van- Texas Stagecoach package, fully loaded, excellent condition, low miles, $11,000. 553-4498, 699-5683.

FORD 2000 WINDSTAR SE- Loaded, just like new, all options except leather, 20K miles. $19,400. 683-7234.

GMC 1995 SUBURBAN LT, 4x4, white exterior, leather interior, very clean, non smoker, garaged, $13,900. 683-5504.

GMC 1996 SUBURBAN- Metallic gray with grayleather. Four- wheel drive, LT, CD player. Very clean, 75K miles. $16,000. 687-5731.

MAZDA 1991 MPV, V6, automatic, leather, tilt, cruise, power windows, power locks, dual air, CD player, towing package, runs/ drives great, $3,800. 570-5168/ 352-0444.

OLDSMOBILE 1990 SILHOUETTE- Gray, gray cloth interior, good tires, 95K miles. Excellent condition, garaged, adult owned, well maintained. $5,500. 683-3998.

FORD 1996 Windstar, runs and looks great, power windows/ locks, cruise, rear air, dual air bags, tinted windows, $8,950. 694-3948.

PLYMOUTH 1994 Grand Voyager LE. White/ grey leather, great condition. 118K. $5,200. Pager 567-9451.

CHEVROLET 1999 Suburban. 31,000 miles, excellent condition, power everything, metallic champaign/ beige, CD player, am fm cassette. $23,000. 915/459-2219.

CHEVROLET 1995 Choo Choo Conversion Van. Loaded, 64k miles, non-smoker. Must sacrifice below book value for $7,200. o.b.o. Call 685-0838.

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GMC 1995 SUBURBAN SLT- 4X4, white, fully loaded, 85K miles, rear A/C, very clean. Excellent condition! $17,000. Chris, 683-6778.

CHEVROLET 1995 High Top Travel Time Conversion Van. Automatic transmission, dual air, TV, VCR, queen bed, 45,000 miles. $16,500. 694-6193.

CHEVROLET 1997 Astro Cargo Van. 18 months (or 22,000 miles) left on warranty. $9,000. 634-4026 or 683-2605 after 5.

225 4x4 Vehicles

HONDA 2000 300X- NEW 4 wheeler, Must sell! $4,950. 686-9493 for details.

DODGE 1983 Ram Charger, 4 wheel drive, automatic, a/c, all power, 318 engine with 4 barrel, polished aluminum wheels, new all terrain tires, new headliner, recovered front seats, runs good, $2,500 or make offer. 686-8543, see at 1805 Ward.

JEEP 1982 CJ-7- 6 cylinder, 4 speed, off road tires, hard/ soft/ bikini tops, Warren winch. Good condition! $6,000. 697-7489.

CHEVROLET 1999 Z-71 Extended cab, pewter, 4X4, loaded, 47K miles, leather, CD changer. $21,999. 699-0225, ask for Steve.

FORD 1981 Bronco- Full size, 300 cubic inch 6, manual 4 speed with OD, runs good, very clean. $2,850. 697-3607.

GMC 1981 JIMMY- Full size, 4X4, 305, automatic, cold air, power steering/ brakes Runs great! Good tires. $2,300. 563-1347, (p)499-0317.

FORD 1984 Bronco. New engine, new transmission, Holly carburetor, Edlebrock high rise, Headman headers, mags. $3,995. 689-2123 after 6 pm.

FORD 1992 Bronco, new paint, Rancho lift kit, shocks, mags, great shape, 110K miles. $9,500. 694-1279.

TOYOTA 1999 4RUNNER SR5- 5 speed, Sports package, sun roof, 17K miles, black, gold accents, natural leather interior. $25,500. (505)392-5688.

230 Commercial Vehicles

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235 Vehicles $3,000 & under

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DODGE 1986 VAN, 15 passenger, 52,100 miles, $2,000. Can be seen Monday - Friday. 683-2138.

FORD 1983 CROWN Victoria. Needs motor work. $400. Please call 570-4535 after 5 pm.

OLDSMOBILE 1984 DELTA eighty- eight, engine has been replaced, tune- up, interior good condition. $1,800. Please call 682-4079.

PLYMOUTH 1991 LASER, week old new paint job, $2,800 or best offer. Call 689-6672/ 349-4817.

PONTIAC 1987 Firebird. New motor V6, power windows & locks. Needs work. $1,200 or best offer. 425-7641.

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DODGE 1988 Dakota, V6, doesn't use oil, new paint/ tires, bed liner, toolbox, tinted windows, runs great. $3,000. 697-1010.

VOLVO 1986 740 Turbo. 4 door, power windows, 164K miles, medium blue, tan interior, sunroof, new turbo. $3,500. 620-6064, 520-5723.

240 Motorcycles

HONDA 1991 XR200. Dirt Bike. Very clean, Pro-link suspension. $900. 661-5132 or 694-0819.

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HONDA 1998 Valkyrie. Yellow/ cream, immaculate condition. Adult owned, accessories included, very low miles, 3 year extended warranty. $9,000 or best offer. 522-1608.

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Midland, TX 79703
Ph. 915-694-7761
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320 Skilled Trades

✔ ARE YOU looking for a new opportunity? Established Midland Company is looking for new employees. We offer the best wages and working conditions in the area. Benefits include 2 weeks vacation, 401K, free health insurance for employee, and reasonable insurance rates for dependents. 40 hours a week in an air conditioned shop. Job Description: Building or repairing oil field related equipment including frac equipment, pipe handling equipment, hydraulic power units, and other hydraulic equipment. The following job positions are available immediately. Welder/ fabricators, mechanic, helpers. If you are interested in applying for these positions, call 915-570-7577 to arrange for an interview. Equal opportunity employer.

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410 Miscellaneous Sales

NEW WEDDING GOWN with slips and chapel train, size 12. $450. 694-2833 or 689-1270.

RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL Park, lot with 2 spaces, $1,500 in the Fountain Gardens, nice location, 694-1486.

5 to 6 person spa/ hot tub- Slight cabinet damage. New full warranty $2,850, will deliver. 915-563-3108.

MORGAN HOT TUB, used 3 times, full self contained and red wood cabinet with cover. $1,500. 522-1138.

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AIRFARE BARGAINS. $149 each way and $4 air awards. Anywhere Southwest flies! Unrestricted! 800-616-0846.

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BRUNSWICK POOL TABLE- Anniversary Model #135. New cover, with light fixture, cue stick holder and cuesticks. 694-7203.

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RESTHAVEN MEMORIAL Park, 2 spaces in garden of love $1,600 for both. 694-4345.

410 Miscellaneous Sales

CHAIN SAW 16' self oiler in plastic case, used very little. $125. Please call 694-8853.

GAS HEDGE Trimmer, 33" mulching mower, Snapper aerator, power rake (dethatcher) 694-5353 or 694-2386.

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415 Miscellaneous Wanted

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687-5039.

WANTED: Used doors and windows, sinks, etc. and above ground swimming pool. 682-3847.

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415 Miscellaneous Wanted

USED WHIRLPOOL electric free- standing, combination stove, oven, microwave in good condition. Almond color with black glass. $200. Call 699-5317, if no answer, please lease message.

432 Household Furniture

DARK DINING room suit, table, 6 chairs, with china cabinet. $275. Please call 694-1378.

OAK DINING room set, 1 year old, table, 6 chairs, china cabinet, paid over $3,200 asking $2,000. 520-4946.

OAK DINING TABLE 6 chairs and china cabinet $1,800. Single oak trundle bed with two bedding, chest & bookcase, $1,000. Oak entertainment center, $500. Oak coffee table, $100. Serious calls only cash only. 683-6674.

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BABY GIRL Graham Kracker 7 piece bedding set. $250. Please call 694-0619.

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432 Household Furniture

QUEEN SIZED Waterbed with bookcase headboard $100. 699-7505.

TRIPLE DRESSER, two night stands, king bedding with headboard. $400. 694-1839.

BROWN RECLINER for sale! Only $25! 694-7524.

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OAK Bunk bed, excellent condition with bedding, need to sell, $175. 699-7933.

OVER CROWDED home- Antiques; Dressers, chairs (dining, living), many unique decorator items, lamps, pictures, glassware, miscellaneous unbelievable! Negotiable! Must see! Tim, 683-1011, 683-2980.

BEDROOM SUITE: King headboard, chest of drawers, dresser with mirror, two night stands. Very good condition! 683-3119.

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RECONDITIONED APPLIANCES- Washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves. Payments and delivery available. Removal of old appliances. 683-7040.

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550 Portable Buildings

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3 BEDROOM, 2 BATH, Fenced yard $475 monthly $200 deposit. Call 530-2645.

LEASE OR SALE, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. 1,800 plus sq. ft. with hot tub. No pets! $975. 520-2412.

NICE 3 Bedroom, 2 bath, carport, 2 living areas, fireplace, central air. $535 monthly, 694-9853.

NEW CONSTRUCTION! 3 Bedroom, 2 bath home in Crestgate Addition. Neutral decor. Lots of amenities. Low maintenance yard. 559-5479 or 520-5096.

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5129 SUNNYSIDE- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage, large backyard. $700 month. 688-4425/ 570-4380.

LARGE 2 BEDROOM ,1 b bath upstairs duplex, stove, microwave, refrigerator, $415 monthly water paid. 694-7168.

AVAILABLE MAY 1st- 3 bedroom, 2 bath, double garage, 1707 Princeton, (254)947-8818

NICEST DUPLEXES in town. 2400- 2600 West Wadley. 2 and 3 Bedroom 1,530 square feet and up. Washer/ dryer connections, fireplaces, covered parking or garages. $650 (water paid) to $725/ month. Call 686-8126.

LARGE 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath duplex, dining room, fireplace, fenced yard, garage, 5102 "A" Rainbow, $700/ 697-7097.

FOUR BEDROOMS, two baths, less than two years old. Neutral colors, great floor plan, two car garage, fenced backyard. Great neighborhood, convenient to schools and shopping. 684-9888.

635 Condo Townhome Furn.

(2) SAGEWOOD Condominiums for rent. 1 Loft & 1 large flat. Call ThisRealty, 570-0705 for appointment.

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TWO BEDROOM, 1 1/2 bath, quiet, pool. $400 monthly, $100 deposit. 699-5973, 697-5074. No pets!

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1 BEDROOM condo, nice pool and patio, close to village and hospital, $365 plus electric. Call 686-8989 or 689-7081.

655 Mobile Homes Unfurn.

CLEAN SMALL 3 bedroom 2 bath, appliances, refrigerated air, nice fence, $275/ $100. 550-7505.

STEP UP kitchen, 2 bedrooms, $300/ $150 deposit. Cloverdale Road. No pets. 694-2047.

SPACE 3 3415 Cottonflat Rd. 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom, $250 monthly/ $100 deposit. 682-1608 leave message.

SMALL 2 BEDROOM, $200 rent/ $150 deposit. Water free, small corral off Cottonflat Road. 694-2047.

THREE BEDROOM, two bath, Greenwood schools. Free cable TV, no pets. $335 monthly, $100 deposit. 915-352-8026.

660 Mobile Home Space for Rent

TWIN OAKS- Fenced yards, paved streets, security lights, trees, patios. Move in special! Call 687-6324.

LOTS FOR Sale- No money down! Includes water and septic. Payments approximately $150 monthly. 661-5643.

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660 Mobile Home Space for Rent

MOBILE HOME and/ or RV spaces. Large, shade trees, laundromat, convenient location. 332-4976.

SPECIAL $59 monthly for 1 year, regularly $100. Paved, security fence, Lee school district, 550-7505.

665 Bus. Prop./ Office Rent.

OFFICES single or multiple with executive suites available, approximately 5,000 sq. ft. of office space available with 18 offices. Free parking. 4500 W. Illinois. Call 620-1500.

For Sale or Lease
15 offices in free standing building. 4,000 SF. Don Roderick, Langston Realtors, 682-9495. Consider Owner Financing.

667 Commercial Property

FOR LEASE, 6,000 sq. ft. warehouse and two offices located on approximately 9 acres of fenced land. Excellent location at 7927 East Hwy 80, between Midland and Odessa. $1,500 month plus deposit. Call Westex Auto Parts, Inc. 1-800-592-1444.

FOR LEASE: all sizes and types of properties, office, warehouse, retail. 800 to 40,000 sq. ft. Some with fenced yards. 683-8681.

668 Retail/ Stores

ALAMO PLAZA has for lease- 970 sq. ft. at 2304 North Big Spring, Suite B. Great location! Available April 1st. 683-5639.

670 Warehouses/ Storage for Rent

LARGE STORAGE Units. 240 to 480 square feet. From $92. One month Free! 694-5959.

675 Recreation Resort

RUIDOSO Rentals nightly. Cabins, condos, some hot tubs. Century 21, Aspen Realty. 800-657-8980.

1977 ELDORADO 22' MOTOR Home. Very nice interior. Handles easy. Asking $4,500. 685-0859.

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685 Hunting Leases

CROCKETT COUNTY deer lease west of Ozona TX on river. Call 830-896-0160.

690 Oil/Gas Leases

OIL- GAS leases- 40 sections King County. 16 sections Coke County. 1/2 section Martin County. 20 sections Pecos County. Send resumes to Box T1038, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

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USED 16X80 3 bedroom, 2 bath, excellent condition call 563-9000 ask for Tina.

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LOOKS NEW double wide under $30 thousand. Ask for Bev now 563-9000.

700 Mobile Homes

NICE REBUILT SINGLE wide on 3/4 acre with well, located at West Loop 250 an d I- 20. $29,500. Owner finance with 10% down. Payment $310, credit review. 550 2025 days, 557-3015 evenings.

MOBILE HOME Credit Hotline! E- Z Qualifying! Call 550-4033, (800)725-0881.

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USED 3 BEDROOM, 2 bath, must sell ASAP call Miguel at 563-9000.

SINGLEWIDES with lots for sale in Midland. 682-9787 or 620-0567.

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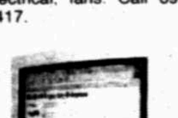

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State of Economy looks at Action Plan

By Bruce Partain
Business Journal Editor

Is it really the "last call" for Midland's economy?

Do we have more than one choice for our economic future?

Several hundred Midlanders are taking half a day to learn about Midland's current and future economy. And you can be among them.

The latest installment of the "State of Midland's Economy 2001" will take place Friday, April 20 at Midland Center from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. The conference is free to the public. A complimentary continental breakfast and lunch will be served. Reservations are required.

Full menu of topics

Among the topics to be presented are:

- Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index
- Current Trends in the Permian Basin Oil & Gas Industry (Keith Weiser)
- Midland Assessment & Action Plan (MAAP) Update: Community Assessment (Dan Houston)
- MAAP Strategic Recommendations & Marketing (Angelos Angelou)
- Challenges and Opportunities for Tomorrow (Dr. Ray Perryman)
- Panel Discussion with the speakers above, and Karr Ingham, economist

Ray Perryman

Karr Ingham

By any standard, the quality of the speakers is superb. Angelou was one of the economic architects of Austin's rise to become a high-tech center. Perryman is acknowledged as one of the premier economists in Texas and the U.S. Weiser was president of Arco Permian and is now CEO of Westwin Energy in Midland

MAAPing the future

"Midland's reliance on the oil and gas industry subjects its citizens to an uncomfortably cyclical economy," said Dan Houston, project manager with AngelouEconomics. "With support from community leadership and from the taxing jurisdictions in the city, the Chamber embarked on the Midland Assessment and Action Plan. This effort, known locally as the MAAP (pronounced "map"), began with the selection of outside consultants to guide the effort."

After a thorough search and nationwide competition, AngelouEconomics was selected to lead the effort. The firm has worked with communities in Texas and around the world, with a particular emphasis on technology-driven industries

Ken Burgess, chairman of the Chamber's Economic Development Council says, "The April 20 conference is a forum to present the MAAP plan in full. We've been preparing that plan for the last four to five months. The MAAP is a blueprint giving us guidance to how to proceed in growing and diversifying our economy. Our goal is to have a stronger economy, regardless of oil and gas prices."

Oil and Gas

At the conference, the opportunities offered by the Permian Basin oil and gas industry won't be overlooked. Keith Weiser, CEO of Westwin Energy will give his thoughts on Midland's future as an energy capital.

Keith Weiser

"First, I'll give my perspective on the oil industry here in Permian Basin, and its potential longevity. Secondly, I'll answer the question of why I think this is a great place for me, our team and WestWin."

Please see **PLAN**/2

PLAN: Half-day conference will examine city's economy in 2001

(From 1)

Weiser says there are two sides to the oil and gas issue for the Permian Basin.

"One is a given, and the other is a challenge," he said. "Mother Nature made this a complex area, and that's why all the hydrocarbons haven't been found and produced yet. The amount of proven and potential reserves is staggering. The Permian Basin is destined to be an active oil and gas province for a long time to come. The challenge is how does Midland fit into that?"

Midland's proximity to the oil and gas reservoirs does not guarantee its future.

"Most of the basins I've worked have been far from the offices I worked in," he said. "But there are reasons — and not all of them financial — to live in Midland and work the Permian Basin."

Why attend?

Ken Burgess points out benefits to attending the conference.

"You will have the opportunity to gain understanding of the details of MAAP plan," he said. "And the conference will energize people to begin working to implement the plan, to achieve that diversification and growth. The first thing is to get the plan. But obviously it does not stop there."

Burgess said the Chamber and its partners contracted with AngelouEconomics for community assessment, a targeted industry study, a tourism study, and marketing and branding strategy. A separate report and event will be held May 11 for the tourism study, which was subcontracted to Bill Geist of Zeitgeist.

Austin Economist Angelos Angelou, left, of AngelouEconomics, and his project manager, Dan Houston, will discuss their work on the Midland Assessment and Action Plan at the April 20 State of Midland's Economy 2001.

Action Items

Ron Schwisow, volunteer chairman of the MAAP committee, says the conference could be the first step for Midland to seriously take action on its economy.

"We hope to have Midlanders take a fresh look at our economic situation and future," Schwisow said. "This view will be greatly enhanced through the MAAP committee's and Angelou's in-depth report with its recommended courses of action."

"We are excited about having the list of recommended target industries which we now know that our workforce and infrastructure can support and sustain, and on which we can focus or marketing efforts," said Dennis Clayton, Economic Development Manager of the Midland Chamber.

Schwisow, who moved the manufacturing firm Teraco from Minnesota to Midland in 1970, says, "We still have a strong oil-based economy, but it is fading. The Midland/Odessa area is viable and dynamic and we have a great future here in West Texas. Conference attendees will see how an individual might help guide that future."

Sponsors of the event include the Midland Chamber, Midland Reporter-Telegram, BP and Texaco.

To reserve, fill out a registration form and pick up tickets at the Chamber office, 109 N. Main, or call the Chamber at 683-3381, extension 3021.

For a MAAP preview, log on to www.midlandeconomy.org

For general information on Midland's economy, log on to www.midlandtxchamber.com and select "economic development."

Chamber members will 'Pack the Park' as RockHounds return

The Midland Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Midland RockHounds, is sponsoring Pack the Park nights for the 26th year.

The RockHounds continue to keep Midland on the map with their excellent representation of our community in AA professional baseball. The Hounds deserve our support this entire season!

Chamber members received six tickets each for special season-opening games scheduled Tuesday April 17 vs. Roundrock or Thursday, April 19 vs. San Antonio.

Attendees are urged to show up early for the games to ensure a good seat. A celebrity pitcher will toss out the first ball, and the Chamber's M-Squad ambassadors will recognize the RockHounds each night.

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The Midland Chamber Convention and Visitors Bureau assists with the booking and servicing of many conventions and sporting events held in Midland each month. The number indicated refers to the approximate number of individuals attending the convention or sporting event.

CVB Sporting Events

April

6-7 MISD Tall City Relays 2001 (50)

9 Texas Association {rivate & Parochial Schools TAPPS 3A Tennis Tournament (60)

27-28 Cinco de Mayo Futbol Tournament

May

19-26 NJCAA National Golf Tournament 2001 (175)

29-31 AJGA Compaq Junior All Star Tournament (260)

CVB Conventions

April

1-2 Texas Downtown Association Mid Year Spring Meeting 2001 (20)

7-8 West Texas Kennel Club 52nd All Breed & Obedient Show (50)

7-11 41st Annual West Texas Lectureship (250)

16-20 Council of Petroleum Accountants Society Meeting (75)

28 Texas Wildlife Association Big Game Banquet (50)

Chamber meetings

(All meetings held in Chamber boardroom unless otherwise noted)

April

2 Leadership Midland Curriculum Committee ..... 11:45 am
4 President's Club ..... 11:30 am
5 New Member Reception ..... 4 pm
6 M-Squad Guidelines ..... noon
downstairs conference room
9 Education Committee ..... 11:30 am
10 Executive Committee ..... 11:30 am
11 Economic Development Council ..... 11:30 am
12 Convention & Visitors Bureau Breakfast Club ..... 8 am
12 M-Squad Luncheon ..... 11:30 am
17 Midland Manufacturer's Association ..... 11:30 am
18 Retention/Expansion ..... 11:30 am
24 Leadership Midland Alumni ..... noon
24 Membership Services ..... 4 pm
25 Board of Directors ..... 3:30 pm
30 Leadership Midland Curriculum Committee ..... 11:45 am

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Janice Hogan tops President's Club list

Janice Hogan

Janice Hogan of Texas Refreshments was the Top Achiever for February!

Also very active selling new memberships and assisting current member to renew their memberships were Susie Hitchcock-Hall of Susie's South Forty, Mim Jones of Michael's Flowers, James Beatty of Community Concerts and the American Legion, Debbie Bergen of Debbie Bergen Promotional Products, Francine Weaver of Community Concerts, Bobby Norman of First American Bank, John Lewallen of the Paper Clip, Big John's Limo and Do-Rite Business Services, Charlie Jeffus of A.G. Edwards and Dell Hoover of Amera Travel.

Our thanks to these President's Club volunteers who were a large part of the recent successful membership drive.

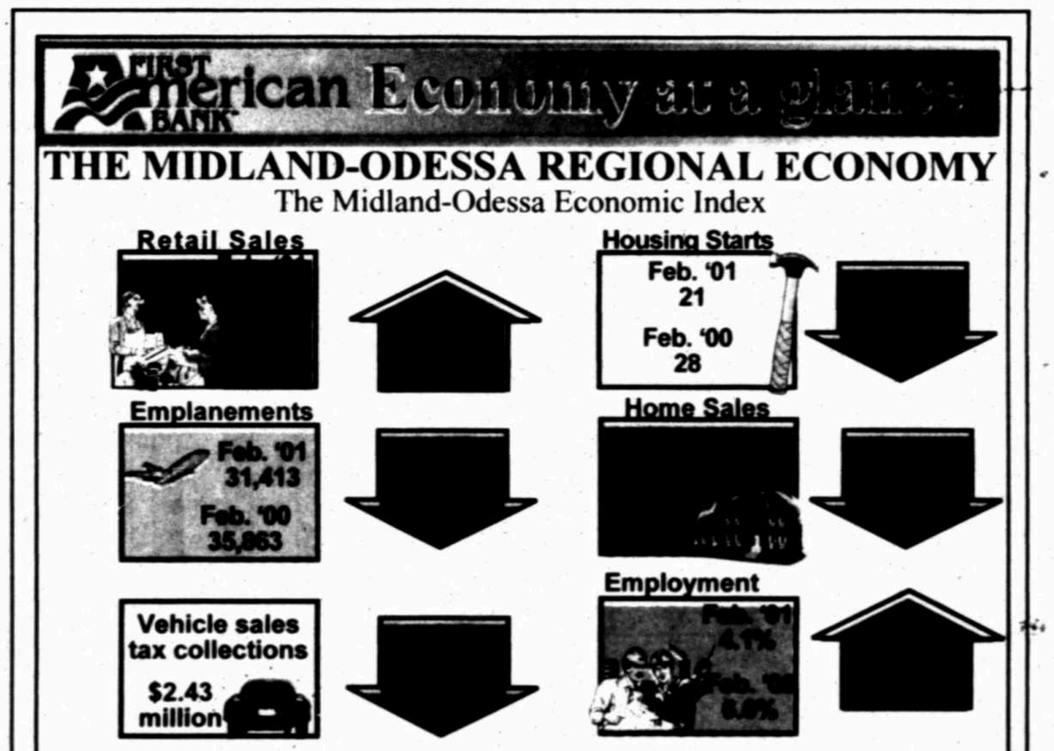
President's Club volunteers spend several hours a month calling on new member prospects, as well as visiting with current members who are 60 days past due. The Chamber invites these volunteers to a monthly luncheon where they share information on new businesses opening in Midland. Top Achievers are invited to Chamber board meetings to receive awards. For more information, call Jane Inskeep or Bruce Partain at 683-3381.

Charlie Jeffus named Ambassador of month

Charlie Jeffus

Charlie Jeffus of A.G. Edwards & Sons, has once again achieved the recognition of Ambassador of the Month. He earned the most points for the month of February by attending assigned M-Squad events. Charlie is the Chair of the Ambassadors this year and has worked diligently on recruiting and boosting attendance. Please congratulate him for his success!

Each month the top five point earners are recognized at the M-Squad monthly luncheon. Points are earned by attending assigned events. Events include ribbon cuttings, VIP receptions, special events and community gatherings. If you work for a Chamber member firm, enjoy meeting people and making contacts, and have the time to commit to this vital volunteer effort, please call Dawn Webster at 683-3381 for an application.



A revision of economic indicators undertaken in February shows that the Midlnad-Odessa economy grew at a faster pace than had been earlier reported. Annual revisions to unemployment data by the Texas Workforce Commission showed that employment fell even more sharply in 1999 and had even sharper gaines in 2000. The result of the updated figures show an economy rebounding even faster from the 1998-1999 downturn in the oil industry than previously thought.

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Figure 1. Numbers of Bankruptcies. WDTMD: 1990-00

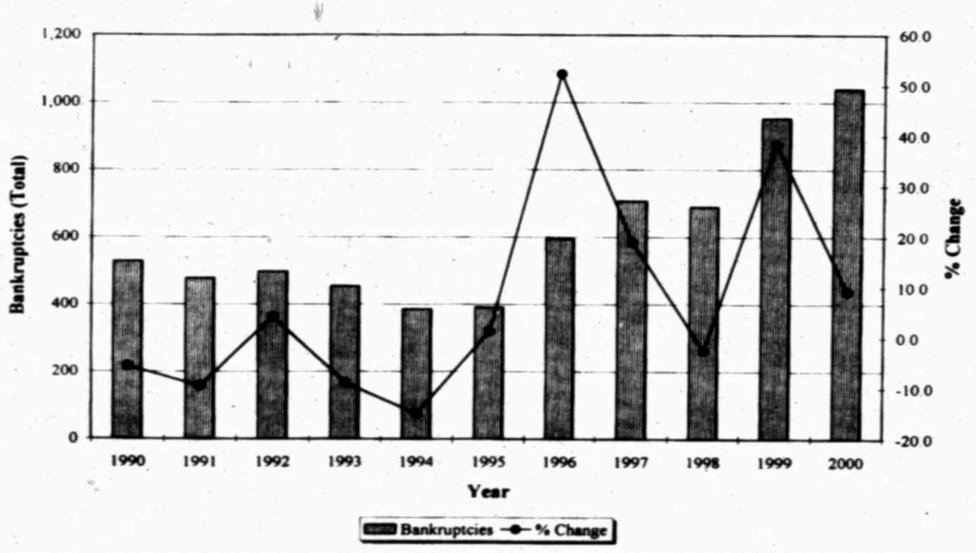
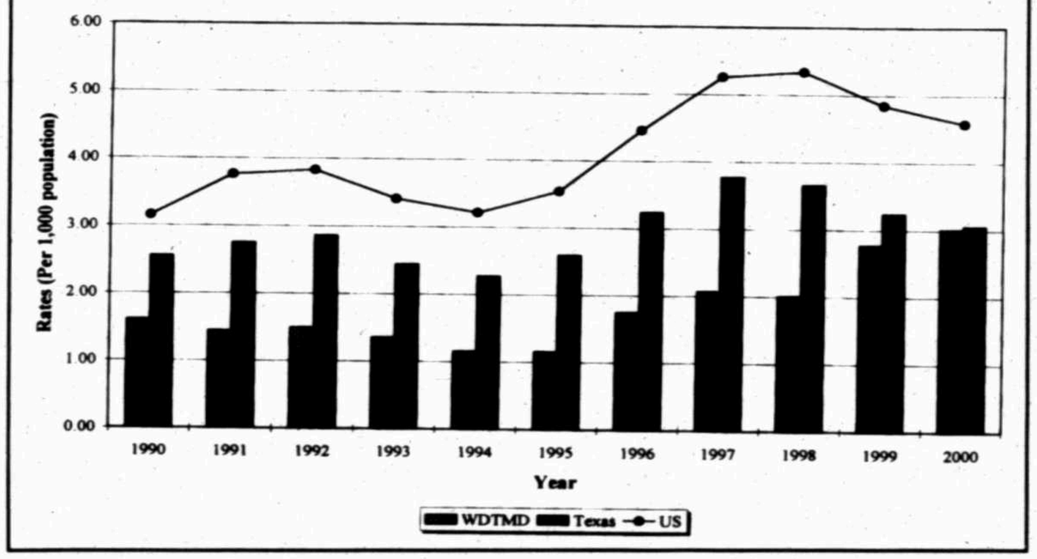


Figure 2. Bankruptcy Rates: 1990-00



Local bankruptcy filing patterns remain below Texas, U.S. trends

By Kevin Skipper

Economists study bankruptcy levels and their directions over time to gauge economic vitality. Everything else equal, as prosperity expands, the number of commercial and consumer bankruptcies tends to decline.

This article delineates bankruptcy patterns two ways. First, raw (absolute) data appear for the Western District of Texas/Midland Division (WDTMD) (which consists of 16 counties in southwest Texas). The state of Texas, and the U.S. Statistics also appear as rates (number of bankruptcies per 1,000 population).

Figure 1 reveals annual numbers of bankruptcies within the Division. Bankruptcies trended lower (-26.9%) during 1990-94, but strengthened markedly (170.1%) during the succeeding six years. The greatest gains occurred during 1996 (52.3%) and 1999 (38.3%). Local bankruptcies increased by more than one-third in 1999, while Texas and U.S. levels declined by almost 10.0%. The Division's activity worsened relative to Texas and the U.S. during 1995-96 and 1999-00. Local bankruptcy values advanced by 97.3% during 1990-00; they grew by 43.7% in Texas and 60.6% in the U.S.

Local rates remained well below those in Texas and the U.S. through the period (Figure 2). Annual Division rate changes (measured as percentages) appear weaker than in Texas and the U.S. during 1996-97 and 1999-00. The WDTMD rate increased by 8.7% during 2000, while state and national rates dropped 5.6%. The Division experienced a rate increase of 88.1% during the period, while Texas' rate expanded by 20.0%, and the national rate rose by 45.4%.

Declines in spreads (differences) between local/state and local/national rates between 1999-00 seem especially bothersome (Figure 3). Spreads widened between 1990-98, but they narrowed during 1999-00. Narrowing spreads signify that local bankruptcy rates approached those in Texas and the U.S. Spreads in 1999 equaled -0.47 points (WDTMD/Texas) and -2.08 points (WDTMD/U.S.). Spreads narrowed dramatically to -0.05 (89.4% increase) and -1.57 (24.5% increase) in 2000.

Local absolute bankruptcy levels reveal an alarming upward trend since 1994. Rates (a more efficacious measure of bankruptcy activity compared to absolute figures) corroborate this troublesome pattern. Nevertheless, it is heartening to find that the Division's rates remained below those in Texas and the U.S. through the period although spreads narrowed during the past two years.

Kevin Skipper is Chief Economist at Desert Analytic, a Midland-based economics and statistical services consultancy.

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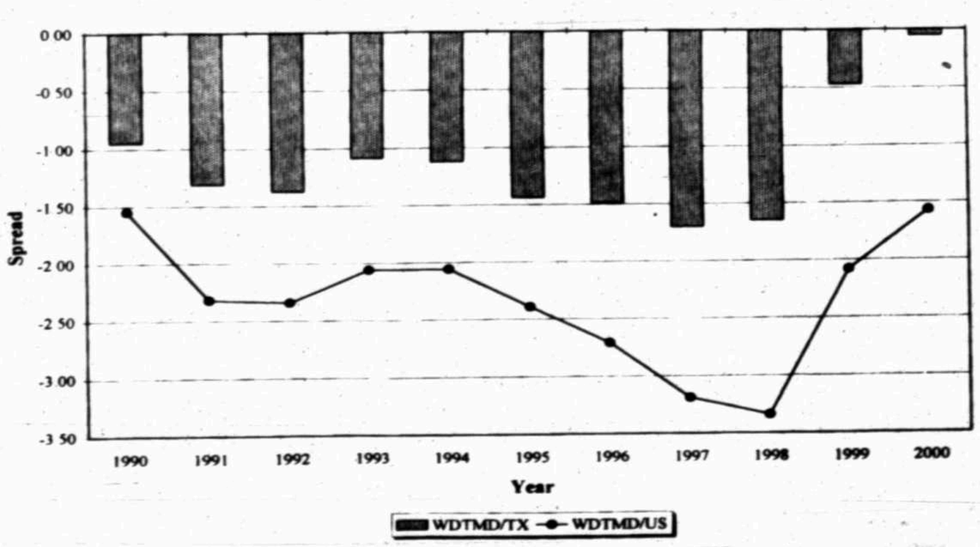
Figure 3. Bankruptcy Rate Spreads: 1990-00



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This year's Chamber membership drive another success

The top ten producers for this year's Chamber membership drive were volunteers, from left, Rhonda Medellin, Stephanie Rotan, Francine Weaver, Debbie Bergen, Mim Jones, Janice Hogan, David Hitchcock, Frank Stowers and Susie Hitchcock-Hall. Not pictured is Bobby Norman.

David Hitchcock volunteered for his first time this year as a participant in the Chamber's Membership Drive, and he walked away with all the marbles.

David sold 14 memberships on his way to being the top producer in this year's drive. His team — Susie's South Forty — was also the top team with 34 memberships or upgrades.

The Chamber sold or upgraded 133 total memberships.

Top ten volunteers

1. David Hitchcock
2. Mim Jones
3. Susie Hitchcock-Hall
4. Frank Stowers
5. Debbie Bergen
6. Bobby Norman
7. Stephanie Rotan
8. Janice Hogan
9. Rhonda Medellin
10. Francine Weaver

Team Results

1. Susie's South Forty
2. First American Bank #1
3. Long Riders-President's Club
4. Debbie Bergen Rizing Starz
5. Wells Fargo Team #1
6. Community Concerts
7. Wild Blue
8. Community National Bank
9. West Texas Cat
10. M-Squad Stripes
11. M-Squad Stars
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13. First American Bank #2
14. Bank United
15. Board of Directors
16. Burlington Resources

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Events Coordinators Debra Ewbank and Vicky Hailey
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Expo 2001 offers world of opportunity

Business Expo 2001 opens Wednesday, May 9, in Midland Center from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

It is free to the public, age 17 and older.

The Midland Chamber's trade show's theme is "A World of Business Opportunity."

International Trade will be highlighted, with an exhibit from Midland's sister cities, Wirral, England and Chihuahua City, Mexico, included. Other sister cities New Amsterdam, Guyana; and Dongying, China have been invited.

D'Ann Harris of the Northwest Texas International Trade Center will conduct a seminar on marketing West Texas to the World.

More than 100 exhibits of local businesses will also be featured.

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Attendees who visit every booth will also be eligible for a $200 drawing.

"Be sure to bring lots of business cards," said Chamber representative Bruce Partain. "That's the quickest way to register at the booths. Drop by for a few minutes or stay all day."

As a finale to the trade show, a free business networking mixer takes place from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Guests are again invited to trade business cards, visit with old acquaintances, make new contacts and visit the exhibit booths.

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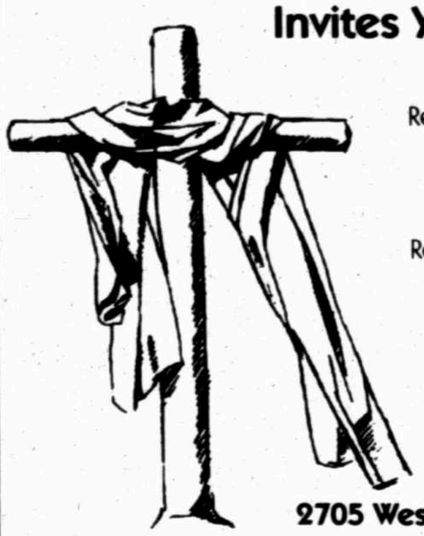

Maundy Thursday, April 12; 6:30p.m., Seder Meal;
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Resurrection Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 14; 10:00 a.m.;
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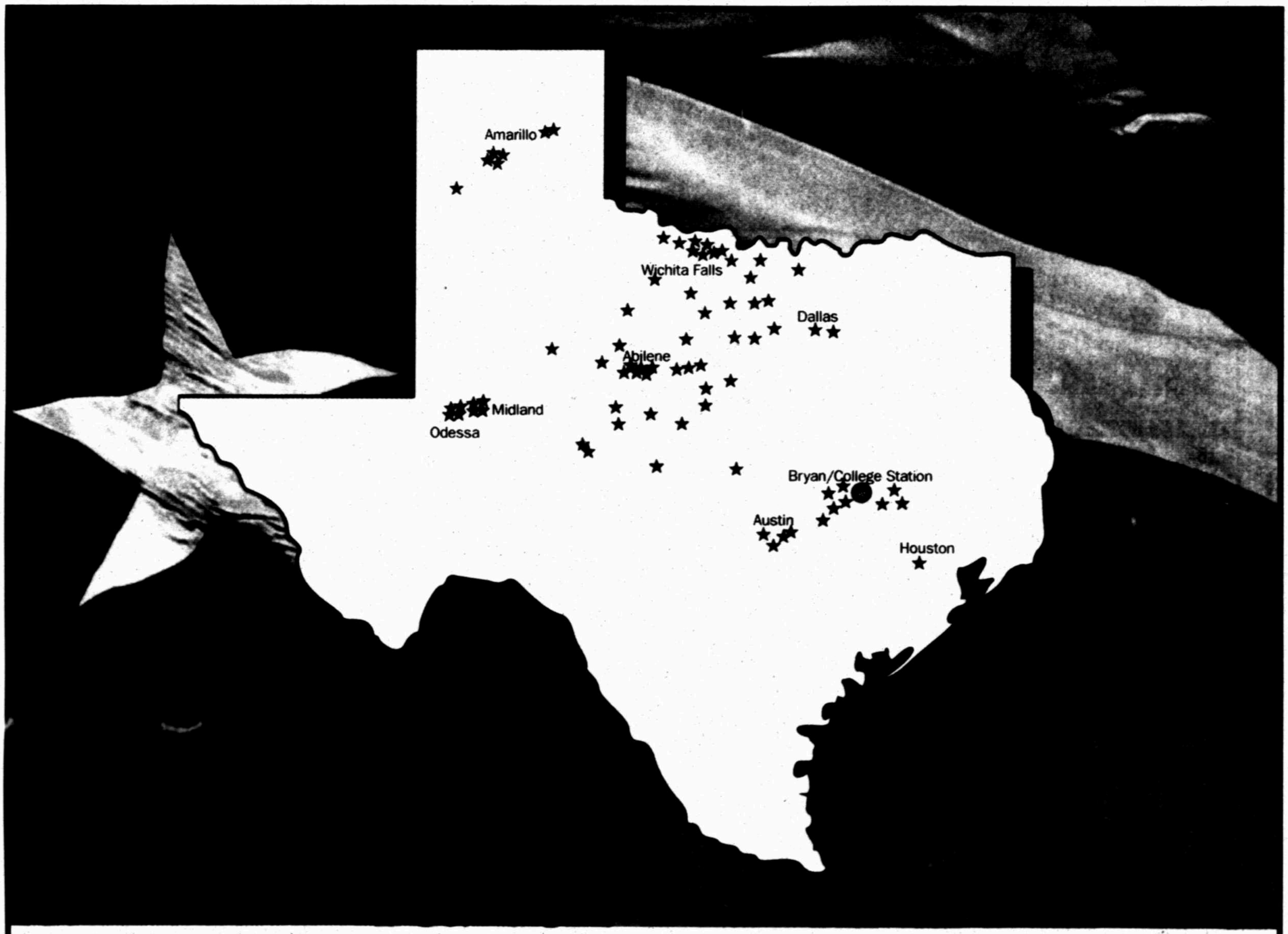

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