Sports

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Deputies fight crime for less pay than city peers

■ Base pay for a patrol deputy in Midland County starts at $25,800. Incentives and benefits complement salaries.

By Ed Todd
Staff Writer

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter, who manages the $7 million budget of his 163-person department, gets paid a $52,000 salary, plus benefits, for carrying out his duties.

His pay is on par with Ector County Sheriff Reggie Yearwood's $52,000 salary but is about 70 percent of Midland Police Chief John Urby's annual salary.

"Our responsibilities are the same," said the 6-foot-5 Painter, a U.S. Marine Corps veteran of the Vietnam War and a former Texas Department of Public Safety trooper. He has been sheriff since 1985.

"We're peace officers. The only thing is, our (the sheriff's) authority comes from the (Texas) Constitution , and their (police) authority comes from a corporate charter," Painter said. "The city of Midland is a corporation. And under the corporate charter, under state

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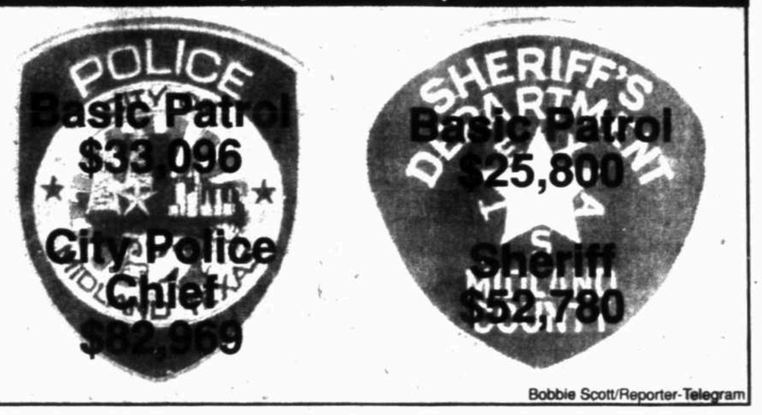
Comparison of Midland Police Department and Midland County Sheriff's Department salaries



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Police Chief Urby credits perks and incentives for 'great force'

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

A dollar amount cannot be put on the value of a police officer, but one can be put on the price of the equipment the officer uses.

Police Chief John Urby said the department's annual budget is $12.5 million, which is 26.76 percent of the city's annual budget.

On average by rank, the monthly salaries for the officers are, $2,758 for the 112 patrol officers; $3,441 for the 29 sergeants; $4,055 for the 12 lieutenants; $4,839 for the three deputy chiefs and $6,914 for the chief. Odessa Police Chief James Jenkins is paid $6,501.

Many different considerations go into figuring the total monthly salaries of the police officers.

The officers earn certificates of achievement. The basic certificate is required and the officer doesn't get any extra money for it.

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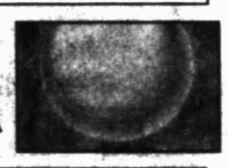

Soccer wiz

Seventh-grader Kody Winland may have to travel a little further than normal this summer to play soccer. Kody, who just turned 13, has been chosen to play in a tournament in The Netherlands July 26-Aug. 2. He is among 1,500 youths who will be participating and one of only 300 American boys in his age group.

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Myra Salcedo:

I would love if Midland movie theater managers make me eat my words.

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A declaration of love may be the best present of all...

Do you have trouble saying 'I love you?' Experts say there may be a reason why

Even though it is widely hailed as one of the most romantic movies of all time, "Casablanca" still lacks one key moment: Humphrey Bogart never once tells Ingrid Bergman he loves her.

In the movie "The Jerk," Steve Martin courts a dainty Bernadette Peters. He chit-chats with her for a while, they share their likes and dislikes, they flirt and giggle. Then Steve Martin's character tries to ask Ms. Peters' character out on a date. Martin's mouth proceeds to turn to mush.

And it is seen almost daily on television — people, men mostly, find it virtually impossible to say the words "I love you."

But is expressing feelings of love as difficult in real life as it is made to seem on both the big and little screens?

Perhaps today — Valentine's Day — is the appropriate time to ask the question.

And the answer?

"Yes," at least in some cases, according to a local psychologist and a licensed social worker. While the answer is easy, the reasons are not. But if you find yourself muted when confronted with vocalizing your love for someone, there's likely a common reason for you, too.

Psychologist Dr. Perry Marchioni points to a person's fear of rejection as a common reason for avoiding the love commitment.

"It's at the juncture that we come face to face with that fear of rejection that it almost causes the words 'I love you' to get stuck in our throat," Mar-

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❤ *Story by Jimmy Patterson*

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'Casablanca' photo © 1942 Warner Brothers

Bill Moyers assures Midlanders that millennium is not apocalyptic

By Richard Acosta
Staff Writer

Journalist Bill Moyers was at Chaparral Center Saturday night to share his experience about "Genesis and the Millennium."

During his 25-year career, Moyers has been executive editor of the "Bill Moyers' Journal" and chief correspondent for the documentary series, "CBS Reports." His appearance in Midland was one of only four major speaking engagements he will have this year.

He touched on what effect the millennium is having on people's religious lives and offered advice on how people can come together.

Moyers talked about different religious groups and the acts of violence they are doing in the name of God.

"Expectations for what is going to happen at the millennium go from the minute to the extreme and most all of them are in the name of a religion," Moyers said. "This is nothing new. During the first millennium people reacted in much the same way.

"Now these were only the people who knew the millennium was upon them. Many people slept through the first millennium like I would a boring Super Bowl. But those who knew,

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Author and journalist Bill Moyers signs a copy of his book, "Healing and the Mind," for Midlanders Harold and Marge Rubin during a reception that preceded his talk Saturday night at Midland College.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

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Hurricane Mitch unleashes new wave of immigrants

TECUN UMAN, Guatemala (AP) — Every day they arrive by the dozens in this grungy city on the Mexican border filled with thieves and prostitutes.

There are grandfathers, single moms, unaccompanied children from villages with populations no greater than those of the dilapidated buses that bring them here.

Thousands of Central Americans are risking the harrowing odyssey to the United States after losing their homes, jobs and loved ones to Hurricane Mitch in late October. They are a new wave of immigration — more numerous, more determined, more desperate than any before them.

One of the desperate is Eva Leni Carbajal, 32. The single mother lost her home, then her $5-a-day job at a doughnut shop when business slowed in ravaged Chamalecon in northern Honduras.

Teary-eyed, she kissed her sons and mother goodbye and stepped onto a bus to Tecun Uman with the clothes on her back, two family photos, $400 and her brother's Las Vegas phone number.

Two months later, she had been beaten, robbed and raped while trying to cross Mexico — and then sent back to Guatemala to try again.

In her nightmares, Carbajal relives the horror: Hitting the mud. Strangers' fists. Drunken bodies on top of her before she passed out. Waking up naked in a ditch. Running down a road screaming until she found a Mexican woman who fed and clothed her. Being grabbed by immigration agents — and being bused back to Guatemala.

Despite being deported three times, Carbajal was not giving up. Her legs black and blue, she sat next to a friend on a recent afternoon, waiting to hop a northbound freight train toward the United States after taking a makeshift raft across the river that separates Guatemala from Mexico.

"I can't go back worse off than when I left," Carbajal said.

Her Guatemalan friend, who was also raped on an unsuccessful attempt to cross Mexico, believes she is pregnant. Both women were too scared to call police.

The latest group is more desperate than traditional Central American migrants who have taken the same route for decades in hopes of escaping poverty, experts say. Although the majority are men, twice as many women are making the trip now, according to the Casa del Migrante, a shelter for migrants in Tecun Uman.

"They say they have nothing to go back home to. There is no food, no work," said Mariano Orozco, the shelter's night supervisor.

Initially, shelter workers said, many refugees left home mistakenly believing the United States was opening its doors to all hurricane victims because Washington granted an 18-month stay to Hondurans and Nicaraguans who were already in the United States. Later, most have come anyway despite knowing they're not welcome.

"I never wanted to leave my wife and daughters, but the hurricane left me with no work, no home, not even the dirt where my house stood," said Enrique Burgos, a 47-year-old farmer from El Paraiso, Honduras.

U.S. Border Patrol officials have seen a jump in the number of non-Mexican immigrants deported recently.

In McAllen, Texas, agents detained 1,714 non-Mexican immigrants, nearly all Central Americans, during January. That was double the number detained in January 1998.

Farther west in Del Rio, the number of non-Mexican detainees shot up to 359 in January from 74 a year ago. The overwhelming majority were from Honduras, the country hit hardest by the hurricane.

Taliban reports Bin Laden has 'disappeared'

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — Osama bin Laden, a suspect in the bombing of two U.S. embassies in Africa, has "disappeared" from his base in Afghanistan, a Taliban militia spokesman said Saturday. Other Afghan sources said he left the country.

The Saudi millionaire dropped out of sight two days ago, said Abdul Hai Muttmayan. The Taliban spokesman wouldn't say whether bin Laden left the country or whether he had taken his three wives and children.

The report of bin Laden's departure comes just days after the Taliban, which rules most of Afghanistan, took away his satellite telephone and imposed fresh restrictions on him.

Other Afghan sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said bin Laden had left the country but his whereabouts were unknown. It is very unlikely he could remain in Afghanistan without Taliban officials knowing where he went.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has offered asylum to bin Laden, who has expressed support for Iraq.

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Drugs top U.S.-Mexican summit agenda

WASHINGTON (AP) — White House officials admit that Mexico still has a "tremendous problem" with drug trafficking but are praising its eradication efforts in advance of President Clinton's two-day trip there that begins today.

Mexico's war against drug traffickers, highlighted by a new $400 million, land-sea-and-air battle plan, tops the agenda for Clinton's meetings with Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo.

The setting will be the Yucatan Peninsula, a tourist haven where the two presidents and their wives will have a Valentine's evening dinner before Clinton and Zedillo get down to business on Monday. They have met seven times previously.

In addition to drugs, their agenda includes trade, migration and the environment.

Their meetings will take place against a background of a congressionally mandated review of Mexico's cooperation with U.S. counternarcotics efforts in the past year.

Mexico could face stiff economic sanctions if it receives a failing grade, but all signs point to a U.S. decision to "certify" Mexico as fully cooperative — as it has been all 12 years the process has been in effect.

Taking nothing for granted about Clinton's decision, however, Mexico declared "total war" against the drug chieftains Feb. 4 through a program that specifies early detection of drug flights and sea shipments and a stepped-up counternarcotics role for the Mexican army.

The three-year plan contemplates purchases of aircraft, ships, radar, X-ray equipment and other items.

Clinton's national security adviser, Sandy Berger, said Friday that drug control is an important part of the U.S. agenda. In the two years since Clinton and Zedillo established a set of common objectives, he said, "We have seen Mexico extradite fugitives, eradicate thousands of acres of opium, criminalize money-laundering and institute a new screening process for law-enforcement officials."

"Still, obviously this is a tremendous problem for Mexico, but one that they are tackling," he said.

Last year, with the certification decision just weeks away, the two countries announced a plan outlining joint projects against drug consumption, money laundering, gunrunning and narcotics smuggling.

The review process targets about 30 countries deemed to be sources for drugs or through which drugs transit. Only a handful were decertified a year ago.

While seemingly assured a clean bill of health from Clinton, there were no such assurances that Mexico's expected certification won't be overturned by Congress, where skepticism runs deep about the Zedillo government's performance.

With a two-thirds vote, the Congress could overturn a Clinton certification, which officials fear could trigger a nationalist backlash in Mexico.

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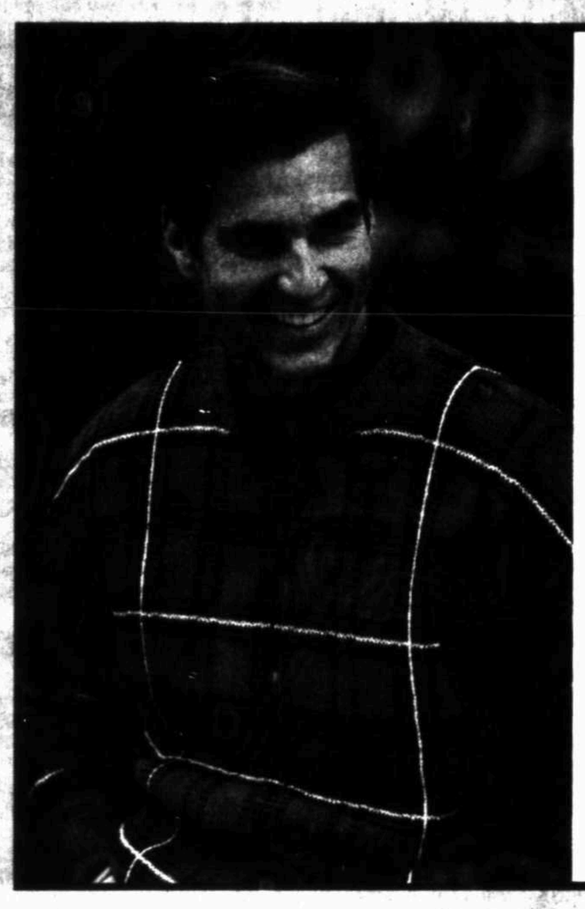

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Midland forecast

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High 73	High 70	High 65
Low 41	Low 43	Low 37

Today's forecast calls for sunny skies with a high in the lower 70s and south to southwest winds at 10-20 mph and gusty.

Tonight's forecast calls for fair skies with a low in the lower 40s.

Monday's forecast calls for partly cloudy skies and breezy with a high near 70.

After an overnight low of 19, Saturday's high reached 63, compared to the record high for that date of 83 set in 1962. The record low of 13 was set in 1963.

Yesterday's precipitation

Rainfall Saturday	0.00 in.
Rainfall Friday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	0.33 in.
Normal total yr to date	0.60 in.

Yesterday's temperatures

High	63
Low	19
Normal high	61
Normal low	32

Sunrise ... 7:31 a.m. **Sunset** ... 6:35 p.m.

United States temperatures

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

	Hi	Lo	Prc	Otlk
Atlanta	42	33	clr	
Boston	43	35	.22	cdy
Chicago	32	14	clr	
Denver	66	26	clr	
Fargo	34	5	cdy	
Green Bay	31	13	cdy	
Kansas City	43	21	clr	
Knoxville	34	31	clr	
Las Vegas	64	36	cdy	
Lubbock	63	24	clr	
Memphis	42	36	clr	
New Orleans	61	46	clr	
New York City	41	35	.09	cdy
Philadelphia	41	32	.23	clr
Phoenix	80	45	clr	
Richmond	46	27	clr	
St Louis	38	20	clr	
San Francisco	56	43	cdy	
Tulsa	50	28	clr	
Tupelo	46	35	clr	
Waco	65	32	clr	
Washington,D.C.	40	31	clr	
Wichita	48	23	clr	
Wilkes-Barre	30	25	.14	clr
Yakima	49	29	cdy	

COUNTY: Pay varies broadly with ranks

(From 1A)

law, it says a municipality may have a police force. The Constitution says you will have a sheriff and deputies."

"He (police chief) owes allegiance to the city manager and the City Council," Painter, 51, said. "They are the ones who pay the bill. The city incorporates state law into city ordinances so that they can enforce them. I enforce state law (and) federal law ... anywhere inside the confines of Midland County ... anywhere inside the state of Texas where I witness a crime."

The sheriff is elected. The police chief is appointed.

The sheriff's budget, which is a third of the county's $22 million general-fund budget, includes about $4 million for jail operations and $3 million for other services, including patrol, criminal investigation, civil warrants and administration.

The sheriff's salary is complemented by $780 in longevity pay, which is common to the county's 439-person full-time workforce. Longevity pay is figured on $5 a month times years of service.

In addition to longevity pay, each employee is covered by county-paid health insurance. And the county contributes an amount equal to 9.8 percent of each employee's gross pay to his or her retirement plan, according to County Auditor Carole Wayland. The employee contributes 7 percent. A county worker is vested after 10 years of employment.

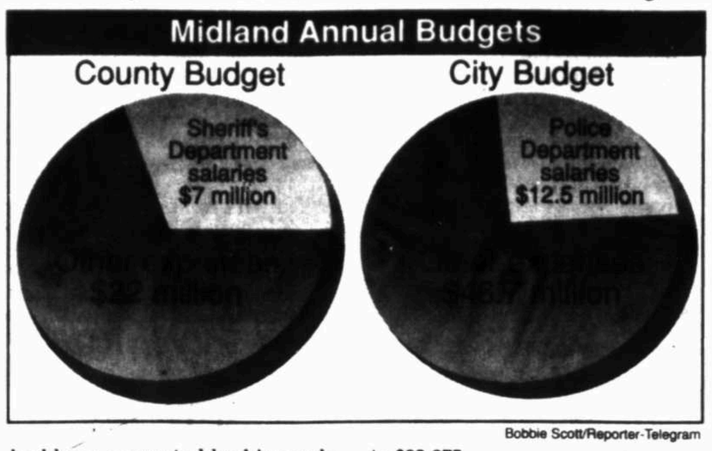
Painter's chief deputy, Clayton McKinney, is paid $42,396 plus $840 in longevity pay and an $1,800 bonus for law-enforcement certification through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE). TCLEOSE certification pay ranges from $50 to $150 a month depending on the certification level: intermediate at $50, advanced at $100, and master's at $150.

Before 1996, a county peace officer holding a bachelor's degree in criminal justice was paid $400 in education incentive pay per month, and an officer with an associate's degree got a $200-a-month bonus. An officer holding a four-year degree in a non-law enforcement field was paid $200 extra per month.

"It was an incentive for you to improve yourself and become more professional and be more of an asset, not only to the department, but to the county," Painter said. In 1996, (commissioners) totally threw that out ... to cut money ... under (former County Judge) Jeff Norwood's administration."

Painter said that the move had "done more to hurt the morale than anything that has been done in the past, other than not give us any pay raises at all."

The incentive pay, Painter said, had been promoted by his predecessors, sheriffs Ed Darnell and Dallas Smith.



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The sheriff's administrative secretary, Mitzi Wohleking, is salaried at $25,873, plus $600 longevity pay.

Under a 1996 salary-wage classification, adopted by the Commissioners' Court, salaries are based on pay grades that include step raises from one through 12. Pay Grade 1, for example, ranges from $11,740 at Step 1 to $15,404 at Step 12. Pay Grade 35 goes from $62,936 to $82,578.

McKinney, for example, falls under the $42,352-to-$52,946 range of Pay Grade 26.

Running outside the pay scales are the $106,700 salaries that the county pays each of its two county court-at-law judges, whose pay is comparable to the salaries of Texas district-court judges and district attorneys. The state of Texas pays district judges and district attorneys $101,700 annually. To that, Midland County adds $6,000 to its four district-court judges' and the district attorney's state-funded pay.

Within ranks of the commissioned peace officers, payroll varies broadly.

A patrol deputy's total pay ranges from $25,800 to $34,000; a patrol corporal's, $31,000 to $33,275; patrol sergeant's, $32,700 to $37,500. The lieutenant's top pay approaches $40,000.

In civil warrants, a deputy sheriff's total pay ranges from $27,200 to $34,700; a sergeant's, $33,100 to $34,500. And lieutenant's top pay approaches $40,000.

Investigators are paid around $30,000 to $31,000 total. A sergeant gets around $33,500, and a lieutenant, $39,000.

Of the sheriff's 163-person force, more than 90 men and women are commissioned peace officers.

A patrol deputy, such as Beau Estes, has a base pay of $29,273 and total pay of $31,193 including longevity and certification pay, according to county records. Patrol Deputy Steve Miller has a base pay of $31,524 and total pay of $34,044.

A patrol corporal's base and total pay may range from $30,755 to $33,275.

A patrol sergeant, such as Earl Stroup, is paid from $30,755 to $32,735.

For another sergeant, such as Richard Gillette, pay goes from a base of $34,796 to a $37,496 total.

Under the pay scale, "We've got sergeants making less than regular deputies," Painter said. "There's no way that they will ever catch up today. It's absolutely horrible (for morale)."

Patrol Lt. Lee Blair's base pay is $36,558 and total pay is $39,258.

Public Safety Capt. Ed Krevit, who commands a 60-person force that includes patrol, criminal investigation, civil warrant, and records, is paid in the $38,000 to $40,000 range.

Civil Warrant Lt. Monte Cross earns a base pay of $36,558 and a total pay of $39,438.

A criminal investigator, such as Greg Galvan, has a $30,005 base pay and $31,145 total pay.

Total salaries for record personnel ranges from $24,700 for supervisor Maria White to $19,298 each for record clerks.

Detentions (Jail) Capt. Richard Sexton, who oversees a 98-person staff, has a base pay of $38,408 and a total pay of $41,468.

Jail lieutenants' pay ranges from $36,558 at base to $39,378 total.

The pay for a detentions sergeant, such as Barbara Skaggs-Estes, ranges from $30,755 to $32,615.

A regular jailer's pay ranges from $23,440 and $25,873 at base to $23,500 and $28,882 total.

Bonding-booking clerks are paid from $19,238 at base to $23,030 total.

Of the Sheriff's Department's 163 people, including the sheriff, 112 report for work in uniforms, which, except for leather wear, such as boots, belts, and holsters, are furnished by the county.

For plainclothes officers, the Commissioners' Court used to pay the them $50 a month for a clothing allowance but that was dovetailed into the regular paycheck to avoid extra tax forms, according to Commissioner Louisa Valencia.

The department has about 15 bullet-proof vests. They each cost about $550 and are funded mainly by donations. The sheriff said that his officers could use more vests.

In the realm of firearms, Painter is shifting to standardization as more and more officers are opting for the Austrian-made, semi-automatic clip-feed .45-caliber Glock pistol.

"Most of the people provide their own weapons," said Painter. The department furnishes revolvers for those who don't buy their own handgun.

Painter said that he is trying to standardize firearms for his patrol, criminal investigation and civil-warrants officers.

Painter said that his deputies are permitted to work in uniform at private and public functions. The usual pay is $15 an hour.

"They are required by statute to keep the peace and to keep the crowds under control," Painter said. "It doesn't matter that it is a private function. They are still peace officers. If someone violates the law, they are required to take action."

The Midland County Sheriff's Department has 73 vehicles, 54 of which are funded by the county and three vehicles are funded by grants, Painter said. The additional 16 vehicles are "seized" units or vehicles paid for with forfeited money stemming, for example, out of drug-trafficking arrests. The funding "saves taxpayers' money," Painter said.

Like the Midland Police Department, the Sheriff's Department has a policy whereby officers may use their sheriff's vehicles at county expense for personal business.

The reasoning behind the policy is that more visible law enforcement vehicles about town and country would encourage compliance with the law and would reduce the incident of crime.

"The officers are allowed to take their cars home," Painter said. "If they are out running around town, we allow them to take the unit. The reason for that is more presence. The more law-enforcement vehicles you have on the street that are visible, then the more compliant the citizens tend to get.

"And what you are looking for in enforcing the law is voluntary compliance with the law," Painter said. "If you have citizens who will comply with the law at the sight of law-enforcement vehicles, then you have accomplished your goal."

"The take-home program is an extremely fine program. There have been instances" where "off-duty officers have "been first on the scene" of a crime. They are required to keep their radio on and have a weapon with them. If something happens, they can respond."

If they are unprepared on- or off-duty by being without their firearms or tuned-in radios, Painter said, "They are going to be in deep trouble."

EXPRESSIONS: Media plays out cultural trends

(From 1A)

chioni said. "Most people report that when they say it for the first time how difficult it was and how anxious they were."

Marchioni

George

As to people stuttering and stammering when forced to ask a person on a date for the first time, Marchioni said, "People go to mush. They lose what they are about to say, they get extremely awkward, when previous conversation seemed to be flowing easily. Fear can cause forgetfulness or momentary lapses of memory. It's when it becomes overwhelming that it can produce laryngitis."

Both Marchioni and Linda George, a licensed social worker and marriage counselor, said that it is often because of our past that we become so apprehensive when dealing with our feelings of emotion.

"A lot of it comes from family of origin," Ms. George said. "If you come from a touchy, feely, huggy family you're surprised when a significant other doesn't offer the same wavelength if they're from a family that doesn't show anything in public. It's what you learn from your family of origin. It's what has become acceptable to you."

Marchioni refers to a person's family history as "the baggage that we've collected over a lifetime. It may be a build-up of a lack of intimacy over a lifetime interfering with our relationship. Certainly the basic fears are there — fears of rejection, for instance, but there's also an accumulation of other emotional baggage as it progresses."

Media, too, definitely plays a role in how we express ourselves, both agree.

"It is an expression of our culture," Marchioni said. "Our cultural trends are played out (in the media). It may be a mirror image or it may be an exaggeration of our culture, from fashion trends and emotional expressions to acceptance of a particular group or orientation played out in the media.

Verbal communication, Ms. George said, is essential in maintaining a healthy relationship. In other words, she said, "I see people in my office all the time who indulge in mind reading. They say things like, 'Well, she ought to know I love her.' I always tell them even if you're married 50 years and you go to your anniversary on a walker, you still can't read each other's minds."

Regardless of length of marriage, both Marchioni and Ms. George agree that it is important to share the responsibility of expressing love. Don't always let it be a wife who says 'I love you' first. A mate can only take 'I love you, too' so many times before needing to hear the expression instigated by their partner.

"It is important to make your spouse feel special in either word or action," Marchioni said. "(Use) whatever manner it may take that conveys, 'I love you.'"

Anything except maybe, "Here's looking at you, kid." That one's already been used.

MOYERS: Respect reserved for unifying religious leaders

(From 1A)

were living in fear. They crowded the churches and prayed on their knees with sorrowful eyes filled with tears that dripped down to their feet, waiting for the end.

"People reported dragons in the clouds, fire in the sky and blood raining from the sky. They knew they were living in a violent time, in the madness of the state of the world around them."

Moyers said that as the millennium approaches again, his respect is reserved for the religious leaders who see opportunity for unity rather than destruction.

"My thought on the turn of the century is that we all need to stop, take a deep breath and count to 10," Moyers said. "If the world ends then we all die together. But if it doesn't then we have to live together and that is what we should concentrate on.

"I personally feel that I am stronger in my faith because I have had an open mind about others."

Moyers said that talking about the Bible with members of other religions and races is when you learn about your faith.

"Talking with people of your same faith about the Bible is like running in a cul-de-sac," Moyers said. "If you talk about the Bible in a non-aggressive way to people of different religions and races that is you can see the very same stories span across the boundaries of religion.

"Those stories are about real people with real problems like you and me."

He compared Noah and Oskar Schindler as an example of how different perspectives of a similar situation can come about.

"Scholars ask (that) if Noah knew the floods were coming, why did he not warn other people," Moyers said. "They say he was just doing what God told him to do. As a result, people around the world died, including children.

"In much the same way, Oskar Schindler knew what was going on during Nazi Germany at the death camps. In fact the original name of the book was 'Schindler's Ark.' While others turn their heads and allowed it to go on, Schindler made an effort to save lives. And Oskar Schindler would have probably been one of the people who would have been killed in the flood."

Moyers said that when we see that it is all right to talk about God with each other, then we can enter the era with a scene of unity.

"The world is shrinking," Moyers said. "People of different faiths are prevalent all around the United States and in order for us to coexist we have to began to understand one another."

CITY: Officers reimbursed for going to school

(From 1A)

Intermediate certificate earns the officer an extra $60, an advanced earns the officer $110 and a master earns the officer $150.

If an officer goes through the FBI National Academy or Law Enforcement Management School, it is worth an extra $75.

An officer's college education also factors into his salary.

An associate's degree earns the officer $99, bachelor's, $189; master's or equivalent, $230; and Ph.D., $280.

However, total education pay can not exceed $450 a month. Urby said about 30 officers earn the full $450.

There is also a tuition reimbursement program in which the officers are paid back for going to school based on the grades they earn. An "A" earns the officer a 100 percent tuition back; "B" 80 percent and "C" 60 percent.

Officers also receive longevity pay for each year they are in the department, Urby said. All city employees earn $6 a month for every year they are on the force.

The department furnishes all of the officers' uniforms and equipment so they can better serve the city of Midland, Urby said.

A uniformed officer with patrol car has a dollar value of approximately $34,500. The patrol car, with all of its computers and equipment is valued at around $30,000 and the uniform and other equipment is right around $4,500.

"The only thing we don't issue to the officers is their underwear, socks, undershirt and boots," Urby said. "Everything else — gun, hat, gloves, coat, uniform — we do issue to the officer and we have the uniforms cleaned for the officers. We want to give the officers everything they need to do their job effectively."

Urby said that because of the perks and pay incentives the Midland Police Department has a "great police force."

In addition, Urby said that the Midland Police Department is one out of only 500 police departments in the country that is an accredited police department. In order to be accredited the department must follow all of the requirements from the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies Inc., which the Midland department has made into its "general orders."

"We enjoy national recognition as a great organization," Urby said. "We can always improve, but we have a good base to build off of."

Currently, Lubbock has 35 openings and Odessa has 15, while Midland has none, Urby said.

Urby said the department doesn't often have job openings, but when there are openings, they seek recruits across the state, as well as posting the job locally.

When the department has lost officers, it's usually because they have moved on the higher positions. Urby said last year the department lost three officers to the FBI and one to the Secret Service.

In the late 1970s the department began issuing each officer a take-home vehicle, Urby said.

"Officers are responsible for keeping their cars clean, but the city of Midland maintains the vehicle," Urby said. "It is a perk to have a car and have the city put gas in it and maintain it, but having a take-home car saves the city money in the end.

"We have approximately 160 cars. If we were to use them around the clock the city would have to buy 40 new cars a year. The officers take pride in their cars. They make sure the oil is changed and they keep them clean.

"A car will last longer if it is taken care of by one person. If I drove the car during the day shift and it was making a rattling sound and I forgot to tell you before you went on the night shift and the tire fell off. 'John the tire fell off the car, what happened?' 'Oh, I forgot to tell you there was a something wrong with the tire.'

"But, if it was your own car and you heard a rattling sound you would have it in the shop the next day, getting it fixed and that is better for the cars."

Urby said the program has been effective; the department has 1993- and 1994-model cars that are still running and, "still have life in them."

Urby said that once he was able to make an off-duty arrest because he had a patrol car.

"I was in my patrol car with another off-duty officer when a burglary was reported in the area we happened to be in," Urby said. "They guy saw the police car and froze; he didn't know if we were off-duty or not. All he knew was that he saw a police car and that stopped him and we ended up getting him.

"That is just one example. What if I was driving in a marked car, on my way home and a robbery call came over the radio in the area I was in? What if I was called out to something that was close to home? If I don't have my car, then I would have to drive back to the department and drive all the way back. What if an officer was driving along and finds an accident that may not be reported yet? Officers are better-equipped to do their job when they have a patrol car.

"We do have strict rules about when you can and can't drive the patrol car," Urby said. "The purpose of the program is so people don't know when an officer is on- or off-duty. Police cars are a deterrent to crime. A criminal is less likely to commit a crime when he sees a police officer and that is why we encourage our officers to drive them as much as they can. A patrol car just parked in a driveway does not help stop crime."

Additional income for the officers can come from working off-duty jobs. Police are allowed to work at night clubs, Chaparral Center, football games and some other places around Midland, Urby said. Although they are hired off duty, they still work as officers.

"We do not allow the officer to enforce house rules, like checking IDs at the door, Urby said. "If they witness a criminal act, however, they will take action and do what they need to whether it be a ticket or an arrest."

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In radio speech, Clinton outlines plan to send U.S. troops to Kosovo

WASHINGTON (AP) — As many as 4,000 American troops will go to Kosovo as part of a 28,000-strong NATO peacekeeping force if warring Serbs and ethnic Albanians reach a political settlement, President Clinton said Saturday.

Drawing lessons from World War II to Bosnia, Clinton said that without a U.S. commitment, the warfare could bleed beyond Kosovo's borders — into Albania, Macedonia, Greece, Turkey, and even re-ignite conflict in Bosnia.

"America cannot be everywhere or do everything overseas, but we must act where important interests are at stake and we can make a difference," Clinton said in his weekly radio broadcast to the nation.

"World War II taught us that America could never be secure if Europe's future was in doubt."

The president's commitment of U.S. personnel, which the administration had openly moved toward in recent days, was timed to strengthen Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's hand as she flew to France to nudge stalled talks between the Serb government and ethnic Albanians seeking independence for Kosovo.

An American official told reporters in a briefing on Albright's airplane that despite the difficult negotiations, there's virtually no doubt the talks will be extended into next week. The official said progress this week "passes the reasonable persons' test."

In Rambouillet, France, site of the talks, Serb negotiators were reported awaiting instructions from President Slobodan Milosevic on whether to seriously discuss a U.S.-sponsored plan for Kosovo, or stick to their hard-line position and face NATO strikes.

Albright planned separate meetings today with Serb and ethnic Albanian leaders, then with foreign ministers of Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Russia. Those countries and the United States comprise the so-called contact group that oversees Balkan trouble spots.

Meanwhile, the violence continued in Kosovo where a bomb exploded outside a government-owned bank, injuring nine people. No one claimed responsibility for the blast in Urosevac, a town 25 miles south of the provincial capital of Pristina.

Threats of NATO military strikes so far have only "slowed the violence" and the diplomatic talks still face serious obstacles, Clinton said.

President says that without a U.S. commitment, warfare could spread beyond Kosovo's borders.

"It is increasingly clear that this effort can only succeed if it includes a NATO-led peace implementation force that gives both sides the confidence to lay down their arms," he said. "It's also clear that if there is a real peace, American participation in the force can provide such confidence, particularly for Kosovo's Albanians."

The United States and five European countries in the so-called Contact Group, which monitors conflicts in the Balkans, have given the adversaries two weeks to reach a deal on Kosovo or suffer the consequences' of military strikes.

"We could be in a position where we have to take military action if the Serbs ... don't agree to a settlement," National Security Council spokesman David Leavy said Saturday.

A vanguard of U.S. Marines could enter the Serbian province within 10 days of a peace agreement, a senior U.S. defense official said. The first men in would be drawn from the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit, numbering about 2,200 and now operating aboard Navy ships in the Mediterranean, the official said.

The Americans would be part of a multinational force, with U.S. Gen. Wesley Clarke, NATO's commander in Europe, at the top of the chain of command. Such is also the case for the 6,900 U.S. troops into their fourth year in Bosnia. That force is due to shrink to 6,200 next month.

"Bosnia taught us a lesson: In this volatile region, violence we fail to oppose leads to even greater violence we will have to oppose later at greater cost," Clinton said.

"We must heed that lesson in Kosovo."

Acting on a promise for "close consultation with Congress" before any deployment to Kosovo, Clinton telephoned congressional leaders immediately after his radio speech to give them an update on diplomatic efforts.

Both sides in the bloody conflict would have to agree to a NATO peacekeeping force to which the Europeans would provide about 85 percent of the personnel.

Clinton said the U.S. commitment of just under 4,000 personnel would be designed with a "clear and realistic strategy to allow us to bring our forces home when their work is done."

The U.S. defense official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the peacekeepers' mission would be to monitor and enforce the military aspects of any peace agreement, primarily the withdrawal of Serbian security forces from Kosovo and the disarming of the Kosovo Liberation Army.

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Temperature tags become new weapon in food safety fight

WASHINGTON (AP) — An adhesive strip that tracks the temperature of meat, fish and produce from preparation to consumption is being hailed as a new weapon in the battle for food safety.

The secret of the time temperature indicator tag is that it signals a warning that the product it is on has been overheated and may be dangerous.

The tags have been around for years in various forms but gained new attention last month when the Agriculture Department's food safety inspection service recommended in federal guidelines their use for ground beef.

Improved technology in recent years has helped to make the device more accurate in detecting temperature anomalies, considered the most common source of dangerous micro-organisms transmitted by food.

In this age of fierce battles against salmonella and E. coli, time temperature indicator tags are viewed as a critical piece of the food-safety puzzle, advocates say. While many products, like milk and meat, have "best if used by" stamps, there's no way to tell if the product has undergone a temperature change that would have created harmful bacteria.

"It's kind of a coming-out party for time temperature indicators," John Farquhar, vice president of food safety for the Food Marketing Institute, a trade group that represents supermarkets.

"It's something we've been waiting on," said Jim Cox, president of Belmont, N.C.-based Cox Technologies. "It demonstrates with some finality that the regulatory agencies understand the power of this technology."

Cox Technologies, which markets a tag known as Vitsab, is one of three companies currently making a form of the time temperature indicator tag. The others are 3M, based in St. Paul, Minn., and Lifelines Technology of Morris Plains, N.J.

University of Minnesota food science professor Ted Labuza, who owns a patent for a tag being manufactured by 3M, said while the tags are helpful with temperature abuse, consumers should not consider them a cure-all for food-safety problems.

"A much better way to do it would be to have a date as well as a tag," Labuza said. "Use by such and such a date unless tag has color."

Here's how a sensor tag like Vitsab would work: About the size of a Band-Aid, the adhesive strip is placed on a package of food. Dots on the tag change from green to yellow as the product's life span decreases. For instance, at one week old, the first dot will turn yellow. At three weeks, the second dot will turn yellow.

Tags are customized according to a particular food product. A particular fish product, for instance, may have a longer life than lettuce.

George Hertzschuch, who owns a fish-processing company known as Top of the Mountain Trout in Murphy, N.C., has been using the tags for about six months for shipping trout.

"It's a marketing tool for me, and it gives me peace of mind that something with my label is not as readily subject to time-temperature abuse," Hertzschuch said. "It just takes all the guesswork out of how old the fish is."

The tags are especially helpful for restaurants he ships to, Hertzschuch said.

"If for some reason business is slow, they can walk in and say, 'Uh-oh, two of the strips have turned yellow.' You can run a daily special ... (to) use it up before you have to throw it out," he said.

Advocates like Farquhar believe it's only a matter of time before the tags catch on and are used widely, even on nonfood items.

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N.Y. police officers to begin using hollow-point bullets

N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said Saturday that the Police Department would issue hollow-point bullets to officers in the coming months, adding that the decision was based on a concern for public safety.

These bullets, which differ from regular ball ammunition in their ability to expand greatly on impact, cause greater injury to people they strike but are less likely to pass through a body and hit bystanders. In July, the department first announced that its 40,000-member force would be issued the new ammunition.

"We came to the conclusion a few months ago after studying it very carefully that hollow-point bullets would actually be safer than the bullets that were being used," said Giuliani, joined by Police Commissioner Howard Safir at a City Hall news conference.

Asked whether it was prudent to issue officers bullets that cause more serious injury, Safir said studies comparing the two types of ammunition had found that fatalities were about the same.

The announcement came as reporters peppered Giuliani and Safir with questions about the Feb. 4 killing of Amadou Diallo, an unarmed street peddler who was shot by four officers from a street crimes unit who were patrolling.

Law enforcement officials have long complained that ball ammunition, like that used by New York City police officers, has less stopping power than hollow-point ammunition.

Most municipal and federal law enforcement agencies have already switched to hollow-point ammunition, and the New York City Police Department began testing several different brands last year.

"We weren't happy with the performance of the first brand, then we tried another," said Marilyn Mode, a department spokeswoman. "We expect to have delivery within the month and everything should be fully implemented within six months.

"It's just a matter of getting the officers to the shooting range to get qualified to shoot the new ammunition," she said.

Those who favor replacing ball ammunition point out that with conventional bullets, an officer must fire more bullets to bring a suspect down and that the ball ammunition can pass through a suspect or ricochet, sometimes hitting unintended targets. The officers who killed Diallo fired 41 times, leaving several holes in the wall of his apartment building vestibule before he slumped to the ground.

Critics of the department's plans to switch to hollow-point bullets said the mayor's announcement was merely an attempt to defuse criticism of the officers' use of extraordinary firepower in the Diallo case.

"One of the overriding criticisms coming from the Diallo shooting was the number of shots fired," said Norman Siegel, executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union. "With the change to hollow-point bullets, they are attempting to make the argument that you won't have to fire 41 shots any longer. You will have to fire less times to take a person down."

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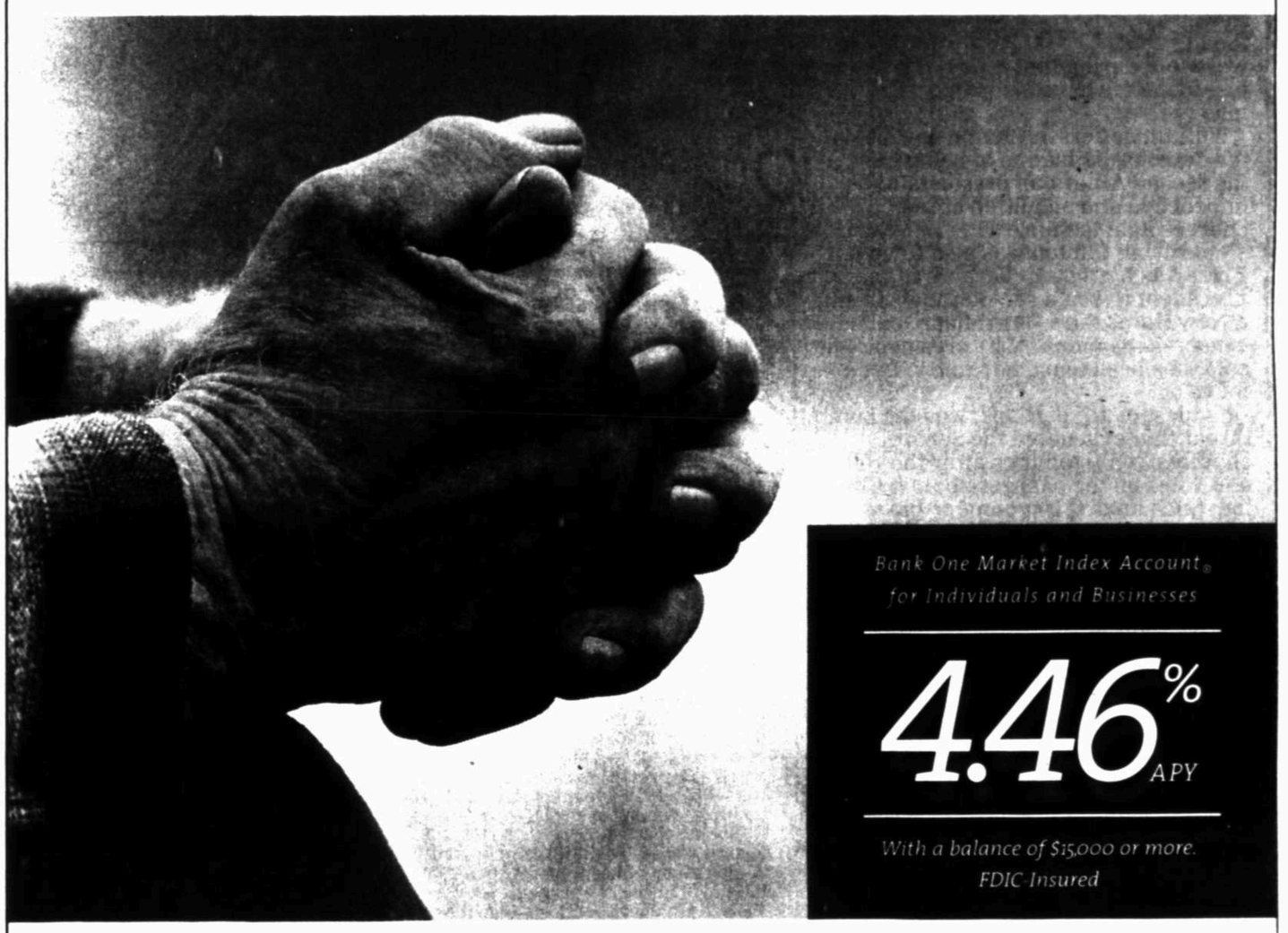

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Clinton acquittal will not please all Americans

The not guilty verdict returned Friday in the Senate to President Clinton on allegations of perjury and obstruction of justice likely will not please many Midlanders. Public sentiment here throughout the years of Clinton's presidency and even dating to the days of the Whitewater scandal have weighed heavily against the president.

That said, however, one fact must be noted: Clinton has faced impeachment and trial in the Senate and has been acquitted of the charges against him. That was the recourse spelled out in the Constitution; now it is the duty of all Americans to accept the verdict of the senators.

That does not mean that Clinton will be absolved of all wrongdoing by the American people individually. His fate in that regard was sealed by the widely publicized accounts of his sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky and the lies that were told during that affair. His historical footnotes have already been written.

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Censuring Clinton was also ruled out Friday as a prospect because of the precedent it would set. Sen. Bob Smith, a New Hampshire Republican, called censure a bad idea. "The president," he said, has been found not guilty. Let's move on."

Saddest of all, perhaps, was the bomb threat that evacuated the Senate chambers only minutes after the roll call votes on the charges against Clinton. Such an act, if it came to pass, would show the world that the United States is not nearly so civilized as it claims.

This affair has been a truly tragic one for Clinton and the American people as a nation. It has showed the world our rankest side, our dirty linen. But now it has been taken through the constitutional channels and Clinton was acquitted. It is time to put this episode behind us and to look to the future.

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Feb. 14, the 45th day of 1999. There are 320 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 14, 1929, the "St. Valentine's Day Massacre" took place in a Chicago garage as seven rivals of Al Capone's gang were gunned down.

On this date:

In 1778, the American ship Ranger carried the recently adopted Stars and Stripes to a foreign port for the first time as it arrived in France.

In 1859, Oregon was admitted to the Union as the 33rd state.

In 1895, Oscar Wilde's final play, "The Importance of Being Earnest," opened at the St. James's Theatre in London.

In 1899, Congress approved, and President McKinley signed, legislation authorizing states to use voting machines for federal elections.

In 1903, the Department of Commerce and Labor was established.

In 1912, Arizona became the 48th state of the Union.

In 1920, the League of Women Voters was founded in Chicago; its first president was Maude Wood Park.

In 1945, Peru, Paraguay, Chile and Ecuador joined the United Nations.

In 1962, first lady Jacqueline Kennedy conducted a televised tour of the White House.

In 1979, Adolph Dubs, the U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, was kidnapped in Kabul by Muslim extremists and killed in a shootout between his abductors and police.

Ten years ago: Iran's Ayatollah Khomeini called on Muslims to kill Salman Rushdie, author of "The Satanic Verses," a novel condemned as blasphemous.

JACK ANDERSON

EPA wants to publish risk management plans

WASHINGTON — Washington is a place where the irrelevant is frequently recruited to accomplish the relevant.

Take, for example, a hearing last week of the House Commerce Committee, which is chaired by Rep. Thomas Bliley, R-Va. On Wednesday, the committee convened to discuss an ongoing dispute between the Environmental Protection Agency and law enforcement agencies. The day before, Bliley held a press conference to drum up support for his hearing. Speaking at the conference was a woman whose husband was killed in the Oklahoma City bombing, who was there to remind the audience of what it already knew: that none of us are immune from the tragic scourge of terrorism.

Anderson

But that's not the only reason she was there. Her real purpose was to help the United States Congress to use the fear of terrorism as an excuse to subvert the public's right to know.

The Commerce Committee, among other things, oversees the EPA. For several months now, a coalition of law enforcement agencies, including the FBI and the CIA, have been pressing Bliley to keep the EPA from publishing data they believe could aid a terrorist attack.

The data involves so-called Risk Management Plans for nearly 66,000 chemical users and manufacturers in the United States, details potential release points and estimates the destruction that could result from an absolute worst-case accident.

Traditionally, worst-case accident information has only been available to firefighters and emergency response officials. But in 1990, a provision of the Clean Air Act ordered the EPA to design and implement a program that would "prevent the damage from chemical accidents."

In 1996, the agency complied by publishing a Risk Management Plan. Citing the act's "right-to-know" provision, the EPA plan proposed posting each of the 66,000 Risk Management Plans, including the worst-case accident data, on the Internet.

The country's chemical makers didn't like this one bit. What chemical company in its right mind would want its neighbors to know what could happen if a fire broke out at its plant? Jeff Van, spokesman for the Chemical Manufacturers Association, told our associate Ashley Baker that "our alarm was driven by the concern of the experts."

The experts, it turns out, were on CMA's payroll. According to Van, their analysis, titled "The terrorist threat in America," concluded that the EPA proposal would have provided "one-stop shopping for terrorists." CMA then made sure their study found its way into the hands of top officials at the FBI and CIA.

Chemical manufacturers and the oil and gas industries also pressed their point with key lawmakers, including Bliley. According to the Center for Responsive Politics, the three industries contributed nearly $1.2 million to various members of the Commerce Committee in the 1998 election cycle, and forked out nearly $70 million in lobbying fees in 1997.

Bowing to industry pressure, EPA officials agreed late last year not to publish the data on the Internet. But it left open the possibility of distributing it in some other form, such as an encrypted compact disc.

While a consensus has not been reached, Van told us the CMA favors openness, and would support non-electronic dissemination of individual Risk Management Plans, if requested through the Freedom of Information Act. The FBI is currently opposing the compact disc proposal. For their part, Commerce Committee Republicans have sided with industry and law enforcement officials.

All of which brings us back to the poor Oklahoma City widow, who was dragged in front of the cameras to speak at a press conference on the issue.

At the hearing, several of Bliley's colleagues carefully noted the obvious: The events in Oklahoma City, while a terrible tragedy, had nothing to do with the EPA's proposal.

"I would like to point out that the Oklahoma City (federal) building would not have had to file a Risk Management Plan," said Bart Stupak, D-Mich.

Others were more direct.

"Terrorist scenarios are popular fodder with the press," said Rep Ron Klink, D-Penn. Klink also noted that extensive research by his staff failed to find a single instance of a chemical storage facility being targeted by terrorists. Of course, that hardly matters when the real agenda is the desire of some chemical makers to hide their dirty laundry from public view.

BATTLING BUREAUCRATS — The Department of Energy has taken particular issue with this year's General Accounting Office "High Risk" report, which states that DOE's staff "lacks (the) technical and management skills needed to oversee complex operations."

Them's bureaucratic fightin' words.

We were, then, surprised to find that GAO drew most of their data on DOE's cost overruns from a report that's nearly three years old.

"(Can) you find problems in an institution this large?" one high-ranking DOE official asked rhetorically in an interview. "Certainly. Are we fixing them? Yes, and producing enormous scientific, national security and energy benefits for the American people."

Upon investigation, we were surprised to find that DOE has, in fact, softened one of its harshest critics.

"They (DOE) are no longer playing hide the pea," said Dan Silver, Deputy Director of the Washington State Department of Ecology. Last year Washington's governor threatened to sue DOE over delays in the Hanford cleanup. "That's not to say we don't have fierce disagreements, but the overall relationship is good."

GAO defended their decision, saying that as far as they were aware, little had changed at the department.

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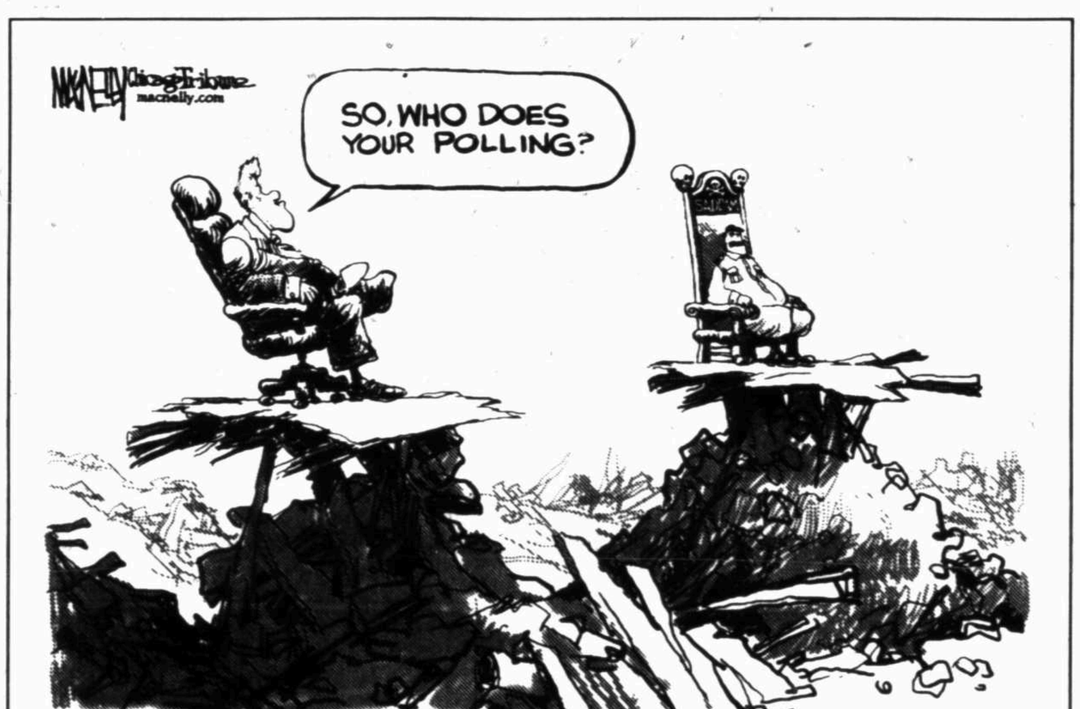

SUZANNE FIELDS

Movies are from extremes of sexual spectrum

The movies with the best chance to win an Academy Award are from Mars and Venus. The real contest, according to the oddsmakers, is between "Shakespeare in Love" and "Saving Private Ryan."

Fields

One is a romantic comedy and the other is a war story with the usual tragic overtones, but you leave the theater after both inspired by the dignity of man. The characters reflect a passion for life amid the corruption of human pettiness, intolerance, even evil.

In both films, life triumphs over the infinite and persistent obstacles — big and small -- that get in life's way. The heroes — and heroine — know that "life is not fair," but attack head on, anyway, winning even by losing.

"Shakespeare in Love" is a story of star-crossed lovers, whose lives are complicated by an Elizabethan taboo which prevents women from acting on the stage. Hence, the gorgeous Gwyneth Paltrow, as Viola, a high-born gentlewoman, must pretend to be a man so that she can become an actress — and engage in an illicit love affair with the young playwright. She breaks the rules of society with such panache you understand why it's important to have rules to break.

The screenwriters draw on th richly lyrical language of Shakespeare with such gusto that it's difficult to imagine how anyone could exploit lust without their eloquence. When Judy Dench as Queen Elizabeth meets the aristocratic fiance whom the heroine will be forced to marry, she becomes deliciously wicked, informing him of the consequences of his tardiness: "You're a lordly fool; she's been plucked since you saw her last, and not by you. It takes a woman to know it."

"Shakespeare in Love" is an earthy romp rare in our sordid era of explicit and unimaginative vulgarity. Sexuality is enriched with subtlety and wit, both bawdy and bold, requiring a passion for the poetry of life and literature. The heroine knows she must ultimately meet her obligations and marry the man her family has chosen for her, but the poignancy of that fact gives intensity to her passion.

"Saving Private Ryan" inhabits a different world, where men accept their obligations with good humor and courage as they do their duty to protect home and country in a nasty war in an unfamiliar landscape. These soldiers are terrified, they're angry, they want to enjoy a life that will ripen with the rewards of love and family. But they do what's expected of them because it's the right thing to do. What's right is noble in its raw humanity and virile humility, the fear and loathing that requires men to take up arms against an enemy that threatens to destroy everything they hold dear.

Much has been made of the sensational and grotesque first 29 minutes of "Saving Private Ryan." It's all but unbelievable in the depiction of the all but unbelievable allied landing at Omaha Beach. Survivors of the Normandy landing, now stooped and gray, say that's what it was really like. What touches the heart is the simplicity of the heroism of those boys of that long-ago June morning, the men who made their lives count for something important in the grim and sordid waste of war.

"Shakespeare in Love," and "Saving Private Ryan" depict Mars and Venus at their worst — and their best. The envelope, please.

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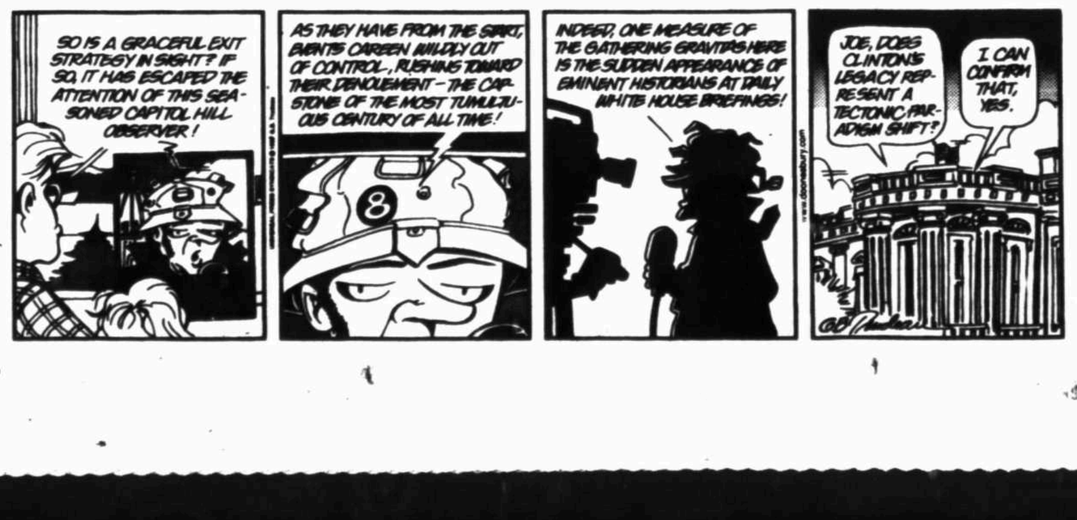

GEORGE F. WILL

British church promotes itself with new poster

"Teach us to sit still."
T.S. Eliot, "Ash Wednesday"

WASHINGTON—Yes, please. Sit still, meaning not merely without motion but also without sound. From the talk of political clergy, let us be protected during this Lenten season, which begins Wednesday—Ash Wednesday.

Will

This plea wells up in response to those advanced thinkers, mostly in the rapidly evaporating Church of England, who, in their zeal to attract people to services this Easter, have turned to the craft of secular evangelizing, i.e. advertising. They have produced a poster that depicts Jesus as Che Guevara, Castro's communist sidekick, as he was portrayed on the famous 1960s poster. (Which portrayed Guevara as Christ-like. And around we go.)

The 5-foot tall poster, which adorns bus shelters, train stations and, of course, churches, is of trans-Atlantic interest. It is symptomatic of a silliness that respects no borders.

The poster is in the red and black of the Che poster that adorned many a dormitory wall of premed and business majors at pricey colleges. And the poster was a fixture in many a coffee bar where the overthrow of bourgeois society was planned by boys whose militancy consisted of smoking French cigarettes, and girls who advanced the revolution by refusing to shave their legs. On today's poster, Jesus-Che wears a crown of thorns just like Che's beret. Beneath the image of Jesus-Che, this message, a bit of archaic trendiness, appears in large type:

"MEEK. MILD. AS IF." And below that:

"Discover the real Jesus. Church April 4."

An unenthralled Catholic monsignor notes that the poster neglects to mention Easter, and some people may think April 4 is Guevara's birthday. But if this poster produces an outpouring of the faithful, or even of persons merely curious to see what kind of institution can make such a ninny of itself, those who pour out will not have trouble finding places in the pews. Eamon Duffy of Cambridge University notes that the Church of England has stopped reporting attendance figures, and stopped counting those figures as among the "key indicators" of institutional health. As of 1990, Church of England services attracted just 2.5 percent of the population.

Those who perpetrated the poster say it will help society's convalescence from "a sentimental Sunday school" notion of Jesus. One Anglican divine wants to banish "the wimpy Nordic figure in the white nightie" because "Jesus was more revolutionary than anyone in the 20th century."

In a sense, Jesus certainly was. But in what sense was Jesus, who said "My kingdom is not of this world," political? There have been, and still are, vast political repercussions from Jesus' postulate—far more revolutionary than any idea of Guevara's guru, Marx—that every individual is of equal worth. The United States is a repercussion of that postulate. But attempts to tickle particular political programs from scripture reduce religion to social work.

Recently, conservatives as well as liberals have been doing their reductionist work. But in America, conservative Christians came late to politics, provoked by liberal policies. Liberal clergy have long been with us, heaven-sent answers to the prayers of satirists.

In 1996, the same group that has produced the Jesus-as-Che poster produced a Christmas poster. It was fluorescent orange and read: "Bad Hair Day?! You're a virgin, you've just given birth and now three kings have shown up." At the bottom, the poster read: "Find out the happy ending at a church near you." Of the displacement of dignity by merchandising that trivializes, there is no end.

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LETTERS

Iwo Jima survivors plan reunion

It was 54 years ago, on Feb. 19, 1945 that the U.S. Marines landed on the shores of Iwo Jima in the Bonin Islands. At 9 a.m., the landing craft of the American armada raced toward the beaches. Four days later Associated Press photographer Joe Rosenthal snapped the famous flag-raising picture that has become a signature of the Marines and a patriotic symbol of America. In the ensuing battle, 22,000 Japanese soldiers were killed; 1,000 survived. In those four weeks America lost more than 6,800 Marines and sailors and 16,000 were wounded, the bloodiest battle in the history of the United States. Fifty thousand Marines, comprised of the 5th, 4th and 3rd division participated in the invasion. As a result of the capture of Iwo Jima, the U.S. Air Force estimates that more than 24,000 airmen's lives were saved by being able to land there after being hit by Japanese anti-aircraft fire. American B29 bombers were frequently hit making bombing runs over Japan and unable to make the 1,000 mile flight back to their bases on Saipan without repairs or fuel. Referring to the battle at its conclusion, Admiral Chester Nimitz states the outcome was never in doubt. The question was whether the last U.S. Marine would die fighting the last Japanese soldier.

Although the United States Marines primarily are given credit for the victory, more than 450 American ships were involved and our naval forces suffered severe losses in the battle. The island was returned to Japan in 1962.

A reunion of the remaining Iwo Jima Survivors of Texas will take place at the Ramada Inn in Wichita Falls, Friday, Feb. 19 through Tuesday, Feb. 23. One of the highlights of the weekend is when a group of active duty Marines will dramatically renact the raising of the flag. Two recipients of the Congressional Medal of Honor, America's highest award for bravery will be in attendance.

Roy Elsner, Iwo Jima survivor

More nuclear waste not needed in Texas

Don't we have enough environmental problems of our own making in the state of Texas without transporting so called "low level radioactive waste" from other states for what is being referred to as storage inside our borders?

Are we selling Texas and Texans out to the highest bidder?

I suggest that the people of West Texas, S.E. New Mexico and the South Plains educate themselves as to the potential long-term risks involved with the storing of radioactive waste above ground at the designated Andrews County facilities.

This appears to me to be a very low tech approach to a high tech problem, one that could have very serious and long-term adverse health and environmental effects for generations to come.

I cannot believe there has not been an uproar of protest from citizens in the surrounding counties!

Sierra Blanca, a remote, small West Texas town where the majority of the population lives below poverty level and would most certainly welcome a boost to their economy, refused to allow a radioactive waste dump to be established in their county.

These people were more concerned about the long-term effects of these materials on their health and environment than the prospect of making a "quick buck."

They also demonstrated concern for their neighbors to the south in Mexico and the potential for increased pollution on the Rio Grande River.

Have the principals of the Andrews County waste sites exhibited this concern for the people within a 200 mile radius of these potentially dangerous sites?

It is time for people of this area to start asking questions concerning these projects. Ignorance is not bliss in this matter.

I suggest that those who are concerned visit Web sites such as those of Hanford Nuclear Weapons Facility, Three Mile Island, Pandale Nuclear Weapons Facility in Amarillo and the Yucca Mountain Radioactive Waste Site in Nevada.

You can read about the problems associated with the disposal and storage of radioactive waste and the efforts of the Department of Energy to find a method that is safe for long-term storage and a means of disposal.

These are highly technical and complex problems that the Department of Energy has spent billions of dollars and time to solve.

I don't believe that transporting radioactive waste to Andrews County and dumping it on the top soil and above aquifers meets the criteria of the Department of Energy.

There are many questions that need to be asked and answered before the Andrews County facilities are allowed to continue dumping radioactive waste in West Texas.

I write in memory of Karen Meadows Silkwood of the "Silkwood" movie. She was a personal friend of mine in life.

M. Breeding

Editor's Note: The article below appeared in the Chamber of Commerce's regular insert in the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Decreased flights to Midland due to taxes

With reference to Midland Business Journal report, The economy: Enplanements decrease at Midland International; I would like to point out a serious deficiency in the study written by Kevin Skipper, chief economist for Desert Analytic. In this article, Skipper highlights four factors responsible for reduced enplanements: airfare increases, gasoline price declines, falling oil prices and cheaper telecommunications. Conspicuously absent from economist Skipper's list are taxes and the influence tax has on the public's transportation decisions. In my opinion, tax is as important a variable in the analysis, as any of those four factors sited by Skipper.

Let us consider, for example, a business traveler from Dallas to Midland on a weeklong project. He or she must pay Midland's 10 percent airport fee on rental cars, in addition to the state of Texas 10 percent rental car tax. Therefore, on a one week car rental of $160.00, the poor traveler from Dallas is stuck with an additional $32 in rental car taxes! Add to this, Midland's $3 gate fee ($6 round trip), federal taxes and Midland's 13 percent hotel and motel tax and a weeklong business trip, by air, can easily cost the traveler $100 in taxes. The Midland citizen, traveling away from home will face many of the same taxes upon arrival at their destination.

Midland's enplanements peaked in 1983, and in 1983 most of these taxes did not exist. When added to the actual costs of airfare, hotel and rental car, many travelers will elect to drive. They can't justify, or simply can't afford, the total expense of the trip by air. Did the city of Midland commission Skipper's study? By any measure, the study was not a complete, accurate and unbiased economic analysis of the issues facing the local commercial airline market.

Bruce W. Blake, CPL/ESA

Readers' views on MHS coaching staff

Editor's Note: A letter that appeared on Sunday, Feb. 7 concerning Coach Browning failed to be properly verified by the Midland Reporter Telegram. Several negative letters concerning the coach were submitted to the newspaper. We believe that those letters were signed with fictitious names. One of the letters, unfortunately, slipped through the verification process. However, several readers wrote to the Midland Reporter Telegram in response to the Feb. 7 letter to speak out on behalf of Coach Browning.

Football is not sport for weak

I am writing in response to Ann B. Sharp, whose letter appeared in the Reporter-Telegram. Ms. Sharp is upset with the way that the coaches at Midland High School treat her son. Apparently Sharp is not aware of the damage that she is doing by writing this letter to the editor, and exposing her son to the Nth degree of criticism and harassment by his peers. Have you no respect for your son and his feelings, Mrs. Sharp? Football is a tough sport! It takes tough people to play football; physically and especially mentally. If a young man does not possess these attributes, then it is certainly in his best interest to not attempt to play football.

I do not personally know Coach Browning or Coach Cope, but I am sure they are using the coaching tactics that they feel will bring a district championship to Midland High School. In their defense Mrs. Sharp, I would urge you to inquire with several grown men in this area that played high school football. Football is an intense sport; it is not a game for the weak of body and spirit. If you had the opportunity to interview every kid on the team and could promise them all total anonymity, I would be willing to bet that at least 75 percent of them would say that they hated the workouts and getting yelled at, but that the payoff came on Friday night when the lights were turned out at Memorial Stadium and a victory was in hand. But, from what I can read in your letter Mrs. Sharp, you would not understand any of that. I feel really sorry for your son for the embarrassment that you have caused him.

Browning and Cope, keep up the good work and win MHS a district title.

John S. Bumpers

Toughness makes students try hard

This letter is in response to Ms. Sharp's letter that appeared in the Feb. 7 edition regarding the MHS coaching staff being on a power trip. Coach Browning and his staff have been like a family to all of the players from junior high to high school. He and his staff are turning the whole Midland High football program around. They have taught us what it is to push ourselves to the maximum, and then some. I personally have gone through three years of the program, and I am a better person for it. They have taught us more than just football. They have shown us how to tough out our problems and face them head on, how to be a leader and a role model, and most importantly, how to achieve our goals. They also have taught us positive work ethics, teamwork and morals.

The coaches know their players and what their potentials are. When a coach gets in your face and yells at you, this is actually a good thing and accomplishes more than "venting." First, it shows that they care enough to correct our mistakes. Secondly, the more they yell at you, (no matter how you interpret it) the madder you become within. This motivates most players to suck it up, bump it up and give 110 percent to the program. You can see this from the kid leagues to the pros, and it is not limited to just football. You will see it in all sports, band, academics and any other competitive event.

I am looking forward to another three years of the program. I love to play football, but if I couldn't play as a Bulldog, I wouldn't play at all.

Brandon Bredimus
Class of 2002

MHS staff known for its dedication

I truly would like to know how a woman, old enough to have a teenage son, could be as absurd and uninformed as the woman who wrote about the coaches at MHS.

This woman stated that she went through proper MISD channels, but the coach, principal, the athletic director and the superintendent have no idea who she is, who her poor son is, or what she wants.

Maybe she doesn't understand that it is not intramural football at MHS anymore. It doesn't matter who your daddy is, what color you are, or how much money you have. What matters is your dedication, your willingness to work — and work hard on your own — and be committed to the team and your teammates.

My youngest son was fortunate to have Coach Browning and his staff his last two years at MHS. The work ethic, the dedication, and the desire to succeed instilled into him by these men have prepared him for many challenges that life has in store for him.

If I had another son who really wanted to play football, he would play for Browning and his staff. MHS is fortunate to have a coach with the character and the desire for these athletes to be successful, not only on the field, but in life.

Who is Ann B. Sharp?

Gary McCright

Browning has made MHS school spirit

Last Sunday, a letter appeared in this column criticizing David Browning, the head football coach at Midland High School, and Wes Cope, one of his assistants. Based on my personal experience and observations, the letter is, at best, inaccurate and misleading. Since assuming his position approximately three years ago, Browning has gone about the business of rebuilding the football program at MHS. His performance has been exemplary. MHS is fortunate to have him and his entire staff. Contrary to Ms. Sharp's accusations, it is my impression that Browning, with the assistance of his staff, has instilled confidence, pride, dedication and school spirit in the athletes under his supervision. Like any other athletic program, Browning and his staff rightfully insist upon and maintain high standards and expectations that all participants are challenged and encouraged to meet. Regardless of the amount of playing time, the football players under Browning's supervision benefit immensely from the high personal values he and his staff continually demonstrate and pass on to the individual players. Browning has been, and will undoubtedly continue to be, a very positive influence on the MHS football program and the school as a whole. He and his staff are to be commended for their efforts and accomplishments.

Thomas W. Ortloff

Mother is thankful for quality of MHS

In regard to the letter to the editor written by Ann Sharp. (aka?) I am deeply concerned about the contents of your letter. Not only have you hurt the families of the MHS coaching staff, you have brought out the deepest anger in all of the players, their families and supporters.

I am a mother of a football player, and I have nothing but admiration, praise and thankfulness that my child can be associated with a program that has the quality of coaches as MHS. If the coaching staff at anytime has said anything to my child, I know at least they notice him enough to help him. This, my friend is all due to the fact that we have Head Coach David Browning that will accept nothing but the best. The hours he and his staff put in away from their own families to care, nurture, making them the best they can be, and accepting nothing less is why they are held in such high regard. Because of them, MHS has more kids going out for all sports than we have had in years. And yes, we have Browning to thank for that!

As a mother, we all worry about our children in different aspects of their life. With this coaching staff I as a parent have one less thing to worry about. If you truly had gone through the proper channels neither of us would have to be writing these letters. But, I will thank you for giving me the opportunity to say what a wonderful job I think Browning and his coaching staff are doing! Unlike you, I am not afraid to print my real name, for I am proud to be associated with MHS and their program.

Travis A. Michael

Letter is cause for rally call of support

What a snipe hunting escapade you have taken everyone on. However, with any bad situation, it seems good does prevail, somehow.

As a kitchen full of senior and junior boys read your hunting story at my house Sunday, it was good to see these kids rally behind their leader Coach Browning. Please be on notice, Ms. Sharp the fire from their eyes was not looking for snipes. Their fire was a rally call of unity and brotherhood, something our football program has been waiting for.

Every young man who goes onto the football field has high hopes and dreams. They give it all they can every time, using everything their coach has given them his time, his teaching, his steadfastness, win or lose. He also gives it everything he has every game.

For you to degrade their coach, you insult not only Browning but, the tremendous effort put forth by these young men every time they go onto the playing field.

It is you, Ms. Sharp, who is dashing hopes and dreams, not Browning.

Dusty and Peggy Hicks

Advocates' words should match action

Each passing day in Midland results in the advocates of conservatism contradicting their spew. I would offer the following examples of their hypocrisy and would propose a new slogan for our city and its inhabitants who are pretenders of virtue. "Midland, where what we say isn't what we do." To underscore this I submit the following examples:

- A city government comprised of conservatives who are engaging in deficit spending. (They borrowed $5 million to pay their bills so they would not have to cut services to the economically disadvantaged).
- A self-described conservative city mayor who has expressed a disdain for President Clinton, yet continually attends the Mayor's Conference in D.C. and visits with the president all at taxpayers expense.
- An out of control county government that also engages in deficit spending.
- Citizens who advocate less government in their lives but are first in line for government assistance.
- Citizens who place corporate interest before the citizens by not also advocating a suspension of the local sales tax rates to help working families in these times. (Sticking it to the middle class).
- Purported compassionate conservatives who engage in childish name calling of any different ideals (names like socialist, fascist, commies).

The above is merely a brief description of the hypocrisy that embraces our community and the advice to these misguided is in order to promote progressive change, you must start with the man in the mirror.

Manuel R. Lujan

HISTORICAL MARKER

Two West Texas men tried for murder after 'old west' style shoot out

Editor's Note: Information for this article came from the Midland County Historical Museum, the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library, and various early-day newspaper accounts.

By Bill Modisett

Indicted on charges of murder in the deaths of two men in Seminole, Milt Good and Tom Ross remained in a Lubbock jail. Bail had been denied.

Less than a week after the killings, an article on the front page of the April 6, 1923, Midland Reporter and Gazette-Examiner stated:

"A most regrettable double tragedy occurred in the lobby of a hotel in Seminole last Sunday evening at about 8:30 o'clock, when H.L. Roberson and W.D. (Dave) Allison were both instantly killed while sitting in chairs. Despite the fact that a number of men were present when the shooting took place, reports of the terrible affair are garbled and conflicting. So much are they conflicting that the Reporter will attempt no details of the actual tragedy. It is sufficient to say that Roberson and Allison were both instantly killed and Ross and Good surrendered to the sheriff of Gaines County, and on Monday were indicted by the Gaines County grand jury on charge of murder.

"A change of venue to Lubbock was ordered by Judge C.M. Mullican and the trial is scheduled to take place there in June."

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Ross and Good were well-known in the Midland Country and liked by many people. Good was particularly known "for his exploits in rodeo sports, etc.," according to the article in the Reporter.

The article continued, "Tom Ross is perhaps more generally known in this section than any of the others, and as a general thing, with much favor. He is that type of westerner who embodies a wholesouled hospitality and is accounted as utterly fearless. He has many influential friends and his friendly smile and open-hearted liberality are vouched for by numerous persons who have known him well."

The Reporter's assessment of Ross' reputation was verified by an unpublished manuscript by Weston A. Pettey in the archives of the Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library. That manuscript states that Ross "was truly an enigma. His real name was Hill Loftus and speculation had it that he possessed an unsavory background. He was a large man weighing in excess of 200 pounds. He was an affable, good looking, and likable individual — despite a melon-shaped head — with the appearance and manner of a banker — not that of a rancher or a cowboy."

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Ross' trial was set for June 18, 1923. According to the Pettey article, "Much high drama encompassed and permeated the trial scene, both before and during the trial. Officers surrounded the jail around the clock, while at the tank (or cell) door stood a Ranger with a shotgun. Ross was experiencing the extremes. Some liked him so well they wanted to see him break out of jail and make a clean get-away; others hate his guts — enough to lynch him. That's why the cell was purely a steel box with no window — only a pass-through opening for food and water. Good did not seem to enjoy the same spotlight as did Ross. Ross was definitely the star character in the drama being unfolded with great emotion."

(Photo courtesy Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library)

Milt Good was the first man to fire his gun, according to witnesses in the Gaines Hotel, on the day Dave Allison and Horace Roberson were killed.

(Photo courtesy Nita Stewart Haley Memorial Library)

Tom Ross, whose real name was Hill Loftis, was one of the men identified as the killers by people in the Gaines Hotel when cattle inspectors Horace Roberson and Dave Allison were killed in 1923.

About 250 witnesses were heard "during the speedy and dramatic trials. There was so much courtroom drama, in fact, that the trial of the two men for the murder of Horace Roberson was moved to Abilene in order to be certain of safety for them," according to Pettey's manuscript.

Ross testified that he told rancher Soon Birdwell, "We had a little shooting scrape in town tonight' and 'I shot at his heart, I shot at his neck, I shot at his head, I shot twice at his heart.'"

On June 27 and July 5, 1923, the Lubbock jury found Ross and Good guilty of the murder of Dave Allison. Ross was sentenced to 35 years of hard labor and Good to 26 years.

Pettey's manuscript noted, "All appeals for new trials, after the Lubbock convictions, were denied. This action cleared the way for the two men to be tried in Abilene for the murder of Roberson. The trials were set for the weeks of Sept. 10 and 17 in the court of Judge W.R. Ely, a distinguished jurist. The prosecuting team, along with (Gordon) McGuire (of Lamesa), included a Mr. W.J. Cunningham, of Abilene, and Mr. J.E. Vickers, of Lubbock, with the defense battery being the same as it was in Lubbock."

The defense team there had included a Sen. Bledsoe, as Pettey noted, "the man largely responsible for acquiring Texas Tech for Lubbock, and G.E. Lockhart, who eye-witnessed the killings.

"As mentioned before, the trials were bitter and heated ones indeed. Both men claimed they shot in self-defense because they feared for their lives at the hands of the tough cattle inspectors. In testimony, Allison was accused of having killed 38 men."

In Abilene, both Ross and Good were convicted of murdering Roberson. Ross was sentenced to 20 years while Good's sentence was for 25 years.

But even with justice served, that wasn't the end of the Seminole killings story.

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Good and Ross were sent to prison in Huntsville, but had only been there a little more than a year "when suddenly the headlines of most Texas papers announced ... the prison break the previous day of Tom Ross and Milt Good. It was wintertime and the two men were included in a work-detail sent out to cut firewood for the prison. There in the wooded area, Ross saw a good opportunity and, grabbing a stick of stove wood, banged the unalert guard on the head, and Ross and Good and two more men escaped."

Their freedom was short-lived. Good was seen at a West Lubbock filling station. Some time after that he was located in Oklahoma and returned to Texas to complete his prison sentence. After being pardoned by Gov. Miriam "Ma" Ferguson, he returned to the Gaines County area where he lived until his death.

According to the Pettey manuscript, "Tom Ross was never recaptured and over the years, there has been much speculation as to the exact circumstances surrounding his sudden demise."

Ross died at Cut Bank, Mont., on Feb. 3, 1929, while going under the name Charles Gannon. The newspaper headline read, "Double Tragedy On Blackfeet Reservation, Charles Gannon Shoots Ralph Hayward At Frye Camp, Then Suicides."

The tragic Seminole killings had come full circle.

Impeachment, acquittal, what's next?

Impeachment lessons: Personal behavior is not appropriate target

By Mark Helm
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — Political and legal scholars say the impeachment trial of President Clinton will be remembered for drawing a hard line between the personal and political behavior of presidents.

They also gave this advice for future would-be impeachment advocates: Only impeach if the official abused the office or mishandled power.

Sen. Olympia J. Snowe, R-Maine, one of five Republican senators to vote for acquittal on both the perjury and obstruction of justice charges, echoed that concept when she said Clinton's misconduct didn't represent such "an egregious and immediate threat to the very structure of our government" that would justify his removal.

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., who also opposed conviction, said he was "unconvinced that impeachment is the best course to vindicate the rule of law on this offensive conduct."

Many Democrats who were critical of Clinton's conduct but who voted to acquit him voiced similar concerns.

Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., who strongly criticized Clinton last fall on the Senate floor, said his job was not to "judge the rightness or wrongness of the president's relationship with Monica Lewinsky" but to decide if his behavior is a "threat to our government, our people and our national interest." Like all 45 Democrats, Lieberman voted to acquit Clinton.

Clinton was charged with perjury and obstruction of justice in an attempt to hide his relationship with Lewinsky from lawyers for Paula Jones, who had sued the president for sexual harassment.

Cass Sunstein, an expert on impeachments at the University of Chicago Law School, said the greatest lesson to be learned from Clinton's trial is that impeachment is for "political crimes not personal ones."

"What Clinton did was personally horrible, possibly a crime, but did he abuse the power of his office, did he directly attempt to use being the president to undermine an opponent or illegally push his policies or to commit that crime?" asked Sunstein.

"The answer is no, and that's why impeachment failed," he said.

Sunstein said the founding fathers intended impeachment to be used for "blatant" abuses of office, not as a "political weapon."

"They didn't want it used to get rid of presidents that the majority party simply didn't like," he said.

Eric Freedman, a law professor at Hofstra University in Hempstead, N.Y., said Clinton's trial shows that impeachment was the wrong tool for addressing the president's actions.

"If this was a crime, it was a regular, every-day crime, not a crime intended to subvert the government, and as such, it should be handled in a regular court, not the U.S. Senate," he said.

Snowe echoed this idea Friday, saying, "The president's wrongdoing can and should be effectively addressed by the criminal justice system rather than removal from office."

However, Freedman argued that the law should allow for sitting presidents to be indicted and tried while in office in order to ensure that presidents are not given carte blanche to commit crimes while in office.

If a president were found guilty, Congress could then decide whether the crime undermines his or her ability to govern, Freedman said.

Katy Harriger, a political science professor at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C., cautioned that future presidents and members of Congress should not conclude from this trial that perjury and obstruction of justice are not impeachable offenses.

"These are still very serious crimes, and if they are committed in relation to some abuse of office, you can bet that president would probably be impeached," she said.

Freedman agreed that perjury and obstruction of justice remain serious offenses, adding that the booming economy would not have saved Clinton if his crimes had been seen as a "threat" to the country.

"People keep saying, 'Well, the country let him get away with it because unemployment is low,'" he said. "But that view doesn't give Americans the credit they deserve for being able to understand the difference between personal crimes and political crimes."

Susan Bloch, a constitutional law professor at Georgetown University in Washington, said the Clinton case has reminded Congress that impeachment should be used only when it has the support of the people.

"Impeachment is the nuclear weapon of politics, and for that reason, the American public is very wary of either party using it," she said.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., alluded to that lack of public support in explaining on Friday why he voted against the articles.

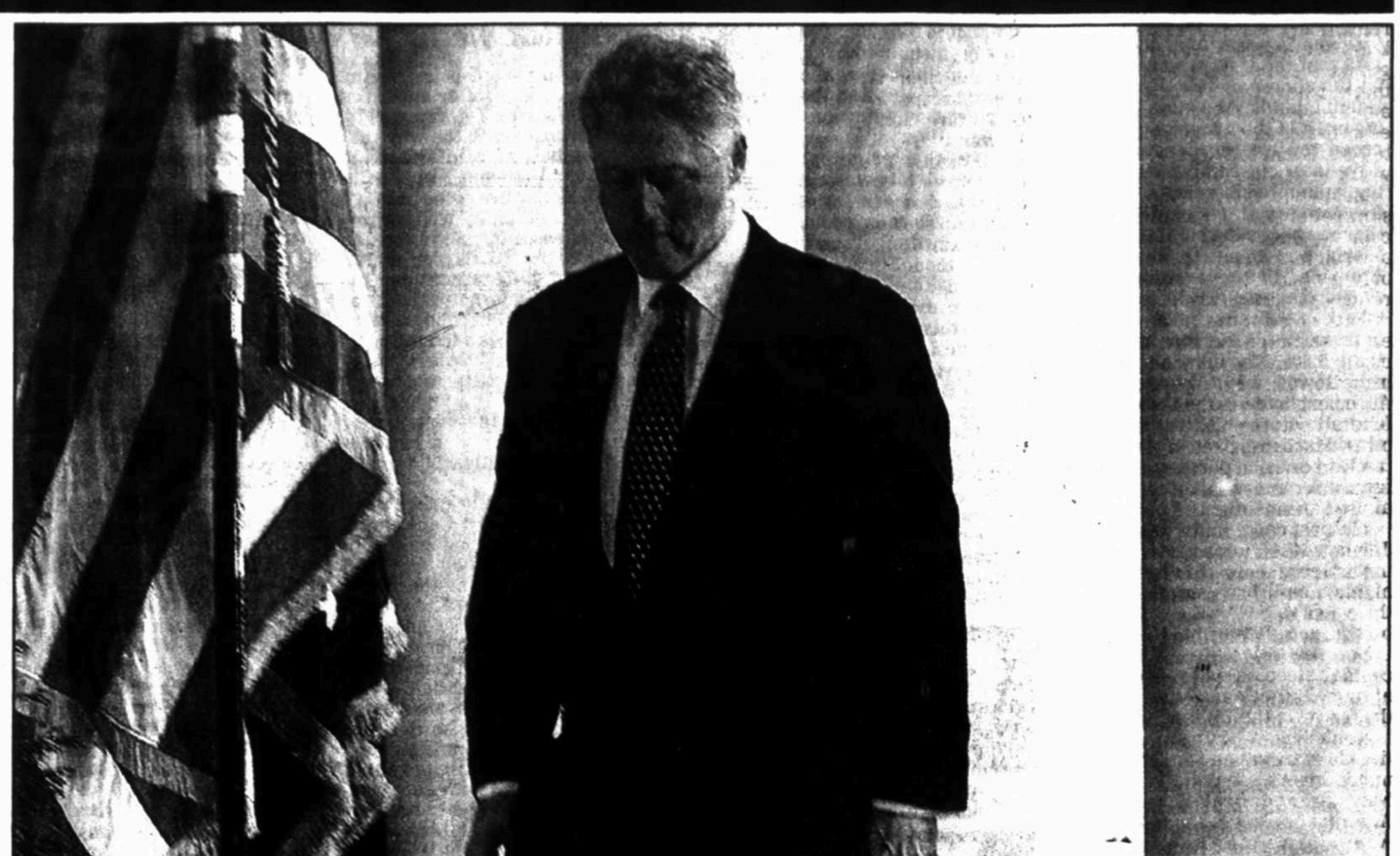
"It has shaken me that we stood on the brink of removing the president not because of a popular groundswell to remove him ... but because a small group of people who hate Bill Clinton almost succeeded in undoing him," he said.

Although Clinton was acquitted of the charges, constitutional scholars say the presidency has not escaped unharmed from the year of legal fighting.

Freedman said Clinton's failed attempts to use privilege claims to block Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's investigation have weakened the office.

"His frivolous claims that what he and his aides were talking about was 'national security' will result in skepticism toward every future president who uses the privilege responsibly," he said.

He added: "Without a doubt, Clinton has severely hurt the aura of respectability and trust that used to surround the presidency."



AP Photo

President Clinton heads back to the Oval Office after making a statement to the press following his acquittal on all charges in the Senate impeachment trial Friday

Clinton could save legacy in waning days of term

By Dan Freedman
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — With impeachment clouds cleared away, President Clinton has a chance to put his presidency into overdrive and salvage some of the legacy he values so highly.

But the odds are daunting, political experts say.

Although the president's job-approval ratings have hovered at a high 65 percent throughout his impeachment ordeal, the public judgment of Clinton the man has been much lower. For example, a Los Angeles Times poll last month showed 75 percent of respondents said that Clinton does not share their values.

In the long run, "historians will take proper note of a perfectly decent, probably above average, policy record for this president," said Charles O. Jones, a political science professor at the University of Wisconsin. "But the historical record is also full of scandals and judgments even by members of his own party that he acted recklessly and reprehensibly. So his achievements will forever have an overlay of scandal and questions about his personal character."

In the short run, Republican lawmakers still smarting from their public relations defeat in the impeachment battle may be in no mood for reconciliation.

"We have a poisoned atmosphere which is not conducive to working together," said George Edwards III, director of the Center for Presidential Studies at Texas A&M University. "It reinforces partisanship which is already strong."

Clinton is expected to try and regain legislative momentum by focusing on a mix of broad, sweeping issues such as fixing Social Security and the small-bore, focus-group-tested initiatives he favors. Among his more recent offerings: Combating childhood asthma, providing support for foster children beyond age 18, and background checks on purchasers of firearms at gun shows and flea markets.

Meanwhile, Republicans worry that the drawn-out impeachment saga has eroded their public support five years after they seized control of Capitol Hill. For this reason, GOP lawmakers may be more disposed to bargain with Clinton.

Clinton and Republicans "have good reasons to produce in these last two years — the president for obvious reasons, the Republicans to show they can do more than investigate and impeach," said Jones. "The fact that Clinton is a lame duck doesn't necessarily mean he can't get something done with this Congress."

Last week, Republican senators seemed anxious to put impeachment behind them.

"When we're back here (after a recess), you're never going to know that this was an impeachment trial," said Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa. "We're going to be buddy, buddy."

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said: "If anything, (impeachment) has brought us all together. In the end we're going to pass more bills in record time than we've ever done."

Cooperation could yield legislation reviving Social Security and Medicare and regulating managed-care health plans. These would be compromise victories, but enough for Clinton to build the non-impeachment side of his legacy a little higher, just as they would show that the Republican-led Congress can produce legislative results.

"This is a situation in which there's no mutual respect between the two branches of government, but there may be mutual self interest," said Stephen Hess, a presidential scholar and senior fellow at the Brookings Institution.

Republicans, Hess said, face the very real prospect of losing control of Congress in the 2000 election. Republicans maintain a razor-thin six-seat margin in the House, five seats in the Senate.

"A fear of hanging is what they're up against," Hess said. The 21 months between now and Election Day 2000 are "fraught with political peril for them."

Clinton is emerging from a bruising battle that could have ended the careers of many other politicians. Considering that, his political strength is remarkable.

That strength shows up in ways that make Republicans nervous.

In a Time/CNN poll last month, 50 percent of those questioned said they trusted Clinton more than Republicans in Congress on the issue of taxes (while 35 percent said they trusted Republicans more).

In contrast to the GOP's proposal to cut taxes across the board 10 percent, Clinton wants to target tax cuts to middle-class families facing education or child-care expenses, or supporting elderly or disabled relatives.

Tax cutting has been a traditional Republican issue.

The same poll showed that 56 percent said they trusted Clinton more than Republicans on Social Security (with Republicans scoring 31 percent), 51 percent favored Clinton on tobacco policy (Republicans 28 percent), and 59 percent favored Clinton on education (Republicans 29 percent).

Chances for accommodation between Clinton and Congress are strengthened by the fact that Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ind., are both practical conservatives with little stomach for the stiff ideological confrontations that marked the era of now-departed House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga.

Clinton's legislative track record in 1998 was far from impressive.

According to Congressional Quarterly's annual study of voting patterns, the administration prevailed in just 51 percent of the 154 House and Senate votes where the White House took a position.

That compares unfavorably to other presidents in their sixth year in office: Dwight Eisenhower (76 percent), Richard Nixon (59.6 percent in 1974, the year he resigned amid the Watergate scandal) and Ronald Reagan (56.1 percent).

Clinton lost the biggest vote of all in 1998, the Dec. 19 House vote to impeach him.

One threat to a Clinton-Congress accommodation is the conservatives' enduring dislike of the president.

The GOP's conservative wing and its grass-roots supporters, a source of much party activism and cash contributions, demanded impeachment. Already suspecting their leaders of betrayal in their budget dealings with the White House, Republican conservatives almost certainly will view with suspicion any post-impeachment accommodation of Clinton.

These activists "hate Clinton and they're the ones who have the most to say in (Republican) primaries because they're the ones who show up to vote," Edwards said. "That explains why Republicans persisted in impeachment, and that's not going to end" now that impeachment is over.

Therefore, Edwards said, don't look to GOP conservatives to help Clinton secure his legacy.

Candidate Gore faces pressure from Dems to condemn Clinton's conduct

By Stewart Powell
Hearst News Service

WASHINGTON — Vice President Al Gore emerges from President Clinton's impeachment struggle with his own presidential campaign strengthened by the disciplined Democratic unity that helped rescue the embattled chief executive.

But the vice president's campaign for the White House faces a fresh challenge from some Democrats in Congress who want Gore to criticize the president's conduct to help the party distinguish itself more effectively from Clinton on the hot-button issue of personal values.

Clinton, impeached by the House for perjury and obstruction of justice for trying to conceal his dalliance with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky, was acquitted by the Senate on Friday.

"We've all condemned the president's personal conduct on an individual basis," said a prominent Democratic lawmaker who has been involved in national Democratic fund-raising efforts. "But we need Gore to speak for all Democrats and make our stance more clear to help us reclaim the values issue."

A senior official in Gore's presidential campaign, speaking on condition anonymity, said Gore may "say something again" about Clinton's personal conduct.

"I think the American people are tired of hearing about this," the official added. "They want us to start talking about their problems and their future."

Gore issued a statement Friday welcoming Senate acquittal of Clinton and urging the nation to "heal the wounds of this impeachment debate."

Gore added: "I know that President Clinton is eager to work across party lines on these and other challenges. And I know that his leadership will continue to be good" for the country.

Aides said Gore plans to gradually highlight differences with Clinton on policies and programs later this spring as he shifts into campaign mode.

"We're going to talk about what we're going to do — and not about what we did," his campaign aide said.

Jesse Jackson, the civil rights activist who has twice campaigned for the Democratic presidential nomination, says that Gore emerges from Clinton's impeachment fight as a formidable candidate.

"He's stronger because he has the absolute support of a strong president, a robust economy and has made no outstanding mistakes," Jackson said.

Gore, a former senator from Tennessee, owes his shot at the White House to Clinton, the Arkansas governor who defied conventional electoral strategy in 1992 by naming a fellow southerner to join a baby-boom ticket. Gore was born in 1948, Clinton in 1946.

Gore underscored his loyalty to Clinton in the depths of the impeachment fight at a Democratic pep rally on the White House lawn on Dec. 19, hours after the House voted to impeach a president for first time in 131 years.

Clinton has "acknowledged that what he did was wrong," Gore said, adding that the nation must also "acknowledge that invoking the solemn power of impeachment in the cause of partisan politics is wrong." Gore then introduced Clinton as "my friend, America's great president."

Patterson said that Gore must now "look for an opportunity to express unhappiness with the president's conduct" sometime over the next month. "You do it; you say you've done it; and you move on," Patterson said.

Kathy Sullivan, incoming chairwoman of the Democratic Party in New Hampshire, the state planning to hold the nation's first presidential primary in 2000, warned that Democrats in New Hampshire aren't looking for Gore to condemn Clinton.

Gore "scores a lot of points for loyalty to the president," Sullivan said. Gore's fidelity and commitment to his family are so widely known that he doesn't need to highlight differences with Clinton on values, she said.

With impeachment behind Clinton, Gore is now free to confront his lone declared Democratic challenger, former Sen. Bill Bradley of New Jersey, and to begin taking on potential Republican challengers such as Texas Gov. George W. Bush and former Red Cross president Elizabeth Dole, wife of 1996 GOP presidential nominee Bob Dole.

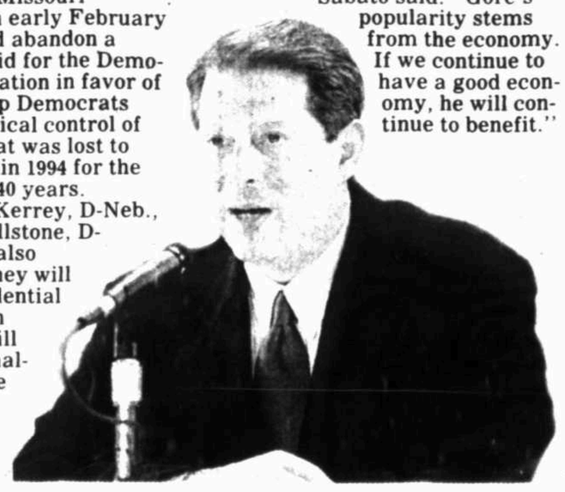
Gore's most formidable Democratic challenger has already stepped aside. House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt of Missouri announced in early February that he would abandon a threatened bid for the Democratic nomination in favor of efforts to help Democrats reclaim political control of the House that was lost to Republicans in 1994 for the first time in 40 years.

Sens. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., and Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., have also announced they will forego presidential campaigns in 2000. Gore still could face challenges for the Democratic nomination from Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts, as well as Jackson.

Polls show Gore well ahead of all potential Democratic rivals.

Larry Sabato, a political scientist at the University of Virginia, said Gore has emerged from Clinton's travails largely unscathed.

"When you add it all up, I don't think that it's had a tremendous impact on Gore," Sabato said. "Gore's popularity stems from the economy. If we continue to have a good economy, he will continue to benefit."



Foreign torture cases turn U.S. courts into human rights tribunals

By Arlene Levinson
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — His body remembers. Pain rakes his legs. It kicks at his skull. And every day it gnaws the soft flesh between his thighs where more than six years ago, he says, his tormentor pounded with fist, club and booted foot, telling Kemal Mehinovic: "You won't be needing this anymore."

Mehinovic landed in Utah the summer of 1995, a man in need of a country. Besides his wife and teenage son and daughter, he brought only a plastic bag containing his refugee papers and two cigarettes.

Once co-owner of a family bakery, restaurant and cafe in a small city in Bosnia, he says, he lost it all in the Bosnian Serb takeover of 1992. According to documents he filed in federal court, he was arrested with other Muslims, sent to a concentration camp, separated from his family for more than two years, abused and starved.

The past came galloping back in January 1998. A Bosnian friend living in Georgia phoned around midnight. "I have some news for you," the caller said. "That guy who was beating you all the time. He's here."

For several nights Mehinovic couldn't sleep. "I couldn't believe it at first. ... How can somebody like that come to the United States?"

Mehinovic, a chain smoker with tired brown eyes and thick working man's fingers, speaks little English. Now, three years after arriving in America, he's taking action the American way: He's suing.

Mehinovic v. Vuckovic, filed last August in U.S. District Court in Atlanta, seeks unspecified damages for torture, genocide, assault and false arrest. The defendant is a Serbian-born Bosnian named Nikola Vuckovic.

Vuckovic has denied the claims in court documents and through his lawyer. "Doesn't even know the guy," his attorney, Larry Pankey, said. Besides, Pankey said, he'll argue that Georgia's two-year statute of limitations on personal injury cases invalidates the lawsuit.

Vuckovic again denied the allegations in an interview published Saturday in The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

Mehinovic's lawsuit, since joined by three more plaintiffs and not yet set for trial, is among the latest in a small but growing body of cases in which people claiming to be victims of torture in other countries seek redress in American courts.

They are giving new life to the Alien Tort Claims Act, enacted by the first Congress in 1789. The law allows foreign residents to sue in U.S. courts those who break "the law of nations or a treaty of the United States" — pirates, for instance.

Two hundred years later, the same law is turning some U.S. courtrooms into human rights tribunals of a sort.

Since 1979, more than 20 lawsuits citing the Alien Tort Claims Act have been filed in this country. The potential scope broadened with the 1991 Torture Victim Protection Act, which entitles U.S. citizens to bring these lawsuits as well, and spells out that torture and summary execution are personal injuries for which people can seek damages.

The plaintiff need not live in this country, though most do. And the defendant need only set foot on American soil long enough to be served a complaint. In some cases, the victim is dead and the lawsuit is filed by relatives.

While juries and courts have awarded plaintiffs millions of dollars, little has been collected. Most of those sued have left this country, and it's too expensive to trace their assets abroad.

A sampler of cases that invoked the Alien Tort Claims Act:

■ Lawsuits pursued ex-dictator Ferdinand Marcos and his family after they fled the Philippines for Hawaii in 1986. Marcos died three years later, but a federal jury in 1994 held his estate liable for $1.96 billion in damages for nearly 10,000 victims of torture, summary executions and disappearances during his regime. The disbursement of the money remains in dispute.

■ Lt. Gen. Prosper Avril, a former Haitian dictator, was living in the country club development of Miami Lakes, Fla., when he was sued in 1991 by six Haitians who accused him of torture and other maltreatment. The plaintiffs won a $41 million default judgment in 1994; Avril had returned to Haiti and refused to come back to Miami for a court-ordered deposition.

■ Guatemala's former defense minister, Hector Gramajo, was sued by an American nun and eight Guatemalan Indians who accused him of murder, torture and forced exile. One summons was delivered to him the day of his 1991 graduation from Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government. Gramajo returned to Guatemala and was running for president in 1995 when a U.S. federal judge ruled him liable by default for $47.5 million in damages.

Gramajo said at the time he had no money to fight the lawsuit and denied involvement or knowledge of the crimes attributed to him. "I am a general out of the ordinary who fought for democracy," he said.

Other defendants have included a former Indonesian general and, in a case still pending, former Bosnian-Serb leader Radovan Karadzic. Also pending are various lawsuits naming multinational corporations as defendants. One is accused of misusing workers in a Burma pipeline project, another of profiting from slave labor in Nazi Germany.

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In the Sears February 14th insert, we incorrectly described the dishwasher on the back cover. This dishwasher #14081 is a Galaxy dishwasher with air dry option. It is not Kenmore with Quietguard. The price and item number is correct.

We also listed incorrect item number for the refrigerator, washer and dryer. The correct number should have been refrigerator #68800, washer #19101 and Dryer #69101. We apologize for the inconvenience this may have caused any of our customers.

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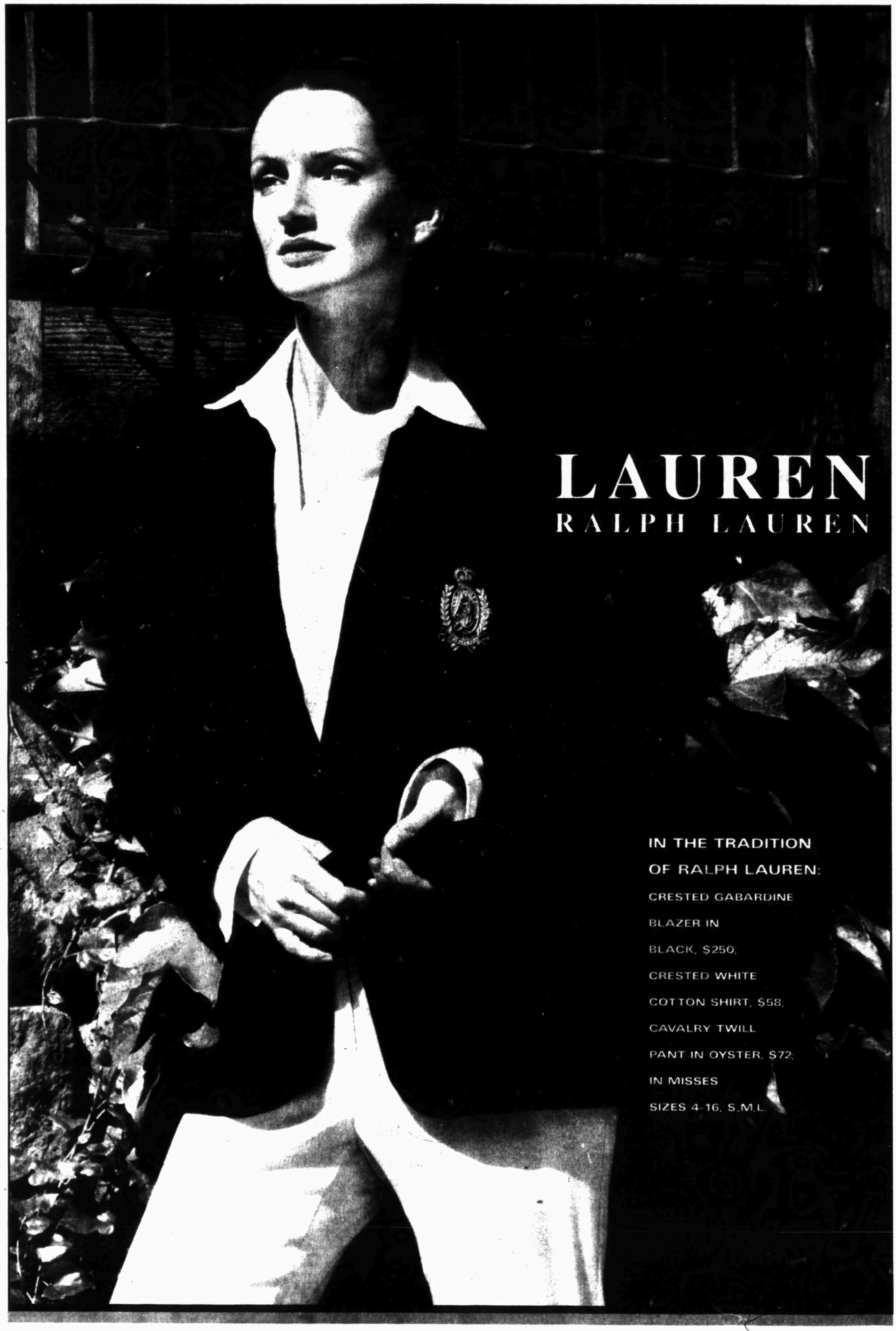

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BASIN BRIEFING

Entertainment

Today's Arts & Entertainment features interviews with pianist Rich Ridenour, guest artist Saturday with the Midland-Odessa Symphony; cast members and the director of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Gondoliers," opening Friday at the Globe Theatre; the United States Air Force Band of the West, here Feb. 23; and, as a Valentine's Day treat, Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr., who perform today at Midland College's Chaparral Center, speak about their more than 30 years of marriage. See Page 9E.

Construction

During construction on Lamesa Road at Loop 250, traffic will be restricted to a single lane each way beginning Monday. Texas Department of Transportation urges motorists to find another route.

Author to speak

Author Michael H. Brown is to speak on "The Last Secret & The Afterlife" at 7 p.m. Feb. 21 at Midland Center. He is the author of "Prayer of the Warrior," "The Final Hour," "The Day Will Come" and "The Last Secret." The free talk is sponsored by La Promesa Foundation. An offering will be taken. For more information contact the Marian Center, 1406 E. Garden Lane, 682-1485.

Movies

"Top Gun" and "Grease" are to be shown beginning 10:30 p.m. Monday at Hollywood 10. The double feature is a benefit for Project Graduation. Tickets are $10 a person and includes a 20 oz. drink.

Luncheon

The Permian Basin Mental Health Providers is hosting an educational lunch 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Arco Permian building, 600 N. Marienfeld St. Dr. Valerie Robinson of Cook's Childrens Center is to discuss bi-polar disorder in children. Lunch is free, but reservations are required. To make a reservation or for more information call 563-8747.

Support group

The Bosom Buddies Breast Cancer Support Group is to meet 7 p.m. Tuesday at Allison Cancer Center. There is to be a presentation on make-up, skin care and hair apparel.

Meeting

The Permian Basin Association of Division Order Analysts is to meet 11:45 a.m. Wednesday at the Hilton. Lunch tickets are $12.50 a person. Reservations are due by 10 a.m. Monday and may be made by calling 571-3208.

Today's agenda

11th Step Study group for people in recovery, 10:30 am-noon, 2103 W. Louisiana Ave., 697-4751 or 682-1646

Afternoon recreation and leisure for those with mental retardation 682-9771

Integrated recreation for those with mental retardation, call for activity times 682-9771 MARC.

West Texas Aquarium Society, 6 p.m., Kenny's Memory Lane, Loop 250 & N. Big Spring St. 689-8376

Overeaters Anonymous, 4 p.m., 408 S. G Street. 694-4166; 580-7545; 684-8726 or 699-5563.

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

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

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

Tall City VFW 7208 Auxiliary Bingo, 7 p.m., 1904 Rankin Highway. (lic.: 1-51-0171588-4).

Monday's agenda

The Tumbleweed Chapter of the Smocking Arts Guild of America 7 p.m., Grace Presbyterian Church. call 697-3579 or 683-5748.

West Texas Songwriters Association, Coors Warehouse, 7 p.m., 689-0213.

Texaco Toastmasters Club, 11:30 a.m., Texaco Heritage Center, 688-2932.

Midland Area AIDS Support Group (MAAS), for family & friends of people with AIDS, 7 p.m. 684-6161 or 684-7821.

Midland Rape Crisis support for incest survivors. For group information call 682-7273.

Support group for persons with hepatitis, 7 p.m. Immanuel Baptist Church, Odessa, 366-4439.

NAACP, Midland Chapter, 7:30 p.m., Hollowell United Methodist Church, 400 S. Marshall St., 684-8974.

Local woman works for court of appeals

Melissa Perkins has recently been appointed to work as a law clerk for the Eighth District Court of Appeals in El Paso.

By Rick López
Staff Writer

EL PASO — It's wasn't glamour or riches that lured former Midlander Melissa Perkins to pursue a degree in law.

It was her insatiable hunger for knowledge to explore a career that could introduce her to something different everyday, she said.

"There's always something to learn." Ms. Perkins, 27, said. "It's such a vast field. There's always something new around the corner that you've never seen before."

Ms. Perkins, a 1990 graduate of Lee High School, was recently appointed to work as a law clerk in the Eighth District Court of Appeals in El Paso. She works in the chambers of Justice David Wellington Chew, who represents a district of West Texas that ranges from Stanton to El Paso and includes Midland.

Ms. Perkins studied community health and even completed an internship in Austin with Shots Across Texas — a statewide campaign to inoculate toddlers.

But her interest in U.S. Supreme Court decisions and the state Legislature piqued her curiosity to become more involved in the legal field.

After graduating from Texas A&M University with a degree in health education, Ms. Perkins decided to enter the University of Houston's law program and eventually earned her juris doctor in May 1998. She completed and passed her state bar exam five months later.

Now, she's responsible for making a preliminary judgment on appealed state court cases and then drafting a brief summary for Chew. Each summary has a persuasive argument that tells the court why the judgment should or should not be in the defendant's favor, Ms. Perkins said.

Once every few months, the appeals court meets in Midland to hear arguments in cases appealed from Midland and surrounding cities, she said. Though she's only worked in the office for a month, the experiences she has had is enough to tell her she made the right decision.

"It's surprising how many things there are to learn about law," she said. Law school was "not only a professional school, but a school where you learned critical thinking and learned how to analyze problems and apply it to other fields," Ms. Perkins said.

She will keep her job in Chew's court until August 2000. After that, she will try going into private practice.

"At this point, I'm thinking about civil practice. Criminal cases are interesting, but I don't think I could do this for a long time," she said.

Living somewhat close to her hometown is an element that adds more excitement to her job, Ms. Perkins said.

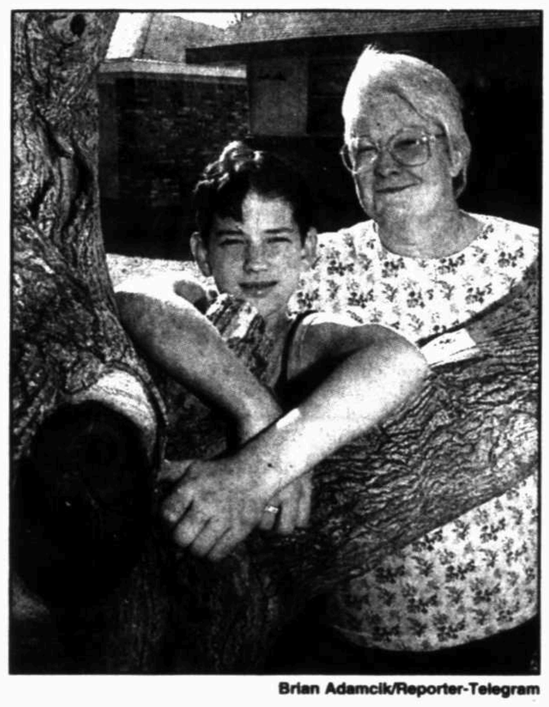
"After I've been all the way across the other side of the state, I'm back to my roots, so to speak," she said. "I like all the recreational opportunities El Paso has, like skiing, hiking, other outdoors sports."

Ms. Perkins is the daughter of Midlanders William and Janet Perkins and the first lawyer in her immediate family; however, her younger brother Matthew Perkins, a 1992 Lee High graduate is attending law school in Portland, Ore.

Christmas in April

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Brad Barnes, outside, and George Scott remove the old windows and frames from a house at 1109 E. Jax Ave. The men were working on a Christmas in April project.



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13 year-old Kody Winland and his mother, Regina.

Midlander chosen to play in international soccer tournament

By Melia McEwen
Staff Writer

Kody Winland may have to travel a little further than normal this summer to play soccer.

Kody, who turned 13 just before Valentine's Day, has been chosen to play in the Coca-Cola Haarlem Cup Soccer Tournament in The Netherlands July 26-Aug. 2. He is among 1,500 youths who will be participating and one of only 300 American boys in his age group.

"I'm real excited," said the Abell Junior High School student, who has played soccer since he was 4. "I think it can be a great experience for me, playing with other players from other cities and playing other countries."

His mother, Regina, said she was thrilled for him.

"I feel it's a privilege he got picked," she said. "He's the only one we know in his age group from Midland and we think the only one from Midland. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. He can learn skills from the other players and meet people from other countries."

His trek toward the tournament began last fall when Travel Dynamics International in North Carolina sent him a letter about the tournament and invited him to attend a meeting to learn further details. He submitted an application, a skills form from his coach and a character reference from one of his mother's coworkers. Around Christmas, he learned he had been selected for the tournament.

"I was surprised I was selected," he said. "I think

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GARY OTT

People everywhere struggle with the concept of tipping

The man and his wife had just finished their meal and were chatting amiably with one another when the waitress brought the check to their table. As the couple struggled out of their seats and made their way to the cash register, the man reached into his pocket and tossed a few coins on the table.

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From where I was sitting it appeared to add up to no more than a dollar.

I was disgusted.

So was the waitress, who gave the back of the man a rather stern glare as she began clearing away the dishes and wiping the table clean.

And why not? The last of the big spenders had just struck again.

That kind of scene always reminds me of the old Andy Griffith episode in which Barney Fife describes his hot date the night before with Thelma Lou.

He had taken her to an Italian restaurant on the outskirts of town, a fancy place that featured red-and-white checkered tablecloths.

And the food, according to Barney, was magnificent, "just out of this world."

But it didn't end there. Not by a long shot. After you finished your meal "a gypsy violinist would come to your table and play seven or eight songs."

"Of course," Barney added in his most worldly tone of voice, "you've got to slip him a quarter now and then."

Andy arched his eyebrows and replied, "Yeah, those people live on their tips."

And Barney nodded his head knowingly, oblivious to the fact he had just committed a financial — and social — blunder.

But he is not alone. People everywhere, it seems, struggle with the concept of tipping, especially when it comes to the proper amount to leave. You can see it in their eyes as they get that first glimpse of their check. How much is too much? Or too little? Will I be embarrassed if I leave this amount? Or will I come across as ostentatious if I go with this total?

It used to be a lot easier, of course, back when 10 percent was the going rate. Even a grade school drop out, if not Barney Fife, could figure that out. If your check was $10, then the proper tip was $1.

But that has since changed. The 10 percent figure, which always struck me as being a bit puny, went to 15 percent and in many cases has climbed even higher. This, quite naturally, has resulted in a nice pay raise for the waiters and waitresses of the world, but for your typical American consumer it has caused a great deal of panic.

Suddenly, he is expected to figure out — in his head, no less — what size tip he should leave for a dinner tab of $43.98.

It is easier said than done. That's why beads of sweat form on his forehead when the check arrives, especially if others are present, casting that inevitable glance at the amount being left.

Now, you might be thinking, "Why not avoid the entire hassle by just nonchalantly tossing a wad of bills on the table, thus looking like Mr. Cool when you leave?"

Good question. And, frankly, I don't have an answer. But for some reason most people — who are normal in every other way — become overly precise when it comes to leaving a tip. It is as though they believe there is a "right" answer and a "wrong" answer to the puzzle, and that they consider it their patriotic duty to come up with the correct amount, be it 15 percent, 20 percent, or what have you.

There are, of course, two exceptions to the rule.

The first is the guy who has had too much to drink and, as a result, becomes obnoxiously vocal about his tip, making sure everyone in the restaurant — especially his waitress who he insists on calling "little darling" — knows how much he left.

The second is our old buddy Barney Fife, who figures, hey, a quarter should just about cover everything.

Gary Ott is city editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

OBITUARIES

W.L. Hollums

W.L. Hollums, 83, answered the call home of his lord and savior, Jesus Christ, on Friday, February 12, 1999, after a lengthy battle with emphysema. He was born August 6, 1915, to W. B. Hollums and Minnie Pearl Sprayberry Hollums in Hawley, Texas.

He moved to Midland in 1949 where he was an area farmer and roofer until his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother and one sister.

Survivors include his two sons, Don R. Hollums and wife, Jo Ann, of Kingsland, Texas, and Carl R. Hollums Sr. and wife, Wynona of Midland; one daughter, Shirley M. Parker and husband, Richard of Whitney, Texas; two stepsons, Bill and Bob Wyatt, both of Friendswood, Texas; two stepdaughters, Penny Warkentin of Dallas, Texas and Earlene Wells of Fairview, Oklahoma; two brothers, James Hollums of Victoria, Texas, and Jack Hollums of Midland; six sisters, Mary Strickland, Vivian Bradshaw and Jean Jarnagin, all of Midland, Ruth Hughes of Odessa, Edna La Mere of Burbank, California, and Katie Cannon of Gadsden, Alabama; 12 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and his church family, all of whom he loved very much.

Funeral services are scheduled for 9:30 a.m. Monday, February 15, 1999, at the Midland Church of God, 5300 Thomason Drive with Pastor M.R. Thomason officiating. Interment will be at the Funston Cemetery, five miles east of Anson, Texas, at 2:30 p.m. Arrangements are with Pipkin Funeral Home.

Pallbearers will be Jack Hollums, Will Hollums, Bob Wyatt, Mark Crawford, Cirby Reeves and J. R. Stanley. Honorary pallbearers are Eddie Ward and Alvis Niedecken.

Elizabeth Hodges

Elizabeth Hoyle Graham "Buffy" Hodges of Dallas, Texas, died peacefully at her home Saturday, February 13, 1999, after a courageous pioneering battle with ovarian cancer.

Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home of Paris will conduct a memorial service at 10 a.m. Monday, February 15, 1999, in the sanctuary of Highland Park United Methodist Church, located at the northeast corner of Mockingbird Lane and Hillcrest Avenue in Highland Park, Texas, with the Rev. Mark Craig and the Rev. Barbara Marcum officiating. Graveside Rites will be held at 4 p.m. at Evergreen Cemetery in Paris, with the Rev. Gary Reagan and the Rev. Doug Miller as officiants. The family will greet friends at a reception immediately following the committal service in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church of Paris.

Buffy was born September 12, 1941, a daughter of Elsie and Hoyle Graham. She was a graduate of Paris High School, and Southern Methodist University, where she received a bachelor of science degree in communications and was an active member of Pi Beta Phi sorority.

Buffy was a dedicated Army wife during the Vietnam era and lived many places with her loving husband, Hamp. He eventually named an American Stock Exchange company, Buffton Oil & Gas, after her. Wherever Buffy lived, she immediately became involved in her community. She was a devoted volunteer with the Junior League of Fort Worth, Cosmos Club of Paris, King's Daughters of Paris, and the PTA of all her daughters' schools. She taught Sunday school for over 25 years in the First United Methodist Churches of Midland, Graham, Paris and Fort Worth. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and friend. Throughout her life, Buffy touched many people with her grace, her compassion for others, and her love for life. She set standards by which we should all be measured. To know her was to love her.

She is survived by her husband of 37 years, Hampton Hodges; her daughters and sons-in-law, Elizabeth and Wayne Watson, Elsie and David Gordon, Holly and Craig Howe, and her daughter, Harolyn Hodges; her two grandsons, Taylor Graham Howe and Graham Hampton Watson; her father, E. Hoyle Graham; and her brother, Steven Graham.

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Joseph Beaudoin

Joseph John-marie Beaudoin, 81, died Thursday, Feb. 11, at a local hospital.

Services are to be 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, at Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Art Flores officiating, assisted by John Snider. Visitation is to be be 3-5 p.m. today, Feb. 14 at the funeral home.

He was born Aug. 4, 1917, in Quebec, Canada.

He moved to the United States in 1929 and Midland in 1998. He was an artist and a research engineer in new medical product development.

Survivors include his wife, Hazel Beaudoin, of Midland; a brother, Bert H. Beaudoin, of Pennsylvania; and a stepdaughter, Anne Michaud, of Midland.

Dianne Green

Dianne Green died Friday, Feb. 12, at her Midland residence.

Funeral Mass is to be be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with the Rev. Jerome Burnet officiating. Burial is to follow at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Rosary is to be recited at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, at the funeral home.

She was born May 5, 1961, in Lubbock.

She woas a registered nurse at Lea Regional Hospital, South Plains Health District in Seminole and Glenwood Hospital (now Desert Spring). She was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Jerry Green, of Midland; two daughters, Britney Green and Brooke Green, both of Midland; two brothers, Richard Zapata of Lubbock and Michael Zapata of Arlington; a grandchild; a niece; and two nephews.

Memorials may be made to Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Jimmy Davis

ODESSA — Jimmy Davis, 88, died Thursday, Feb. 11.

Services are to be be 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, at Hubbard-Kelly Chapel with the Rev. David Atkins officiating. Burial is to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa under the direction of Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

He was born May 7, 1910, in Oxford, Miss.

He moved from Lamesa to Odessa in 1957. He owned and operated E.R.A. American Real Estate and was an auctioneer. He was a member of the Methodist church.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys Cherry Davis, of Odessa; a son, Jimmy Davis Jr., of Odessa; a daughter, Toni Lindley, of Odessa; four grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to your favorite charity.

Palmira Garcia

ODESSA — Odessan Palmira Hernandez Garcia, 42, died Wednesday, Feb. 10, in Lamesa.

Funeral Mass will be 10 a.m. Monday, Feb. 15, at Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Alpine. Burial is to follow at Holy Angels Cemetery in Alpine under the direction of Geeslin Funeral Home. Rosary is to be recited 7 p.m. today, Feb. 14, at the funeral home.

She was born March 8, 1956, in Alpine. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Luis Garcia, of Odessa; two sons, Luis Garcia Jr. and Gabriel Garcia, both of Odessa; two daughters, Amanda Garcia and Yvette Garcia, both of Odessa; a brother, Joe Hernandez, of Alpine; two nieces; a great-nephew; and two aunts.

Arturo Holguin

ODESSA — Arturo V. Holguin, 71, died Friday, Feb. 12, at an Odessa hospital.

Funeral Mass will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Odessa. Burial is to follow at Rose Hill Cemetery in Odessa under the direction of Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors. Rosary is to be be recited 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, at the funeral home.

He was born Jan. 22, 1928, in Los Angeles.

He worked for RefChem for more than 35 years. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Margie Holguin, of Odessa; two sons, Oscar Holguin of Fort Worth and Arturo Holguin Jr. of Odessa; six brothers, Manuel Holguin and Domingo Holguin, both of Midland, David Holguin of Barstow, Angel Holguin and Ernesto Holguin, both of Lubbock, and Enrique Holguin of San Angelo; four sisters, Margaret Paiz, Lydia Olguin, Yolanda Ramirez and Carolina Holguin, all of Midland; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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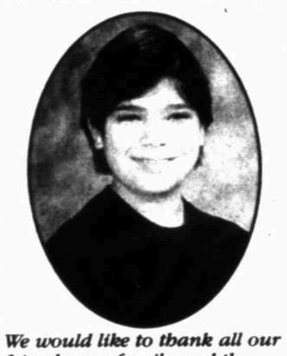

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Questions derived from concerns expressed by grieving people — Mark Mercer, M.S., L.P.C., SWA

Death is not supposed to happen to the young or to the middle-aged. Parents are not supposed to outlive their children. Non-smokers are not supposed to die of lung cancer. When people retire they are supposed to have the chance to enjoy their golden years.

I have heard many people express such assumptions. Some of them I believed myself until my sister, Mary, died of breast cancer at age 36. But the facts don't support our assumptions. Young people do die. This is the only century in the history of the world where the death of a child, or several children, has not been a common family tragedy. Prior to the 20th century, those who lived past 50 were considered fortunate. And even in this century, the early months of retirement are notorious for being a time of high risk. People can die no matter how young, beautiful, responsible, or moral they are; no matter how much they are loved and needed. They can die at any time and for reasons that make no sense. I know personally how harsh these truths can be. But grief recovery means letting go of the illusions we believed, the things we counted on to be true that never were.

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Federal judge holds pilot union in contempt for 'cockpit crew flu'

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — An irate federal judge on Saturday held American Airlines' pilots union and two top board members in contempt and promised sizable fines against them, saying the union did not do enough to encourage pilots to return to work after a court order.

More than half a million travelers have been left at the gate by the nation's second-largest airline because of the large number of pilots calling in sick.

Although U.S. District Judge Joe Kendall ordered the pilots Wednesday to quit their job action stemming from a dispute with management, about 1,700 of the airline's 9,400 pilots remained on the sick list Saturday afternoon at the Fort Worth, Texas-based airline.

That number was down from about 2,443 on Friday, and airline officials seemed optimistic operations soon would return to normal. The airline canceled hundreds of flights planned for the long Presidents Day weekend.

"It will take a couple of days for American to get all its flights reinstated as flights are added to the schedule," spokesman Tim Smith said in a message on the company's hotline after the judge's ruling.

Kendall said he would decide Wednesday how much to fine the Allied Pilots Association, union President Rich LaVoy and union Vice President Brian Mayhew. The judge chided them for what he suggested was a short-sighted approach to relations with the company.

"Unfortunately, the radical element that seems to be in control of the Allied Pilots Association seems determined to fly American Airlines into the side of a mountain, taking themselves, the company, their co-workers and their customers with them," Kendall said.

The judge indicated the fine and related damages would be "eight figures" and ordered that the union set aside $10 million, or about a quarter of its net worth, in a bond to pay it. He ordered LaVoy to set aside $10,000 and Mayhew $5,000. LaVoy and Mayhew, both pilots, earned more than $200,000 last year, mainly doing work for the union.

A spokesman for AMR Corp., parent company of American Airlines, which had asked Kendall to declare the union in contempt, said officials had mixed emotions.

"We're gratified with the judge's order but clearly disappointed it has come to this," said spokesman Chris Chiames. "A majority of our pilots are doing their jobs and we hope the rest come back real soon."

LaVoy said he was not surprised. He plans to review his options with his lawyers before deciding whether to appeal. "We obviously don't agree with the judge's order," he said, adding that the union would "continue to comply."

Union members have been calling in sick and refusing to accept overtime since Feb. 6 in a dispute concerning how quickly American should integrate the pilots from recently purchased Reno Air into its own roster.

American officials said that 5,600 flights have been canceled since the work action began, costing American between $67 million and $90 million, Chiames said.

At Los Angeles International Airport, lines at the American Airlines terminal were shorter than they had been the past several days.

"What an inconvenience," said Gordon Gibson, a Los Angeles building contractor heading to a vacation in Rio de Janeiro. "I was on the phone for hours this morning trying to find out whether my flight was still on, and now I'm spending hours at the airport trying to get the ticket for my canceled flight validated."

Kendall said he did not believe the union leadership sincerely tried to get members to go back to work after he ordered them to do so.

"No one can make someone go fly an airplane, particularly if someone is dishonest and willing to lie and say they are sick when they really aren't," Kendall added. "But what a federal judge can do — and what I will do — is make people pay for what they break."

The judge said he would not hold in contempt the seven other officers of the pilots union who showed up for Friday's daylong hearing on American's request. He said he would deal later with the 12 union officials who did not appear.

American canceled 1,102 flights Friday — nearly half of its daily total — a day after it canceled 1,170. The carrier also scrapped 845 flights for Saturday and 209 for Sunday, with additional cancellations possible.

American pilots and those formerly with Reno Air stand to make more money once they all fall under American's existing contract. Many American pilots would advance up the seniority chart, while Reno pilots would get pay raises compared to their old carrier.

AMR says the process of integrating the companies and pilots will take a year to 18 months. That, according to the pilots, is too long.

No negotiations were scheduled for Saturday between the union and the airline. American issued a statement calling for more talks: "We are prepared to get back to the negotiating table this weekend and we believe we can promptly resolve the matters that led to the disruption."

There was no immediate comment on whether either side would ask for binding arbitration or whether a federal mediator would oversee the talks.

Chiames said the airline is trying to beef up its phone lines to help passengers who want to reschedule. Many passengers who have flooded American with calls have been disconnected or gotten busy signals.

"We're working on it," Chiames said. "I don't blame them for

SOCCER: 13-year-old is one of a few players who are left-footed

(From 2B)

I'm good, but I think there are others who are better than me."

Kody's two strengths are his speed and his left foot, according to his coaches. The coaches point out that few soccer players are left-footed.

Primarily a left fullback who sometimes plays left forward, Kody played with the Sidewinders in Lubbock until age 8, when his family moved to Midland. Since then he has played for the Cobras and has garnered 31 trophies. He attributes his success to good teammates and good coaches.

His mother, who works for the Texas Railroad Commission, said that he was born a month early and suffered lung problems at birth.

"They kept having to put tubes in because his lungs kept collapsing," she said. "Since then he's had pneumonia eight times and bronchitis. We didn't know how it would affect him; we thought maybe he wouldn't be able to do a lot. But he does well in soccer, he runs fast and he loves it."

His 21-year-old sister, Kari, also began playing at age 4 and only recently gave up the game because of time and work constraints.

Kody said he likes soccer because "I like the tournaments and the game keeps you focused. You have to be looking at the ball or it gets past you."

When he gets older he hopes to play in the World Cup.

The tournament Kody will be participating in is coordinated by Sports Challenge International Inc., a division of Travel Dynamics, and the Belgium Soccer Federation. Travel Dynamics was founded in 1986; in 1995 its sports division, Sports Challenge, sent 147 teams abroad. This year it will send 7,000 participants to compete in more than 13 different sports in Europe, Australia and the Caribbean.

Kody said his friends pretend to be jealous that he gets to go to Holland. While there, sightseeing opportunities include a tour of Amsterdam complete with a canal cruise and visits to The Hague, the Royal Palace, the windmills and to wooden shoe and cheese factories.

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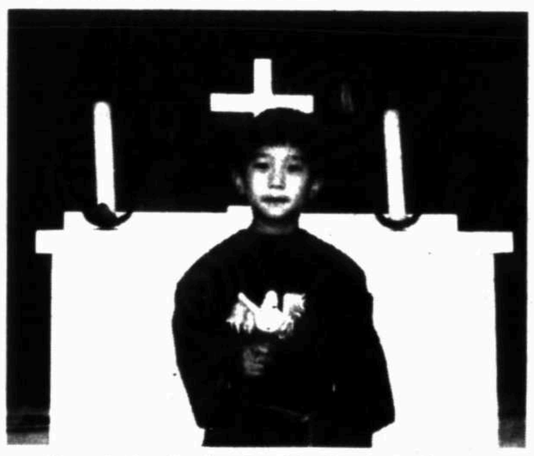
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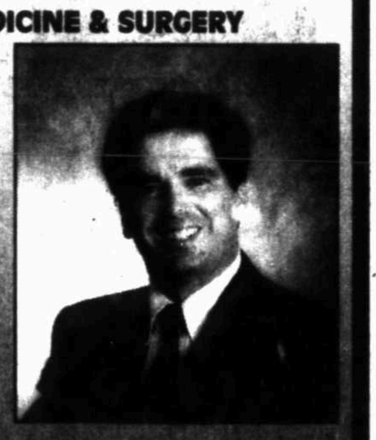

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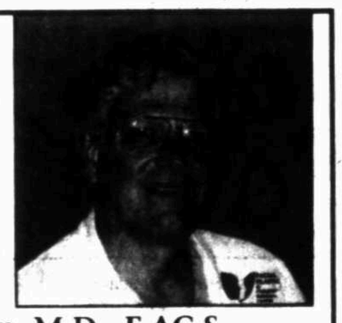
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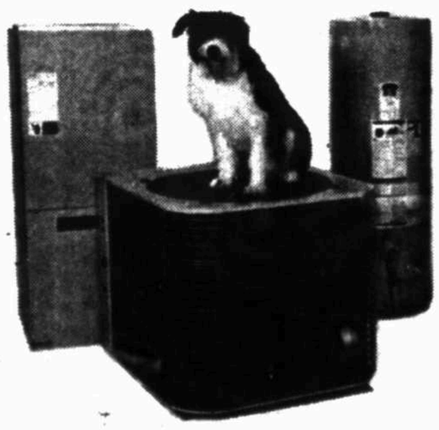
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The Midland Downtown Lions Club named **Chris Etheredge** and **Ray Lynn DeLeon** as its Junior Lions for the week.

Etheredge, son of Dr. and Mrs. Etheredge of Midland, attends Lee High School. His activities include honor courses in anatomy/physiology, economics and pre-cal, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and American Scholar Awards in band. He plans to attend Texas A&M and study medicine.

Ms. DeLeon, daughter of Ray and Teresa of Midland, attends Midland High School. Her activities include vice-president of Senior Girls, honor courses, and "Fighting Lady Dawgs" Award. Ms. DeLeon hopes to attend the University of Texas.

Former Midlander **Sara Katherine Carnett** was named to the Dean's Honor Roll of Scholars List for the fall semester at the University of North Texas. Only students who have earned a 3.5 GPA on a course load 12 or more hours during the semester earn the distinction of the Dean' List.

Ms. Carnett, daughter of Gary and Anita Carnett, is a 1995 graduate of Lee High School.

The Midland West Rotary Club named **Clint Frazier** as its student of the week. Frazier, son of Rocky and Lezlie Frazier of Midland, attends Lee High School. His activities include Texas Scholars, D-FY-IT and LHS football and baseball. He plans to attend Texas A&M and pursue a degree in engineering.

GEORGETOWN — Midlanders **Emily E. Conine**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Wayne Conine, and Christopher B. Norris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Beazley, were named to the 1998 Fall Dean's List for academic achievement at Southwestern University.

To be selected, students must have at least a 3.6 grade point average on a 4.0 scale with at least 12 graded hours and be in good standing with the university.

The Midland Morning Lions Club named **Erica Jones** as its student of the week.

Miss Jones, daughter of Michael and Mabel Jones, attends Midland High School. Her school activities include National Honor Society, Student Council, Senior Girls, The Color Guard, Chorale Choir, Legend Choir, and D-FY-IT Student Advisory Board.

Miss Jones plans to attend Midland College then attend a major university majoring in journalism.

The Midland Rotary club named **Megan Hawkes** and **Brandon Cutler Gist** as its students of the week.

Ms. Hawkes, daughter of Mary Helen Phillios and Tom Hawkes, attends Midland High School. Her school activities include National Honors Society, Who's Who Among American High School Students, American Scholar, and Texas Scholar. She plans to attend The University of Texas at Austin and study Spanish and business.

Gist, son of Janice and Rhett Gist, also attends Midland High School. His activities include two-year Tennis Letterman, Student Council, Debate, "Dawg Pack", Tennis Booster Club, Who's Who, and Texas Scholar.

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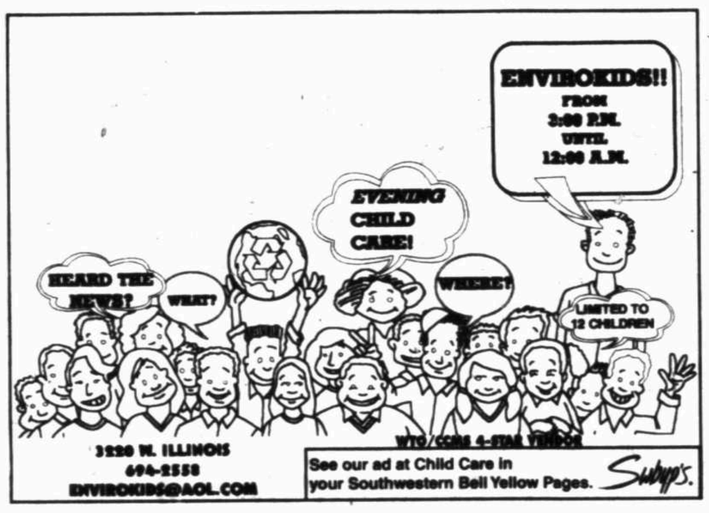

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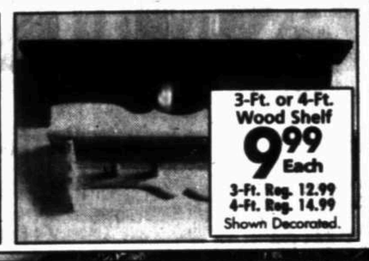
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The 1990s, On The Brink of the Millenium

During the 1989-1990 year, the Junior League of Midland launched its "Building for a Better Midland" campaign. After several years of planning for the increasing needs of the Junior League of Midland, Inc., additional office, meeting, and work space became a priority. The campaign began in October of 1989 with a target of raising $1.2 million, ($200,000 of this sum would represent an operating endowment). A challenge grant for $400,000 from the J.E. and L.E. Mabee Foundation was offered on the condition the balance of the campaign total be raised by January 10, 1991. At the end of the year, donations and pledges exceeded $930,000. A building committee worked with the architect, Larry Connolley and the General Contractor, Campbell Construction to expand the existing facility to meet the growing needs of the JLM. A rubber duck race, the "Fab-DUCK-ulous" Family Fun Fair, was held by the headquarters Expansion Fundraising Events Committee netting $30,100. The *Southern Living* Cooking School was co-sponsored with the *Midland Reporter-Telegram* with proceeds of $2,000. The Next-to-New shop and Charity Ball each generated more money for the Junior League than in any previous year.

According to Mrs. Cyn Choate, "The Capital Campaign for the Headquarter's Expansion was completed for the January 10, 1991 grant deadline. The completion was made possible through the hard work for every member of the Junior League. The generosity of numerous donors and foundations and two special fundraising events that dutifully proved the sincerity of the League's intention to expand." A Groundbreaking Ceremony was held in February 1991 to publicly announce the beginning of the expansion project. During Mrs. Connie Ladd's presidency, the headquarters was completed. On May 15, 1992, the formal dedication and grand opening was held. Over 300 guests and elected officials toured the new headquarters facility.

In 1991, the Junior League donated manpower and $10,000 to the Objectives 2000 report, a worthwhile guide to the future of Midland. $20,000 was also donated to the Midland County Library's Expansion Project to be used in the Children's Wing. The following year saw the beginning of Opportunity Knocks and PPALS (Preparing Pregnant Adolescents in Life Skills). The relocation of the Confederate Air Force to Midland provided a great opportunity for the Junior League to assist in establishing a docent program for the American Airpower Heritage Museum. The Junior League donated $2,000 to the Confederate Air Force, as a support expense, for their "Foot Locker" program. This was also the first year for the Funds for Community Assistance program.

The provisionals of 1992-93 gave the Next-to-New shop a sparkling new face for the interior and exterior. A new committee, Project Evaluation, began functioning. The Community Advisors Board was expanded from three to six advisors. The membership welcomed 62 new provisionals, one of the largest classes ever, in the spring of 1993.

After 40 years of volunteering with the Dental Clinic, it was allocated $100,000 in 1994 to be distributed over three years to allow a smooth transition for the program to be run by Casa de Amigos. The Senior Craft Fair was also held at the headquarters for several years during the 90s. Texas Scholars was begun as a coalition with the Chamber of Commerce, and their First Annual Awards Banquet was held in May 1994. This program encourages all secondary students to enroll in and complete challenging course work.

The Provisional class of 1993-94 undertook as its special project an immunization day with its slogan, "Give Your Child a Shot of Love." Over 415 children were immunized. This project developed into a coalition with Memorial Hospital and the Midland County Health Department. This free immunization project was a great success.

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF MIDLAND, INC.
1998-99 Leadership Team
(bottom row l to r): Misti Hopper, Resa Poe, Cheryl Behrmann; (middle row l to r): Nancy Pannell, Julie Jones, Judy Lerwick, Lauren Aldridge ~ Vice President, Vicki Jay ~ President, Sharon Floyd, Renee Douglas, Ruth Perry; (back row l to r): Jo Douglas, Deb Solari, Susan Floyd, Gabrielle Norwood, Siri Langston, Karen Winkler, Leslea McCabe, Ann Wardlaw, Mica Bergman, Tricia Cobb, Candy Page, Lisa Scribner, Jayne Krawietz, Gire Dragun, and Kelly Hullender. (Not pictured): Retha Hunnicutt, Kristi Elsom, Liz Sloan, Kathy Shannon, Nan Graham, and Jane Kauffman.

FESTIVAL OF TREES COMMITTEE 1994

Top: Donna Bruno, Kathy Harrison, Karla Davis, Kris Thagard Kiki Hathcott and Laura Carter
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The first annual Festival of Trees fundraising project for the Junior League was held in 1994. This particular event was created for the enjoyment of the entire family. The Midland Center was transformed into a holiday atmosphere with Christmas trees and wreaths decorated by many local designers as well as intricately made "gingerbread" houses. These items and many more were auctioned silently. Merchant shopping booths, children's events, and Charity Ball all took place during this festive weekend which was held at the onset of the holiday season. Festival of Trees was held for three years before the membership voted to reinstate an enhanced Charity Ball as the major fundraising event. The children's event was to continue as a separate event.

Rainbows/Spectrum completed its first year as a Junior League placement in 1995. It served the community by providing a peer support group for children and adolescents who have experienced a significant loss in their lives. The Junior League of Midland together with Hospice of Midland provide this peer support program. In the summer of 1996, JLM held its first summer camp for the children who had previously participated in the Rainbows program.

1995-96 became a time of tremendous change for the Junior League of Midland. A Goal Centered Approach was implemented to the Strategic Planning process. The organizational infrastructure of the League was restructured to develop a day/night rotation of existing placements and to adopt the first focus area, "Strengthening the Family." The executive board structure was reorganized into a Leadership Team working under the executive board. Leadership positions were combined and streamlined under new job titles to better serve the changing needs of the League. Three members-at-large were elected for the first time to sit on the board in order to more effectively represent the desires of the membership.

The first Children's Event was held at no cost to the public in February 1998 with approximately 500 people in attendance. A Joe Skruggs concert and children's safety fair made the event a success. The Junior League also donated in excess of $30,000 to Habitat for Humanity's "Blitz Build '97" project in the fall of 1997. Members participated in building the home, coordinating volunteers, assisting the new homeowner in decorating the home, and making sure all participating volunteers were fed lunch and provided beverages and snacks during the one week building of the "Miracle on Jackson Street."

1999 marks the 50th anniversary of the Junior League of Midland, Inc. The Celebration Committee was formed to research ideas for giving $125,000 to the community as a gift from the Junior League.

As we face a new millennium, the present decade, the 1990s, has dramatically altered the ways in which we communicate. Advances in computer technology, fax machines, the "Internet", websites for every imaginable topic, cellular phones -- all these inventions have become a way of life for all of us in this fast-paced 90s era. When our organization first began 50 years ago, telegrams were a major source of communication and telephones were a relatively new form of communicating. Typewriters were manual and television was black and white for most people who could even afford to own one. One can only dream of what the next 50 years will hold in store for each of us. The Junior League of Midland, Inc. is just beginning to meet the needs of our community.

THE DECADE OF THE '90s

January 10, 1991: The Capital Campaign for the Headquarter's Expansions was completed. **February 1991:** A Groundbreaking Ceremony was held to announce publicly the beginning of the Expansion Project. The 40th Anniversary Charity Ball was held. **1992-93:** The Next-to-New Shop was refurbished inside and out by the Provisional Class. The membership approved the Festival of Trees as a new fundraiser. **1993-94:** All General Meetings were held at the Headquarters in Mabee Hall. The first year for Texas Scholars was a great success in coalition with the Chamber of Commerce. The Provisional Class had a very successful project in coalition with MMH and the Midland County Health Dept. entitled "Give Your Child a Shot of Love." **1994-95:** The first Festival of Trees was held and included merchant shopping booths, children's events, silent auction, and Charity Ball. **1995-96:** The first focus area for JLM, "Strengthening the Family", was adopted. A Goal Centered Approach to the Strategic Planning process was implemented. **1996-97:** This was the first year for JLM to operate under the new Leadership Team structure. General Meetings were all held t night for the first time. The membership voted to discontinue Festival of Trees as the primary fundraiser and reinstate an enhanced Charity Ball as the major fundraising event. **1997-98:** The League donated $30,000 to the Blitz Build '97 project in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity. **1998-99:** The celebration of 50 years of service to the community of Midland and 35 years with AJLI. A $125,000 community gift was donated. It is a special year of "celebrating" and honoring our past.

Bedside Buddies 1991 Sarah Burleson

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ADVENTURES IN TEACHING

Each week has at least one heart-stopping moment

By R. Eric Setzler

I've had some great frights as a teacher. My week is not complete without at least one great heart-stopping experience. Many of these involve animals. When I say animals, I'm not talking about the people with whom I work.

Setzler

I always encourage my students to bring in nonvenomous reptiles they have caught or raised to show the class. Many of these animals go on to be part of an ever-growing critter collection in our classroom. I actually teach both physical and earth science. Although I'm not a life science or biology teacher, I've found that students are fascinated by a collection of animals. I use this zoo as a hook to capture students' attention and get them interested in science. The toughest student will work like crazy to have the chance to hold an animal. However, in the last couple of years, I've been quite startled by what I call A.R.E.s, which is short for "animal- related experiences."

On an early West Texas morning, during my first year of teaching, a young student named Emilio Davis brought a very interesting specimen to my middle school. He had collected the critter at a nearby elementary school playground near his bus stop. At that time, Emilio was not yet one of my students. He was in Coach Dutch Henderson's seventh-grade Life Science class. For examination, Davis brought a reptile packed tightly in a plastic pencil pouch to the coach and me. After emptying a wide assortment of notes, pens, pencils, and markers, he had used a No. 2 pencil to force the cold and sluggish creature into its new home in his notebook. The coach and I spent several minutes looking through the thick opaque plastic and trying to identify the snake. We were barely able to make out roughly diamond-shaped markings on its greenish back and a black-and-white banded tail with a button on the end.

No one was physically harmed by the snake, which was taken back to the great outdoors by the school security guard, Sal Villa.

However, our mental conditions were a different story. Coach Henderson and I both had an extreme case of the heebie-jeebies just thinking about what could have happened if we had unzipped the pouch and accidentally released the snake into the school. I also suggested to the other science teachers that their students learn how to identify venomous reptiles. Snakes are a fact of life in West Texas.

Another exciting A.R.E. occurred with my 4-foot long iguana, Ignacio. Iggy, as he was sometimes called, was a donated to my classroom by a woman who said that he had become too "active." In the beginning I was surprised to find that Iggy was a fairly mild-mannered pet. Overall, he was slow and docile. This was because he had spent most of his life in a small cage in a dark room. He was fed a poor diet of lettuce. I don't know how he survived.

I owned him for months before one event changed my perception of him forever. Iggy was perched on my shoulder as I gave a lecture to my General Earth Science students about dinosaurs and the geologic time scale. I was careful to stay as far away as possible from a student named Jane Ulrite. Jane, a recent addition to my class, was a big girl with a big voice. Most importantly, she was afraid of all my live classroom exhibits. As a result, she would soon be the target of one of them. For reasons I still don't understand, Iggy suddenly raised his head and gave Jane a hard look. His cold glittering eyes fastened on hers. Although there were at least 15 students between the lizard and the girl, Iggy ignored them. Maybe he could smell or somehow detect fear. Maybe she reminded him of his previous owner. Iggy opened his mouth and gave a long hiss. I froze. The students froze.

Acting like a jackrabbit , he leaped off my arm and jumped from tabletop to tabletop until he reached his quarry. Jane stared in horror as he inched closer, still making the peculiar hissing or gasping sound. Time stood still. We were all jolted back to reality when I heard a new sound – a high-pitched wailing noise that sounded like a siren moving closer to us. Knowing that it was impossible to get an ambulance into the halls on the second floor of our school, I concluded that the sound originated from Jane. The young woman was getting ready to stampede out of the room. "Woe to any living creature in her path," I thought as I rushed across the room. I quickly grabbed the crazy iguana and returned him to his cage.

For the next two days, I tried to talk to Jane, without success. She was convinced that I had a fully trained, attack iguana with a license to kill any student who didn't like it. After a couple of weeks, Jane finally relaxed and had a good time in my class. Ignacio the Barbarian spent the next summer in an outdoor cage getting the best diet and care available. Unfortunately, his attitude degenerated to the point where he was no longer manageable. He went to live with several female iguanas in a breeding colony at a local pet store.

R. Eric Setzler is Science Department liaison at Abell Junior High School.

EDUCATION IN BRIEF

At the last board meeting, Midland Independent School District trustees voted to reschedule the March 9 meeting for March 2.

March 9 falls during Spring Break.

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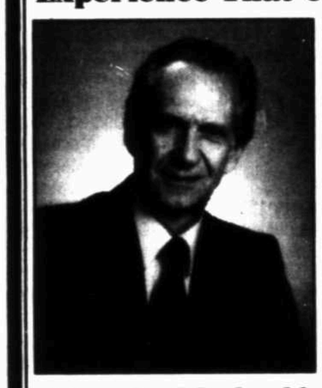

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BOOKS IN BRIEF

Best sellers

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National best sellers are from The New York Times.

NATIONAL

Fiction

1. Southern Cross, by Patricia Cornwell.
2. In Danger's Path, by W.E.B. Griffin.
3. Seize the Night, by Daniel Koontz.
4. A Man in Full, by Tom Wolfe.
5. Billy Straight, by Jonathan Kellerman.
6. Harry Potter and the Sorcerers, by J. K. Rowling.
7. The Poisonwood Bible, by Barbara Kingsolver.
8. Cat Who Saw Stars, by Lillian Jackson Braun.
9. Amsterdam, by Ian McEwan.
10. Angels Flight, by Michael Connelly.

Nonfiction

1. The Greatest Generation, by Tom Brokaw.
2. Tuesdays With Morrie, by Mitch Albom.
3. Blind Man's Bluff, by Sherry Sontag and Christopher Drew with Annette Lawrence Drew.
4. The Century, by Peter Jennings and Todd Brewster.
5. Playing For Keeps, by David Halberstam.
6. The Art Of Happiness, by the Dalai Lama.
7. The Professor and the Madman, by Simon Winchester.
8. Conversations With God, Book 1, by Neale Donald Walsch.
9. The Endurance, by Caroline Alexander.
10. Conversations With God, Book 3, by Neale Donald Walsch.

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Fiction

1. Testament, by John Grisham.
2. Street Lawyer, John Grisham.
3. Message in a Bottle, by Nicholas Sparks.
4. Southern Cross, by Patricia Cornwell.
5. Left Behind, by Tim LaHaye.
6. Storm of the Century, by Stephen King.
7. Tribulation Force, by Tim LaHaye.
8. Soul Harvest, by Tim LaHaye.
9. Ransom, by Julie Garwood.
10. Duane's Depressed, by Larry McMurtry.

Nonfiction

1. The Greatest Generation, by Tom Brokaw.
2. How To Get What You Want, by John Gray.
3. Dr. Atkins' New Diet Revolution, by Dr. Robert Atkins.
4. Dr. Atkins' New Carbohydrate Counter, by Dr. Robert Atkins.
5. Furby Trainer's Guide.
6. Eat Right 4 Your Type, by Peter D'Amato.
7. Erotic Way.
8. Child Called It, by Dave Pelzer.
9. Don't Sweat the Small Stuff at Work, by Richard Carlson.
10. Women's Bodies, Women's Wisdom, by Christiane Northrup.

Children's

1. Barbie books.
2. Elmo Loves You, by Sarah Albee.
3. Teletubbies books.
4. Bug's Life books.
5. Rugrats books.
6. Franklin's Valentines, by Paulette Bourgeois.
7. Nappy Hair, by Carolyn Herron.
8. Animorphs books.
9. Magic Tree House books.
10. Blue's Clues books.

Hayden

Book signing

Author L.C. Hayden will be at the Hastings Supercenters in Midland and Odessa on Saturday, Feb. 27, to sign copies of her new novel, "Who's Susan?"

She will be at the Odessa store at 3897 E. 42nd Street 1-3 p.m. that day and at the Midland store, 3111 W. Cuthbert, 4-6 p.m.

Hayden, who lives at El Paso with her husband and two sons, also is a high school English teacher. Hayden has been writing articles for various magazines, periodicals and newspapers since 1975.

Close encounters of the loving kind

HOW WE MET:
Chance Encounters and Other True Love Stories of Real-Life Couples
by Miriam Sokol
(Prima Publishing, $15 hard cover, 205 pages)

Review by Linda Anderson

Spring is coming and with it comes Valentine's Day, which means romance is in the air. (Here in West Texas, so is dust, but that's another story.) What better season for a book called "How We Met: Chance Encounters and Other True Love Stories of Real-Life Couples."

The relatively short book (205 pages) contains the stories of how 32 couples met. Author Miriam Sokol "has collected a treasury of memorable stories about how fate has brought people together even in the face of overwhelming odds," according to information from the publisher. (But, interestingly enough, all the publisher's information says about how Sokol herself met her husband is that the couple met when they "shared a favorite book.")

With that many couples' stories in that few pages, each story is of necessity only a few pages long. I had my doubts that any couple's story could really be told in such a limited amount of space. And maybe that's because I, like so many others, have been raised on whole books and entire movies devoted to just one couple. It's hard to think of a courtship in only five pages when you're used to classic stories of boy-gets-girl-loses-girl-gets-girl of two hours or more. (Or 500 pages, as the case may be.)

And in the movies, everybody "meets cute." That means their love is fated, on the big screen anyway. Probably no movie couple met cuter than Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan did in "Sleepless in Seattle" (on top of the Empire State Building on Valentine's Day in the last five minutes of the movie), unless it was Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan in "You've Got Mail" (on-line, where they were attracted to each other, as opposed to in person, where they were business rivals, or something like that). In real life, probably nobody ever meets as "cute" as Tom and Meg.

But that's the movies. The stories in Ms. Sokol's book are said to be from real couples whose meetings reflect a broader scope of life and all its possibilities. For example, who would have thought anything beautiful could come out of the Holocaust? But it did, at least for one couple, who first met when he, as a young teen-ager, was a prisoner in a work camp about 70 miles away from Berlin, and she was an 8-year-old girl who would sneak him food. They had lost contact with each other for something like 15 years, when they met again in New York City. They were married in 1959.

And then there's the couples who meet because they took their dreams seriously; and the ones who find their true love again after years of being apart. One couple married in 1990, more than 50 years after their college romance broke up and "58 years after their first dance ..."

One unusual meeting involved two roommates named Steve, one of whom answered a personals ad, the woman who placed the ad, and her roommate, who ended up meeting, falling in love with and marrying the Steve who did NOT answer the ad. Confused? I guess you just had to be there.

The transportation system seems to be a popular way to meet — at least is was for several couples in this book. Commuter trains, buses and airplanes figure in some of the stories; one couple ended up together after their paths crossed (so to speak) while they were in two separate cars stopped at a red light.

But no matter how "cute" the meetings were, the book itself is less than satisfying. Ms. Sokol's writing has a long way to go before it's on a par with, say, any romance novelist worth her (or his) salt. And while the book is not exactly a romance novel, it does qualify as a romance book. (At least no bodices get ripped on the cover of the book; that's a comfort. Instead it shows a cup of coffee and a heart made out of sugar — isn't that sweet.)

I have a theory that authors are either: (1) good storytellers; (2) great writers; or, every once in a while, (3) both. I would say that Ms. Sokol might fall under the first category. Her stories of how couples met are fun reading, but far from great writing. Sentences such as "When he eventually passed, her father quietly slipped away, immured in the warmth of his wife and daughter's love," or this one, "The impact of the Depression and Mary's fierce ambition drove her to work hard in college; her dream was to write scripts for the silver screen in Hollywood," prove that her writing skills are not, shall we say, going to win any prizes. But her effort is sincere, even if her stories are too short to be anything but shallow.

All that considered, I have to admit that her stories are fun and short and perfect for Valentine's Day reading. If, in fact, romantic couples actually read on Valentine's Day.

Oh, before I forget: In the back of the book is an address for couples who want to be included in the second of Ms. Sokol's books. The information goes like this: "Do you have a special 'How We Met' story? We would love to hear about how you met your significant other. Please send your story to: Miriam Sokol, c/o Prima Publishing, P.O. Box 1260BK, Rocklin, Calif. 95677 or submit your story to Prima's Web site at: HYPERLINK htt://www.primalife.com/hwm" Just so you'll know.

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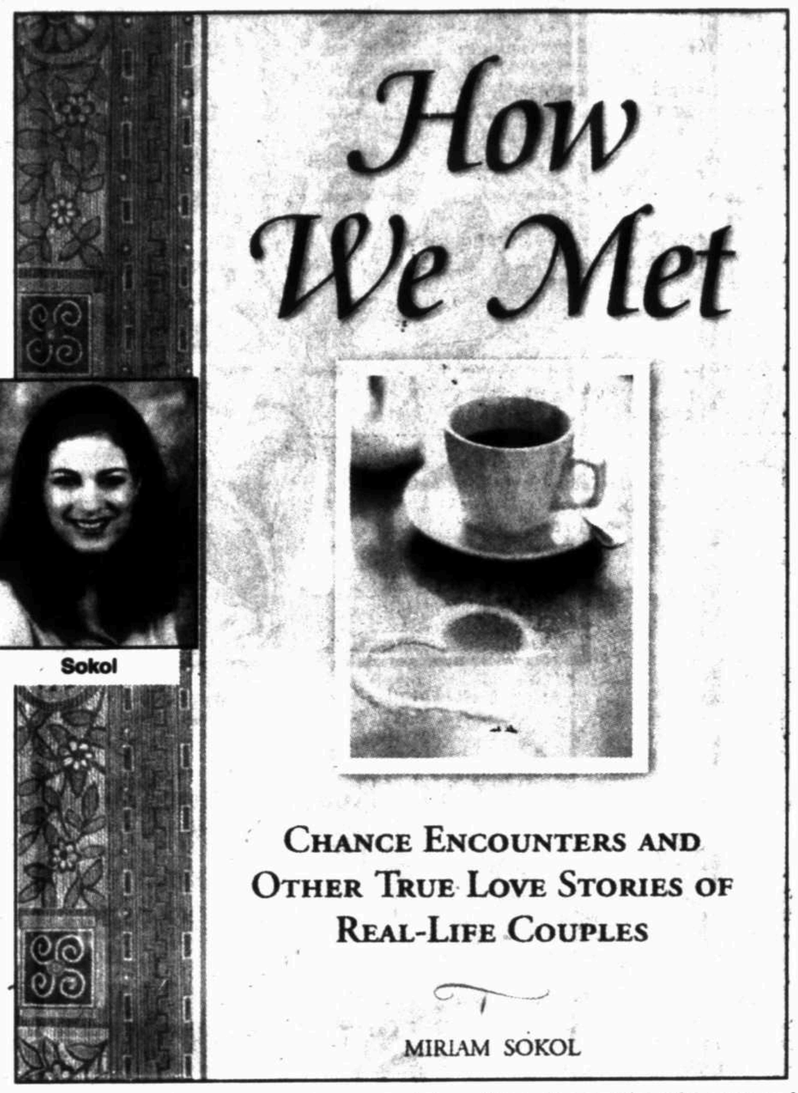


The real 'English Patient' was no count and no Nazi

ERD, Hungary (AP) — The Hungarian count known to the world as the hero of "The English Patient" was a haunted desert explorer who collaborated with the Nazis to try to save his lover's life.

But the real-life story of Laszlo de Almasy is even better, the author of a new biography claims.

Janos Kubassek, a Hungarian with a lifelong fascination with Almasy, says he discovered documents from the war crimes tribunal showing that Almasy saved several Jews during World War II.

He also debunks a couple of misconceptions about Almasy in "The True Story of the English Patient," published in Hungarian this month: Almasy wasn't a devoted Nazi and he wasn't a count.

Not that Kubassek has anything but praise for Anthony Minghella's breathtaking film, winner of the 1997 Academy Award for best picture, or the prize-winning Michael Ondaatje novel on which it was based.

"They are wonderful works — of fiction," he says.

Kubassek, 41, is a geographer, historian and director of the Hungarian Geographical Museum in this small town 12 miles west of Budapest. He relates his obsession with Almasy sitting in a tiny office filled with books, maps and mementos of his trips tracing Almasy's life and travels.

As a boy of 15, he acquired one of Almasy's books from a secondhand bookseller, and it determined his career. He joined the Hungarian Geographical Society a year later and went to the University of Debrecen to study geography.

"I wanted to know everything there was to know about Almasy," he says, still visibly gripped by that youthful passion.

Born Aug. 22, 1895, in Borostyankoe, Hungary — now Bernstein, Austria — Almasy was no count, his biographer learned. When he served as an adjutant to Austrian ruler Karl IV, the emperor once referred to him that way, and it stuck.

Almasy went on his first of many expeditions to the Sahara in 1926, journeys he described in a series of books. He became known for discovering Stone Age paintings in caves in Libya.

His reputation as a Sahara expert led to his widely questioned association with the Nazis when the German Luftwaffe requested his services in 1941 from the Hungarian military, where he was an air force reservist. He joined Erwin Rommel's Afrika Korps, and was assigned to aerial reconnaissance tasks.

In 1942, he personally guided two German spies across the Sahara, taking them behind British lines, and was awarded two German Iron Crosses for his services.

He returned to Budapest in 1943 and, at the Defense Ministry's request, wrote up his diary account of serving under Rommel, which was published as a book.

He was arrested and held briefly by Soviet authorities in Hungary in 1945, then arrested again by Hungarian authorities after a neighbor accused him of Nazi sympathies.

But as court records studied by Kubassek showed, the Hungarian war crimes tribunal found no such evidence and he was released in 1946.

Not only was Almasy no Nazi, the biographer says, archives tell how he saved the lives of several Jews in 1944, when Adolf Eichmann was rounding up the Jews of Hungary for extermination.

During the darkest hours of Nazi terror in Hungary, Almasy often donned his Luftwaffe uniform with Iron Cross decorations and successfully prevented Hungarian fascists from searching his apartment where he was sheltering the family of Lajos Weisz, his Jewish neighbors.

Kubassek also found court evidence that Almasy saved Gyoergy Fuksz, the son of Olympic fencing champion Jenoe Fuksz, a Jew. And that he rescued a Jewish Polish refugee boy from certain discovery, obtained false papers for him, and put him into a Catholic orphanage where he survived the war.

"He was pro-monarchy and that was about his only politics," Kubassek says. "Almasy welcomed the transfer to Rommel's army because it meant a chance to return to his beloved Sahara, but there is nothing in any of his writings or private letters indicating Nazi sympathies."

Almasy left Hungary for good in the middle of 1947, returning to Africa where he organized safaris. After coming down with dysentery in Egypt, he died March 22, 1951, at the age of 55 in a clinic in Salzburg, Austria.

One mystery that remains even after all of Kubassek's research concerns Almasy's love life. There were romantic interests, but no evidence indicates a great romance as in Minghella's movie.

"No woman could tolerate for long playing second fiddle to the Sahara," Almasy's cousin Antal told Kubassek.

Engaged couples determine if their marriage will last

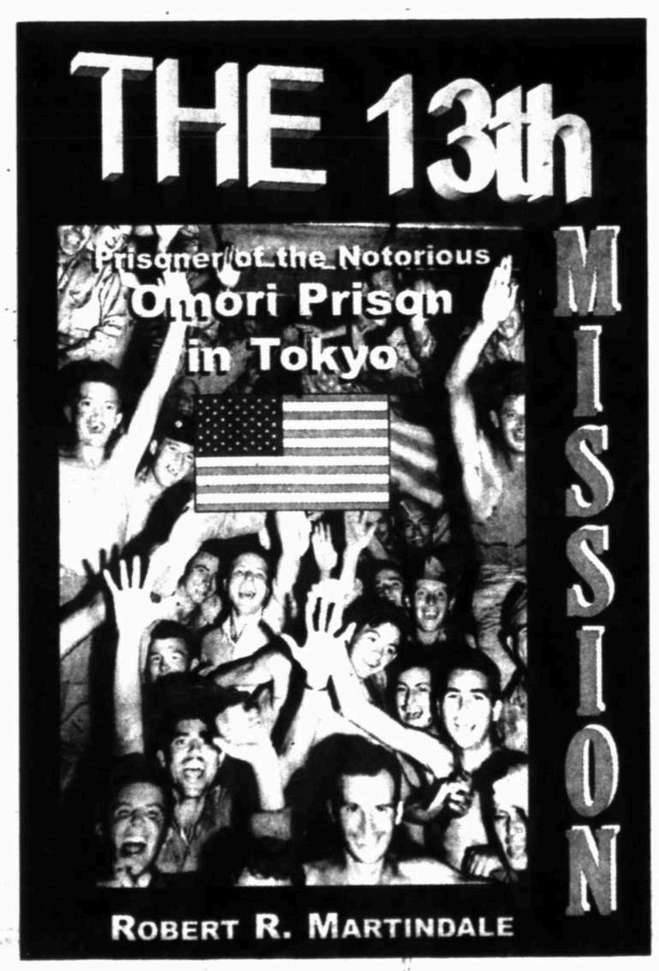
DON'T YOU DARE GET MARRIED UNTIL YOU READ THIS!
By Corey Donaldson

Corey Donaldson, one of the nation's leading authorities on targeting divorce causing problems before marriage, now claims, "I can show any engaged couple how to determine if their marriage will last, as if through a crystal ball!"

Donaldson, author of a new book entitled "Don't You Dare Get Married Until You Read This!" says, "After completing interviews with in excess of 1,000 couples I can now say with great confidence that the majority of divorce causing problems exist long before a marriage takes place. The benefit of this research is that now couples don't have to suffer like others have and experience divorce early into marriage. By identifying the mistakes that others have made we can avoid them, thank goodness!"

'I can show any engaged couple how to determine if their marriage will last, as if through a crystal ball.'
— Corey Donaldson, author

Donaldson has received critical acclaim from the media, parents, singles, and couples preparing for marriage. He has been featured in The New York Daily News, Parent Guide Magazine and the Dallas Morning News, and is a popular guest on live talk radio programs.



Story of World War II POW in Japan is told

THE 13TH MISSION, Prisoner of the Notorious Omori Prison in Tokyo
by Robert R. Martindale
(Eakin Press, Austin, $24.95 hard cover, 296 pages, photos)

Eakin Press of Austin has announced publication on Feb. 1 of "The 13th Mission, Prisoner of the Notorious Omori Prison in Toyko" by Robert R. Martindale of Austin.

The nonfiction account of the author's imprisonment at the notorious Tokyo prison began on Jan. 20, 1943 — the fateful day of the 13th mission flown by Martindale — whose B-24 bomber was shot down over New Guinea and the Bismarc Sea during World War II.

He and other crew members survived the crash and were picked up at sea. Ten months later, Martindale was sent to the notorious Omori POW Camp.

As a prisoner of war, Martindale became a "barracks commander and camp work officer." That position gave him a broad view of both the Japanese guards and the international community of prisoners.

After the war, he enhanced his knowledge by research at the National Archives and information gleaned from more than 125 interviews with former POWs. A former Japanese pay sergeant at the Omori camp provided additional materials.

Martindale's book describes his introduction to the Japanese prime minister, General Tojo, and how he was the first person to greet the second American commodore to land in Japan as the war ended.

A native of Brownsville, Martindale lives in Austin. He is retired.

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Friday — Breakfast: Cinnamon roll or cereal and toast, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Toasted cheese sandwich, chili dog or hot dog, vegetable soup, raw veggies and dip, fruit cup, fruit drink, milk.

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Thursday — Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, garlic bread, garden salad with dressing, peach cobbler, milk.

Friday — Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, cereal, juice, milk. **Lunch**: Hamburgers, French fries, hamburger salad with pickles, Ranger cake, milk.

ARMED FORCES NEWS

Marine **Pfc. Joshua S. Foster**, son of Joseph and Lisa Foster of Midland, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego and was promoted to his present rank.

Foster is a 1996 graduate of Lee High School.

Navy **Airman Recruit James Bruce**, son of Debra Bruce of Midland, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

Bruce is a 1997 graduate of Permian High School of Odessa.

Marine **Cpl. Brian W. Hardee**, a 1995 graduate of Midland High School, recently was promoted to his present rank while serving with 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, 1st Marine Division in Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Hardee was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

Marine **Pfc. Eduardo R. Olgin**, son of Eduardo Olgin of Midland and Lynda Garza also of Midland, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego.

Olgin is a 1998 graduate of Midland High School.

Navy **Seaman Kimberly Garcia**, daughter of Oscar Garcia of Midland, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command in Great Lakes, Ill.

Marine **Capt. Scott Luckie**, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Luckie of Midland, recently completed sustainment training in Hawaii while assigned to the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), embarked aboard the ship of the USS Boxer Amphibious Ready Group (ARG).

Luckie is a 1990 graduate of Lee High School.

COURT RECORDS

Misdemeanor DWI Convictions
Midland County District Attorney's Office
Al Schorre, District Attorney

Billy Leroy Wise, sentenced to 18 months probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $750 fine.

Gasper Gonzales Sanchez, sentenced to 25 days in Midland County Jail and 90 days driver's license suspension.

Ruben Armando Sosa, sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

Ricardo Arenibas Neria, sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

Carlos David Aquirre, sentenced to 18 months probation and a $750 fine.

Manuel Cortez Aguirre, Jr., sentenced to 6 months probation and a $500 fine.

Frank Russell McLen, sentenced to 18 months probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $750 fine.

George Alexander Arsiaga, sentenced to 60 days in Midland County Jail and 180 days driver's license suspension.

Javier Gutierrez Delucas, sentenced to 12 days in Midland County Jail and 90 days driver's license suspension.

Felix Contreas Toscano, Jr., sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

Albert Crevat Gary, sentenced to 45 days in Midland County Jail and 90 days driver's license suspension.

Daniel Luna Padilla, sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

Nicolas Abel Rodriguez, sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

Jody L. Montoya, sentenced to 18 months probation and a $500 fine.

Jimmy Ray Melchor, sentenced to 18 months probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $750 fine.

Jaime Fino Dominquez, sentenced to 2 years probation, 5 days in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $1000 fine.

Carol Beckman Bishop, sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

Joyce Ellen Beck, sentenced to 2 years probation, 72 hours in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $500 fine.

Benjamin Quezada, sentenced to 18 months probation and a $500 fine.

Frank John Seidl, sentenced to 30 days in Midland County Jail, 180 days driver's license suspension and a $750 fine.

Antonio Perez, sentenced to 10 days in Midland County Jail, 90 days driver's license suspension and a $300 fine.

Ruben Mata Hernandez, Jr., sentenced to 1 year probation and a $500 fine.

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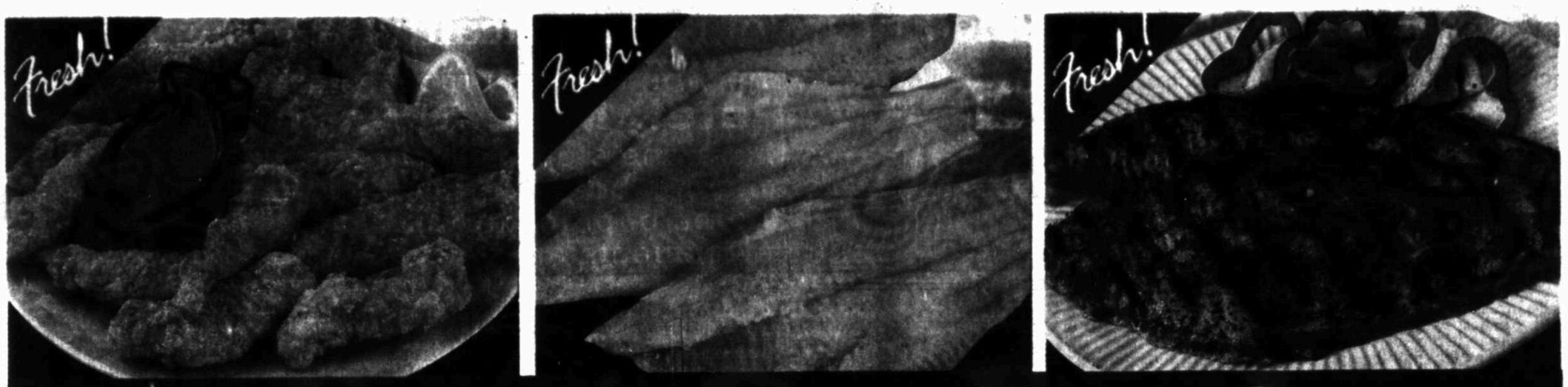

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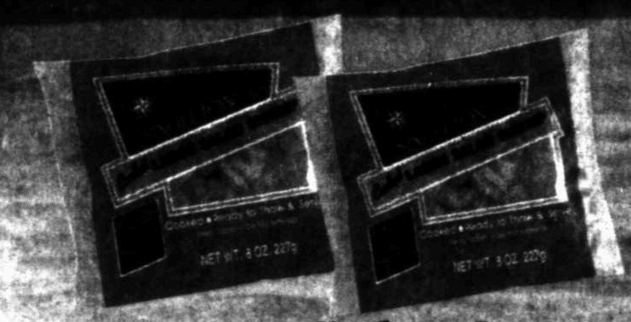

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SPORTS BRIEFING

4-5A Soccer

BOYS

	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Odessa Permian	5	1	11	3
Midland Lee	5	1	8	2
San Angelo Central	4	2	10	2
Abilene High	4	2	11	3
Midland High	2	4	7	6
Abilene Cooper	0	6	4	11
Odessa High	1	5	5	11

Saturday's Results
Midland Lee 1, San Angelo Central 0 (SO 3-1); Odessa High 2, Abilene Cooper 1; Abilene High 3, Odessa Permian 2 (SO 2-0). Non-District: Midland High 4, San Angelo Lake View 0.
Tuesday's Games
Midland High at Midland Lee; Odessa Permian vs. Odessa High; Abilene High vs. Abilene Cooper. San Angelo Central is open.

GIRLS

	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland Lee	6	0	14	2
San Angelo Central	4	2	11	4
Midland High	3	3	8	6
Odessa Permian	3	3	7	7
Abilene High	3	3	6	6
Abilene Cooper	2	4	6	6
Odessa High	0	6	3	9

Saturday's Results
Midland Lee 2, San Angelo Central 1; Abilene Cooper 1, Odessa High 0; Abilene High 3, Odessa Permian 2. Midland High was off.
Tuesday's Games
Odessa High vs. Odessa Permian; Abilene High vs. Abilene Cooper. San Angelo Central vs. San Angelo Lake View (non-district).
Wednesday's Game
Midland Lee at Midland High.

TV Sports

AUTO RACING — NASCAR Winston Cup, Daytona 500, 11 a.m. CBS.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Women, Virginia at North Carolina, noon, ESPN2.

Men, Texas at Oklahoma State, 12:30 p.m., ABC.

Creighton at Illinois State, 12:30 p.m., ESPN.

George Washington at Dayton, 2 p.m., ESPN2.

Cincinnati at Saint Louis, 4:30 p.m., ESPN2.

NBA — Dallas Mavericks at Vancouver Grizzlies, 2 p.m., FSN.

Indiana Pacers at Los Angeles Lakers, 4:30 p.m., NBC.

NHL — Philadelphia Flyers at Colorado Avalanche, 2 p.m., FOX.

Anaheim Mighty Ducks at Phoenix Coyotes, 7 p.m., ESPN.

SKIING — World Alpine Championships, men's slalom (same-day tape), 2 p.m., NBC.

GOLF — PGA Buick Invitational, final round, 3 p.m., CBS.

Senior PGA American Express Invitational, final round (same-day tape), 4:30 p.m., ESPN.

TENNIS — Sybase Open final, 6 p.m., FSN.

SOCCER — Women's FIFA World Cup Soccer Draw and All-Star Match, 7 p.m., ESPN2.

Texas Scores

NHL — Dallas Stars 3, Los Angeles Kings 2.

WPHL — Odessa Jackalopes 3, Fort Worth Brahmas 2, shootout.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL — Men, No. 24 Kansas 84, Texas Tech 90.

Baylor 68, Kansas State 77.

Texas A&M 75, Oklahoma 102.

Colorado State 79, TCU 84.

Tulane 72, Houston 76.

Wyoming 72, SMU 75.

UNLV 55, Rice 59.

UTEP 70, San Jose State 64, OT.

Women, No. 13 Texas Tech 74, Missouri 68.

Texas 75, Oklahoma State 55.

Sports Today

WPHL — Corpus Christi IceRays at Odessa Jackalopes, 6 p.m., Ector County Coliseum, Odessa. RADIO: KMCM (96.9 FM).

Barkley's surgery

HOUSTON — Charles Barkley will be sidelined 3-4 weeks after deciding Saturday to undergo surgery to fix a painful muscle tear in his left knee.

After an MRI diagnosed the problem on Tuesday, team officials said he would play through the pain while treating the injury with rehabilitation and medication.

The pain has continued to worsen, however, and Rockets spokesman Tim Frank said Barkley couldn't even fully bend the knee on Saturday.

"It's unfortunate that I've got to miss any games, because my goal was to play all the games this year," said Barkley, who was hampered by injuries all last season. "The problem is, my other leg is getting sore from overcompensating."

Dr. Walter Lowe will perform the surgery as early as Sunday.

Barkley's injury is particularly disappointing to the Rockets because he had entered the lockout-shortened season in peak condition.

It's the latest blow to Houston's star-studded roster.

Starting point guard Matt Maloney is battling a slightly separated right shoulder, fellow guard Rodrick Rhodes is out seven more weeks recovering from a torn tendon in his chest and backup center Antoine Carr is out 3-5 more weeks after knee surgery.

Midland sending eight to state

By Lee Passmore
Sports Writer

LUBBOCK — Not only is it safe to say that things went as expected for athletes from Midland High and Midland Lee Saturday at the Region I swimming championships, they might have been even better.

It's not stretching it to say that overall the day wasn't disappointing for Midland swimmers at the Pete Ragus Aquatic Center. All five of the MHS and Lee individual entries who were top seeds in the finals won, and one relay team which was a second seed did the same.

When the numbers were added up at the end of the day, eight Midland swimmers earned the right to go to the state meet in Austin in two weeks.

Such success in the regionals is unprecedented in the three-year tenure of coach Ted Carson at the helm of both the Midland High and Lee programs.

McKeller

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"This is the most qualifiers we've ever had," said Carson, who was named the outstanding girls coach of the year in large part to the performance of the MHS girls, who won the team competition with 84 points. "I thought it was possible (to send so many swimmers to state) but I knew there were a lot of things that had to fall the right way. It was a real exciting day."

Of the eight swimmers going to Austin, seven will represent Midland High, which boasted a pair of double individual regional champions in Erin Irons and Michael McKeller. Irons, a junior who went to the state meet last year in the 100-yard butterfly, switched to other events this year with even better success, setting a region record by winning the 200 individual medley in 2 minutes, 7.16 seconds and the 100 backstroke (57.34).

McKeller, a senior, claimed wins with personal bests

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De La Hoya retains title on decision

By Ed Schu yler Jr.
AP Boxing Writer

LAS VEGAS — Oscar De La Hoya passed what he called the toughest test of his career, getting up from a knockdown and twice knocking down Ike Quartey to retain the WBC welterweight championship on a split decision Saturday night.

De La Hoya clinched the victory by storming out in the 12th round to knock down Quartey in just 12 seconds. The champion then pummeled Quartey for the next minute before tiring in front of a crowd of about 12,000.

Both fighters went down in the sixth round of a tremendous bout, one that compares with the welterweight showdown between Sugar Ray Leonard and Thomas Hearns, which Leonard won in the 14th round in 1981. Both Leonard and Hearns were at ringside.

Judge Larry O'Connell of England scored it for Quartey 115-114. Judge John Keane of England scored it 115-113 and Ken Morita of Japan scored it 115-112, both for De La Hoya.

The AP card favored the busier De La Hoya 116-111.

"I think the first real test of my boxing career," the unbeaten De La Hoya said before the match. It certainly was.

The 26-year-old De La Hoya, now 30-0 with 24 knockouts, showed that he could get up from a knockdown and win. He also showed tremendous determination, especially in the last round.

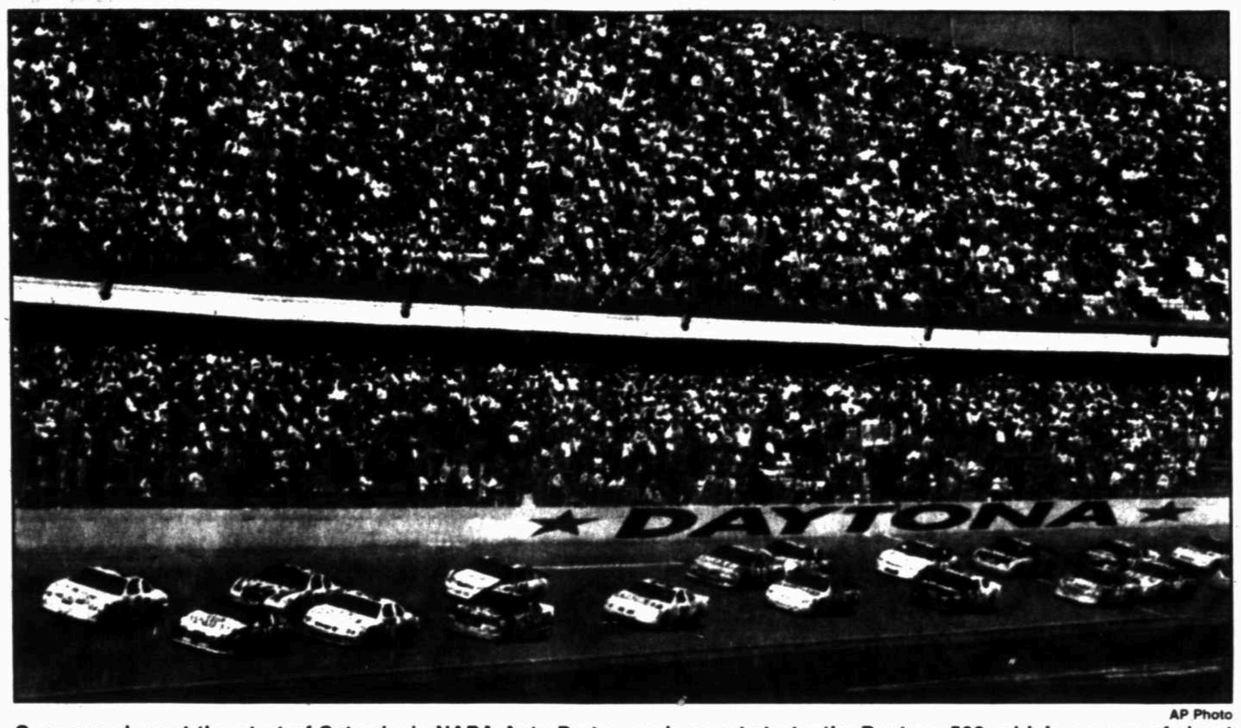
Both fighters showed great respect for one another's talents and power. Both fought cautiously for much of each round, but when they went toe-to-toe, they went toe-to-toe with abandon.

The sixth round was a dandy.

De La Hoya knocked down Quartey with a left hook only 12 seconds into the round. Quartey got up quickly and took a mandatory eight count.

Then, Quartey knocked down De La Hoya with a right to the head. De La Hoya got right up, but he was hurt more than Quartey had been.

DAYTONA 500



AP Photo

Cars speed up at the start of Saturday's NAPA Auto Parts 300 at Daytona International Speedway in Florida. Today the main event starts: the Daytona 500, which any one of about a dozen drivers could win.

Several drivers should contend at Daytona, but only one can win

By Mike Harris
AP Motorsports Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — At least a dozen drivers have staked their claim to the Daytona 500.

The problem, of course, is that only one can win.

That could be Rusty Wallace, who'll start 10th in the 43-car field Sunday in NASCAR's richest and most prestigious event.

He's confident he can get his first victory in 17 tries in the season-opening Winston Cup race at Daytona International Speedway.

"This race would mean everything to me because I think that any good racer that hasn't won the Daytona 500 would feel like there's a void in his career," Wallace said. "I know I surely would.

"That's maybe one of the reasons I'm so persistent about wanting to get the cars right. I don't feel like I'm running out of time, but enough's enough."

Dale Earnhardt went through the same frustration for 20 years before he finally won the big one last February. The relief was overwhelming.

"Sure, I had some tears in my eyes," said the man who has built his racing career on tough, aggressive driving. "I'd wanted to win this race for an awful long time, and it's such a tough race to win."

Since a lot of other drivers in the lineup feel the same way, the 185,000 spectators who turn out for the $8 million race can expect a shootout.

"It's going to be wild," said Kyle Petty, who's looking for his first win in his 18th start. His father, Richard, won the

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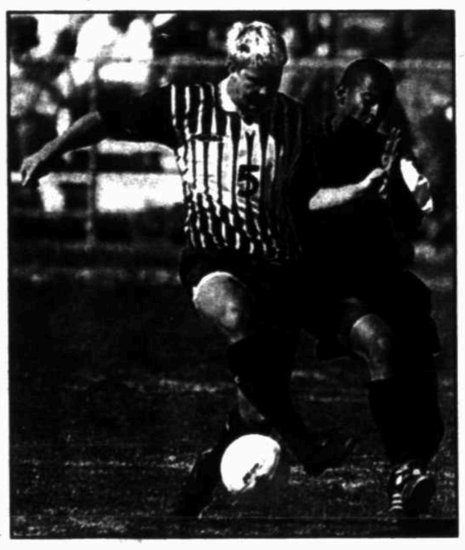

Midland Lee's Colter Marcum, left, shields San Angelo Central's Chris Smith from the ball during their game Saturday at Lee Soccer Field. The Rebels won 1-0 in a shootout.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Rebels' defense stifles Central

By Stewart Doreen
Assistant Sports Editor

For a two-game period of the district schedule, the Midland Lee Rebels were struggling defensively.

The 8-2 Rebels had allowed seven goals in their first three games, which was a far cry from their performance last season when Lee allowed nine goals during the entire district schedule.

Saturday in a 1-0 shootout win over 4-5A nemesis San Angelo Central, it was evident Lee's back line (sweeper Matt Dickinson, and starting defenders Colter Marcum, John Manning and Chris Oliver, and key substitutes Daniel Covington and John Kubala) had recovered from that early-season slump, and quite frankly, it is playing like a group on a mission.

"It is more personal now," Lee sweeper Matt Dickinson said. "Of course losing Kris (Crawford) was the biggest loss to us and we had some problems defensively we had to concentrate on. After all the credit we were not getting, it made the defense mad."

Something must have. Since the Abilene High game, where Lee allowed three goals for the second straight game, the Rebels have not allowed a goal. That was four games ago or 320 minutes ago. However, this was the top effort of them all. Central (10-2) has always been a thorn in the side of Lee and one of the top offensive clubs in 4-5A.

"Our defense held on strong and played a great game," Lee coach John McCulloch said. "This was definitely their best game. We have been talking about the need to concentrate the whole game on what they are doing, and I think they did that."

Also both teams came into this at 4-

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STEWART DOREEN

LPGA change should give Rankin her just reward

Midland's Judy Rankin didn't need long to figure out what the new rules for entrance into LPGA's Hall of Fame would mean. Being one of golf's premier television analysts, that figures.

Doreen

"It is a more well-rounded way to honor people who have been particularly important or great players where the sport is concerned," Rankin said.

The LPGA established a new points system which will make it easier to qualify for the highest honor in women's golf. Before this past week, the LPGA Hall of Fame was as exclusive as any Hall in any sport. Since its inception in 1967, only 14 players met the tough criteria.

This week, the rules changes meant that touring veterans Amy Alcott and Beth Daniel would be the newest inductees.

"I'm glad for the tour that these changes are coming about. It will honor the fine players," Rankin said. "Alcott and Daniel, these players are Hall of Fame quality."

A new point system was not the only change. The players also approved the inclusion of a 12-person veterans committee that, when established, can nominate one retired player a year into the Hall. It will not happen this year, because the committee will be named at the LPGA Championship in June.

That other change is something that leaves Rankin, who makes her living now describing the situations of others, a little tongue tied. Obviously, she would like to be in the Hall of Fame. That is natural. However, she is not going to campaign for a spot.

"It always seemed like something I better stay away from," Rankin said. "It is too self-serving to get too close to it.

"It is one of those things that you can't win no matter what you do. It is better to let someone else deal with that."

And when that happens, that person should be Rankin. After all by her own definition, she would be the best first candidate. She has been "important to the sport" and during her time, she was as "great" as there was on Tour.

As a player, Rankin's only flaw was that this new points system came too late. She would have accumulated enough points under this new system with 26 wins, three Vare Trophies (for lowest scoring average) and two Player of the Year awards. A player today would need 27 points. Rankin would have had 31.

Rankin also goes down as the first LPGA player to earn more than $100,000 in one season and still owns a LPGA record for top-10 finishes.

Also, from 1973-78 when Rankin was at her best, there were only two majors (the U.S. Open and LPGA Championship). Major titles were part of the criteria of the old system.

Rankin has been a part of the game of golf since leaving the tour as player in 1983, when a back injury cut her playing career short. To this day, she is the lone female golf announcer for PGA Tour events, which says a great deal about her knowledge of the game and her ability as a broadcaster.

Not that announcing ability should always be a factor in Hall of Fame consideration. No matter how much people like watching Gary McCord, his golfing ability will always be second fiddle.

Rankin has been a pioneer for women's golf, and it is fitting than a once overly-critical process has been changed, so she will be finally rewarded with what should have been earned long ago: a spot in the Hall of Fame.

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Stewart Doreen is assistant sports editor of the Reporter-Telegram.

AP Photo

Tiger Woods, center, and his gallery watch his shot to the seventh green at the south course of Torrey Pines during Saturday's third round of the Buick Invitational in San Diego. Woods shot a course-record 62.

Woods tears up Torrey Pines

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — This was the Tiger Woods everybody's been waiting to see.

Pumping his fists and smiling again, Woods shot a 10-under-par 62 in the third round of the Buick Invitational on Saturday, his lowest round as a pro and a course record at Torrey Pines South.

Woods jumped from nine shots back to a one-shot lead over Billy Ray Brown.

Playing in perfect conditions on the seaside course, Woods' round was highlighted by an incredible second shot from a knoll next to a bunker on the 557-yard No. 6 that set up a 10-foot eagle putt. He could have posted an even better round, but lipped-out three birdie putts.

Playing a course he knows well from his junior golf days, Woods was at 15-under 201 and in position for just his second victory in his last 32 PGA starts.

"I like my chances, no doubt about it," Woods said. "I like being in the hunt."

Brown shot a 68 and was at 14-under 202. Kevin Sutherland, Bill Glasson and Frank Lickliter were at 203, and Scott Hoch and Ted Tryba were tied at 204. Tryba had the lead after the first two rounds after shooting consecutive 65s, but was 2-over 74 Saturday.

Woods won his sixth and final Optimist Junior World Golf Championship at Torrey Pines South as a 15-year-old in 1991. He failed to repeat in 1992 and '93, and in last year's Buick Invitational he left a 40-foot eagle putt a foot short on the final hole to miss getting into a playoff with eventual winner Scott Simpson and Skip Kendall.

"I wouldn't say it owes me one, but I do have some good vibes here," Woods said. "I always have. I've always liked playing here in San Diego, actually Southern California, period. This is where I grew up."

Woods rebounded remarkably well from his miserable second round Friday, when he had two double bogeys in the span of five holes and finished two shots ahead of the cut. He teed off Saturday at 8:27 a.m. on the backside, nearly two hours before Ted Tryba, the leader through 36 holes, teed off in the last group to go off on No. 1.

Woods told himself he needed to shoot 63 to get back into contention, "and lo-and-behold, I shoot 62."

Woods had four birdies on the back side, and by the time his group got onto the front nine, Tryba's group was just ahead. The big gallery roared when Woods rolled in a 40-foot birdie putt on No. 4 and also birdied No. 5, then really made noise after his eagle.

"I could see Ted over there a hole and a half ahead of us," Woods said. "I was just trying to make it known that I'm coming."

Woods admitted he got a few lucky breaks, and the second shot on the sixth was one of them. He had a tough lie 280 yards from the hole, and his right foot was on the lip of the bunker when he swung his 3-wood "as hard as I possibly could." The ball bounced off a sprinkler head and shot onto the green.

■ Golf Roundup

Nilsmark fires course-record 65

GLENDALE, Calif. — Trouble disappeared as quickly as it arrived for Sweden's Catrin Nilsmark after she found herself in the left bunker at the 18th hole.

She let fly with her third shot on the 440-yard, par-5. The ball landed on the green and rolled in for an eagle to complete a course-record 7-under-par 65, giving Nilsmark a two-shot lead over Stephanie Lowe in Saturday's second round of the Valley of the Stars championship.

The duo was tied for the lead until Nilsmark's eagle.

Fleisher eyes 2nd straight win

SARASOTA, Fla. — Bruce Fleisher, who last week became only the fifth player to win his Senior PGA Tour debut, is one round away from becoming the first player to win his first two.

Fleisher shot his second straight 67 Saturday to take a three-stroke lead into the final round of the American Express Invitational.

SOCCER: Lee survives Central, moves into tie for lead in district

(From 1C)

1 in district play, and after Permian's 3-2 loss to Abilene High Saturday, Lee is the team which joins the Panthers at the top of district at 5-1. Central and AHS are at 4-2.

"We had been talking about the next four games (against Central, Midland High, Odessa Permian and Abilene High) being the most important part of district play this year, and to jump out on top of San Angelo, who we have had trouble against, is great but we can't celebrate too long because we have three games which will be tough," McCulloch said.

The defense, though, took care of this one, at least in regulation. Central had defeated Lee in three of the last four district games between the two teams and all three of those wins have been shutouts. The Bobcats posted its fourth shutout on Saturday, but Lee got one as well.

It was quite an effort. Central did outshoot Lee 8-5, including a 3-0 advantage in the second half. Central had quality opportunities but Lee's Trey Lawson came up with a few key saves in the first half and in the in the 13th minute of the second half, Dickinson sacrificed his body to stop a point-blank Central shot at goal.

In the shootout, while Justin Smith, Danny George and Russell Matchull converted on opportunities, Lee's other keeper Keith Butts recorded saves on two Central attempts to seal a 3-1 advantage.

"If we went out and didn't have our defense there today, there is no way we would have been in a shootout," Smith said.

The shootout may have been anticlimactic in this game. Central coach Jimmy Dowell, whose team beat MHS in a shootout earlier this year, was aware of that.

"When you get into a shootout, it is anyone's game. They made theirs and we didn't," Dowell said. "I thought we had a good game and thought we created a lot of chances. In this district if you don't capitalize on those chances, you don't win games.

"If we finish our chances and have an explosive game, I think we will be dangerous. If we start to play well, I don't know that anyone will want to play us."

IN JV ACTION: Midland Lee tied Central, 1-1. Jay Ellison scored the lone goal for the 2-2-2 Rebels.

Midland Lee 1, San Angelo Central 0 (SO 3-1)

San Angelo Central	0	0	0	—0
Midland Lee	0	0	1	—1

First Half: No Scoring. Second Half: No Scoring.

Shootout: SAC - Justin Glasscock (saved), Michael Elliott (scored), Dusty Brown (saved), Chris Fuentes (missed).

Lee - Justin Smith (scored), Danny George (scored), Russell Matchull (scored).

Shots: SAC 8, Lee 5. Corners: SAC 4, Lee 1. Saves: SAC 4 (Clint Schneider 4, Lee 5 (Trey Lawson 3, Keith Butts 2). Fouls: SAC 15, Lee 8. Offsides: SAC 1, Lee 1. Cards: Yellow - SAC, Allen Gest (conduct).

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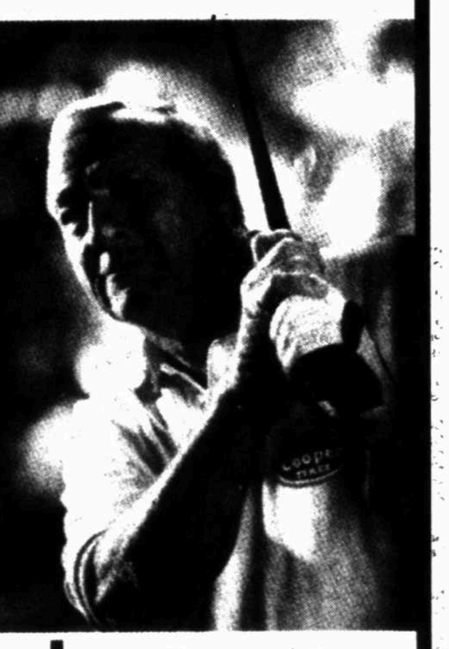

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EASTERN CONFERE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts
Philadelphia	28	12	12	68
New Jersey	30	18	6	66
Pittsburgh	29	15	7	65
N.Y. Rangers	20	25	7	47
N.Y. Islanders	16	33	6	38

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts
Ottawa	29	16	8	66
Toronto	30	20	3	63
Buffalo	25	18	10	60
Boston	22	22	9	53
Montreal	21	27	8	50

Southeast Divisio

	W	L	T	Pts
Carolina	25	21	9	59
Florida	20	20	13	53
Washington	22	27	4	48
Tampa Bay	11	38	4	26

WESTERN CONFERE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts
Detroit	28	23	4	60
St. Louis	21	22	9	51
Nashville	19	30	5	43
Chicago	15	32	8	38

Northwest Divisio

	W	L	T	Pts
Colorado	29	21	4	62
Edmonton	21	24	8	50
Calgary	19	28	9	46
Vancouver	17	29	7	41

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts
Dallas	32	10	8	72
Phoenix	29	13	10	68
San Jose	20	22	12	52
Anaheim	21	23	9	51
Los Angeles	20	30	4	44

Saturday's Games

Late Game Not Include

Phoenix 4, Colorado 1

Chicago 6, Toronto 2

San Jose 3, Tampa Bay

Ottawa 2, Washington 1

Montreal 4, Florida 0

New Jersey 6, Carolina

N.Y. Islanders 2, Buffalo

Edmonton 3, St. Louis 2

Pittsburgh 3, Nashville 2

Dallas 3, Los Angeles 2

Boston at Vancouver (n)

Sunday's Games

Detroit at N.Y. Rangers,

Philadelphia at Colorado

Anaheim at Phoenix, 7 p

Coyotes 4, Avalanc

Phoenix 0 2

Colorado 1 0

First Period—1, Colorado (Lemieux, Foote), 7:15 (pp).

Second Period—2, Phoe 2 (Adams, Roenick), 11:47 Phoenix, Roenick 19 (Nu 19:05.

Third Period—4, Phoeni 6 (Adams), 14:26. 5, Phoeni (Sullivan, Corkum), 19:56 (e

Shots on goal—Phoenix Colorado 9-7-10—26. Po Opportunities—Phoenix 1 orado 1 of 5. Goalies— Khabibulin 23-10-6 (26 saves), Colorado, Roy 21-14- A—16,061 (16,061).

Sharks 3, Lightnin

San Jose 0 1

Tampa Bay 0 0

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, S Nolan 11 (Marleau, Crave (pp).

Third Period—2, San Jos 2 (Sturm, Houlder), :47. 3, Ta Cullimore 4 (Svoboda, Hog 4, San Jose, Sturm 13 (Cr cl), 19:25 (en).

Shots on goal—San J 16—36. Tampa Bay 13- Power-play Opportunities— 1 of 6; Tampa Bay 0 of 5. San Jose, Vernon 15-15-8 30 saves). Tampa Bay, Ran 3 (35-33). A—11,196 (19,7

Canadiens 4, Panth

Florida 0 0

Montreal 1 1

First Period—1, Montreal

Buick Invitat

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Sa urday after the third round million Buick Invitational Pines Golf Club's par-72 South course:

Tiger Woods	68-7
Billy Ray Brown	69-6
Kevin Sutherland	68-6
Bill Glasson	68-6
Frank Lickliter	67-6
Scott Hoch	69-6
Ted Tryba	65-6
Scott Simpson	71-6
Chris Riley	72-6
David Toms	71-7
Brian Watts	70-6
Dennis Paulson	67-6
Jeff Maggert	70-6
Katsumasa Miyamoto	66-7
Bob Estes	71-6
Omar Uresti	71-6
Craig Stadler	71-6
Jason Gore	68-6
Jonathan Kaye	69-6
Blaine McCallister	67-7
Eric Booker	67-7
Skip Kendall	72-6
Ted Purdy	72-6
Robert Allenby	68-6
Chris Perry	66-6
Michael Walton	71-6
Stewart Cink	69-6
Charles Raulerson	71-6
Loren Roberts	70-7
Bob Burns	66-7
Chris Couch	70-7
Dan Forsman	69-6
Billy Andrade	69-6
Duffy Waldorf	73-6
Woody Austin	68-7
Scott McCarron	69-6
Jeff Sluman	69-6
Michael Bradley	72-6
Alan Bratton	68-7
Steve Elkington	68-7
Tommy Armour III	70-7
Sean Murphy	70-7
Danny Briggs	73-6
David Berganio	69-6
John Maginnes	72-6
Steve Pate	68-6
Mike Sposa	74-6
Brad Faxon	70-6
Jerry Kelly	74-6
Barry Cheesman	71-6
Neal Lancaster	69-6
Bob Friend	70-7
Frank Nobilo	71-7
Rory Sabbatini	69-7
Rich Beem	72-6
John Elliott	68-7
Mike Hulbert	71-6
P.H. Horgan III	71-6
Pete Jordan	71-6
Jay Williamson	68-7
Peter Jacobsen	70-7
Jim Carter	70-6
Bradley Hughes	70-7
Brian Henninger	72-6
Robin Freeman	69-7
Craig Barlow	70-7
Larry Mize	69-7
Kaname Yokoo	70-6
David Sutherland	71-7
Lee Porter	72-6
Tom Scherrer	71-7
Kevin Wentworth	73-6
Wayne Levi	66-7

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SPORTS SCOREBOARD

NHL Results

Standings

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	28	12	12	68	166	109
New Jersey	30	18	6	66	158	137
Pittsburgh	29	15	7	65	163	136
N.Y. Rangers	20	25	7	47	138	143
N.Y. Islanders	16	33	6	38	129	168

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Ottawa	29	16	8	66	152	115
Toronto	30	20	3	63	172	161
Buffalo	25	18	10	60	143	113
Boston	22	22	9	53	135	124
Montreal	21	27	8	50	128	147

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	25	21	9	59	145	141
Florida	20	20	13	53	132	142
Washington	22	27	4	48	133	137
Tampa Bay	11	38	4	26	107	194

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	28	23	4	60	161	139
St. Louis	21	22	9	51	141	139
Nashville	19	30	5	43	123	171
Chicago	15	32	8	38	121	173

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	29	21	4	62	145	130
Edmonton	21	24	8	50	145	138
Calgary	19	28	8	46	137	161
Vancouver	17	29	7	41	137	164

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	32	10	8	72	147	103
Phoenix	29	13	10	68	140	104
San Jose	20	22	12	52	126	124
Anaheim	21	23	9	51	137	132
Los Angeles	20	30	4	44	128	146

Saturday's Games
Late Game Not Included
Phoenix 4, Colorado 1
Chicago 6, Toronto 2
San Jose 3, Tampa Bay 1
Ottawa 2, Washington 1
Montreal 4, Florida 0
New Jersey 6, Carolina 4
N.Y. Islanders 2, Buffalo 2, tie
Edmonton 3, St. Louis 2
Pittsburgh 3, Nashville 2, OT
Dallas 3, Los Angeles 2
Boston at Vancouver (n)
Sunday's Games
Detroit at N.Y. Rangers, 2 p.m.
Philadelphia at Colorado, 2 p.m.
Anaheim at Phoenix, 7 p.m.

Coyotes 4, Avalanche 1

Phoenix	0	2	2	— 4
Colorado	1	0	0	— 1

First Period—1, Colorado, Sakic 25 (Lemieux, Foote), 7:15 (pp).
Second Period—2, Phoenix, Quint 2 (Adams, Roenick), 11:47 (pp). 3, Phoenix, Roenick 19 (Numminen), 19:05.
Third Period—4, Phoenix, Ylonen 6 (Adams), 14:26. 5, Phoenix, Doan 3 (Sullivan, Corkum), 19:56 (en).
Shots on goal—Phoenix 6-9-6—21. Colorado 9-7-10—26. Power-play Opportunities—Phoenix 1 of 4; Colorado 1 of 5. Goalies—Phoenix, Khabibulin 23-10-6 (26 shots-25 saves). Colorado, Roy 21-14-3 (20-17). A—16,061 (16,061).

Sharks 3, Lightning 1

San Jose	0	1	2	— 3
Tampa Bay	0	0	1	— 1

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, San Jose, Nolan 11 (Marleau, Craven), 10:18 (pp).
Third Period—2, San Jose, Craven 2 (Sturm, Houlder), :47. 3, Tampa Bay, Cullimore 4 (Svoboda, Hogue), 2:41. 4, San Jose, Sturm 13 (Craven, Ricci), 19:25 (en).
Shots on goal—San Jose 6-14-16—36. Tampa Bay 13-6-12—31. Power-play Opportunities—San Jose 1 of 6; Tampa Bay 0 of 5. Goalies—San Jose, Vernon 15-15-8 (31 shots-30 saves). Tampa Bay, Ranford 3-17-3 (35-33). A—11,196 (19,758).

Canadiens 4, Panthers 0

Florida	0	0	0	— 0
Montreal	1	1	2	— 4

First Period—1, Montreal, Brisebois 3 (Poulin, Stevenson), 18:43.
Second Period—2, Montreal, Koivu 9 (Corson, Recchi), 10:41 (pp).
Third Period—3, Montreal, Koivu 10 (Corson, Zholtok), 5:30 (pp). 4, Montreal, Dawe 4 (Damphousse), 5:55.
Shots on goal—Florida 6-7-3—16. Montreal 13-11-11—35. Power-play Opportunities—Florida 0 of 6; Montreal 2 of 6. Goalies—Florida, Burke 15-12-11 (35 shots-31 saves). Montreal, Hackett 17-18-7 (16-16). A—21,273 (21,273).

Islanders 2, Sabres 2

N.Y. Islanders	1	0	1	— 2
Buffalo	1	1	0	— 2

First Period—1, Buffalo, Satan 23 (Plante), 6:18. 2, New York, Reichel 16, 8:19 (sh).
Second Period—3, Buffalo, Kruse 2 (Cunneyworth), 2:36.
Third Period—4, New York, Czerkawski 12 (Linden, Jonsson), 5:41.
Overtime—None.
Shots on goal—New York 5-7-6-0—18. Buffalo 9-6-8-3—26. Power-play Opportunities—New York 0 of 3; Buffalo 0 of 4. Goalies—New York, Salo 14-19-4 (26 shots-24 saves). Buffalo, Hasek 24-14-10 (18-16). A—18,595 (18,595).

Devils 6, Hurricanes 4

Carolina	2	1	1	— 4
New Jersey	2	2	2	— 6

First Period—1, New Jersey, Niedermayer 6 (Daneyko, Rolston), :36. 2, Carolina, Battaglia 3 (Malik), 4:56. 3, New Jersey, Oliwa 5 (Daneyko), 5:16. 4, Carolina, Francis 11 (Roberts, Pratt), 10:06.
Second Period—5, New Jersey, Morrison 7 (Holik), 13:36. 6, New Jersey Sykora 18 (Arnott, Niedermayer), 18:16 (pp). 7, Carolina, Ranheim 6, 18:51.
Third Period—8, New Jersey, Pandolfo 12 (Rositon, Carpenter), 17:56. 9, New Jersey, McKay 14 (Holik, Daneyko), 18:10. 10, Carolina, Ranheim 7 (Gelinas, Malik), 18:50.
Shots on goal—Carolina 13-5-12—30. New Jersey 10-10-10—30. Power-play Opportunities—Carolina 0 of 5; New Jersey 1 of 6. Goalies—Carolina, Kidd 6-9-3 (30 shots-24 saves). New Jersey, Brodeur 24-16-6 (30-26). A—17,023 (19,040).

Senators 2, Capitals 1

Washington	0	0	1	— 1
Ottawa	1	1	0	— 2

First Period—1, Ottawa, Yashin 24 (Laukkanen, Johansson), 12:46.
Second Period—2, Ottawa, Bonk 11, :58.
Third Period—3, Washington, Zednik 5 (Konowalchuk, Kolzig), 6:07.
Shots on goal—Washington 3-15-14—32. Ottawa 9-10-5—24.
Power-play Opportunities—Washington 0 of 2; Ottawa 0 of 2. Goalies—Washington, Kolzig 19-21-1 (24 shots-22 saves). Ottawa, Rhodes 14-10-3 (32-31). A—18,500 (18,500).

Blackhawks 6, Maple Leafs 2

Chicago	2	1	3	— 6
Toronto	0	2	0	— 2

First Period—1, Chicago, Amonte 28 (Gilmour), 4:18. 2, Chicago, Simpson 1 (Probert, Laflamme), 8:41.
Second Period—3, Chicago, Gilmour 13 (Amonte, Daze), 3:11 (pp). 4, Toronto, Thomas 21 (Sullivan, Berard), 5:58 (pp). 5, Toronto, D.King 17 (Warriner, Cote), 8:15.
Third Period—6, Chicago, Simpson 2 (Probert, Brown), 3:48. 7, Chicago, Daze 11 (Leroux, Manson), 5:19. 8, Chicago, Probert 3 (Simpson), 11:05.
Shots on goal—Chicago 9-12-6—27. Toronto 9-8-9—26. Power-play Opportunities—Chicago 1 of 5; Toronto 1 of 5. Goalies—Chicago, Thibault 10-19-3 (26 shots-24 saves). Toronto, Joseph 24-16-3 (27-21). A—15,726 (15,726).

Oilers 3, Blues 2

Edmonton	1	1	1	— 3
St. Louis	1	0	1	— 2

First Period—1, Edmonton, Guerin 23 (Smyth, Mironov), 7:50. 2, St. Louis, Turgeon 18 (Demitra, Pellerin), 14:42.
Second Period—3, Edmonton, Smyth 8 (McAmmond, Hamrlik), 12:20 (pp).
Third Period—4, St. Louis, Rheaume 6 (Eastwood, Mayers), 9:04. 5, Edmonton, Smyth 9 (Beranek, Mironov), 11:04.
Shots on goal—Edmonton 7-9-6—22. St. Louis 8-10-15—33. Power-play Opportunities—Edmonton 1 of 6; St. Louis 0 of 5. Goalies—Edmonton, Essensa 10-9-5 (33 shots-31 saves). St. Louis, McLennan 10-12-3 (22-19). A—20,209 (19,260).

Penguins 3, Predators 2

Pittsburgh	2	0	1	— 3
Nashville	1	0	1	— 2

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Hrdina 9 (Hatcher, Miller), :16. 2, Pittsburgh, Kovalev 18, 3:34. 3, Nashville, Boughner 2 (Bordeleau, Walker), 12:53.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—4, Nashville, Ronning 15 (Johnson, Kjellberg), 19:00.
Overtime—5, Pittsburgh, Miller 12 (Jagr), 3:39.
Shots on goal—Pittsburgh 10-13-8-3—34. Nashville 11-4-17-2—34. Power-play Opportunities—Pittsburgh 0 of 6; Nashville 0 of 6. Goalies—Pittsburgh, Skudra 10-4-3 (34 shots-32 saves). Nashville, Vokoun 7-12-3 (34-31). A—17,298 (17,298).

Stars 3, Kings 2

Dallas	1	2	0	— 3
Los Angeles	0	2	0	— 2

First Period—1, Dallas, Hull 21 (Lehtinen, Modano), 12:13.
Second Period—2, Dallas, Verbeek 12 (Nieuwendyk), 3:13. 3, Los Angeles, Ferraro 10 (Robitaille), 4:34. 4, Los Angeles, C.Johnson 5 (Laperriere, Courtnall), 5:14. 5, Dallas, Carbonneau 2 (Severyn, Keczmer), 13:25.
Third Period—None.
Shots on goal—Dallas 7-12-3—22. Los Angeles 7-7-12—26. Power-play Opportunities—Dallas 0 of 3; Los Angeles 0 of 3. Goalies—Dallas, Turek 9-1-2 (26 shots-24 saves). Los Angeles, Fiset 8-9-1 (22-19). A—12,702 (16,005).

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At A Glance
By The Associated Press
Eastern Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Shreveport	33	16	4	70	238	185
Arkansas	31	17	5	67	219	186
Lake Charles	30	17	4	64	210	175
Monroe	27	21	5	59	195	198
Alexandria	20	23	9	49	202	234
Tupelo	15	35	3	33	151	247

Central Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Corpus Christi	28	20	5	61	195	177
Waco	27	17	5	59	183	161
Central Texas	25	17	9	59	208	191
Fort Worth	24	19	6	54	152	170
Austin	21	22	8	50	161	199

Western Division

	W	L	SOL	Pts	GF	GA
Abilene	36	15	2	74	213	169
San Angelo	30	17	4	64	208	184
El Paso	27	23	3	57	186	176
Odessa	26	24	3	55	175	171
Amarillo	24	22	4	52	189	198
New Mexico	21	27	7	49	191	231

NOTE: Two points are awarded for a victory; one for a shootout loss. Shootout losses are separate from losses.

Saturday's Games
Lake Charles 6, Abilene 3
Monroe 6, El Paso 3
Odessa 3, Fort Worth 2, SO
Waco 4, San Angelo 3, SO
Shreveport 5, Alexandria 4
Arkansas 3, Tupelo 2, SO
Austin 4, New Mexico 2
Central Texas 6, Corpus Christi 3
Sunday's Games
San Angelo at Abilene
Lake Charles at Amarillo
El Paso at Arkansas
Shreveport at Austin
Monroe at Central Texas
New Mexico at Fort Worth
Alexandria at Waco
Corpus Christi at Odessa

NASCAR-NAPA

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Unofficial results of Saturday's NAPA Auto Parts 300 NASCAR Busch Series, Grand National Division race at the Daytona International Speedway with starting position in parentheses, driver, type of car, laps completed, reason out, if any, and money won:

1. (2) Randy LaJoie, Chevrolet, 120, $90,950.
2. (13) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, 120, $60,700.
3. (42) Andy Hillenburg, Pontiac, 120, $44,825.
4. (18) Matt Kenseth, Chevrolet, 120, $48,500.
5. (23) Bobby Hillin Jr, Chevrolet, 120, $39,650.
6. (21) Adam Petty, Chevrolet, 120, $29,600.
7. (19) Kevin Lepage, Chevrolet, 120, $31,400.
8. (26) Kevin Grubb, Chevrolet, 120, $29,450.
9. (11) Jeff Burton, Ford, 120, $34,400.
10. (36) Brad Loney, Chevrolet, 120, $25,950.
11. (14) Chuck Bown, Chevrolet, 120, $23,750.
12. (41) Curtis Markham, Chevrolet, 120, $23,375.
13. (31) Jeff Finley, Chevrolet, 120, $21,000.
14. (16) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 120, $30,200.
15. (3) Mike McLaughlin, Chevrolet, 120, $29,350.
16. (34) Glenn Allen, Ford, 120, $29,350.
17. (4) Casey Atwood, Chevrolet, 119, $21,850.
18. (20) Mike Dillon, Chevrolet, 119, $23,625.
19. (15) Terry Labonte, Chevrolet, 118, $21,500.
20. (33) Kerry Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 117, $19,675.
21. (38) Elton Sawyer, Chevrolet, 117, $23,250.
22. (12) Jason Keller, Chevrolet, 116, $22,125.
23. (35) Jeff Fuller, Chevrolet, 108, $21,000.
24. (29) Mark Green, Chevrolet, 104, $21,900.
25. (8) Larry Pearson, Pontiac, 93, crash, $25,460.
26. (30) Dick Trickle, Chevrolet, 89, crash, $18,625.
27. (39) Jason Jarrett, Chevrolet, 88, crash, $25,050.
28. (37) Tony Raines, Chevrolet, 87, crash, $24,975.
29. (25) Lyndon Amick, Chevrolet, 85, engine, $20,375.
30. (6) Bobby Hamilton Jr, Chevrolet, 84, $18,375.
31. (28) Jimmy Kitchens, Chevrolet, 78, crash, $18,400.
32. (17) Todd Bodine, Chevrolet, 76, crash, $21,050.
33. (24) Phil Parsons, Chevrolet, 76, crash, $21,000.
34. (32) Ron Hornaday, Chevrolet, 76, crash, $19,950.
35. (7) Tim Fedewa, Pontiac, 72, crash, $25,300.
36. (10) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 70, engine, $17,725.
37. (43) Johnny Benson, Chevrolet, 56, crash, $17,675.
38. (1) Ken Schrader, Chevrolet, 45, rear end, $18,925.
39. (27) Mark Martin, Ford, 43, crash, $19,800.
40. (9) Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 24, crash, $17,525.
41. (40) Jeff Purvis, Chevrolet, 24, crash, $24,975.
42. (22) Andy Santerre, Chevrolet, 24, crash, $20,425.
43. (5) Dave Blaney, Pontiac, 1, engine, $20,375.

Daytona 500

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Lineup for Sunday's Daytona 500 with car number in parentheses, driver, car make and qualifying speed in mph (positions 3-30 determined by results of 125-mile qualifying races):

1. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 195.067.
2. (20) Tony Stewart, Pontiac, 194.599.
3. (18) Bobby Labonte, Pontiac.
4. (3) Dale Earnhardt, Chevrolet.
5. (99) Jeff Burton, Ford.
6. (12) Jeremy Mayfield, Ford.
7. (33) Ken Schrader, Chevrolet.
8. (88) Dale Jarrett, Ford.
9. (6) Mark Martin, Ford.
10. (2) Rusty Wallace, Ford.
11. (23) Jimmy Spencer, Ford.
12. (31) Mike Skinner, Chevrolet.
13. (7) Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet.
14. (16) Kevin Lepage, Ford.
15. (77) Robert Pressley, Ford.
16. (4) Bobby Hamilton, Chevrolet.
17. (40) Sterling Marlin, Chevrolet.
18. (22) Ward Burton, Pontiac.
19. (5) Terry Labonte, Chevrolet.
20. (30) Derrike Cope, Pontiac.
21. (98) Rick Mast, Ford.
22. (45) Rich Bickle, Pontiac.
23. (1) Steve Park, Chevrolet.
24. (44) Kyle Petty, Pontiac.
25. (9) Jerry Nadeau, Ford.
26. (97) Chad Little, Ford.
27. (75) Ted Musgrave, Ford.
28. (58) Ricky Craven, Ford.
29. (10) Ricky Rudd, Ford.
30. (60) Geoffrey Bodine, Chevrolet.
31. (36) Ernie Irvan, Pontiac, 193.978.
32. (42) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 193.628.
33. (55) Kenny Wallace, Chevrolet, 193.494.
34. (25) Wally Dallenbach Jr., Chevrolet, 193.282.
35. (71) Dave Marcis, Chevrolet, 192.794.
36. (43) John Andretti, Pontiac, 192.439.
37. (94) Bill Elliott, Ford, provisional.
38. (21) Elliott Sadler, Ford, provisional.
39. (26) Johnny Benson, Ford, provisional.
40. (11) Brett Bodine, Ford, provisional.
41. (28) Kenny Irwin, Ford, provisional.
42. (90) Mike Wallace, Ford, provisional.
43. (66) Darrell Waltrip, Ford, provisional.

NBA Glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	4	1	.800	—
Philadelphia	3	1	.750	1/2
Boston	2	2	.500	1 1/2
New York	2	2	.500	1 1/2
Miami	2	3	.400	2
New Jersey	1	3	.250	2 1/2
Washington	1	3	.250	2 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	3	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	4	1	.800	—
Detroit	3	2	.600	1
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Cleveland	2	3	.400	2
Chicago	1	3	.250	2 1/2
Toronto	1	3	.250	2 1/2
Charlotte	1	4	.200	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	5	0	1.000	—
Houston	4	1	.800	1
Minnesota	3	1	.750	1 1/2
San Antonio	3	3	.500	2 1/2
Vancouver	1	3	.250	3 1/2
Dallas	1	4	.200	4
Denver	1	5	.167	4 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	5	0	1.000	—
Portland	2	1	.667	2
L.A. Lakers	3	2	.600	2
Phoenix	3	2	.600	2
Sacramento	2	2	.500	2 1/2
L.A. Clippers	0	4	.000	4 1/2
Golden State	0	5	.000	5

Saturday's Games
Late Game Not Included
Phoenix 107, L.A. Clippers 104, OT
Seattle 105, Denver 92
Sunday's Games
San Antonio at Chicago, 2:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Orlando, 3 p.m.
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Vancouver, 3 p.m.
Indiana at L.A. Lakers, 5:30 p.m.
Portland at Golden State, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers, 9 p.m.

College Baseball

SOUTHWEST
Baylor 7, Mississippi 3
Houston 9, Alabama 5
Kansas 10-12, Texas-Arlington 3-13
Oklahoma 6, Oklahoma City 4
Oklahoma St. 13, Wis.-Milwaukee 9
Oregon 13, Texas-Arlington 2
SW Texas St. 4-2, Texas Christian 2-7
Texas A&M 4, Stephen F. Austin 2
Texas Lutheran 8-11, National Christian 6-1
Texas-Pan American 4-9, Texas-San Antonio 3-2
FAR WEST
Arizona 5, Texas A&M 2
Creighton 17-17, Air Force 4-8
Hawaii-Hilo 3-1, Wichita St. 2-3
Loyola Marymount 15, UC Santa Barbara 7
New Mexico 7, Arizona St. 6
New Mexico St. 9, Washington St. 7
Oregon St. 9, CS Northridge 1
Pepperdine 7, UNLV 1
Southern Cal 5, Texas Tech 3
Westmont 11-3, Point Loma Nazarene 9-8

Golf Results

Buick Invitational

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Scores Saturday after the third round of the $2.7 million Buick Invitational on Torrey Pines Golf Club's par-72 7,000-yard South course:

Tiger Woods	68-71-62 — 201
Billy Ray Brown	69-65-68 — 202
Kevin Sutherland	68-68-67 — 203
Bill Glasson	68-67-68 — 203
Frank Lickliter	67-66-70 — 203
Scott Hoch	69-66-69 — 204
Ted Tryba	65-65-74 — 204
Scott Simpson	71-68-66 — 205
Chris Riley	72-65-68 — 205
David Toms	71-70-64 — 205
Brian Watts	70-67-68 — 205
Dennis Paulson	67-64-74 — 205
Jeff Maggert	70-67-69 — 206
Katsumasa Miyamoto	66-74-66 — 206
Bob Estes	71-66-69 — 206
Omar Uresti	71-66-69 — 206
Craig Stadler	71-65-70 — 206
Jason Gore	68-66-70 — 206
Jonathan Kaye	69-67-70 — 206
Blaine McCallister	67-71-69 — 207
Eric Booker	67-70-70 — 207
Skip Kendall	72-65-70 — 207
Ted Purdy	72-68-67 — 207
Robert Allenby	68-67-72 — 207
Chris Perry	66-69-72 — 207
Michael Walton	71-68-69 — 208
Stewart Cink	69-69-70 — 208
Charles Raulerson	71-69-68 — 208
Loren Roberts	70-70-68 — 208
Bob Burns	66-71-71 — 208
Chris Couch	70-70-68 — 208
Dan Forsman	69-68-71 — 208
Billy Andrade	69-67-72 — 208
Duffy Waldorf	73-66-70 — 209
Woody Austin	68-72-69 — 209
Scott McCarron	69-69-71 — 209
Jeff Sluman	69-69-71 — 209
Michael Bradley	72-65-72 — 209
Alan Bratton	68-71-71 — 210
Steve Elkington	68-70-72 — 210
Tommy Armour III	70-70-70 — 210
Sean Murphy	70-70-70 — 210
Danny Briggs	73-67-70 — 210
David Berganio	69-67-74 — 210
John Maginnes	72-69-69 — 210
Steve Pate	68-68-74 — 210
Mike Sposa	74-65-72 — 211
Brad Faxon	70-68-73 — 211
Jerry Kelly	74-66-71 — 211
Barry Cheesman	71-69-71 — 211
Neal Lancaster	69-69-73 — 211
Bob Friend	70-70-71 — 211
Frank Nobilo	71-70-70 — 211
Rory Sabbatini	69-72-70 — 211
Rich Beem	72-69-70 — 211
John Elliott	68-73-70 — 211
Mike Hulbert	71-68-73 — 212
P.H. Horgan III	71-67-74 — 212
Pete Jordan	71-69-72 — 212
Jay Williamson	68-72-72 — 212
Peter Jacobsen	70-71-71 — 212
Jim Carter	70-68-75 — 213
Bradley Hughes	70-71-72 — 213
Brian Henninger	72-69-72 — 213
Robin Freeman	69-71-74 — 214
Craig Barlow	70-71-73 — 214
Larry Mize	69-72-73 — 214
Kaname Yokoo	70-68-77 — 215
David Sutherland	71-70-74 — 215
Lee Porter	72-69-74 — 215
Tom Scherrer	71-70-74 — 215
Kevin Wentworth	73-67-76 — 216
Wayne Levi	66-74-78 — 218
Lee Trevino	71-74 — 145
Isao Aoki	69-76 — 145
Tom Shaw	69-76 — 145
Simon Hobday	68-77 — 145
Gil Morgan	75-71 — 146
John Mahaffey	73-73 — 146
Allen Doyle	74-72 — 146
Graham Marsh	72-74 — 146
Gene Littler	72-74 — 146
Alberto Giannone	72-74 — 146
John Jacobs	71-75 — 146
Bud Allin	71-75 — 146
Bobby Nichols	70-76 — 146
Barney Thompson	70-76 — 146
Chi Chi Rodriguez	70-76 — 146
Brian Barnes	70-76 — 146
Tom Weiskopf	76-71 — 147
Jim Dent	74-73 — 147
Dave Eichelberger	72-75 — 147
Charles Coody	72-75 — 147
Ed Dougherty	72-75 — 147
Howard Twitty	72-75 — 147
Orville Moody	71-76 — 147
Rocky Thompson	71-76 — 147
Walt Morgan	75-73 — 148
Jay Sigel	73-75 — 148
Bob Duval	72-76 — 148
Larry Ziegler	72-76 — 148
Bob Leaver	70-78 — 148
Joe Inman	72-77 — 149
Kermit Zarley	72-77 — 149
Buzz Thomas	72-77 — 149
Walter Zembriski	75-75 — 150
Al Geiberger	71-79 — 150
Calvin Peete	70-80 — 150
Harold Henning	78-75 — 151
Fred Gibson	75-76 — 151
Tommy Aaron	74-77 — 151
Larry Mowry	71-80 — 151
Dick Rhyan	74-78 — 152
Terry Dill	73-79 — 152
Frank Conner	79-74 — 153
Leonard Thompson	75-78 — 153
DeWitt Weaver	75-78 — 153
Jimmy Powell	74-79 — 153
Jerry McGee	77-79 — 156
Gay Brewer	79-77 — 156
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Lee Elder	74-83 — 157
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Miller Barber	81-79 — 160
Deane Beman	73-WD

Valley of Stars

GLENDALE, Calif. (AP) — Scores Saturday after the second round of the $650,000 Valley Of The Stars Championship played on the 6,276-yard, par 72, Oakmont Country Club (a-denotes amateur):

Catrin Nilsmark	68-65 — 133
Stephanie Lowe	68-67 — 135
Annika Sorenstam	67-70 — 137
Jane Geddes	69-70 — 139
Cindy Rlom	71-69 — 140
Dale Eggeling	70-70 — 140
Liselotte Neumann	71-70 — 141
Helen Alfredsson	70-71 — 141
Dottie Pepper	69-72 — 141
Kris Tschetter	74-68 — 142
Martha Nause	71-72 — 143
Meg Mallon	71-72 — 143
Cindy Figg-Currier	70-73 — 143
Leta Lindley	70-73 — 143
Amy Alcott	73-71 — 144
Cristie Kerr	76-69 — 145
Se Ri Pak	75-70 — 145
Patty Sheehan	73-72 — 145
Emilee Klein	73-72 — 145
Pat Hurst	73-72 — 145
Wendy Doolan	73-72 — 145
Laurie Rinker-Graham	72-73 — 145
Alison Nicholas	72-73 — 145
Elizabeth Makings	72-73 — 145
Kim Saiki	71-74 — 145
Denise Killeen	71-74 — 145
Pat Bradley	70-75 — 145
Sherri Turner	69-76 — 145
Luciana Bernvenuti	69-76 — 145
Penny Hammel	76-70 — 146
Ashli Price-Bunch	75-71 — 146
Amy Benz	73-73 — 146
Kristi Albers	73-73 — 146
Hollis Stacy	72-74 — 146
Susie Redman	72-74 — 146
Elaine Crosby	72-74 — 146
A.J. Eathorne	72-74 — 146
Michele Redman	71-75 — 146
Lorie Kane	70-76 — 146
Rachel Hetherington	70-76 — 146
Chris Johnson	77-70 — 147
Karen Noble	77-70 — 147
Charlotta Sorenstam	74-73 — 147
Mardi Lunn	74-73 — 147
Carin Koch	74-73 — 147
Dina Ammaccapane	74-73 — 147
Juli Inkster	73-74 — 147
Janice Moodie	73-74 — 147
Lisa Kiggens	73-74 — 147
Tracy Hanson	73-74 — 147
Hiromi Kobayashi	76-72 — 148
Julie Piers	76-72 — 148
Jenny Lidback	75-73 — 148
Pearl Sinn	73-75 — 148
Akiko Fukushima	71-77 — 148
Moira Dunn	78-71 — 149
Tina Barrett	75-74 — 149
Catriona Matthew	75-74 — 149
Becky Iverson	75-74 — 149
Nancy Ramsbottom	74-75 — 149
Helen Dobson	74-75 — 149
Annette DeLuca	74-75 — 149
Beth Daniel	73-76 — 149
Dawn Coe-Jones	72-77 — 149
Cindy McCurdy	77-73 — 150
Suzanne Strudwick	76-74 — 150
Stefania Croce	75-75 — 150
Anna Acker-Macosko	75-75 — 150
Vicki Fergon	74-76 — 150
Dana Dormann	72-78 — 150
Karen Weiss	71-79 — 150
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Maria Hjorth	80-71 — 151
Nanci Bowen	78-73 — 151
Wendy Ward	78-73 — 151
Lori Atsedes	78-73 — 151
Smriti Mehra	77-74 — 151
Kate Golden	77-74 — 151
Sue Thomas	76-75 — 151
Patti Rizzo	75-76 — 151
Deb Richard	75-76 — 151
Eva Dahllof	75-76 — 151
Patti Liscio	73-78 — 151
Michelle McGann	72-79 — 151
Nancy Harvey	80-72 — 152
Marianne Morris	78-74 — 152
Amy Fruhwirth	78-74 — 152
Caroline Blaylock	77-75 — 152
Lisa Hackney	76-76 — 152
Nancy Scranton	75-77 — 152
a-Jennifer Rosales	75-77 — 152
Cathy Johnston-Forbes	73-79 — 152
Asa Gottmo	81-72 — 153
Sherri Steinhauer	80-73 — 153
Marnie McGuire	79-74 — 153
Mayumi Hirase	78-75 — 153
Jackie Gallagher-Smith	77-76 — 153
Erika Witcoff	76-77 — 153
Vickie Odegard	78-77 — 153
Jan Stephenson	74-79 — 153
Liz Earley	74-79 — 153
Mi Hyun Kim	74-79 — 153
Shelley Hamlin	72-81 — 153
Mhairi McKay	80-74 — 154
Mary Beth Zimmerman	79-75 — 154
Barb Whitehead	79-75 — 154
Caroline McMillan	79-75 — 154
Karen Lunn	79-75 — 154
Joanne Morley	78-76 — 154
Diane Barnard	77-77 — 154
Robin Walton	76-78 — 154
Muffin Spencer-Devlin	76-78 — 154
Leslie Spalding	76-78 — 154
Kathryn Marshall	75-79 — 154
Shani Waugh	80-75 — 155
Joan Pitcock	78-77 — 155
Jill McGill	75-77 — 155
Kristi Coats	78-77 — 155
Allison Finney	77-78 — 155
Michelle Estill	76-79 — 155
Jean Bartholomew	75-80 — 155
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Jody Anschutz	81-76 — 157
Sophie Gustafson	80-77 — 157
Ellie Gibson	75-82 — 157
Laura Phil

Win over Central gives MHS girls two-game cushion

Staff Report

SAN ANGELO — The Midland Lee girls soccer team will take a two-game District 4-5A lead into the second half of loop play after a 2-1 victory over San Angelo Central Saturday at Old Bobcat Stadium.

Lee (14-2 overall) improves to 6-0 in district while Central (11-4) falls to 4-2. Both losses have been to Midland teams. Odessa Permian fell into a tie for third with Midland High and Abilene High at 3-3 in district after PHS' shocking loss to Lady Eagles.

Like last year, Lee has the second half lead, but Lee coach Mike Simpson feels the job is just half done.

"A two-game lead feels good," Simpson said. "We are sitting where we were last year. Last year, we finished 11-1 and we don't want to do that again."

Focusing on the present, Lee came from behind for the second time in eight days to beat the Lady Bobcats. Like they did against Cooper, Lee answered a Central goal one minute earlier as Raffi Belizaire took an assist from Renee Bonin and tied the game at 1-1.

■ District 4-5A Soccer

"It did (take the wind out of their sails), and the game changed," Simpson said. "They pushed the long ball to the front and took a lot of long shots from the outside instead of trying to flow them in. That hurt their game."

In the second half, the Lady Rebels made matters worse as Allison Herr took a Bonin pass and finished with the game-winning goal. It was the second time in district that the game clincher came off Herr's foot. She hit the shootout winner against MHS to open district.

However in this one, the advantage may have been in the midfield, where Bonin had two assists, Belizaire a goal and the rest helped a Lee passing game, which was on working well especially in the second half.

Midland High boys win

SAN ANGELO — The Midland High boys used Saturday's non-district game with San Angelo Lake View as preparation for Tuesday's crosstown rivalry game with Midland Lee.

If Saturday's 4-0 win is any indication, the 7-6 Bulldogs will be in good shape.

"The guys have been struggling to get a victory," MHS coach Tony Pierce said. "They were hungry. We got the result we wanted and played the way we wanted. Realistically, it was the way to get us ready for Tuesday game."

Russell Jones had the game's first goal and added an assist later in the first half. Brent Drummond, Marcus Jackson and Raul Ramirez added goals while Sam Bakke and Will Brunner added assists.

Midland Lee girls 2, San Angelo Central 1

Midland Lee	1	1	—2
San Angelo	1	0	—1

First Half: 1. SAC, Kelli Larsen (Kelly Bragg), 35th minute; 2. Lee, Raffi Belizaire (Renee Bonin), 36th. Second Half: 3. Allison Herr (Bonin), 56th.

Shots: Lee 12, SAC 8. Corners: Lee 2, SAC 6. Fouls: Lee 15, SAC 8. Offsides: Lee 1, SAC 5. Saves: Lee 2 (Brandice Zachry 2), SAC 1 (Maureen Metz 1).

Midland High Boys 4, Lake View 0

Midland High	2	2	—4
San Angelo Lake View	0	0	—0

First Half 1. MHS, Russell Jones (Will Brunner), 8th minute; 2. MHS, Brent Drummond (Jones), 38th. Second Half 3. Marcus Jackson (PK), 62nd; 4. MHS, Raul Ramirez (Sam Bakke), 77th

Shots: MHS 26, Lake View 2. Saves: MHS 1 (Justin Booth).

Other results from around the district

Girls

Abilene High 3, Odessa Permian 2. PHS goals: Chrystal Wantiez, Megan Hudman. PHS Assists: Mari-Luci Calzada. Abilene High scores three times including on a PHS own goal as Permian played its first game without Kelly Wilson.

Boys

Abilene High 3, Permian 2 (SO 2-0). AHS goals: Jesse Cardenas, Daniel Flores. AHS Assists: Miguel Santos, Joey Martinez. PHS goals: AHS own goal, Cody Peterson. PHS Assist: Glen Wardlaw. PHS drops its first district game of the year. AHS moves into tie with Central for third in district.

Local Sports

Trinity earns second seed

LUBBOCK — The Trinity boys basketball team defeated Amarillo San Jacinto Saturday for the second time in eight days to earn the first seed of District 1-3A in the upcoming TAPPS 3A playoffs.

Trinity, which defeated San Jacinto by 46 points last Saturday to force the eventual co-championship between the two teams, knocked off Amarillo again 59-45 in a neutral site game.

It means that Trinity will play the second seed out of District 3-3A — Arlington Grace Prep — in the bi-district round of the TAPPS playoffs at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Abilene High. Amarillo will play two-time defending 3A champion — Grand Prairie Shady Grove.

"We weren't expecting another blowout. I have played too long to know that it is hard to beat a team twice like that," Trinity coach Cleveland Phelps said. "They (the Chargers) didn't lose their poise. They had their look in their eyes that they would win the game no matter what. They important thing is that we won. It is good for school, kids and good for program."

Mark Stoltz and Taborick Ephriam each had 16 to pace the 21-7 Chargers, which jumped out to a 36-22 lead by halftime.

Trinity boys 59, Amarillo San Jacinto 45

Trinity (21-7): Dustin Truitt 0 0-1 0, Mark Stoltz 4 6-6 16, Taborick Ephriam 6 4-4 16, Evan McLaughlin 3 2-5 8, Nick Whitely 4 1-2 9, Greg McCabe 3 2-4 8, Dan Attanucci 1 0-0 2. **Totals: 21 15-22 59.**

San Jacinto: Gross 4 4-7 15, Fuller 5 0-0 10, McKinney 3 0-0 8, Davis 1 0-1 2, Fuller 2 2-2 6, Roberts 2 0-0 4. **Totals:** 17 6-10 45.

3-point goals: T 2 (Stoltz 2), SJ 5 (Gross 3, McKinney 2). **Fouls:** T 18, SJ 22. **Fouled Out:** T - Whitley

Trinity	18	18	13	10	—59
Amarillo San Jacinto	12	10	14	9	—45

Lee golf places 2nd

BIG SPRING — The Midland Lee boys golf team held onto second place after Saturday's second and final round of the Big Spring Golf Tournament held at Big Spring Country Club.

The Rebels had a two day total of 624, finishing 12 strokes behind Lubbock Coronado, which finished with a 612 total. Coronado also had the top medalist in J.J. Killeen, who finsihed with a two-day total of 143.

Lee was led by Chance Finley with a two-day total of 154.

Host Big Spring finished in fourth with a 636 total. Midland High, which wasn't playing its first team, finished seventh with a 652 total. MHS was led by Matt Gerhard's 160 total, plus also had a good showing from freshman Blake Braun, who finsihed with 162.

Trinity tied for 19th with a 695 total.

A total of 27 teams participated in this two-day tournament.

Here are the final local results from the Big Spring golf tournament held at the Big Spring Country Club Friday and Saturday:

Team Standings: 1. Lubbock Coronado 612; 2. Midland Lee 624; 3. Sweetwater 635; 4. Big Spring 636; 5. San Angelo Central 638; 6. San Angelo Lake View 643; 7. Midland High 652; 8. Andrews 654. Also, 13. Odessa Permian 671; 15. Lamesa 674; 19. Trinity 695; 25. Odessa High 790.

Lee (624): Chance Finley 77-77—154; Thomas Freeman 75-80—155; Omar Sanchez 81-75—156; Justin Smith 76-89—165; Daniel Pender 86-83—169.

Midland High (652): Matt Gerhard 84-76—160; Matt Davis 79-83—162; Blake Braun 83-79—162; Alan McQuire 88-82—170; C.W. Porter 87-87—174.

Trinity (695): Stephen Stoltz 79-85—164; Hunter Kennedy 84-84—168; Corey Mayes 99-93—192; Nathan Pertile 94-90—184.

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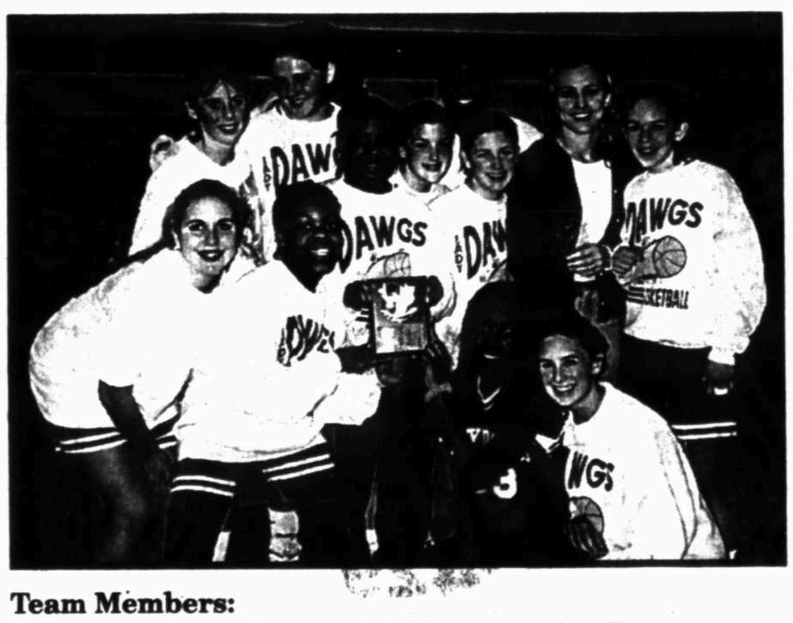

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SWIM: MHS girls win team title

(From 1C)

in the 200 IM (1:58.50) and 100 breast (58.88) and Lee's Gregg Strauss joined Irons as a returnee to the state meet by winning the 500 free with a personal best 4:49.62.

Yet, Midland's triumphant day started off with a win in an event where Tall City swimmers weren't favored. The MHS girls were the No. 2 seed behind El Paso Franklin in the 200 medley relay, but the quartet of Irons, sophomore Stephanie Brown, freshman Catherine Jelf and junior Ellen Bell pulled out the victory with a 1:52.77, only .07 seconds ahead of Franklin as Irons swam the final freestyle leg of the victory.

"The 200 medley relay I was really excited about because we were seeded second," said Irons. "I was under pressure. I could see (Franklin's Lacey Elliott) next to me and I was just trying to outtouch her because I knew that's what it would come down to."

But none of the other three races Irons was involved in was that close. She won the 200 IM by nearly five seconds and the 100 back by nearly three seconds over Brown in 1:00.34, a time which could still be picked up for the state meet.

Irons almost broke another regional record in the 100 back, just falling short of Amber Goodwin's 57.21 set three years ago.

"I was really pleased with my times," Irons said. "I didn't even know I was close to any records until after the race. This was just a very successful day."

Strauss will be returning to Austin with Irons and the other MHS swimmers as Lee's lone representative in the state meet, and he did so with grit. He entered Friday's prelims as the No. 3 seed behind El Paso Eastwood's Chris Rodriguez and Sherman's Chris Edmaiston, who finished second and third respectively behind Strauss in the finals.

In Friday's prelims, Strauss earned the top seed for the finals and swam between Rodriguez and Edmaiston. The trio was tightly bunched for about the first 300 yards until Strauss separated himself from the pack and took the lead for good.

"I was going to take it out fairly fast so I could stay with (Rodriguez and Edmaiston)," said Strauss of his strategy for the finals. "I watched (Edmaiston) take it out at the first, then he kind of died in the end (of Friday's prelims)."

That wasn't a problem for Rodriguez, who appeared outdistanced by Strauss going into the final lap, but began closing ground before finishing less than a second behind Strauss.

"He had everything going in that last 25 yards," said Strauss of Rodriguez. "It took me too long to realize he was coming up on me."

McKeller didn't have to worry about late charges in his wins since the margins of his wins were so large. That he won twice wasn't a shocker since he was already a top seed in both events.

But as much as the competition, it was time barriers which spurred on McKeller Saturday, specifically getting under two minutes in the 200 IM, his first event of the day, and cracking one minute in the 100 breast.

"To tell you the truth I was a little nervous," McKeller said. "I came back this morning after a good night's sleep as fired up as I've ever been.

"I cut five seconds off my personal best (in the 200 IM) and I couldn't believe that was my time when I looked up. As soon as I got done in the 200 IM I knew I could (crack 1:00) in the breast."

Naturally, the day ended with a victory for the MHS girls in the 400 free relay. Irons and Brown teamed with sophomore Emily Alvarado and senior Kristin Carson in the one event which had to be considered a Midland cinch. MHS entered the event with a 12 second advantage over the next best seed, then lived up to it in the finals with a season best 3:40.86.

Perhaps it was appropriate that Brown, the first Midland swimmer in the water on the day when she swam the backstroke leg of the 200 free relay, was the last Midland winner out of the water during the final leg of the 400 free. As someone who helped set the tone, Brown was determined not to blow it at the end.

"I said to myself I cannot false start because we're going to state," said Brown.

Not all of the Midland swimmers at the meet could go to the state meet, of course, but that didn't mean they all couldn't still have good days.

"When you look at personal bests I can't remember a day it was across the board this good for everyone," said Ted Carson.

Aside from the winners, no other Midland swimmer besides Brown had a finish high as second. Brown was also third in the 200 free while Jelf was third in the 200 IM and Kristin Carson was third in the 500 free.

In the boys team standings, Midland High was fifth with 37.50 points, well behind the winner, Eastwood with 72. The Lee boys were in sixth with 15 points.

The only individual points scored Saturday by the Lee girls came in the 500 free where Erin Harvey and Heather Barcroft finished fifth and seventh respectively.

Region I Swim Meet

Results from the finals of the Region I swimming and diving championships Saturday at Texas Tech. The top 3 finishers are listed, along with area and District 4-5A finishers who scored points:

Boys Teams

1, El Paso Eastwood 72; 2, Lubbock High (LHS) 49; 3, El Paso Franklin 48.50; 4, San Angelo Central (SAC) 41; 5, Midland High (MHS) 37.50; 6, Midland Lee 15; 7, Pecos 13; 8, Big Spring (BS) 10; 9, El Paso Hanks 9; 10 (tie), Abilene High (AHS) and Lubbock Monterey (LM) 7; 12 (tie), El Paso Coronado (EPC), Andrews and Lubbock Coronado (LC) 5; 15, Sherman 4; 16, Odessa Permian (OP) 2.

Girls Teams

1, Midland High 84; 2, El Paso Franklin 53.50; 3, Lubbock High 43; 4, El Paso Coronado 28; 5, San Angelo Central 23; 6, Odessa High (OHS) 16; 7, Amarillo Tascosa (AT) 15; 8 (tie), Amarillo High and Denton 14; 10, El Paso Eastwood 10; 11, (tie) Monahans and Odessa Permian 9; 13, Lubbock Coronado 3; 14, Abilene High 2.50; 15 (tie), Abilene Cooper (AC), Lee and El Paso Jefferson 2.

Individual Boys

200 medley relay: 1, El Paso Franklin 1:39.27; 2, Lubbock High 1:39.61; 3, Midland High 1:41.69; 5, San Angelo Central 1:44.75. 200 free: 1, B.J. Barton (EP Eastwood) 1:43.50; 2, Chris Hopkins (LHS) 1:44.94; 3, Andy Munoz (EP Eastwood) 1:46.56; 4, Gregg Strauss (Lee) 1:47.80. 200 IM: 1, Michael McKeller (MHS) 1:58.50; 2, S. Kirkpatrick (LHS) 2:01.22; 3, Chris Rodriguez (EP Eastwood) 2:02.17; 4, Slate Broyles (BS) 2:03.40; 5, Justin Fallin (Lee) 2:05.06. 50 free: 1, Charles Henkel (EP Franklin) 21.55; 2, Ryan Rogers (LHS) 21.73; 3, Billy Patterson (SAC) 21.85; 6, James Stultz (SAC) 22.36. 1-meter diving: 1, Brian Ferris (LM) 542.90; 2, B. Northcott (LC) 427.20; 3, Tanner Jackson (Andrews) 289.70; 4, Clay Gibson (SAC) 266.05; 5, Justin Little (OP) 262.65; 6, Jesse Tarango (Andrews) 257.15. 100 fly: 1, Billy Patterson (SAC) 53.72; 2, David Chew (EP Franklin) 54.70; 3, Brian Bobigian (EP Franklin) 56.62; 4, Tyson Taylor (MHS) 56.68; 5, Michael Brown (MHS) 57.74; 6, Billy Beckworth (BS) 57.92. 100 free: 1, Andy Munoz (EP Eastwood) 47.94; 2, Chris Hopkins (LHS) 47.97; 3, Charles Henkel (EP Franklin) 48.09; 4, Gregor Griener (AHS) 48.19; 6, James Stultz (SAC) 49.55. 500 free: 1, Gregg Strauss (Lee) 4:49.62; 2, Chris Rodriguez (EP Eastwood) 4:50.46; 3, Chris Edmaiston (Sherman) 4:54.07; 4, Justin Fallin (Lee) 5:07.92; 5, Scott Jacobson (MHS) 5:15.23. 200 free relay: 1, El Paso Eastwood 1:27.37; 2, San Angelo Central 1:28.08; 3, El Paso Franklin 1:29.20; 5, Abilene High 1:34.09. 100 back: 1, B.J. Barton (EP Eastwood) 52.13; 2, Ryan Rogers (LHS) 53.31; 3, Cory Herpel (EPC) 55.38; 4, Nathan Bowles (SAC) 55.69; 5, Bo Buskirk (MHS) 56.32; 6, Slate Broyles (BS) 56.94. 100 breast: 1, Michael McKeller (MHS) 58.88; 2, Ryan Mullen (EP Eastwood) 1:01.14; 3, S. Kirkpatrick (LHS) 1:01.29; 6, Billy Beckworth (BS) 1:04.46. 400 free relay: 1, El Paso Eastwood 3:11.60; 2, Lubbock High 3:14.20; 3, San Angelo Central 3:16.18; 4, Midland High 3:24.68; 5, Big Spring 3:28.28.

Individual Girls

200 medley relay: 1, Midland High 1:52.77; 2, Lubbock High 1:56.21; 3, San Angelo Central 1:57.86; 6, Abilene Cooper 2:01.32. 200 free: 1, Abby Fogel (LHS) 1:52.85; 2, Amber Mullins (AT) 1:54.35; 3, Stephanie Brown (MHS) 1:57.44; 5, Kristin Carson (MHS) 2:01.77; 6, Emily Alvarado (MHS) 2:02.08. 200 IM: 1, Erin Irons (MHS) 2:07.16; 2, Penta Stanley (LHS) 2:12.03; 3, Catherine Jelf (MHS) 2:13.51; 6, Kristen Sheffield (MHS) 2:19.73. 50 free: 1, Lacey Elliott (EP Franklin) 24.00; 2, Crystal Wilson (OHS) 24.95; 3, Mara Garza (SAC) 25.45; 6, Susan Talley (SAC) 26.08. 1-meter diving: 1, Sarah Taylor (Amarillo) 301.00; 2, Codi McLamb (AT) 292.30; 3, Bonnie O'Brien (Amarillo) 285.45; 5, Natalie Snow (MHS) 224.25; 6, Kara Thomson (SAC) 213.10. 100 fly: 1, Aimee Dunavant (EPC) 1:00.17; 2, G. Bielmeier (EP Franklin) 1:01.46; 3, C. Bernal (EP Franklin) 1:02.64; 4, Ellen Bell (MHS) 1:03.29; 6, Jessie Fiske (MHS) 1:03.72. 100 free: 1, Lacey Elliott (EP Franklin) 52.60; 2, April Casillas (OP) 55.72; 3, Mara Garza (SAC) 56.48; 5, Emily Alvarado (MHS) 57.21; 6, Susan Talley (SAC) 57.56. 500 free: 1, Abby Fogel (LHS) 5:03.06; 2, Amber Mullins (AT) 5:04.56; 3, Kristin Carson (MHS) 5:24.53; 5, Erin Harvey (Lee) 5:34.59; 6, Jessie Fiske (MHS) 5:38.28. 200 free relay: 1, El Paso Franklin 1:42.56; 2, Midland High 1:44.74; 3, El Paso Coronado 1:46.90; 5, Odessa High 1:48.09. 100 back: 1, Erin Irons (MHS) 57.34; 2, Stephanie Brown (MHS) 1:00.12; 3, April Casillas (OP) 1:02.10; 6, Jalie Fiske (MHS) 1:03.94. 100 breast: 1, Brianne McGuirk (EP Eastwood) 1:06.99; 2, Crystal Wilson (OHS) 1:09.37; 3, Penta Stanley (LHS) 1:09.69; 4, Kate Knight (AHS) 1:09.80; 6, Catherine Jelf (MHS) 1:10.66. 400 free relay: 1, Midland High 3:40.86; 2, Lubbock High 3:50.33; 3, El Paso Coronado 3:51.30; 5, San Angelo Central 4:01.12; 6, Odessa High 4:02.27.

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Carbonneau's goal lifts Stars

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Guy Carbonneau scored the go-ahead goal and backup goaltender Roman Turek improved his record to 9-1-2 as the Dallas Stars extended their unbeaten streak against the Los Angeles Kings to 15 games with a 3-2 victory Saturday night.

Brett Hull and Pat Verbeek also scored to help Dallas extend its road unbeaten streak to seven games (6-0-1) and increase its lead over Philadelphia to four points in the NHL's overall standings.

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Casey Atwood goes airborne in his car coming out of turn four during the NAPA Auto Parts 300 Saturday at Daytona International Speedway in Florida. Atwood was not seriously injured.

LaJoie wins crash-marred NAPA Auto Parts 300 race

By Dick Brinster
AP Sports Writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — For Randy LaJoie, winning the wild Busch Series season opener was simply a matter of experience — and survival.

The two-time series champion avoided the wrecks that wiped out nearly half the field Saturday in his second victory in the NAPA Auto Parts 300 at Daytona International Speedway.

"What a great way to start a season," said LaJoie, who won ahead of Jeff Green and Andy Hillenburg. "I seen them coming, but I could keep them at bay a little bit."

Reigning series champion Dale Earnhardt Jr., who unseated LaJoie last season, was among drivers whose chances were destroyed by crashes.

Another was 18-year-old Casey Atwood, whose airborne, end-over-end wreck with a lap remaining was the most spectacular of six accidents.

Atwood, one of many young, inexperienced drivers in NASCAR's second-tier series, was tapped on his rear bumper by Hillenburg, sending him into the wall on the front straightaway. The car turned on its roof, skidded to the infield grass and rolled over four times.

"It was a pretty wild ride," said Atwood, who was not seriously injured. "I always wondered what that felt like."

DAYTONA: Field is even

(From 1C)

Daytona 500 seven times.

Asked what he thinks it will take to win Sunday, the younger Petty said: "Patience. But nobody's got any."

Daytona is one of two tracks where NASCAR requires carburetor restrictor plates to slow the cars for the safety of drivers and fans.

But the plates also sap horsepower and keep the field unnaturally even, bunching up the cars and making wrecks a virtual certainty.

"You've got no horsepower to speak of, compared to what we used to have," Wallace said. "Our engines right now in Winston Cup racing are approaching 800 horsepower and, right now, at Daytona we're sitting here with 400 or 450 horsepower.

"So, it's all how air works and momentum works. If you don't have the right amount of momentum when you make a commitment to pass a car, you probably won't get past him."

That's why patience is such a virtue. If a driver steps out of one of the long freight train of cars at Daytona without another car to help, he's just as likely to wind up losing 15 or 20 positions as moving forward.

"Everybody is looking to make deals here," two-time Daytona winner Dale Jarrett said. "And, certainly, during the course of the race you do work together with other drivers. But when it comes down to it, there are no deals out here. If you believe there are, you're in trouble."

Earnhardt, who will start Sunday's race from fourth — the same place he started last year — showed he's one of the favorites by dominating his 125-mile qualifying race Thursday, just as he did in 1998.

"I just love racing here," the seven-time series champion said. "It's always been neat for me to race at speeds like we race here at Daytona.

"Before restrictor plates, it was really fun, and it's still fun ... but you've got to have a great race car and a good handling car. It's just a race track that suits me. Go flat out and get after it."

Other favorites will go after it, too.

They include: Jeff Gordon, who begins the hunt for his third straight series title and fourth in five years; Bobby Labonte, who finished second last year and won the other 125-miler Thursday; Kyle Petty; Wallace; Jarrett; Earnhardt's teammate, Mike Skinner, and Gordon's teammate, Terry Labonte, Bobby's older brother.

Then there's Wallace's teammate, Jeremy Mayfield; Jimmy Spencer; Ken Schrader; Mark Martin, and even rookie Tony Stewart, who will make his first career start from the front row.

Young leads Tech in upset of Kansas

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Rayford Young can't explain how Texas Tech can struggle through a season like this one, losing to some of the teams it has, and then rally from a 14-point deficit to beat No. 24 Kansas for the first time.

Young scored a career-high 41 points Saturday, including 10 free throws in the final 58 seconds, and the Red Raiders held on for a 90-84 victory.

"This win feels good, but it is frustrating to know you can beat teams like Kansas and lose the ones that we have," Young said.

"I wanted to win this game so bad, especially with the season we've had," said Young, who had only nine points at the half. "I felt a little tense in the first half. I was forcing some shots and started to get down."

Texas Tech (12-13, 4-8 Big 12) trailed 36-30 at the half, but the Red Raiders made 7 of 11 3-pointers and 27 of 29 free throws in their 60-point second half. Young himself was 18-of-18 from the free throw line and 5-of-7 from outside the 3-point line.

Kansas (16-8, 8-4) had a 62-48 lead at 10:08 before Young ignited the Tech comeback.

"They were amazing in the second half," Kansas coach Roy Williams said of the Raiders. "They were very efficient. They executed the things they needed to do well."

Jeff Boschee, Ryan Robertson and Nick Bradford each scored 16 points to lead Kansas, and Eric Chenowith added 14 points.

The Jayhawks, who won all 10 previous meetings between the teams, led 69-67 on a goal by Bradford with 4:26 remaining before Young's 3-pointer gave Tech a 70-69 advantage.

Another goal by Bradford tied the game 72-72 at 3:32, but the Red Raiders took the lead for good on Stan Bonewitz's 3-pointer. After a short baseline jumper by Andy Ellis put Tech up 77-72 with 2:44 left, the last 13 points by the Red Raiders came on free throws.

"We hit huge free throws down the stretch," Tech coach James Dickey said. "Rayford Young is as good as any point guard in the league, and he demonstrated that today. ... We did a good job of recognizing he was hot and getting him the basketball."

Bradford hit a 3-pointer for Kansas, but Young hit two free throws and Ellis made one of two free throws for an 80-75 lead.

From there, Boschee made three consecutive 3-pointers for Kansas, the last one pulling Kansas to 86-84 with 22 seconds remaining.

But Young kept hitting free throws when he was fouled — making both shots on all five trips to the line in the final 58 seconds.

"It doesn't feel nearly as comfortable being on this side of a comeback," Williams said. "We've got to quit being so tentative and looking at the scoreboard waiting for the clock to run out. We have got to learn to finish games."

Bonewitz finished with 15 points, while Ellis, a freshman making only his second start, added 12 points and 12 rebounds.

NO. 13 Texas Tech 74, Missouri 68

LUBBOCK — Angie Braziel scored 28 points and grabbed nine rebounds as No. 13 Texas Tech survived a second-half scare and held on for a 74-68 victory over Missouri Saturday night.

Texas Tech (21-3, 10-2 Big 12) opened the game with a 19-1 run and began the second half with a 10-2 surge, but needed two free throws each from Melinda Schmucker and Renee Hanebutt in the final 18 seconds.

The Lady Raiders appeared on their way to a comfortable victory, before a 20-2 Missouri run turned Tech's 60-38 lead at the 11:14 mark into a 62-58 edge with 5:16 left in the game. Kesha Bonds scored six points during the Missouri surge.

Jacks win shootout over Brahmas

Staff Report

ODESSA — Odessa's Johan Hagman scored a shootout goal and Odessa goaltender Michael Tornquist did the rest as the Jacks picked up an important shootout win Saturday at the Jack Shack.

Odessa defeated the Fort Worth Brahmas 3-2 (1-0 in the shootout) to move into second in the Western Professional Hockey League wild card standings.

Odessa (26-24-3) picked up two points to increase its season total to 55 for the season. Fort Worth (24-19-6) has 54 and would have the third wild card slot if the season ended today. Amarillo, which defeated Odessa Thursday, is currently two behind Fort Worth. Monroe leads the wild card race with 59 points.

Odessa came back from 2-1 down as Christian Wibner scored 2:11 into the third period. Troy Dunn and Terry Flynn had assists on the goal. Jan Jas had the Jacks' other during regulation.

In the net, Tornquist had 36 saves, including five in the shootout period.

Today, Odessa, which is two points behind El Paso in the WPHL western division, ends a four-game homestand against Corpus Christi, the central division leader. The game begins at 6 p.m.

Odessa Jackalopes 3, Fort Worth Brahmas 2 (SO 1-0)

Fort Worth	2	0	0	0	—2
Odessa	1	0	1	1	—3

First Period: 1. Odessa, Jan Jas (Don Riendeau, Jacque Rodrigue), 10:48; 2. FW, Francois Albert (Cosmo Dupaul, Stephane Larocque), 12:58; 3. FW, Depaul (Larocque, Albert), 13:23.

Third Period: 4, O, Wibner (Dunn, Flynn), 2:11.

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS

To: EDUARDO JESUS GARCIA, Respondent:

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VIVIAN WOOD, Clerk of the District Court of Midland County, Texas

By: Angie Welch
Deputy

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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To John Robert Pieratt: Notice of Hearing in the Matter of the Estate of Michelle Pieratt, a minor, case number 99 PR 23, to be held on Wednesday, April 28, 1999 at 1:00 pm in the Mesa County District Court, Grand Junction, Colorado.

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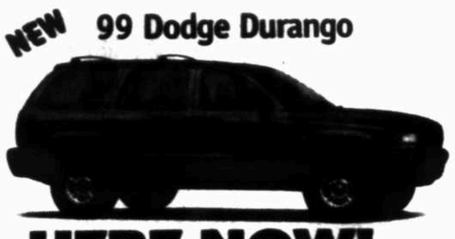

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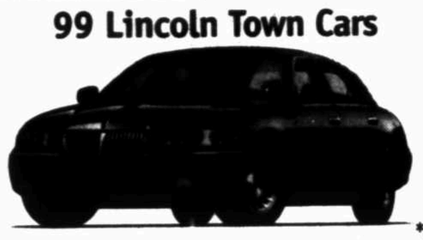

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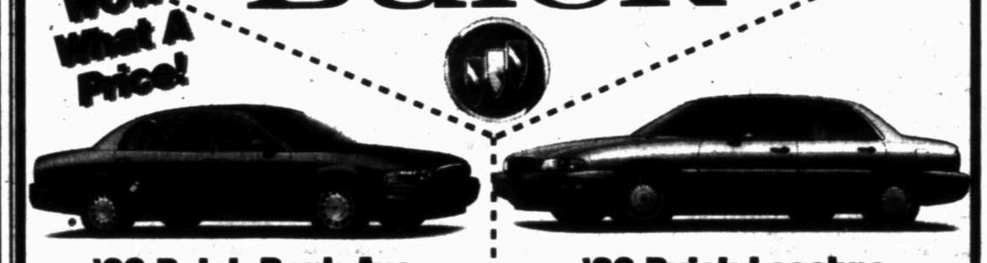

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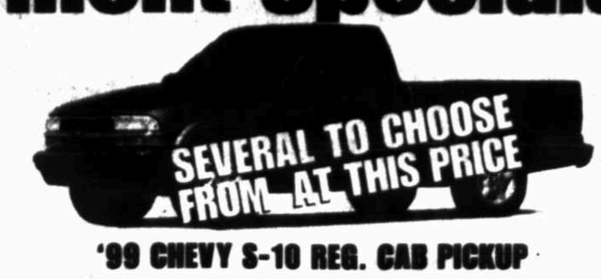

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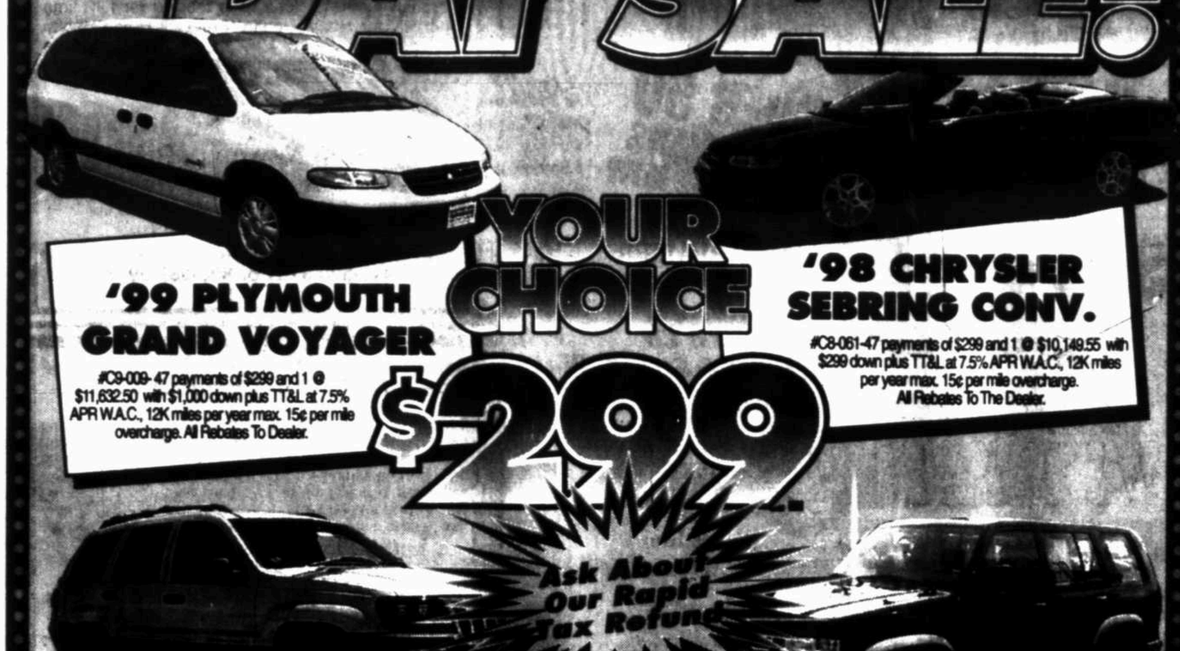

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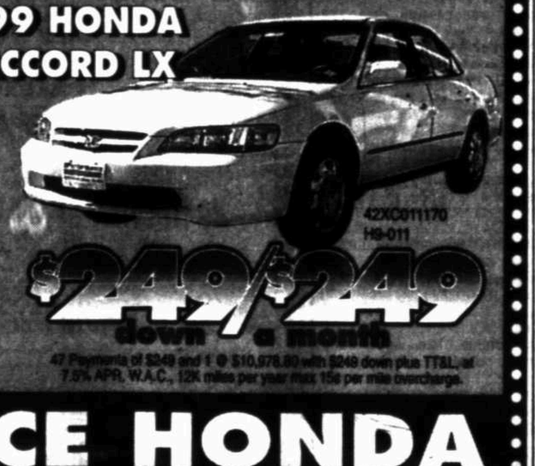

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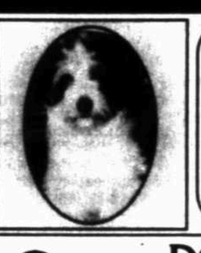

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DIRECTOR OF CASE MANAGEMENT

Applicants must have current Texas RN or LVN license and Certified Case Manager (CCM) from the CIRS Commission. 1- year experience in Discharge Planning preferred. Must be knowledgeable of Federal and State healthcare laws and regulations in regard to HCFA, Medicare, Champus, Medicaid, AHCA and HRS. Qualified applicants may mail or fax their resume to:

Scenic Mountain Medical Center
1601 West 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
Fax: (915)263-0151

BILLING SPECIALIST: For durable medical equipment company. Experience required at billing insurance companies, Medicare, Medicaid. Contact Rebekah, 915-580-0171.

CNA. 2 Positions available for 2:00 pm- 10:00 pm. Best pay and staff in the area! Come join our team! Rockwood Manor, 2000 N Main.

EXPERIENCED OPTICIAN for busy optometric office. Serious inquiries only. Bring resume to: 3327 W Wadley, Suite 2. HEB Shopping Center, next to Ski Skeller.

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HOME HEALTH Agency seeking CNAs. Home health experience preferable, not mandatory. Serious inquires. Please call 1-800-658-6770.

→NEW TODAY←

LAB TECH Positions available. Must have 4- year degree in some type of natural science (Biology, Chemistry, etc.), several positions currently open. Must be able to follow steps for processing specimens. Please fax resume to 915-682-2119.

LVN & RN

Positions open on 3 pm- 11 pm shift. Full- time employment with excellent benefits and salaries. Send resume or application to:

Human Resources
Medical Arts Hospital
1600 N. Bryan
Lamesa, TX 79331
806-872-2183.

MIDLAND DIALYSIS Clinic is expanding. Accepting applications for RN LVN, technicians, experience preferred but will train. Good benefits and salary. Fax resume to 687-5008. or apply at 731 W. Wadley Bldg K, Suite 130.

NURSES UNLIMITED Managed Care, Inc. CNA's and Sitters needed for home health and institutional staffing. Contact Elaine Dansby or Natalie Lawson at 580-2060, Monday- Friday, 8:00- 5:00. EOE.

→NEW TODAY←

PART TIME licensed counselor for drug rehabilitation program. Hours: 6:00 am to 10:00 am Monday- through Friday, 6:00 am to 8:00 am on Saturday. Fax resume to 682-8081 or call 682-0652.

IMMEDIATE OPENING

Certified Nuclear Medicine Technologist or American Registry of Radiologic Technologist

Nuclear Medicine Technologist
Immediate Availability
Mon.-Fri. 8-5 Great Benefits
Excellent Working Environment

Fax Resume to:
Cardiology Associates
3514 21st
Lubbock, TX 79410
806-785-5131

→NEW TODAY←

* NURSES

An Expanding West Texas Multi- Specialty Medical Center has immediate openings for LVN's with at least one year of clinical office experience. The Current needs include:

OB/ GYN, Pediatrics & Urology.

Salary is commensurate to experience and a full benefit package is available. Only qualified applicants need apply to the **Personnel Office** of:

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1501 West 11th Place
Big Spring, Texas 79720
or fax resume to: 915-264-7019.

*MEDICAL

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We have an excellent part- time opportunity in our multidisciplinary rehab company. We offer flexible scheduling to minimize travel, and an excellent part- time salary/ benefits package. Enjoy the autonomy with a diverse outpatient, acute, and skilled clientele. Our facility is beautifully equipped and well supported. For immediate consideration contact:

Larry Rossi @
Community Therapy Systems, Inc.,
Seminole, TX
(806)592-5030 ext. 222 or (915)758-1879.

311 Medical Help Wanted

RECEPTIONIST NEEDED in Doctors office. Insurance filing, computer skills, transcription, scheduling appointments. Experience preferred. Bring resume to: 1300 W. Wall.

TERRACE WEST Nursing Center has current openings for CNA's on all shifts. If interested, please apply in person at 2800 N. Midland Dr., Midland, TX 79707.

312 Professional Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

BUSINESS MANAGER NEEDED

Accounting degree and/ or minimum of two years of accounting experience required. This position oversees all financial reporting, A/ P, A/ R, Payroll, GL. Cost coding, computer knowledge, and experience in the construction/ contracting field. Must possess a strong office background, and can work with little or no supervision. Those persons interested in a challenging and fulfilling career can apply in person at 1110 No. Grimes, Hobbs, NM. No phone calls please.

→NEW TODAY←

* OIL

INDEPENDENT PRODUCER

SEEKS an experienced Full Time Pumper for the Permian Basin Area. Send resume to:

Box N-1096
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram
P.O. Box 1650,
Midland, TX 79702.

→NEW TODAY←

APPLICATIONS are now being accepted for the position of Economic Development Director, County of Mitchell, Colorado City, Texas. Applicants are asked to send complete resume to: County Judge Ray Mayo, P.O. Box 1001, Colorado City, TX 79512.

311 Medical Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

Registered Nurse Needed...

Permian General Hospital is looking for full- time staff RN for Home Health. Previous Home Health experience preferred. Must be willing to participate in "On- Call". Competitive Salary with excellent benefits.

Please contact:

Lori Newman, RN
Director of Home Health
P. G. H. Home Health
1801 N. E. Mustang Drive
Andrews, Texas 79714
915-523-3151 or 800-687-0977
E. O. E.

LOOKING FOR DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Terrace Gardens, a long term care facility, has an opening for a Registered Nurse to direct our nursing department. Our nurses play an integral role in the care of our residents and in the environment of our center. If you are a person who likes to use your skills to the fullest and enjoy being part of a team, we want to talk with you. We offer a very competitive salary/ benefit package. If interested, please send a current resume or contact:

Peter O. Porras, Regional Director or
Leslie Stivason, RN, Regional Nurse Consultant
Terrace Gardens
2901 W. Ohio Midland, Texas 79701
Ph: (915)694-8831 Fax (915)694-5928
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You enjoy people, relate well with children and know how to make them smile? Turn your skill into a career. Outstanding management opportunity for Wal-Mart portrait photography studio managers and assistant managers.

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Call Anytime 24 Hrs. Every Day
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EOE M/F/V/H

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- **MR Residential Home Supervisor, Midland**
- **Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP), Odessa**
- **Psychiatrist, Midland/ Odessa**
- **Case Coordinator, Alpine and Fort Stockton**
- **Community Service Aide (CSA), Odessa**
- **Director of Urban Rehab Services, Midland/ Odessa**

For details call our Job Line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E Illinois, Suite 301, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

DIRECTOR OF URBAN REHAB SERVICES NEEDED IN MIDLAND/ ODESSA

Bachelor's Degree in Business Management required. Demonstrated ability to manage preferably in a health care setting. Minimum of 5 years total experience. Responsible for Administrative, non- clinical processes and the supervision of clinical and clerical staff to assure administrative tasks are completed according to Centers and funding agency guidelines, including compliance with MH Rehabilitative Medicaid and other funding source criteria. Salary DOE. For details call our Job Line 915-570-3424 or submit application to: PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS, 401 E Illinois, Suite 400, Midland, TX 79701. EOE.

312 Professional Help Wanted

→NEW TODAY←

***Chief* Engineer**

Small market, CBS affiliate, seeks a hands- on Engineering Manager to oversee studio, transmitter, and maintenance operation. Send resume to Personnel Director, KLST- TV, 2800 Armstrong, San Angelo, TX 76903. EOE

*Trott & Co., LLP

Certified Public Accountants Need staff accountant with 3- 5 years tax experience. Salary commensurate with experience. Contact Teresa Nunley, 110 N. Marienfeld, Ste. 500, Midland, Texas 79701.

PROCESS DESIGN ENGINEER
(Midland)

Degreed. 3+ yrs. exp. in Designing & Simulation of Natural Gas Processing facilities. Salary $Open. Fee Paid

Liz Proctor
GLOBAL/PERM DIVISION
915-686-8360 * 915-686-8302 fax
global@apex2000.net

Marketing Representative

Will develop and maintain relationships between community, referral sources and Desert Springs Medical Center. Provide leadership for the marketing process. Self-starter, highly motivated, excellent communication skills, the ability to effectively communicate with community leaders.

Good verbal and written skills. Knowledge of JCAHO, CHAMPUS, Medicare, Medicaid and managed care a plus. Public speaker, flexibility, negotiation and communication skills, creativity and diplomacy.

Three years experience in the healthcare industry preferred. EOE. Please send resume to Attn: HR, 3300 S. FM 1788, Midland, Tx. 79706

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→NEW TODA←

WEST TEXAS Centers for MHMR has opening for Children's Professional Counselor in Big Spring. Will be required to provide individual, group and/ or family counseling services, complete initial and ongoing evaluations and/ or plan of care oversight for cases served. Will be responsible for providing counseling services to persons served at mental health centers throughout the service area. Must be LPC, LMSWACP, or Licensed Psychologist. Monday through Friday, 8- 5, On- call. Salary $1,388.77 paid biweekly ($36,108 annually) Applications may be obtained at 409 Runnels, in Big Spring or by calling JOBLINE 800-687-2769 E. O. E.

→NEW TODA←

WEST TEXAS Community Bank needs Bank Branch Manager for $20 MM bank branch. Commercial and consumer lending skills necessary. Send resume to: Davis Bank Group, 211 N Colorado, Midland, Texas 79701.

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→NEW TODA←

Automotive Service Technician

We have an immediate need in our Customer Service Department for a person with a High School Diploma and at least 2 years of automotive experience. You will assist our customers around the country with their questions about Jacobs automotive ignition systems and related products. You must be familiar with automotive components and systems and have good telephone skills. We offer a competitive salary, benefits and a casual office environment. Respond immediately to:

Jacobs Electronics, Inc.

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Attn: Human Resources
500 N. Baird St.
Midland, TX 79701
915-685-3345 x 3089
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Debbie Newcum 915-567-3227

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P.O. BOX 60580- MIDLAND, TEXAS 79711-0580
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER M/F/D/V

→NEW TODAY←

DIRECTOR OF NURSING

Manor Park, Inc., a not- for- profit, locally owned and operated Continuing Care Retirement Community is seeking to fill the position of Director of Nursing for our Mabee Nursing Home Unit. Qualified candidates will be a Registered Nurse, have 3 or more years of experience in long term care and excellent management skills. Manor Park offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits. Submit resumes to:

Personnel Department
Manor Park, Inc.
2208 N Loop 150 West
Midland, TX., 79707
No phone calls please
EOE M/F

Manor park

→NEW TODAY←

DRILLING & PRODUCTION SUPERVISOR/ COORDINATOR

Established Permian Basin Independent needs Drilling & Production Supervisor/ Coordinator with 15 to 20 years experience. Petroleum Engineer with Permian Basin experience required. Please send resume with salary requirements in confidence to:

Box N-1097
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McDougal COMPANIES
7008 Salem Avenue
Lubbock, TX 79424
Fax (806) 796-7880
humanres@mcdougal.com

312 Professional Help Wanted

DRAFTSMAN
with experience:
Must have Autocad 14 and 3D. Experience in Mechanical parts a must. Pay DOE. Location in Odessa. Contact Ashlye or Lisa at
EnergiPersonnel
580-0440

MEDIUM SIZE Nursing Facility seeking Food Service Supervisor. The candidate should have a good work history, be a strong leader, team player and have knowledge of budgets and scheduling. The candidate should have an AA or BA in Nutrition, Food Management, Dietetic, Home Economics or Restaurant Management or have completed a state agency approved 90 hour course in food supervision. Please send resume & salary requirements to: Box B-4110, c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, TX 79702.

PART- TIME Music assistant at First United Methodist Church Midland. Help direct children, bells, brass. Desire music degree, keyboard ad computer skills a plus. Must have a heart for ministry. Salary commensurate with education and experience. Call Rev. Suzanne Cate. Minister of Music. 682-3701.

→NEW TODAY←

WEST TEXAS Community Bank with $90 MM in asset needs seasoned commercial lender with credit administration skills. Livestock and other ag. related lending experience helpful. Send resume to: Davis Bank Group, 211 N Colorado, Midland, Texas 79701.

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314 Clerical Help Wanted

·BILINGUAL TELEPHONE COLLECTOR TRAINEE

Debt Collection Agency Has Opening For A Telephone Collector Trainee. Will be making collection calls in reference to past due accounts. Must be able to work well under pressure. Have good phone etiquette. Must type 35 words per minute.

MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS
- Data Entry Experience
- Good Communication Skills
- Self Starter
- Available to Start Immediately
- This is a Full Time Position
- Working Days and Some Evenings

Potential Earnings- Base + Commission $2,000 Monthly

Call for an appointment Monday - Friday 8 am to 3 pm (915)684-0579

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· Great temp to hire opportunity for individual with experience in A/P and coding invoices. Clerical support for large accounting department. Word and Excel a plus. Call
Preferred Personnel
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NO FEE
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CITY OF MIDLAND MUNICIPAL COURT CASHIER

The City of Midland is seeking someone with one to three years of clerical or cashier experience to fill the position of Municipal Court Cashier. The person holding this position will be responsible for accepting monies from citizens for court violations, entering records into a computerized system and creating/ maintaining payment accounts. Assisting the public with court related inquires is also another responsibility of this position. Applicants must pass a typing test with a minimum of 40 words per minute to be considered. Wages & Hours $424/ month 8:00 am until 5:00 pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Rotating Thursdays 8:00 am until 7:00 pm. Applications will be accepted through 2/ 26/ 99 at City of Midland, 300 N. Loraine, Room 120. EOE.

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
Client company has opening for professional secretary with typing, Word and Excel skills. NO FEE! Call
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FULL CHARGE BOOKKEEPER
Professional temp to hire position for experienced candidate with Quickbooks Pro. Medical background a plus. Salary is DOE! Never a Fee!
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O/G PRODUCTION ACCOUNTING CLERK
Excellent client company needing individual with strong Word, Excel. Experienced with state production reports in Texas and New Mexico. O/G marketing and gas balancing experience desired. Call
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PART TIME ONLY
Church secretary needed for part time position 2- 4 days a week. Position requires experience with Word and Excel. Great opportunity for candidate seeking a flexible work schedule! NO FEE!
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Fabulous opportunity for organized, detail oriented person with experience in 100+ payroll, data entry and Excel for this temp to hire position. Must be willing to test for this Quality Company. Pay is excellent. Call
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REGULATORY ANALYST
Recent experience with TX/ NM reporting, drilling permits, RRC forms, completion papers and quarterly/ yearly reports, gas balancing and proration required. If you have these qualifications, please fax your resume for consideration to
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with cover letter
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Box B-4111, c/o
Midland Reporter-Telegram
P.O. Box 1650
Midland, TX 79702

→NEW TODAY←

DATA ENTRY Clerk needed. Please apply in person at 4000 N. Big Spring, Suite 113 or call 682-2119.

314 Clerical Help Wanted

·SECRETARY/ RECEPTIONIST
Needed for immediate opening in Odessa. Must be proficient in Word & Excel. Excellent phone skills needed. Professional appearance. Fax resume to 684-0836. Never a Fee.
Temporary Resources
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CLERICAL ASSISTANT
Part-time 8:30-12:00 through tax season. Casual Office. Clerical duties. $6.00/hr. No fee.
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PRINTER
Offset printing. AB Dick 360. Darkroom work and bindery experience required. No fee.
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SECRETARY
MUST be proficient w/MS Word & Excel. Support for 3 Oil & Gas Professionals. Excellent phone skills required. $7.00-$8.00/hr. No fee.
LeeAnn Cody
GLOBAL PERSONNEL
915-686-8360 * 915-686-8302 fax

TELLER
Teller experience preferred. A/R and posting a plus. MUST have a proven stable employment history. No fee.
LeeAnn Cody
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915-686-8360 * 915-686-8302 fax

ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant Needed- Busy Internet Company needs someone to help with bill paying and general bookkeeping. Some computer skills required. Knowledge of Peachtree Accounting a plus. Please fax all resumes to (915)686-0600, Attention: Marisa.

ADMINISTRATIVE Assistant- Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale seeks part time receptionist and marketing assistant. Word processing and telephone skills required. Public relation experience preferred. Send resume and cover letter to: PO BOX 60658, Midland, TX 79711. Or fax to 563-5269. No phone calls please.

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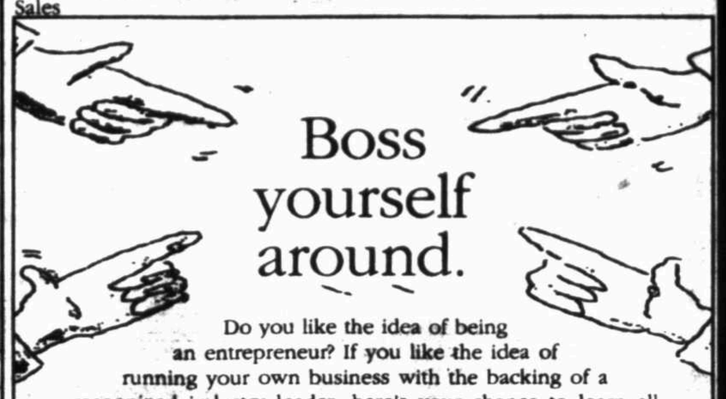

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→NEW TODAY←

Personal Injury Para- Legal
Para- legal to work with attorney on personal injury claims. Experience a must. Prefer someone that can assist from investigation to litigation. Self- starter capable of self supervision needed. Send resume to: PO Box 484, Lubbock, TX 79408.

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Para- legal to work with attorney on personal injury claims. Experience a must. Prefer someone that can assist from investigation to litigation. Self- starter capable of self supervision needed. Send resume to: PO Box 484, Lubbock, TX 79408.

RECEPTIONIST for Counseling Center. Late afternoons/ Saturdays. Heavy phones, typing, filing. Box 60312, Midland, 79711.

WANTED- SECRETARY/ Receptionist in law office, high school degree required; light typing and bookkeeping. Call (915)683-5446.

316 Sales Help Wanted

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·SALES
SALES
Rapidly growing national organization is seeking a self-motivated advertising sales professional. This position requires an aggressive, goal-oriented individual with excellent communications skills to generate new business and maintain existing accounts.

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Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53224
If you cannot mail in a resume, please call
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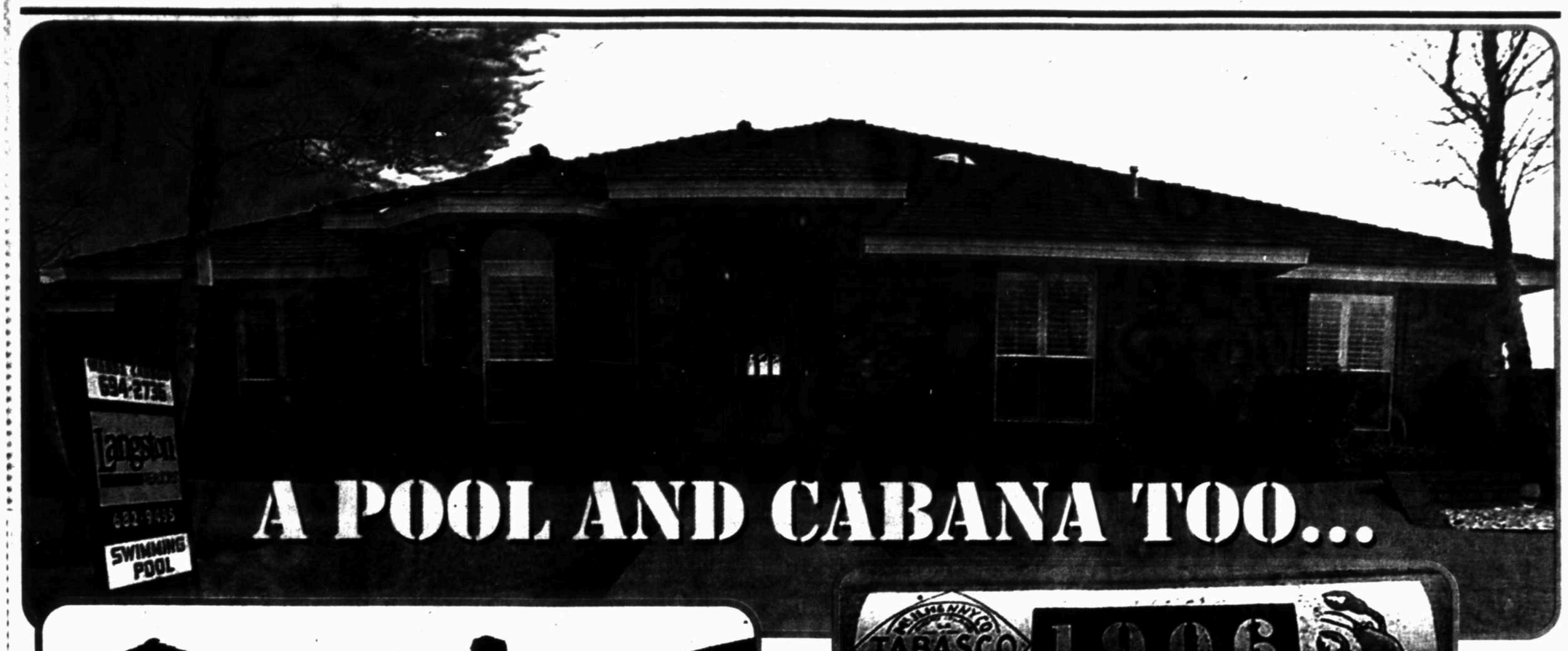

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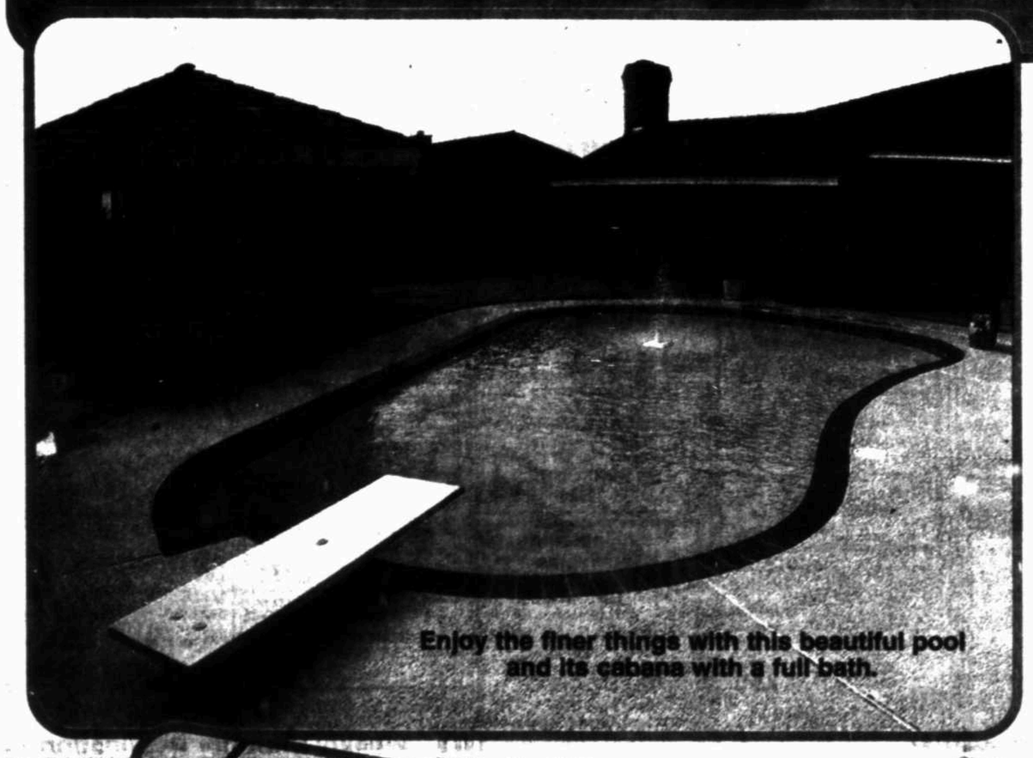
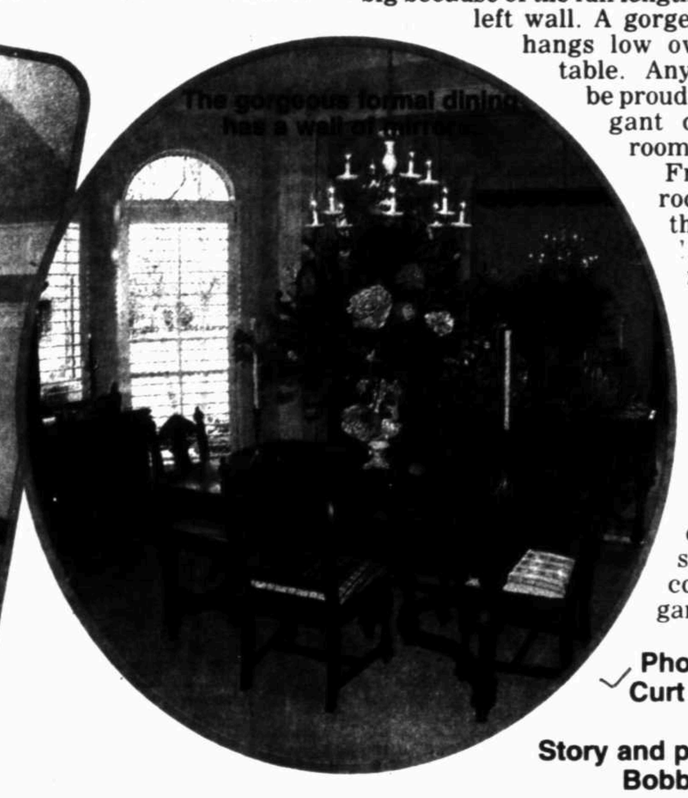

Enjoy the finer things with this beautiful pool and its cabana with a full bath.

Cabana? I didn't know that these existed in the desert! I was pleasantly surprised by this home in many of its aspects. This home has every update you could need. In fact the owner/agent said that this home compared to a recent article on home updates had everything mentioned and more.

The exterior of the home is very classy in redbrick with bay windows and an arched transom over the door. The sculptured landscape and mature trees give the home a clean, manicured look. I especially liked the planters on either side of the entry way.

A step inside reveals an elegant dwelling with tile floors, extra-plush carpeting and a variety of beautiful ceiling treatments. To the left of the foyer is the brightly lit dining room. This room is large, but looks twice as big because of the full length mirrors on the left wall. A gorgeous chandelier hangs low over the dining table. Any hostess would be proud to serve an elegant dinner in this room.

The master bedroom with its stepped pan ceiling is picturesque.


The gorgeous formal dining has a wall of mirrors.

From the dining room one enters the gourmet kitchen. This room is gorgeous with its wide countertops and white-washed cabinets. This room includes: an island with a sink, a double oven, a double sink in the counter, two garbage disposals, a built-in Kitchenaide dishwasher, a built-in microwave, a gas range top with a built-in gas grill, display cabinets, and a breakfast bar. A sunny breakfast nook with a chandelier looks out on to the patio and pool.

Behind the kitchen is the master bedroom. This room has a spacious feel to it because of the stepped pan ceiling. The owner said the builder, Troy Hunt, used a wide variety of ceilings in this home. The master bath is huge with his and her vanities with large mirrors and make-up lighting. A jacuzzi tub is tucked in to the corner below a glass block window — I love glass block windows. A roomy glass door shower and sequestered commode are also included. The walk in closet is just impressive, it has lots of space and features several built-in modules.

Also behind the kitchen is the utility room with a skylight and the three-car garage. The third parking space in the garage has been converted to a workshop space. The garage also has a storage room.

Starting again from the entry way, we enter the living room. This room has an elegant ceiling treatment with elaborate crown molding and large windows look out onto the patio and pool.

From here one rounds the corner through the breakfast nook and out on to the patio. The owner has the patio decorated like another room, and there's plenty of space for that. The pool has an attractive contour and receives full sunlight for most of the day. The cabana is handy with a full bath. This handy little hut has plenty of room for all your pool toys and supplies. In fact, the owner is throwing in their pool toys in the deal.

From the patio, one can enter the formal den. This room has a high, vaulted ceiling and large windows facing the pool. The far wall is built-in bookcases and an entertainment center surrounding a elegant red brick fireplace. This room has such a comfortable feeling to it.

In front of the den are the three bedrooms. These rooms all have vaulted pan ceilings and a large window that brings in lots of light. All feature spacious closets with built-in shelving. The owner uses one of these rooms as an office.

A jack-and-jill bath is shared between two of the bedrooms. This bathroom has a sequestered commode and tub area. The third bath is located in the hall between the living room and bedroom.

Overall, this house is very impressive and yet is so comfortable to be in. This home features two gas hot water heaters, an owned water softener/R.O. water system, an owned security system, a gas furnace, Thermopane windows, and an electric central air system. Also, the home is located on the Midland christmas light tour route, so your family can get involved.

If this four bedroom, three bath home in Grassland Estates sounds like your style, stop by the open house today from 2 to 4 pm, or call Wanda Cannon of Langston Realtors at 685-0400. This $209,000 home is the showpiece with style and class.

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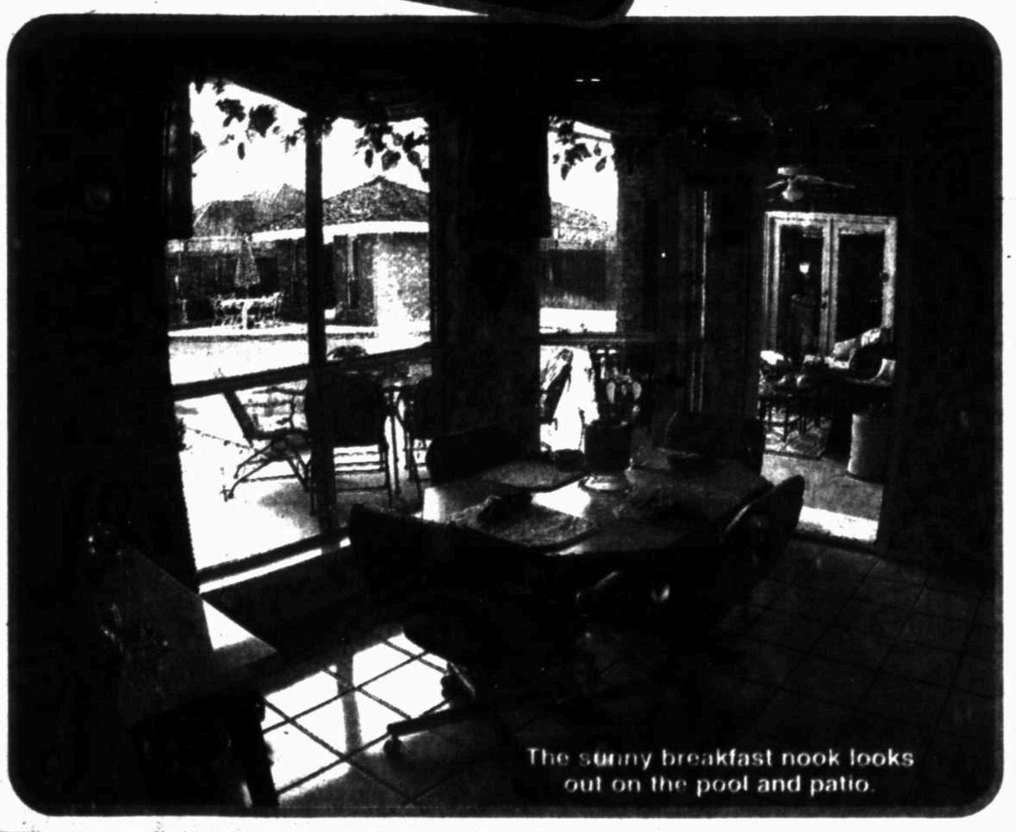
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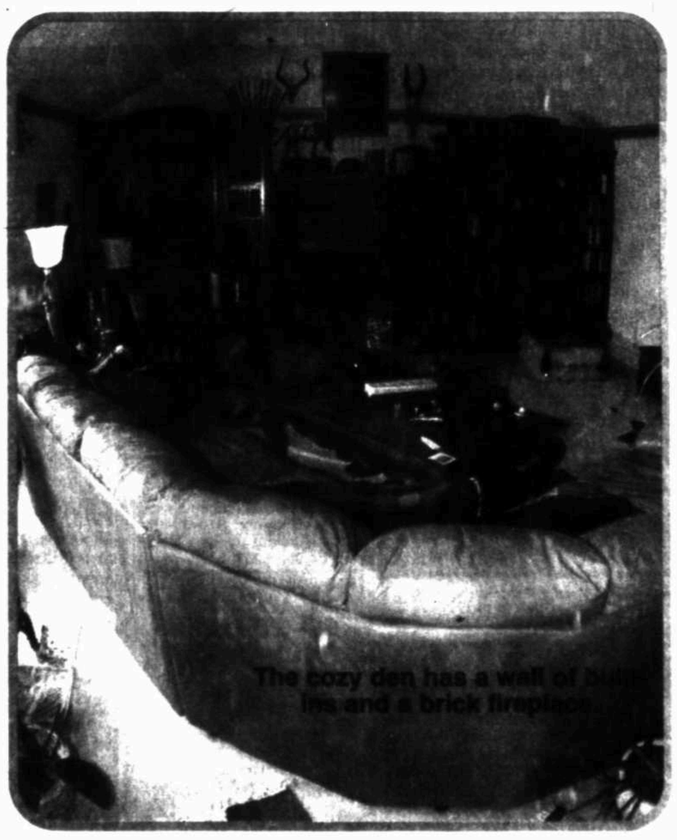
The cozy den has a wall of built-ins and a brick fireplace.

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

It may seem tempting to try to sell or buy your home without using a real estate agent. But by using an agent, you have the advantage of information and knowledge that can save you a lot of time, headaches and money.

"With so many resources available, a real estate agent may be able to help you walk away with more money than you could command by selling your home yourself," says RC (Skeet) Doss, President of the Permian Basin Board of REALTORS®.

Real estate agents are professionals who know what needs to be done. They have the experience and the resources to market homes for their clients who want to sell and find the most suitable homes for their clients who want to buy, Your agent can make all the difference.

When you are selling your home, an agent who knows the local market can help you set a fair price. Sure, you want to get the most for your home, but overpricing can prolong the time it sits on the market, making it more difficult to sell while costing you money.

An agent will also advise you on how to show your home to its best advantage, and will identify prospects who are most likely to buy it.

Real estate agents can also help with the home-buying process. Buying a home can be financially intimidating, but an agent can help you determine how much home you can afford and show you alternative financing methods.

Agents are familiar with all the local real estate values, taxes, costs and services that could affect your purchase. You agent can show you the homes best suited to your needs, and can also suggest simple changes that could make a home a good choice. It helps to have someone both objective and knowledgeable when looking at a home to buy.

When buying or selling a home, there are lots of details that can overwhelm you or be overlooked. Using an agent is the best way to be sure that you have someone on your side who will get you the best deal and see that you are satisfied.

Choosing your real estate agent could be the most crucial part of the home buying and selling experience. That's why it's important to realize the difference between a real estate agent and a REALTOR®. While an agent is simply licensed by the state to do business, a REALTOR® has taken the additional steps to become a member of the REALTOR® organization, and adhere to its strict code of ethics. This membership obligates a REALTOR® to uphold the highest ethical standards in all their business dealings.

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RC (Skeet) Doss, President Permian Basin Board of RELATORS®

WHEN SHOULD YOU BUY A HOUSE?

The best time to buy a home is whenever your family needs change!

People often ask "when is a good time to buy a home?" The perception of "buyers market" vs "sellers market" is often a different though, depending on the buyer, the seller, and the circumstances.

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We find that most buyers feel that wherever they are leaving is a "buyer market" and the new location is higher than they would like to pay. So, if you are confused because you have heard so many conflicting statements about the market, keep in mind that different needs, requirements and expectations.

The Permian Basin has had numerous reports of downsizing, lay-offs, and mergers this past year. yet, our housing inventory has not increased as much as might be expected. The reason? Many, many families simply do not want to leave. A surprising number of those families find other careers, or take an early retirement package, and stay here. As Realtors, we frequently hear "We cannot replace this life style in a larger city. The commute is longer, we cannot be as involved in our children's activities, and the people in Midland are the best!"

Midland is also experiencing a number of incoming retirees. Retirees tell us that the size is right, the airport is accessible, and the cost of living is reasonable. Retirees are electing to have one home, rather than a winter home plus a summer home. Midland has the climate for that choice. Retirees usually buy homes, in varying price ranges, and there an asset to the community. They volunteer, eat in restaurants, and attend our community functions.

Interest rates are low, and have remained low the the longest period most of us can remember. That makes home purchasing a possibility for many first time home buyers.

So, if you are wondering when is the right time to consider a move-the answer is, Whenever your needs change, and you are ready. We do not have a buyers market, and there are no indications that we will have a buyer's market in the near future.

This article submitted by Kay Sutton, owner/broker Century 21-Kay Sutton Realtors. Currently serving on the Texas Real Estate Commission.

Building Home Equity

One of the surest ways to increase your financial security is to buy a home. Why? The answer lies in a simple concept: Equity.

Victoria & Jeannie Printz

Equity is the difference between what you owe on your home and what your home is worth. If the balance on your mortgage is $100,000, but you could sell your home for $135,000, then your equity is $35,000.

There are two ways to build equity. The first is by making your mortgage payments. Each monthly payment brings you a little closer to 100% equity, which is what you have when you own the home free and clear.

You also usually build equity simply by owning the home. As a general rule, the value of real estate goes up over time. This is called appreciation. Let's say the value of your home appreciates $2,000 this year. That's $2,000 that came to you by just keeping the lawn mowed and the gutters cleaned out.

But that $2,000 is added to the amount of the mortgage you paid off during the year. If your payments decreased the amount of your mortgage by $500, then you can add the $500 to the $2,000 you home value increased.

In other words, by owning your home, you not only paid for a place to live, you actually increased your net worth by $2,500.

And you don't have to wait until you sell the home to cash in on your equity. Plenty of lenders are willing to make so-called "home equity" loans, in which you use the equity as security for a loan.

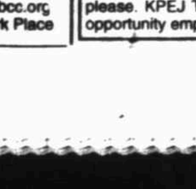
These loans are usually available at a much lower inferest rate than you would pay for other types of credit, such as credit cards or unsecured personal loans. You can also set up a home equity line of credit, which you can then borrow against in an emergency.

There are other advantages, as well, to owning a home and building equity. Ask an experienced real estate agent for more information.

Submitted by: Victoria & Jeannie Printz, RE/MAX of Midland.

"Address Storage Space With Your Agents"

Many of us are collectors, some of big articles and some of many different small things. The saying "One man's junk is another man's treasure" probably didn't come about because of a neatnik who never has anything out of place. But, more likely, was coined by some creative being who believed that he could make something out of nothing or who rescued a forgotten or forlorn object from the trash can and now everybody says how great it looks. Some of us are just like that! However, few of us have the storage space for our collections. If you happen to be a collector and are house hunting, keep in mind where you will put all those treasures. If you need wall space for a big china cabinet, or a place to hang that moose head, write it down on your wish list before you go looking. If you have yards and yards of fabric that you are sure you will sew up some day, look for a sewing room with a closet large enough for your "lifetime" supply. If you collect cookbooks, storage space near the kitchen would be nice and would encourage you to use those wonderful recipes. If you find a home you love that doesn't have space for your collectibles, check into the possibility of adding cabinets or shelves or whatever type of storage you require. On the other hand, one of the reasons people like to travel is to stay in that sleek clean motel room without any clutter to worry about. Perhaps your home would keep that new feeling and stay neat and clean longer if you could bring yourself to part with at least some of the junk - oh I mean treasures! Be sure to clue in your Realtor about your storage concerns - they may live with collections too!



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MECHANICAL ENGINEER: Must be able to work with (AutoCAD 14) proficiently. Ability to manage self and others. Knowledge in manufacturing of Cotton Gin Equipment beneficial, but not required. Salary based on experience. Please fax resume to 806-744-2780 or mail: Beltwide Industries, Inc., P.O. Box 12049, Lubbock, Texas 79452, Attention: Ruben Mojica.

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O/G PRODUCTION ACCOUNTING CLERK

Excellent client company needing individual with strong Word, Excel. Experienced with state production reports in Texas and New Mexico. O/G marketing and gas balancing experience desired. Call
Preferred Personnel
684-5900

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REGULATORY ANALYST

Recent experience with TX/ NM reporting, drilling permits, RRC forms, completion papers and quarterly/ yeagy reports, gas balancing and proration required. If you have these qualifications, please fax your resume for consideration to
Preferred Personnel
683-5336
with cover letter
ATTN: Reg Analyst
Never a Fee!

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REVENUE ACCOUNTING CLERK

Temp to hire position for the right person experienced in direct revenue accounting. Code and input JIB deposits, JIB A/R and A/P, account reconciliation, division order verification, Questa or Enertech a plus. Call

Preferred Personnel
684-5900
Never a Fee!

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350 Business Opportunities

FAST FOOD

Multi- location fast food. Walk right in make $100,000/ Year. Priced below equipment cost.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

SPECIALTY CONSTRUCTION

Company does specialized repair and construction for industry, domestically and internationally. Great reputation. Owner training.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

Attention Readers

Occasionally, ads found in this section come from distant points & the Midland Reporter-Telegram cannot always know the merits of the offers. We suggest when you are in doubt that you call the Better Business Bureau before signing any contract/ or giving out your credit card or bank information.

FOR SALE: 43 Year old fast paced furniture moving business (local and statewide), established clientele, $75,000 yearly income potential. 800# And established local number since 1956, 4 trucks, 2 trailers, moving equipment, furniture pads, etc., all included. Call 915-263-2225 or 1-800-913-2225, Tom Coates, City Delivery Furniture Movers.

"NOTHING DOWN"

Coke, Pepsi, Hershey Routes Available In Midland Texas. Your good credit plus 6 hours work/ week equals $50K+/ year average. Free information.
1-800-794-2248

SIGN COMPANY

Well established commercial lighted sign company. Lots of potential. Semi retired owner must sell due to health.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

→NEW TODAY←

JODIE'S BBQ & Catering in San Angelo. Same location 29 years. Call John 915-949-5044.

PATENTED PRODUCT

Oil/ Gas production device needs someone to market. 4 years of use has proven worth. Owner wants to concentrate on his own oil production. HUGE POTENTIAL

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

WHOLESALER

Well established with good customer base. Has niche proprietary products. $100,000 plus annual cash flow.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

→NEW TODAY←

PRAYERFULLY considered. Established Christian bookstore/ art gallery/ frame shop. Priced right for the right person. 915-694-7800.

LOCAL BUSINESSES for sale. Small and large. Some have low down payments and owner financing. Call for a free confidential interview- Sunbelt Business Brokers, 520-1515.

LOCAL BUSINESS for sale. Pine/ Hurricane, O/S. Owner financing. 580-5296.

Government Postal Jobs

Now hiring in TX and other areas. Start $23,800/ $34,400 year. For information & application. Call
1-800-941-8310 x 1101

RECREATION

Excellent business with good equipment. Good cash flow and steady growth. Motivated seller will finance.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

FLOWER SHOP

Very nice, well established flower shop. Good location. Owner's health requires sale.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

PHOTO SHOP

Turn your hobby into a business. Well established and profitable. Great equipment. Owner anxious.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

GREETING CARD ROUTE

Potential $100K Annual Income Restocking Local Stores. NO Selling! Accounts Included. Great Way To Own A Fun & Profitable Business. $9,850 Investment.
1-888-740-3456 24 Hours.

DAY CARE

Unique child care environment in excellent location. Experienced, loyal staff. Don't miss this opportunity!

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

NEW LISTING

Paving repair contractor. Speciality market with great growth potential. Good equipment, Owner will train.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

Get your Real Estate license quickly, short, day, weekend, evening classes. Southwest College 697-7277

335 Adult Care Needed

NEED LIVE IN FEMALE Caretaker for elderly woman. Must have own transportation. Room and board provided plus salary. Light cooking, must have references. Send resume to PO BOX 2913, Midland, TX 79702.

336 Adult Care Providers

ONE LOVING family taking in the elderly for all their health care needs. For more information contact LaDonna, 683-7832.

INHOME CARE for all your in home health needs. Bathing, cooking, cleaning, running errands, etc. Give us a call for more information at 570-4475, ask for Tonya or Jackie.

ADULT IN-Home Caregiver for all your needs to the elderly or disabled. Call Lacy, 689-2491.

341 Child Care Providers

CHRISTIAN MOM will keep children in my home Monday through Friday, 6 am to 6:30 pm. Morning and afternoon snacks provided. Lots of activities. 553-8121 and 522-7834.

LICENSED CHILD care in my home. Day and night. Age 1 to 5. Call 694-0934, ask for Dean.

350 Business Opportunities

A REAL MONEY MAKER!!
Coke/ Hershey/ Pepsi
New Routes Available!
$1,500/ Weekly Potential
Financing/ Free Video
1-800-337-1375

RETAIL STORE for sale. 1998 Sales $170,000. Will sell $150,000 or best offer. Call 697-8506.

MANUFACTURER

Manufactures and repairs equipment for the drilling industry. Annual cash flow over $1 million.

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

RESTAURANT

Well established restaurant in good location. Good growth potential. Equipment and lease space in excellent condition. Priced to sell!
Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

→NEW TODAY←

AVAILABLE TO All Home buyers. Save $20,000 or more on your mortgage payments. Call 915-584-6515.

CONVENIENCE STORE and Lounge on 13 acres. Grocery, beer & gas, Trailer park, Boat stalls, Laundromat on Highway 90. Established over 30 years. $135,000. Comstock, Texas. 915-292-4460.

LADIES CLOTHING

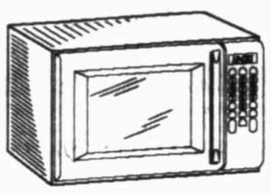
Well established ladies clothing store. You would be proud to own! Owner retiring!

Sunbelt Business Brokers
520-1515

HIGH VOLUME Business For Sale. Good high traffic location. Call 684-4369 for information or appointment.

Household ★ Specials:

Do you have furniture, appliances, or other unwanted household



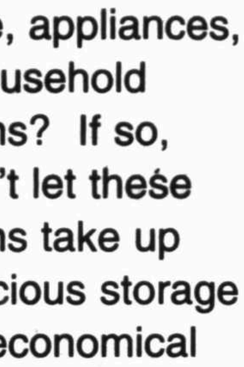
items? If so, don't let these items take up precious storage space. We've got 3 economical ways for you to turn **Clutter** into **Cash!**

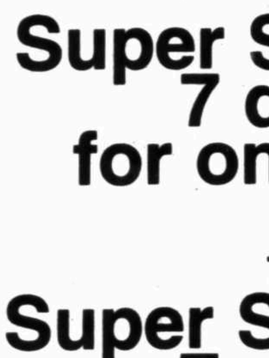
Super Seller I ... 7 days for only $10!

-or-

Super Seller II ... 7 days for only $5!

With Super Seller I, we'll advertise your household item (priced under $350) for 7 days, for only $10.



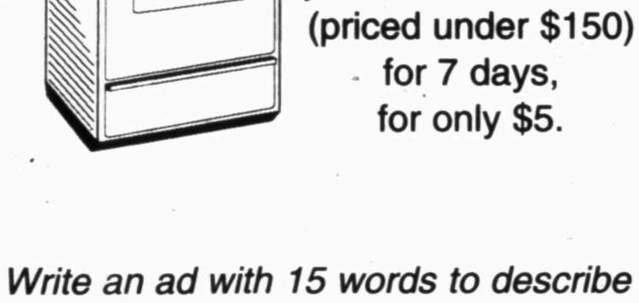


With Super Seller II, we'll advertise your household item (priced under $150) for 7 days, for only $5.

Write an ad with 15 words to describe your furniture, appliance, or other household item, & Call Brandi, Pam, Emily, Nancy, or JenniferToday!

Free Bee - 15 words, 4 days, FREE!

FREE! That's right, we'll advertise your household item (priced under $50) for 4 days absolutely FREE! (Monday through Thursday) Submit your 15 word ad in writing (Please fax it, mail it, or bring it in)!



Call Classified @ 682-6222

All of our specials are for private, non-commerical individuals only and some specials require pre-payment, some do not. 1 Item per ad please. 1 Free Bee per family per week. Call 682-6222 for complete details.

400 AUCTIONS

AUCTION

EAGLE METER & PUMP, INC.
907 N. GRIMES - HOBBS, NM
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1999
10:04 A.M.

LARGE INVENTORY OF NEW PARTS INCLUDING PARTS BY LUG JOY, ONAN, TECUMSEH, KIM RAY, KOHLER, WISCONSIN, QUINCY, BRIGGS STRATTON. A COMPLETE MAGNETO SERVICE SHOP INCLUDES MISC MAGNETOS, 2 MAGNETO VISES, MAGNETO TESTER & LARGE ASST. OF MAGNETO PARTS. LARGE SELECTION OF SHOP EQUIPMENT, OFFICE FURNITURE & MACHINES & METAL PARTS SHELVING & MUCH, MUCH MORE!

AUCTION CONDUCTED BY:
JAMES CECIL AUCTIONEERS
505-393-4917

LARGE ABSOLUTE AUCTIONS
No Minimum or Reserve Prices • No Bid-Ins or Buy-Backs
All property will definitely change ownership!

17 VIDEO STORES
Located in Arizona, Texas, & Oklahoma
SOLD IN ONE DAY AT ONE LOCATION!
Each store sold individually or buyer can buy one or all 17 complete video stores!
Most stores closed within one month of auction. By order of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas-Lubbock Division. Cox Video Corp., case no. 598-51119-7 / Big Video Corp., case no. 598-51123-JCA-7

THURS., FEB. 25 • 2 PM
SALE TO BE HELD AT THE WESTIN HOTEL
1 N. Broadway, Oklahoma City, 20th Century Room
Registration at 1 PM Day of Sale Only
OPEN HOUSE at all stores:
SAT., FEB. 13 & 20 from 8 AM to 5 PM
TERMS: Payment in full day of sale only. No exceptions. Cash or personal or company check with driver's license.

COX VIDEO #5
4410 N. MIDKIFF, MIDLAND, TX
9,754 VHS tapes, 392 games, office equipment, fixtures, machinery. COMPLETE STORE! For info. on keeping store in current location, please contact that store's landlord: Pilchers property Mgmt., 7001 Rustan Rd., Ste. 200, Dallas, TX. (214) 520-2878 / Patty Johnston.
For complete, descriptive brochure contact: TX #7562

Dakil Auctioneers, Inc. 405-751-6179

350 Business Opportunities

FAMILY BUSINESS
FLOWERAMA FRANCHISE
FLORAL CENTER
Excellent Profit Potential
Company training, supplier programs, and ongoing support provided.
Cash required, approximately $90- $100K.
Contact Chuck Nygren
1-800-728-6004

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495 FOR FREE

400 Auctions

COMBINED LIQUIDATORS AUCTION SYSTEMS, 2636 Faudree Rd., 563-1349. Combined Liquidators and Auction Systems has combined forces to bring you the best auction facility in the Permian Basin. Now taking consignments for upcoming auction. Please phone or come by for further information. James O. (Red) Little, TX#9198

410 Misc. Sales

ANTIQUE BRASS glass fireplace cover $25. Please call 697-8376 anytime.

BEANIE BABIES. Selling most of my collection over 120 retired. From $8- $50. 520-0212.

AMIGO CLASSIC battery operated, self propelled, customized, wheel chair. Can maneuver in small places- indoors or out, practically brand new. $1,800 negotiable. 682-8459.

Panama Canal Cruises! Great Destinations Travel Has April & November, 1999 Sailing Dates Priced As Low As $2,010 Per Person. Call 915-682-8645 & Book Today!

BABY ITEMS: Crib- $150, changing table- $30, Graco swing- $30. Peg Pergo double stroller- $75 or best offer. 687-3180.

→ NEW TODAY ←

BRAND NEW Light Pink Carpet. 2 Pieces, 10 x 11'7" & 13' x 7 1/2'. Call 520-2076.

LAYAWAY For spring- 18' and 24' pools. Complete installation or financing available. 563-3108.

2 TRAILER HITCHES for vehicles '87- '95, Acclaim, Dynasty, Spirit, LeBaron. 3,500 lb, $75. 2,000 lb, $50. Call 697-6836 after 7:00 pm.

410 Misc. Sales

MOVING SALE: Everything must go! Furniture; living room, dining room, washer, dryer, miscellaneous! Call 520-8677.

HOT SPRINGS SPA Hot Tub- 7 Person Grandy. $3,000. Call 697-6836 after 7:00 pm.

CULLIGAN rebuilt water Softener and Reverse Osmosis $995. 1 Year warranty. Limited Time offer. Restrictions apply. Call 563-2690 for details.

BABY CRIB, Dresser, changing table combination. All white, mattress included, like new, $265. 687-0984.

Y2K WATER storage tanks. Sizes available 2 gallon through 3,000 gallon. Benmark Supply. 682-6584, 570-6588

CEMETARY PLOTS: Resthaven Memorial, Garden of Last Supper. Lot 138- #3/ 4. $1,800 negotiable. (254)772-2784.

AUTHENTIC (7'x 3 1/2') wooden dice table complete with chips and accessories. $1,000. 683-1766.

COUCH- Tan with mauve and blue, good condition $150. Swimming pool with skirt and pump, needs liner $50. Call 520-8234.

CHOICE DOUBLE Crypts. D3D Valhalla Mausoleum. 684-5630 after 5 pm.

FINALLY HEALTH Insurance, at affordable rates, for the self employed and small business owner. 1-800-692-8299.

GREENTREE MEMBERSHIP For sale. $500. Please call 697-4128.

WASHERS, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, stoves, wicker 10 piece dining, loungers, couches, antiques, Plymouth, miscellaneous. 570-4851.

CHEST TYPE Freezer, $150. Gas clothes dryer, $75. Steel cabinets with stereo, 13" TV, VCR, and speakers, $500. White leather love seat, chair and ottoman, $125. Call 520-6027.

→ NEW TODAY ←

ELECTRIC WHEELCHAIR, Invacare Ranger II, new 12/ 98- $6,600. Must sell! Best offer considered. 683-5128.

FOR SALE: Midland Park Mall's Electric 3 car train and track. Please call 694-1664.

BEANIE BABIES & treadmill and other exercise equipment for sale. Call 522-2432 after 9 am.

→ NEW TODAY ←

★ BIBLE TALK: Historically, When did the use of Individuals Cups Originate in the Lord's Supper? 520-0381. Free recorded message.

SAVED by SENATORS for SLEAZE
Show some outrage
Bumper Stickers
"Jail Willy" - $3.
"Hillary Too" - $2
CPA, P.O. Box 50580, Midland, TX 79710

HAND PAINTED, Fun- Sophisticated designs on furniture, borders, cabinets, anything! Call Annie Poulos, 684-4728.

BINGO, American Legion, 501 Airpark Road, Friday nights games - start at 8. Food, Refreshments. 682-5511.

410 Misc. Sales

6 GALLONS of acoustic white Kelly Moore wall paint, semi gloss, $125. 685-1780.

410 Misc. Sales

MTD 20.5 HP/ 46" cutting deck garden tractor with sleeve hitch, disk harrow, dethatcher and utility cart. Still under warranty. $1,400 or best offer. 699-1473.

415 Misc. Wanted

WANT to buy a manual typewriter. Very good condition. Please leave name and number, 915-756-2118.

SOUTHWEST Company Club tickets or other airline mileage awards wanted. Will pay top dollar. 687–5039.

420 Good Things To Eat

FREE DELIVERY! Best organic pecans: In shell, $1.00/ lb. Bits, pieces, halves, $4.50/ lb. 561-8189.

BUYING PECANS! Bare root pecan trees, $24.95. Gardendale Pecan Processing. FM 554 in Gardendale. 550-7609.

BURKETT OR Mayhon Pecans, shelled, new crop, $5/ pound, Excellent flavor, 684-4646.

432 Household Furniture

BABY BED. Wicker with 5 drawers. Converts to toddler bed with changing table/rocker. $225. 520-0706.

WOOD DINING Table- 6 chairs (2 Captain) with matching lighted hutch. Must see to appreciate. $900 negotiable. Large metal office desk $75 negotiable. 694-5074. 1005 Delmar.

BEAUTIFUL Executive desk, bunkbed, refrigerator- used six months, antique coffee table. All excellent condition. 620-8844.

WHITE ASHLEY dinner table, four chairs, hutch. $750 or best offer. Call 570-8308 after 5.

BEDROOM SUITE; two rooms, 8 pieces. Hand made rustic wood, $2,700 or best offer. Call 697-6243.

BLACK LEATHER sofa with queen sleeper, three piece matching tables- $300 for all. Call 522-2850.

CHERRY WOOD Computer Desk, $100. Desk, $30. Entertainment center, $100. Red piped desk and bookshelves, $80 set. White bookshelves, $15 each. Hunter green/ oak coffee and end tables, $125 set. 699-6526.

MOVING SALE: Sofas, chairs, coffee tables, Foosball table and more. 570-5717 for appointment.

LARGE L shaped desk. Metal with formica top. Good condition. $50. Call 520-5238.

KING SIZE pillow top bed, no headboard, oak triple dresser- $595. Wood drop leaf table, six high back chairs. Daybed- $150. 915-362-2746.

COMPLETE LIVING Room Set- Couch, Loveseat, 3 Tables & 2 Lamps. $450. Please call 687-4826.

MISCELLANEOUS Furniture for sale. Couch $75; dining table with 4 chairs $300; large mirror $100; new Berber carpet, 12 sq. yards $100; full headboard/ footboard, $25; tan recliner $75; console radio- CD needs work $50; rocker $5; dry sink $50. 685-1115.

QUEEN WATERBED, 6 under drawers, mirrored headboards, 2 glass cabinets on sides. Complete. $100. 520-5238.

GLASS DINING Room Table with 6 Chairs, $500. Please call 685-1220.

LOVE SEAT & sofa, one coffee table, two end tables, dining room table, lamps, pictures, queen size canopy bed, king size bedroom suite, Please call 522-1003.

SLEEPER SOFA. Excellent condition. Earth tone with mauve & blue. $200. 687-0364.

KING SIZE bed and headboard, $150. 2 Beige Lazy Boy rockers. Hideabed couch, subtle flowers with beige background. $800 set. All like new. Must sell! 694-1433 or 689-0371.

PALLISER JUVENILE Bedroom furniture includes desk, chest, unique headboard (fits any size bed). $350, 686-0428.

MATTRESS sets, dinette sets, bunk beds, daybeds and Futon couches. Reasonable prices. Also catalog orders available. Credit Cards- Layaways welcome. Wood & Son Appliances. 2811 W. Wall 699–1224.

435 Household Appliances

★ FREE REMOVAL of appliances. Washers, dryer's, refrigerator's, $100 each. Free delivery. 90 day warranty. 567-5221.

FREE REMOVAL of unwanted appliances/ evaporative coolers. Pick up in 45 minutes or less, 631-3920.

WHIRLPOOL 50 cu. ft. refrigerator, almond colored. Good condition. $200. 684-4498.

KENMORE WASHER- Almond colored. 3- 4 years old. Works great. $100. Please call 689-2610.

MAGIC CHEF, 36" gas stove with griddle, works great, $100 or best offer. Call 697-0264.

15 CU FT Chest Freezer. 6 Months old. $250. Call 522-1978.

440 Firewood

SEASONED FIREWOOD- Split oak. Delivered/ stacked. Preston, 522-7862 if no answer leave message.

EXCELLENT SEASONED Oak or Mesquite. Delivered, Neatly Stacked & Reduced priced. Jarod/ Bobby, 522-2519, 687-0123.

DICK'S FIREWOOD. Oaks, Mesquite, Pecan & Cedar. We deliver. 1-(915) 453–2151, Fax 1-(915)-453-4322.

LET US Bring Ruidoso to you! Pinion, Juniper and Cedar. Discounted, free delivery. Terry 520-3091.

DENNIS WOOD Yard- Good seasoned oak. Delivered and stacked. 699-1670.

EAGER BEAVER Firewood. Seasoned Oak, Mesquite, Piñon, Juniper. Will deliver. Also sell- apartment cords. 685-3521.

→ NEW TODAY ←

TURF SPECIALTIES- Best firewood in town! Neatly delivered and stacked. Open Weekends seasonally. 684-7166.

SEASONED FIREWOOD. Best price in town! Delivered. Call Robin, 697-3559.

ASSORTED FIREWOOD, $100 per cord. Please call 697-3952, pager #567-8400, mobile #631-0245.

450 Sporting Goods

ENGLISH SETTER Puppies. Whelped 1-1-99. Sunrise/ Smith Bloodline. Up Front $300 Up. Sharer Kennels, 915-580-4786.

EASY GO Golf cart: Three wheel. Very nice. $600 or $700 with trailer. 556-3757 days, 570-8547 after 6.

JIM'S GOLF Clubs. Adam's "Tight- Lie" $80. "Tri- Metal" woods, $85. King Cobra II irons $184 set (clones). Reshaft, Regrip, lowest price, 3115 Haynes. 694-1334.

PERSONAL DEFENSE Concepts will conduct classes necessary to obtain Texas concealed handgun permit. Monday February 15th, Tuesday February 16th. Call 520-0690 to sign up.

PRO- FORM Cross Trainer E. Weight system, stair climber, personal trainer, electronic work out system, $1.500 or best offer. 697-3264.

460 Antiques & Arts

JUDY JACKSON'S Estate Sales. An experienced professional working for you! 689-3536, 682-6147.

ESTATE Sales by JOSEPH'S. Let our experienced team liquidate your estate. 687-3040, 687-2868, 694-5034.

THE CATS MEOW- 4000 sq. ft of fine merchandise- we buy and sell antiques. 408 Andrews Highway. (915)687–2004.

MEME'S COLLECTION, 3205 W. Cuthbert, 520-0055, (next to Weddings By Design) A Unique mix of antiques, collectables, primitives, and crafts. A "jillion" of smaller things that make a house a home. Yes, TY Beanie Babies! Major credit cards accepted. Tuesday- Saturday 10- 6.

CHARACTER COMIC Toys. Original Comic Art. Movie Memorabilia. Signed Rockwell Art. 1897 Fairy Soapbox. Lone Ranger Items. Autographs. Etc. 684-7407.

DEPRESSED Oil Market means depressed art market. 3- 9 x 12 Larry Dyke golf course originals. 24 x 36 G. Harvey original; 24 x 36 Robert woods original; 24 x 36 J.W. Thrasher original. Frontier Galleries, 1926 East 8th Street, Odessa. 580-8600.

500 Pets and Supplies

❤ ❤ Dogs ❤ ❤

"Jagger"- Lab mix, short black hair, 5 years, neutered male. **"KBST"**- Large mix, black/ white short hair 2 1/2 years, neutered, male. **"Black Butt"**- Mix female Terrier, short hair, spayed, 3 1/2 years. **"Willie Mae"**- Short haired mixed Shepherd 1 1/2 years, spayed female. **"Amy"**- Short hair female, Shepherd mix, 2 years, spayed.
These, plus many more cats and dogs are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just $50 and cats are just $40. This includes spaying/neutering, vaccinations, and rabies shots. Call 267-7832.

460 Antiques & Arts

25% OFF Entire stock merchandise through February 20th. Ellen Boyd Antiques and Fancies, Located at Yesterday's News. 3712 W. Wall.

COMING SOON To Midland new antique store. Antique booths available, great location. 580-7233.

465 Collectibles

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BEANIE BABIES. Private collection. Retired and new. Please call 520-0212.

470 Musical Instruments

→ NEW TODAY ←

FOR SALE: Piano- upright, Lester Philadelphia, Betsy Ross Spinet- $400. Please call 684-4212.

485 Electronics

COMPLETE: S- VHS, video editing system. (Panasonic), for sale. Plus more related items. 567-9392, pager.

490 Computers/ Access.

SERVICE AFTER THE SALE Computers- New and used, upgrade and repair. Night Owl Computers, 10am- 8pm, 1015- B N Midkiff. 520-5917, 686–8835.

INTERNET ACCESS. Call 620-0839 for details.

495 FOR FREE

FREE TO Good Home: Cute puppies. 6 Weeks old. Greenwood area. Call 570-4360.

BEAUTIFUL affectionate 6 year old female, short hair Tabby, to a loving home. 684-3707.

FREE LAB Mix pups. Very cute, 6 weeks old. Call 520-8611.

TO GOOD loving home, sweet lovable, 4 year old, female, Maltese, no papers. 689-7547.

TO GOOD home: Black female puppy. Great with kids. Please call 694-6010 after 5:30 pm.

FREE MOTHER DOG- Part Doberman/ Boxer and her 3 month old pup. Also mix breed pup. 684-8215.

FREE TO good home: Black Lab, male, 4 years. Please call 683-7254.

TO GOOD homes: 2 female Labs, one year old, shots current. Pager 1-888-604-3935 days, 520-2056 evenings.

495 FOR FREE

AKC REGISTERED Cocker Spaniel. Female, gentle. Must find loving home due to health. Call 697-8041.

500 Merchandise

MERCHANDISE 500

500 Pets and Supplies
505 Livestock/Poultry
510 Office Furniture & Misc.,
520 Store,Cafe Equip.
525 Bus./Shop Equip.
530 A/C - Heating
540 Building Materials
550 Portable Buildings
560 Machinery/Tools
570 Oil Field Equip. & Supplies
580 Farm Equipment

500 Pets and Supplies

AKC Shih- Tzu, male, 2.5 years Not neutered. Good with kids. $300 negotiable. 682-0834.

AKC REGISTERED black Labs, 7 weeks old. Excellent family history. First shots and wormed. $250 each. Call 550-5409.

LHASO APSO white puppy for sale. Have all registration papers, shots current. Please call 682-4276.

❤ 2 AKC PUGS. Males. Please call 915-580-4833 or Cellular 425-5052.

FULL BLOOD Bassett Hound. All shots. $125 negotiable. Call 683-7830.

POODLES AKC standard clearance, pups or trained adults. Top quality, most colors. Can deliver. 915-636-4493.

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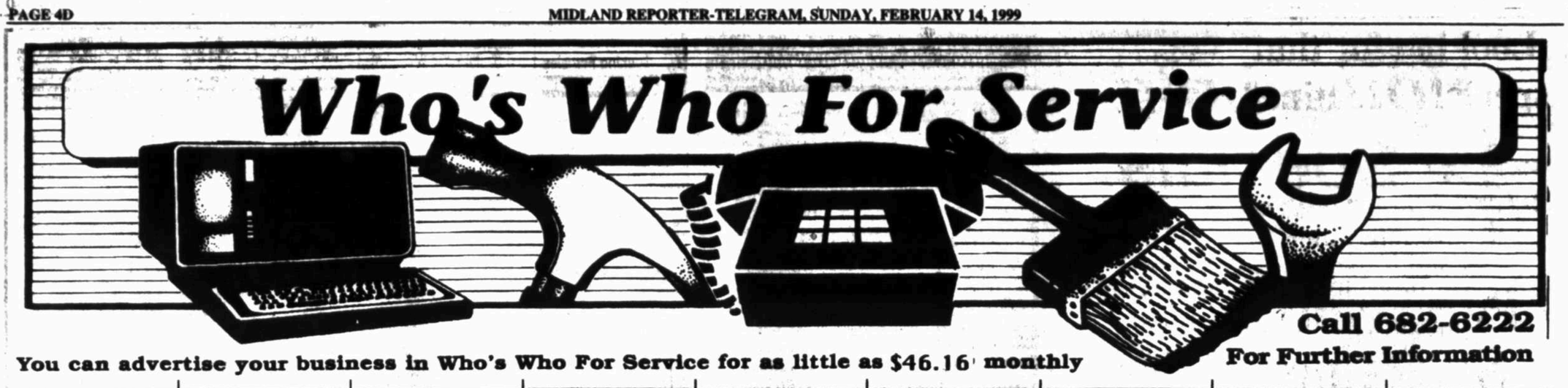

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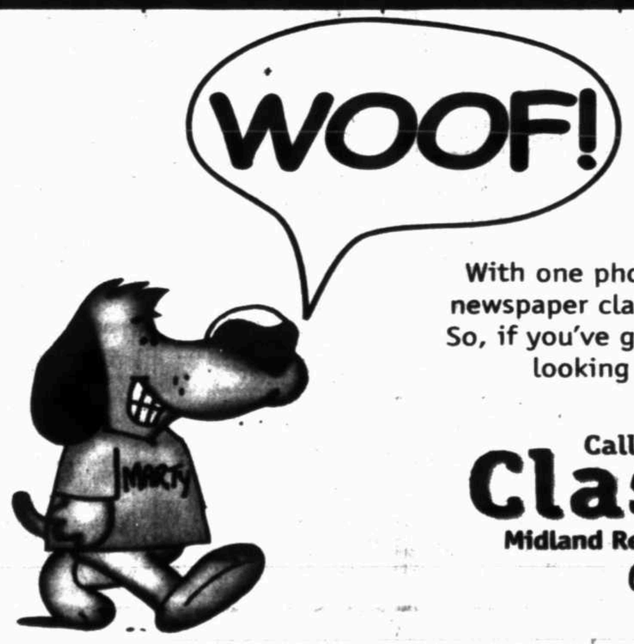

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This single white mom, 48, 5'8", 135lbs., with brown hair and gray eyes, who is seeking a single white male, 45-55. Ad#.9866

GOOD DISPOSITION
Slender single white female, 26, 5'6", a blue-eyed blonde, who enjoys movies, hiking, horseback riding, camping and more, seeks a single white male, 25-32. Ad#.8600

GENUINE
I'm a single white female, 18, 4'11", with blonde hair and blue eyes, seeking a single white male, 18-24, to spend time with. Ad#.9412

COMMON BOND
Honest single white female, 41, 5'1", 108lbs., with green eyes, who is seeking a single white male, 35-45. Ad#.8960

DESTINY
Single black female, 28, full-figured, who enjoys reading, romantic movies and more, is seeking a single black male, 30-48. Ad#.7710

YOUR HEART
Fun-loving single white female, 51, 5'5", 130lbs., brown hair/eyes, attractive, educated, enjoys painting, gardening, reading and more, seeking a flexible single white male, 48-58, non-smoker. Ad#.8097

CALL NOW
Single white female, 39, 5'1",104lbs., who enjoys live theatre, racquetball and staying active, is seeking a loving, easygoing single white male, 39-49. Ad#.8385

PERFECT COMBINATION
Professional single white female, 43, 5'6", 134lbs., a blue-eyed brunette, who enjoys candlelit dinners, dancing, water and snow skiing, the outdoors, reading, music and more, is seeking a single white male, 35-48. Ad#.8478

CALL NOW
Intelligent single black female, 32, 5'4", with light brown hair/eyes, is seeking a spontaneous, outgoing single male, 30-40. Ad#.9889

ONE ON ONE
Single female, 27, 5'4", with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys music, movies and more, wants to meet an honest single white male, 25-35, who she can have a lot of fun with. Ad#.9656

CHECK IT OUT
Single white female, 35, 6', with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, camping and just having fun, is seeking a kind, easygoing single white male, 30-40. Ad#.7944

THE FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT
Get to know this outgoing, college-educated single white female, 26, 5'4", 135lbs., with auburn hair and brown eyes. She enjoys meeting all kinds of people and seeks a trustworthy, commitment-minded single male, 19-40. Ad#.9272

MAKE THE CONNECTION
Catholic single Hispanic mother, 23, 5'2", 120lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music, dancing, movies, family activities, church and more, is seeking a sincere single Hispanic male, 24-35. Ad#.8484

GOLDISH GIRL
A green-eyed blonde, this friendly, self-employed single white female, 60, 5'5", is Lutheran, enjoys wintertime, family, foreign travel and seeks an adventuresome, sincere single white male, 57-70. Ad#.8419

SIMPLY THE BEST
Single white female, 20, 5'8", 120lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, is seeking a stable single male, 23-31, for a possible relationship. Ad#.8029

HONEST AND FAITHFUL
Get together with this divorced white mom of four, 33, 5'7", 130lbs., a vegetarian, who enjoys studying the Bible, singing and dancing. She seeks a family-oriented, mature single white male, 33-65, to share time with. Ad#.9061

GOAL-ORIENTED
She's earned two associate's degrees. A Catholic single Hispanic mother of four, 39, 4'11", with dark brown hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, music, dining out, travel, quiet times and more, she is seeking a Catholic single Hispanic male, 36-41. Ad#.7467

HIGH QUALITY
A blue-eyed blonde, this single white Christian mother of three, 47, 5'8", 118lbs., is seeking a loyal, educated, professional single white Christian male, 45-55, with integrity. She enjoys movies, sports, animals and more. Ad#.9525

RAY OF SUNSHINE
Why not call this attractive single white female, 47, 5'7", 117lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys art museums, long walks and various spectator sports? She'd love to hear from a single white male, 45-60, who has a positive attitude. Ad#.8429

GET TO KNOW ME
Reading, country music and spending time with her daughter are interests of this divorced Hispanic mom of two, 22, 5'2", with black hair and brown eyes. She is looking for a single Hispanic male, 22-34. Ad#.9212

ONE-MAN WOMAN
Single white mom, 49, 5'2", full-figured, with brown hair and hazel eyes,who enjoys movies, walking her dog, dining out and more, is seeking an honest, romantic single white male, 45-60. Ad#.7854

SOUL MATES?
Attractive single white female, 46, 5'7", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys long walks, singing and playing the piano, wants to meet a single white male, 44-54, who is true to himself and honest to those around him. Ad#.8782

GIVE HER A CALL
This single black mom, 30, 5', with brown hair/eyes, is seeking a loving, easygoing single Hispanic/black male, 23-48. Ad#.9015

UPBEAT
She's a single white female, 49, 117lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes. She's seeking a loving, compassionate single white male, 45-50. Ad#.8897

WHAT'S YOUR SIGN?
This single white female, 46, 5'10", full-figured, is seeking a single white male, 32-46, who would like to enjoy movies, music, Mythology and more with her. If you are ready for happiness, this is your call to make. Ad#.9251

A WINNER
Fun-loving single white female, 48, 5'4", 205lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys singing, reading and socializing, is seeking a single white male, 40-80. Ad#.8313

LOVE TAKES TIME
Single Hispanic mom, 38, 5'2", who enjoys dancing, the outdoors and more, would like to meet an honest, dependable single Hispanic male, 38-45. Ad#.9413

HOPES & DREAMS
Sweet single black mother of two, 23, 5'4", 140lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, enjoys movies, reading and sports. She seeks an open-minded, humorous single male, 20-32. Ad#.8087

MEANT TO BE
Get to know this single Hispanic mother of two, 37, with brown hair and eyes. She likes dining out and dancing till dawn. She'd like to meet a single Hispanic male, 30-45, for a possible relationship. Ad#.9201

MATE FOR LIFE
Single Hispanic mom of two, 27, petite, with long brown hair, who enjoys dancing and relaxing at home, is seeking a single Hispanic male, 21-38, to share life with. Ad#.7942

CATCH A RISING STAR
Single white female, 36, 5'4", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys reading, country music, horseback riding, the outdoors and more, is looking to meet a single white male, 30-44. Ad#.8763

ARE YOU THE ONE?
Camping, cuddling, sports, movies and horseback riding are interests of this single white female, 27, 6'2", with brown hair and hazel eyes. She'd like to hear from you if you're an honest, affectionate single white male, 25-38. Ad#.9602

MIDNIGHT TALKS
Happy, fun, single white female, 40, with auburn hair and blue eyes, who is slender and beautiful, enjoys music, dancing, dining out, long walks and quiet evenings. She is looking for a handsome, fun-loving single white male, 38-50. Ad#.8321

HELLO SUNSHINE
Professional single white mom of four, 38, 5'3", 105lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music and movies, traveling, dining out, swimming and fishing, is looking for a single male, 30-45. Ad#.9917

ADORABLE
Here is a family-oriented single white female, 20, 5'4", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who likes skiing, dancing and carnivals. She seeks a fun, dependable single white male, 20-27. Ad#.9257

START A FRIENDSHIP TODAY
Single white female, 40, 5'3", 120lbs., with long blonde hair and blue eyes, would love to meet a single white male, 34-50, for a wonderful relationship. She enjoys cooking, movies and roller skating. Ad#.9769

COUNTRY LOVING
I'm a single white mother of three, 46, 5'6", with blonde hair and green eyes who enjoys horses, autumn, action movies, dancing and country life. If you're a single white male, 38-55, give me a call. Ad#.7665

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ON MY OWN
This single white mom of three, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, will not rest until she finds the single male, 35-55, of her dreams. She enjoys family times, the changing seasons and much more. Ad#.8170

SOUL MATES
Slender, professional single white Christian female, 48, with frosted blonde hair and green eyes, who enjoys a variety of music, travel, dancing, theater and dining out, seeks a handsome, single white Christian male, 45-49. Ad#.7128

REACH FOR THE STARS
This fun-loving single black female, 20, 5'8", with brown hair and hazel eyes, a student, likes dancing, movies and walks in the park. She would like to find a compatible single male, 19-34, to have good times with. Ad#.8605

OPEN YOUR HEART TO ME
The fun never stops with this lovely and sweet single white female, 20, 5'8", 140lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, movies, horseback riding and walks in the park. She is seeking a good-natured, sociable single white male, 20-24. Ad#.7242

QUALITY TIME TOGETHER
Professional single white female, 45, 5'7", 118lbs., with frosted blonde hair and hazel eyes, enjoys boating, picnics, nature walks, sports, the theater, singing and playing piano. She's looking for a stable, educated, true single white gentleman, 44-49. Ad#.8017

SHOW ME A GOOD TIME
I'm an enjoyable, outgoing single white mom, 18, 5'5", 120lbs., with red hair and baby blue eyes, who wants to spend time with a single white male, 18-21. I enjoy rollerblading, horseback riding, dancing and singing. Ad#.9544

'TIL WE MEET
Single white mom, 39, 5'6", with dark hair and blue eyes, who enjoys camping, flea markets, sports and dining out, is seeking a single white male, 33-42, with similar interests, for friendship first. Ad#.8909

COUNTRY GAL
Are you a one woman single white male, 35-55? Meet this single white female, 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes. She is an animal lover, who enjoys rodeos, country dancing and shooting pool. Ad#.7670

TRULY BLESSED
This professional single white Christian female, 45, 5'7", slender, with blonde hair and green eyes, loves helping people, movies and most music. She seeks a professional single white male, 44-48, who is a true gentleman. Ad#.7684

A LOT OF LOVE TO GIVE
Kind, loving, single black female, 25, 6', full-figured, who enjoys picnics in the park, music, building snowmen and reading, is seeking a single black male, 21-35, with similar interests. Ad#.8298

GOOD INTENTIONS
Contact this independent single white mom, 34, 5'11", 134lbs., with dark auburn hair and brown eyes, who knows just what she wants in life. She's searching for an honest, sincere and trustworthy single white male, 29-45. Ad#.7726

FRIENDS FIRST
Single white female, 35, 5'7", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys camping, biking, traveling, hiking and walking in the woods, is seeking an easygoing single white male, 36-50, for friendship first. Ad#.8213

A HOMEBODY
Single white female, 19, with brown hair/eyes, a smoker, is seeking a caring single white male, 18-27, who enjoys living life to the fullest. Ad#.7310

STAND BESIDE HER!
Working in the yard, walking, reading and sharing time with her grandchildren are what makes her happy! She's a single white female, 50, 5'2", 145lbs., with frosted hair and green eyes, who is waiting to hear from a loving single white male, 45-52. Ad#.9093

MAKE EACH MOMENT COUNT
Spontaneity and romance are appreciated by this single white female, 34, 5'3", full-figured, with brown hair and blue eyes, who seeks a good-natured single white male, 28-38. She likes swimming, biking and going for long walks. What about you? Ad#.9279

WONDERFUL HEART
True love is hard to find, that's why you should meet this Christian woman, 49, who always tries to find the good in people and situations. She searches to meet a tall, dark and handsome single white Christian male, 44-54, with a zest for life. Ad#.8492

LET'S MINGLE
Slender, classy single white mom, 48, 5'8", who enjoys taking nature walks, animals and just having fun, seeking single white male, 45-60. Ad#.8861

HERE SHE IS...
She's a single white Christian mom, 40, 5'7", interested in meeting a single white Christian male, 38-50, who enjoys dancing, country music, good conversation and the great outdoors. Ad#.7076

SHY AT FIRST
Here's a college-bound, cheerful single white female, 19, 5'6", 165lbs. with brown hair/eyes, who is looking to meet a single white male, 18-25. Ad#.7032

LET'S MEET
I'm a single Hispanic mom, 20, 4'10", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys reading, movies and more. I'm seeking a single male, 25-30. Ad#.8115

CALL NOW!
She would like to meet a single Hispanic male, 19-24. Is that you? If so, call this single Hispanic mom of one, 19, 5'4", 110lbs., with brown hair/eyes. Ad#.8734

AND THE WINNER IS
Cheerful single Hispanic female, 20, 5'5", slim, with brown hair/eyes, enjoys reading, running, basketball, comedy films, dancing and seeks an honest, humorous single Hispanic male, 20-26. Ad#.8421

TOUCHED BY AN ANGEL
Blessed with a great personality, this sweet single white mother of two, 30, 5'3", 106lbs., with brown hair, is looking to meet a single male, 31-47, non-drinker. She enjoys dancing, family times, horseback riding, country music and more. Ad#.9402

STAR-GAZER
Fun-loving single black mom, 29, 5'6", with brown hair and eyes, likes dancing, all kinds of music, playing softball and horseback riding. If you are a single male, 21-35, call soon. Ad#.8505

ON THE RIGHT TRACK
She's a single Hispanic female,34, 5'7", full-figured, with brown hair/eyes. She's seeking a single Hispanic male, 43-48, for possible relationship. Ad#.7686

FULL OF FUN
Single Hispanic female, 25, 5'5", 130lbs., with light brown hair and dark brown eyes, enjoys having fun, reading romance novels, the outdoors and sports. She is seeking a single Hispanic male, 25-30, who enjoys children. Ad#.7066

HURRY AND CALL
Take a walk in the park and talk with this single white Christian female, 45, 5'6", 189lbs., who enjoys barbecuing, reading the Bible and swimming. She seeks a cheerful single white Christian male, 48-66. Ad#.7917

LOOK HERE
She's a single white female 46, 5'7", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys the outdoors and all sports. She's seeking a single white male, 35-52, who is a good guy. Ad#.8427

SEARCHING
Attractive single white female, 49, 5'8", 118lbs., with blonde hair and hazel eyes, is seeking a single white male, 45-50. Ad#.9612

GIVE HER A CALL
Listen closely to this soft-spoken single white female, 19, 5'5", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys writing poetry, being with friends and music. She's in search of a single white male, 19-22, to have fun with. Ad#.9510

COUNT ON HER
Divorced white female, 26, 5'7", 150lbs., with light brown hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys dancing, skiing, fishing, camping and quiet times at home, would like to meet a special, caring single white male, 28-36. Ad#.9420

OLD FASHIONED
Professional, green-eyed brunette single white mother, 46, 5'7", who enjoys country music, dancing, rodeos, bowling and camping, seeks a sincere single white male, 35-55. Ad#.8054

FAMILY COMES FIRST...
I hope you understand. But, I look forward spending quality time with you, a single male, 40-49. I am a single Hispanic mom, 41, 5'1", with brown hair and eyes, who enjoys cook outs at the park, dancing and going to the movies. Ad#.7377

SO MUCH FUN
Single white female, 19, 5'4", 128lbs., with long blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports and baseball, is seeking a fun-loving single male, 18-25. Ad#.8102

COUNTRY GIRL
Nice, honest single white mom, 46, 5'7", with light brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys country music, rodeos, shooting pool, bowling and sports, seeks a single white male, 35-53. Ad#.8013

RIGHT BESIDE YOU
Family-oriented, full-figured single black female, 25, 5'4", seeks a compatible single black male, 26-45, who likes movies, dining out, football and quiet times. Ad#.7627

NOW IT'S MY TURN
Single white female, 43, 5'7", full-figured, with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, computers and animals, is seeking a single white male, 41-47. Ad#.8058

LOVE IS ON THE WAY
Single Hispanic mom, 31, 5'3", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys music, movies and family time, seeks a single Hispanic male, 29-43, who likes children. Ad#.8207

A COMMON INTEREST
Share your goals and dreams with this hardworking, honest single white female, 20, 5'4", with blonde hair and brown eyes. She's into reading, going to school and seeks a single white male, 18-27, who won't play any games. Ad#.8446

THE SPECIAL ONE
Single white mom, 28, 5'6", 130lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, enjoys dancing, reading and trips to the lake. She seeks a single white male, 25-35, for friendship first. Ad#.8188

BE PART OF MY TOMORROW
Are you a single male, 38-48, who enjoys the outdoors and traveling? If so, then you could be the perfect match for this single white Christian female, 46, 5'7", who's waiting patiently to hear from you. Ad#.9504

HERE SHE IS
Freckle-face single white female, 39, with blonde hair and green eyes, is in search of a single white male, 35-55. Ad#.7501

GET THE PICTURE?
Single black female, 25, 5'5", medium build, with black hair and brown eyes, enjoys long walks, movies and sports, is in search of a single male, 25-35, who enjoy children. Ad#.9634

LOVE TAKES TIME
Single white female, 43, 4'11", with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys traveling, fishing and movies, is seeking a single white male, 40-53, non-smoker. Ad#.7208

POSITIVE ATTITUDE
Full-figured, friendly single black female, 32, who enjoys spending time with her children, wants to meet a mature, kind-hearted single black male. Ad#.7654

NICE TO MEET YOU
Single Hispanic female, 18, 5'1", 140lbs., who enjoys sports, movies, good conversations and more, is seeking a single black male, 18-29, who enjoys life. Ad#.8224

HONESTY IS KEY
Outgoing single white female, 45, who enjoys traveling, singing, dancing, the Internet, day trips, the outdoors and dining out, wants to meet an honest single white Christian male. Ad#.9396

LOOKING FOR A COWBOY
Outgoing single white female, 46, who enjoys singing, listening to music, spending time with her daughters, rodeos and the mountains, is seeking a handsome, caring single white male. Ad#.9476

CIRCLE ME TODAY
Single white female, 49, 5'7", with red-dish-blonde hair, who enjoys animals, country music and going to the park, is seeking a single white male, 45-55. Ad#.9331

GOAL SETTER
Single black female, 23, who enjoys swimming, reading, watching movies and writing, is seeking a single male, 20-30. Ad#.7252

I'LL BE HERE
Single Hispanic female, 18, 5'4", 118lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, enjoys shopping and socializing with friends. She is seeking a single Hispanic male, 18-28. Ad#.7831

TAKE NOTICE
This single Hispanic mom, 31, 5'4", with long reddish-brown hair and brown eyes, likes watching football, playing softball and being with her kids. She seeks a single Hispanic male, 29-43. Ad#.8236

I'M YOUR LADY
Attractive single Hispanic female, 66, 5'7", 145lbs., is interested in meeting a single Hispanic male, 69-70, for a possible relationship. She enjoys dining out, the theatre, movies and good conversation. Ad#.8914

WELL-ROUNDED
Single white female, 45, 5'6", with dirty blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, crafts, dining out and more, is seeking a single white male, 40-50. Ad#.7067

GIVING
Caring single white female, 40, with dark hair and hazel eyes, likes cooking, flea markets and crafts. She seeks a sincere single male, 25-60, for a possible relationship. Ad#.9843

A REAL ZING
Athletic single white mom, 43, 5'8", with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys tennis, yard work, reading, dining out, dancing and spending time with her daughter, is looking for a single white male, 35-55, who shares similar interests. Ad#.8805

JUST BELIEVE
Single Hispanic female, 55, petite, with dark brown hair, non-smoker, is looking to share interests and friendship with a friendly single white male, 48-57, who enjoys gardening and reading. Ad#.9565

GOOD TIMES
Looking for Mr. Right? I'm a single Hispanic male, 25, 5'11", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys dancing, movies and going for drives in my convertible. I'm seeking a sweet single female, 18-32. Ad#.8397

WAITING FOR YOUR CALL
Outgoing, fun-loving single white dad, 24, 5'11", 145lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, is ISO a single white female, 21-29, who enjoys skiing, swimming, snowboarding, fishing and hiking. Ad#.7117

STOP!
Single white male, 22, 6', is looking forward to meeting a single white female, 21-25, to share life with. Ad#.7733

WARM-HEARTED
Spontaneous single white male, 28, 6'1", 230lbs., with reddish-brown hair and green eyes, a great cook, who enjoys traveling, seeks a down-to-earth, humorous single white female, 24-45. Ad#.9211

PERSONALITY PLUS
You'll have fun with this hardworking single white male, 30, 5'8", 200lbs., with reddish hair and hazel eyes. He enjoys all outdoor activities, sports, fishing, nature and more, and would like to meet a single white female, 25-34. Ad#.7524

NO NONSENSE
Divorced white Baptist dad of one, 35, 5'6", 120lbs., with brown hair and green eyes, who enjoys traveling, the beach, mountain climbing, snow skiing and more, is looking for a single white female, 30-45. Ad#.8639

THE NEXT MOVE IS YOURS
Reading, music and dancing rank high with this friendly single Hispanic male, 23, 6'1", 230lbs., with black hair and brown eyes. Leave a message if you're a fun-loving single female, 21-30. Ad#.8519

ONE DAY AT A TIME
Single white male, 26, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys a variety of music, sports, movies and more, is seeking a compatible single white female, 20-30. Ad#.8944

ALL IN TIME
Single white male, 38, 6', 185lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an attractive, sincere single white female, 25-38. Ad#.7327

BE MY VALENTINE
Professional single white male, 43, 5'10", 190lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys music, shopping, walking in the park and flying kites, seeks a single white female, 38-45. Ad#.8424

KEEP IT REAL
Single white male, 42, 6', 190lbs., with hazel eyes, who enjoys sports and the summer months, is seeking a loving, compassionate single white female, 30-45. Ad#.8922

BE MY VALENTINE
Trustworthy, hardworking single Hispanic male, 30, 6', 215lbs., who enjoys listening to jazz music, cooking and movies, seeks a single Hispanic female, 23-36. Ad#.9087

CELEBRATE LIFE
This single Hispanic male, 24, 6', 270lbs., with black hair, brown eyes, lives life to the fullest. He likes sports, playing the guitar and traveling, is seeking a kind and caring single female, 20-40. Ad#.7807

HILARIOUS
Muscular single white male, 19, 6', 200lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, enjoys working out, going to the beach and spending time with friends. He seeks a single white female, 18-22. Ad#.8015

A HAPPY MAN
Kind, sincere, romantic single Hispanic male, 48, 5'5", 130lbs., is seeking a single Hispanic female, 30-45, to share wonderful times together. Ad#.7743

A RAY OF SUNSHINE
Single Hispanic male, 45, 5'5", who enjoys sports, the outdoors and spending time with friends, is seeking a kind single female, 28-48. Ad#.9375

CUDDLE UP WITH HIM
You won't go wrong if you choose this good-natured single white male, 30, 5'8", 155lbs., who enjoys working out and building models. He is seeking a single white female, 35-60. Ad#.7243

FOCUS HERE
Single Hispanic male, 34, 5'10", 220lbs., who enjoys movies, dancing and more, is seeking a single Hispanic female, 25-35, to share special times with. Ad#.8708

FUN LOVING COWBOY
Tall, slender, romantic, single white male, 50, university educated, financially secure. Enjoys dining out, dancing, romantic evenings and having fun, seeking a slender, beautiful single white female, for freindship and possibly more. Ad#.9355

CAN YOU KEEP UP?
Meet this delightful, educated single white Christian male, 63, 5'9", 165lbs., with brown hair/eyes. He loves foreign travel, music and is seeking a commitment-minded slender single white Christian female, 52-60. Ad#.9696

A SWEETHEART
Single Hispanic male, 20, who enjoys sports, fishing and football, is seeking a single Hispanic female, 18-25. Ad#.8853

PLEASED TO MEET YOU
This friendly and funny single black male, 27, 5'11", enjoys basketball and rap music. He is seeking a single female, 19-30, for a possible relationship. Ad#.8666

HELLO LOVE
This fine fellow is looking to share life with a hardworking, single white female, 19-30. If you'd like to find out more, leave a message for this self-employed single Hispanic male, 51, 5'9", with brown hair/eyes. He hopes to hear from you soon. Ad#.7273

CONTACT HIM
Single white male, 35, 5'10", 165lbs., with hazel eyes, who enjoys going for walks, reading and dancing, is seeking a kind, caring single white female, 30-40. Ad#.9859

BREAK THE ICE
Fun-loving single Hispanic male, 32, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys the outdoors, movies, sports and more, is ISO a petite, blonde single female, 18-38, with a zest for life. Ad#.9601

INTRODUCE YOURSELF
Traveling, movies, outdoor activities and playing volleyball are interests of this handsome single white male, 30, 5'9", slim, a blue-eyed blond. He's looking for a pretty single white female, 35-50. Ad#.7648

PHONE NOW
Single Hispanic male, 51, 5'7", 185lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, seeks a cheerful, fun-loving single Hispanic female, 46-49. Ad#.8239

CONVERSATIONAL
Nice single white dad of one, 35, 5'9", 170lbs., with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys swimming and skiing, seeks a pleasant, caring single female, 26-36. Ad#.7116

IS ANYBODY OUT THERE?
Single black male, 28, 5'4", 160lbs., who enjoys playing basketball and baseball, listening to jazz music and spending time with friends, would like to meet a nice single black female, 21-31. Ad#.7294

CAN YOU RELATE?
Fishing, time in the park, shooting pool and going to movies are all interests of this athletic and faithful single white male, 35, 5'5", 165lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes. He's seeking a single female, 28-40, for friendship. Ad#.9091

WAITING TO MEET YOU
Single Hispanic male, 30, 5'7", who enjoys Tejano music, comedy and romantic movies, would like to meet a compatible, special single Hispanic female, 24-35. Ad#.9616

LET'S GET AWAY
Single white male, 40, 6', 190lbs., with auburn hair and blue eyes, who enjoys trips to Las Vegas and Ruidoso, is seeking a SW/HF, 23-39. Ad#.7968

PASSION FOR THE OUTDOORS
Take time getting to know this single white male, 37, 5'8", 185lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who likes comedy movies, going to the lake and fishing. He's interested in meeting an honest, sincere single female, 21-37, for friendship. Ad#.8383

THE QUIET LIFE
Single white Christian male, 70, 190lbs., with blue eyes, who enjoys church and family activities, conversation and more, is seeking a single white Christian female, 35-65. Ad#.8549

HOPES YOU'RE TRUSTWORTHY
See what happens when you call this single white male, 37, 185lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys fishing, barbecuing and having fun. He seeks a single female, 21-36, that he can count on. Ad#.8065

YOUR DREAM GUY
Make your day more special by calling this single white Christian dad, 31, 6', 185lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes. He likes water skiing, playing guitar, listening to music and hopes to meet a single white female, 23-30. Ad#.9523

WINE & DINE
Spend some time with this single white male, 22, 5'8", 170lbs., with long brown hair and hazel eyes, who likes basketball, camping and spending money on people. He'd love to meet a single female, 18-28, that he could shower with attention. Ad#.9592

MISSING ONLY YOU
Movies, dining out, good conversations, clubs or just a romantic evening with someone special are an option for this single Hispanic male, 23, 5'7", with black hair and brown eyes. He seeks a single female, 20-30, who knows how to have a good time. Ad#.5393

HUMOROUS
Single black male, 25, 6'4", who enjoys music, having fun and more, seeks a single white female, 24-46, who loves to have fun. Ad#.7237

SERIOUS REPLIES
Single white male, 27, who enjoys all kinds of music and movies, would like to meet a single white female, 20-27, who has a great personality. Ad#.7811

SIMPLY YOURS
Single Hispanic male, 42, 5'9", 175lbs., who enjoys summer activities, playing golf and more, is seeking a kind, caring single female, 35-43. Ad#.8178

LIMITED TIME OFFER
Quiet single white male, 18, 5'11", 175lbs., with blonde hair and baby blue eyes. He is seeking a loving, easygoing single white female, 18-21. Ad#.9537

REPLY GUARANTEED
A sports fan, this single white dad of one, 35, 5'7", 170lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, also enjoys yard work, going to the lake and is hoping to hear from an easygoing, trustworthy single female, 25-45. Ad#.8175

NEW TO THIS
Religious single white male, 22, 5'5", 135lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys family rodeos, swimming and staying busy, is seeking a kind, caring single white female, 20-33. Ad#.8350

JUST BE YOURSELF
Bicycling, reading romance novels and parties are interests of this friendly single white male, 21, 5'9", 165lbs., with brown hair/eyes. He is interested in friendship with a single white female, 18-25. Ad#.8930

LIVE FOR TODAY
Single black male, 34, 200lbs., with black hair, who enjoys movies, jazz music, dining out and more, is looking to share friendship with a single black female, 27-37. Ad#.9550

MAYBE TOMORROW?
He is a pleasant, thoughtful single white male, 37, 6', 195lbs., with graying hair and blue eyes, who likes a variety of music, all kinds of animals and meeting people. He would enjoy meeting a nice, compatible single black female, 30-42. Ad#.8802

LOVE IS COLOR BLIND
This humorous, employed single white male, 33, 6'2", 230lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, will have you laughing. He enjoys fishing, hunting, sports, NASCAR, camping and seeks a single black female, 22-35, with similar interests. Ad#.7089

HOPES & DREAMS
Friendly, employed single black male, 36, 6'2", 275lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, is seeking a humorous, mature single female, 25-39, who shares his enjoyment of travel, a variety of music, boating, further education and more. Ad#.8626

WAITING FOR YOU
Single white Christian male, 44, 6', 190lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys music, movies, bowling, traveling and more, is seeking a mature, fun-loving single white Christian female, 38-48, non-smoker, with similar interests. Ad#.8678

HE'S THE ONE
This honest single black Christian male, 45, 5'8", 170lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, who believes deeply in God, is seeking a self-assured single female, 35-50. Ad#.9026

MEET A COWBOY!
He is a fun-loving, single white male, 21, 6', 185lbs., with brown hair and hazel eyes, who likes football, rodeos, animals and movies. He is looking for a compatible single white female, 18-28, for a long-term relationship. Ad#.7146

ROAD TO ADVENTURE
Easygoing single white male, 33, 6'2", 210lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys auto racing, camping, fishing, hunting and amusement parks, is seeking an honest single white female, 25-35. Ad#.7045

HONESTY IS A MUST
Single Hispanic male, 28, 5'9", black hair, brown eyes, enjoys working out, going to the movies and bowling. He is interested in meeting a single black female, 22-33. Ad#.9909

LOOK RIGHT HERE
Handsome, compassionate single white dad of one, 37, 5'10", with blond hair and green eyes, is looking for a caring, honest single Native American female, 30-43. He enjoys watching movies at home, camping, cooking out, miniature golf and hockey. Ad#.7205

COUNTRY LIFE
Single white male, 42, 5'8", with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys country music and animals, would like to meet a trustworthy single white female, 38-48, for friendship. Ad#.7097

ATTENTION
Old-fashioned, affectionate single white dad, 45, 6'1", 210lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, would like to meet a single white female, 40-55, who enjoys sports. Ad#.8179

DESTINY
Handsome single white male, 43, with green eyes, who enjoys reading, the beach and more, is seeking a single female, 31-40, without children and pets. Ad#.7922

SIMPLE PLEASURES
Rock music, spending time with friends and talking are some of the interests of this single white male, 21, 5'5", with blond hair and blue eyes. He's hoping to meet a nice single white female, 25-35. Ad#.7485

HAVE A GOOD TIME
Single white dad, 40, 5'9", 170lbs., with brown hair/eyes, is seeking a single white female 25-44, who enjoys dancing and playing pool. Ad#.8071

NEW BEGINNINGS
Friendly, divorced white dad, 33, 6'2", 210lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys the outdoors and fishing, is seeking a trustworthy single white female, 25-35. Ad#.9515

WHAT'S IMPORTANT
The only thing he asks of you is that you're nice. He's a divorced white male, 41, 6', 165lbs., with brown hair with touch of grey and brown eyes, a Baptist, who can't wait to enjoy life with a single white female, 28-47. Ad#.8956

BACK IN MIDLAND
Check out this open-minded, short haired single black male, 22, 5'10", 165lbs., who enjoys writing rap music. He wants to meet a spontaneous outgoing single female, 18-25, for a casual relationship. Ad#.8077

A GREAT LIFE AHEAD
This cheerful Catholic single white dad of one, 35, 5'7", with brown eyes and hair, who just landed a great job, enjoys hunting, fishing, camping and is looking for an honest, loyal single female, 25-45. Ad#.9452

A GREAT CATCH
Athletic, romantic and handsome are ways to describe this single white male, 27, 6', 210lbs, with brown hair and blue eyes. He enjoys biking, martial arts and sports, seeks an athletic, outgoing single female, 21-32. Ad#.8330

TIME PERMITS US TO MEET
Well-educated single Hispanic male, 36, 5'8", 136lbs., with blue eyes, who enjoys playing the saxophone, all types of music, socializing with friends, cooking and more, is seeking an honest single black female, 25-40, who appreciates his interests. Ad#.9897

ONE DAY AT A TIME
Professional, divorced Hispanic dad, 40, 5'9", 180lbs., with black hair and brown eyes, who enjoys music, dancing, cooking, hiking, swimming and fishing, is seeking an understanding single Hispanic female, 30-55. Ad#.7484

IT TAKES TWO
Hazel-eyed single Hispanic male, 19, 5'9", 150lbs., who enjoys music, playing his guitar in a band and spending time with friends, is looking for a nice, compatible single white female, 18-23. Ad#.9591

HEART TO HEART
Muscular single Hispanic male, 23, 5'9", 220lbs., who enjoys reading and sports, is looking for a friendly, trustworthy single Hispanic female, 20-35, who loves life. Ad#.8467

COUNTRY LIFE
I'm a single white father of two, 40, 5'10", 200lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys reading, cookouts, boating, camping, country music, dancing and rodeos. If you're a single white female, 28-40 and up for a great time, give me a call. Ad#.8538

ONE OF A KIND
Spend time with someone special, call this employed single white male, 19, 6', with brown hair/eyes. He likes all kinds of movies and seeks a single white female, 19-29. Ad#.7196

JUST TO SEE YOU SMILE
If you're an honest single white female, 25-39, focus on this ad. This funny single white dad, 25, 5'6", with brown hair and green eyes, enjoys traveling, making people laugh and family times. Ad#.8811

HIBERNATES IN THE WINTER
He is an honorable, family-oriented single Hispanic dad of one, 25, 6'2", 247lbs., who likes art, the theater, dancing, music, scuba diving, jet skiing and stargazing. He seeks a funny, intelligent single female, 21-40. Ad#.8307

DESTINY
Single white male, 18, 5'7", 165lbs., with blond hair and hazel eyes, who enjoys horseback riding, swimming and more, is seeking a single white female, 18-23. Ad#.8528

SEARCHING FOR YOU
Single white male, 20, with brown hair and blue eyes, is seeking an honest, affectionate, romantic single white female, 18-27, who likes to dance.

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667 Commercial Property

BUILDING For Lease, 3007 W. Industrial, Office and Shop 30' by 60'. Fenced yard. Good location. Call 683-6276.

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667 Commercial Property

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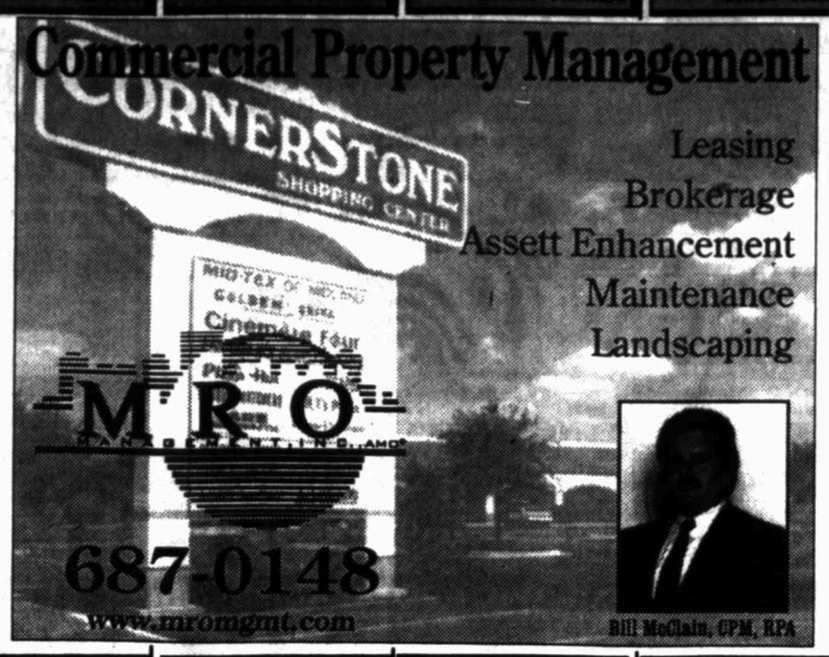

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SUNDAY 1- 2:30. 1600 W. Kansas, 5 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, $166,500. Gil Alstrin Realtors, 683-1500.

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2 TO 4
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$71,000
3 Bdrm, 2 Bth,
2 Living areas,
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3 Bedroom, 2 Bath
$85,900
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1:30 - 4:30
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1 Bedroom, 1 bath,
fireplace, garage,
covered, patio,
mini blinds throughout.
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KEY To Abbreviations

Bdrm.	Bedroom
Ba.	Bath
Kit.	Kitchen
Dbl.	Double
A/C	Air conditioning
Mst. Bdrm.	Master Bdrm.
Gar.	Garage
Bldg.	Building
Cond.	Condition
N-QA	Non-Qualifying
	Assumable
QA	Qualifying
	Assumable
Ac	Acre
3/2/2	Bdrm./Ba./Gar.

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3813 S. CR. 1210-Home on S. Midkiff & CR 124 corner lot.3BR, 2BA, nice kitchen & dining on .75 acres. Owners are fixing up to sell! Gloria Farmer.....Open 2-4

2519 NEELY-Lovely custom 4BR, 3BA, formal dining, 2FP, 2LA, sunroom w/hot tub & workshop w/electricity. Perfectly manicured grounds! Alice Howard.....Open 1-3

3600 EDGEMONT-Gorgeous 4BR, 2BA in Fairmont Park. New tile, carpet, paint & papers. Seq. master w/tile & hers closets. Fabulous! Alice Howard.....Open 3-5

3537 SHANDON-Cute 4BR, 2BA. Nice size bedrooms & roomy living area. Seller will pay closings costs! Must see at this great reduced price! Chris Beckett.....Open 2:30-5:30

6200 GARWA-Super house at 349 by Midland Country Club 3BR, 2BA, 2LA, + study w/French doors, Skylights & open kitchen. Lots of new!! Chris Beckett.....Open 4-6

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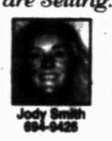
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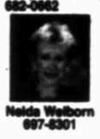
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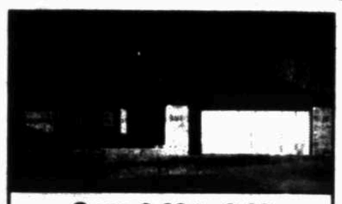

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CRANSTON	Fantastic New! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Completed & Beautiful	$	205,000
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CRANSTON	Pretty New Graham: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Light/Bright-Shutters	$	188,900
CRANSTON	Great New Graham: 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors Now!	$	188,900
COUNTRY CLUB	Lovely Old Midland: 5 bd-4 ba-2 liv-Mstr.Bdrm Wing w/Loft	$	179,900
STERLING	Great New Graham: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors	$	165,000
RUSTIC TR	On the Course: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Skylights-Separate Formal Dining	$	162,500
GULF	UNDER CONTRACT		
LANHAM	Very Nice Townhome: 3 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Surrounds Lovely In-Ground Pool	$	160,000
WINCHESTER	Townhome: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Cul-de-Sac Close to Midland College	$	155,000
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STERLING CT	Wonderful Graham: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Shutters/Miniblinds-Pick Colors	$	149,500
WEDGWOOD	UNDER CONTRACT		
CANTERBURY	NEW LISTING	$	147,500
	Beautiful Secluded Area: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Large Private Bdrms-Private Patio		
TEAKWOOD	NEW LISTING	$	145,000
	Lots Redone Recently: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Seq.Bedroom for Guests		
HEATHER	REDUCED ! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Hobby Room + Bonus Room	$	144,900
McCLINTIC	"New Look" in "Old Midland" 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pretty Pool	$	144,900
WOODHAVEN	Trinity Meadows: 4 bd-3 ba-2 gar-Recent Tile Flooring	$	144,900
GREENRIDGE	Beautiful Morris Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plantation Shutters	$	144,500
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Game Room	$	139,500
McCLINTIC	NEW LISTING	$	139,500
	Patio Style Home: 4 bd-3.5 ba-1 liv-Much Recent-Bedroom/Office		
WHITMAN	By Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Can be 5 BR	$	138,950
DARTMOUTH	Beautiful: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Corian Countertops-Solar Tube Lighting	$	135,000
METZ PL	Much Recent Updating: 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Office Area off Large Bedroom	$	134,900
METZ PL	Wonderful: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Enc.Patio w/Hot Tub	$	134,600
LOCKHEED	Patio Home! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Updated-Bonus Rm	$	131,000
CRISTA LN	New Canton Home: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Many Extras-Ready to Move Into	$	129,900
HUMBLE	UNDER CONTRACT		
WHITMAN	UNDER CONTRACT		
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Roomy Plan	$	125,950
ST ANDREWS	Fresh/Fresh/Fresh: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Even Restained All Woodwork!	$	124,900
ANN	Quiet Country Living-Great Access: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Corner Acreage-Great View	$	124,500
CROWLEY	UNDER CONTRACT		
TATTENHAM	Quiet Country Living Close to Town: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Barn & Stalls	$	120,000
WHITMAN	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Plan	$	118,675
PRINCETON	Spacious! 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Tuck Away Those Teenagers	$	117,000
GODFREY	New Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Amenities	$	117,000
GODFREY	New Hoffman Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$	117,000
WHITMAN	UNDER CONTRACT		
ARROYO	Light/Bright in Skyline Addition: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Double Fireplace-Pool	$	116,500
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Room to Grow	$	110,500
BOULDER	Redone Charmer: 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Cute as a Button	$	110,000
DAVENTRY	NEW LISTING	$	110,000
	Unique Home-Lots of Space: 4 bd-3.5 ba-3 liv-Loft Sitting Room		
SUNBURST	Mint Condition! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Fresh/Clean/Ready to Move Into	$	109,900
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Private Bedroom	$	105,500
HYDE PARK	Great Drive-Up! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Mature Trees!	$	99,900
NOEL	UNDER CONTRACT		
McCLINTIC	UNDER CONTRACT		
STUTZ	Wonderful Home: 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Seq.Bdrm-Many Recent Updates	$	95,000
BOULDER	NEW LISTING	$	94,900
	Looks Can Be Deceiving: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Darling-Recent Ceramic Tile		
LOCKHEED	Roomy with Lots of Personality: 4 bd-2. 5 ba-2 liv-Colorful	$	94,900
WARD	Glassed Atrium: 3 bd-2 ba-1 Extra Large Living-Workshop/Storage	$	92,500
MARK LN	Water Well! 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pool Size Backyard	$	89,900
PINE	UNDER CONTRACT		
GODFREY	NEW LISTING	$	89,900
	Seq.Bedroom w/Bath: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Nice Kitchen w/Tile Floors		
FAIRHAVEN	Open Plan: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Suite-Style Bedroom	$	88,750
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Model Home	$	88,446
RIO GRANDE	UNDER CONTRACT		
WHITNEY	UNDER CONTRACT		
GLENEAGLES	NEW LISTING	$	84,900
	Sequestered Bedroom w/Bath: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Island in Kitchen		
METZ	NEW LISTING	$	83,500
	Great Backyard: 4 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Circle Drive		
KANSAS	A Doll House: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-2 story-Upstair Bdrm Balcony	$	83,500
CASPER	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Could be 4 BR	$	81,500
SPENCE	UNDER CONTRACT		
LEHIGH	Nice Home: 3 bd 2 ba- 1 liv-Trash Compactor-Skyline Terrace Addition	$	79,900
RICHARDSON (Odessa)	Sunken Liv.Area: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Seq. Bdrm-Workshop	$	78,900
MICHIGAN	UNDER CONTRACT		
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Huge Bdrm w/Bath	$	76,244
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan	$	76,244
MOSS (Odessa)	Perfect Distance from Town: 3 bd-1.75 ba-2 liv-Many Extras-Apprx 1 Ac	$	75,000
CASPER	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$	74,744
DORA	Cute/Clean: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Access-Fresh Paint/Wallpaper Touches	$	74,500
GERALDINE	Lovely: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Sequestered Bedroom	$	72,500
TREVINO	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$	71,900
W. GOLF COURSE	UNDER CONTRACT		
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 3 Bdrm	$	70,225
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Options Available	$	70,225
WHITTLE WAY	NEW LISTING	$	69,950
	Lovely Townhome w/Many Improvements: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Light & Bright		
TREVINO	New Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for Retirees	$	68,225
CASPER	By Whitehead: 3 ba-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$	68,225
PLEASANT	Very Clean; 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Attractive Fireplace	$	67,900
LEDDY	Hurry! 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Hot Tub-Nice Home	$	67,000
NEELY	Cul-de-Sac! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-One Bdrm Has Super Bath	$	67,000
SPENCE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan	$	66,704
GRAHAM	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours	$	65,704
HUGHES	UNDER CONTRACT		
SHANDON	Nice Fannin Area Home: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Rec Ext.Paint-Lots of Storage	$	64,900
GRAHAM	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Convenient Plan	$	64,704
MCDONALD	Pretty: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Much Updating-Open/Bright	$	64,000
BOULDER	Two Story Townhome: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Seq Dwnstair Bdrm	$	63,000
REEVES	Personality Plus! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Lots of Updating-Sprinkler	$	62,500
DOUGLAS	Great Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent A/C Unit	$	58,000
GOLF COURSE	Nice & Roomy: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Large Rooms-Everything Updated	$	55,900
BELAIRE	Fresh Interior Paint: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Finished Conversion=2nd Liv/Plyrm/Bdrm	$	55,000
ROOSEVELT	Specially Renovated Duplex-Compact	$	53,000
PARKDALE	UNDER CONTRACT		
N. D	Wonderful: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Old Fashioned "Texas" Neighborhood	$	52,000
STOREY	NEW LISTING	$	49,900
	Great Starter Home: 4 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recently Updated-Corner Lot		
WILLOWOOD	What A Deal! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Gar.Office=Heat/AC+Computer PhoneLine	$	49,900
EISENHOWER	Large: 3 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Builtins!-Apprx 10x20' Shop	$	49,900
PUEBLO	Great First Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Recent Carpet & Vinyl	$	49,900
THOMASON	Cute: 3 bd-1.5 ba-2 liv-Ask About H.I.P. Financing	$	48,000
HARLOWE	Fresh Paint & Tile: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Clean & Ready to Move Into!	$	47,000
LOUISIANA	Nice Area: 2 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Come See to Visualize Potential	$	46,900
MITCHELL	Five Duplexes: Each Side=2 bd-1 ba-Buy One or All	$	44,750 ea
BOWIE	You + TLC = Home! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Roofing approx 6 mo.old-Carpet Installed 12/98	$	43,900
WESTBEND (Odessa)	Much Recent Incl. Foundation: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Cent. AC/Heat	$	39,900
WAVERLY	UNDER CONTRACT		
BRUNSON	Investment or Beginner: 1 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Call to See	$	25,000
BRUNSON	Investment Potential: 1 bd-1 b-1 liv-Poss. Starter	$	25,000
MULBERRY	Updated! Cute/Clean: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Storage Room-Fenced Yard	$	25,000
MONTY	UNDER CONTRACT		
SCHAUBAUER	NEW LISTING	$	24,500
	Condo in Sutton Place: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Double ovens 1 Carport		

NEW CONSTRUCTION

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CRISTA LN	Ready For You! 4 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Lots of Extras-In Crestgate	$	129,900

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CRANSTON	Wow! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors Now!	$	188,900
STERLING	Great New Home: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pick Colors	$	165,000
STERLING	Light & Bright: 4 bd-3 ba-1 liv-Shutters/Miniblinds-Pick Colors	$	149,500

HOFFMAN CONSTRUCTION

GODFREY	New Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great Amenities	$	117,000
GODFREY	Fabulous New Patio Home: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$	117,000

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WEST WIND CT	Fabulous Home: 5 bd-4.5 ba-3 liv-Spectacular Golf Course View!	$	425,000

FRED NOBLES

CRANSTON	Fantastic New! 4 bd-3.5 ba-2 liv-Just Completed!	$	205,000

WHITEHEAD CONSTRUCTION

WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-3 liv-Game Room	$	139,500
WHITMAN	By Whitehead: 4 bd-2 ba-3 liv-Can be 5 BR	$	138,950
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 4 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Roomy Plan	$	125,950
WHITMAN	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2.5 ba-2 liv-Good Plan	$	118,675
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Room to Grow	$	110,500
WHITMAN	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Huge Privacy Bedroom	$	105,500
CASPER	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Could be 4 BR	$	81,500
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-1 ba-1 liv-Private Bedroom is Large	$	76,244
RIO GRANDE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Open Plan	$	76,244
CASPER	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$	74,744
FLOYD	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Plan Yours Now	$	74,244
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Your Amenities	$	73,900
TREVINO	Whitehead New: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Pick all Options	$	71,900
SPENCE	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Can be 3 Bdrm	$	70,225
RIO GRANDE	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Options Avail	$	70,225
TREVINO	New Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Great for Retirees	$	68,225
CASPER	By Whitehead: 3 ba-2 ba-1 liv-Pick Colors	$	68,225
SPENCE	Whitehead New: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Carefree Plan	$	66,704
GRAHAM	New Whitehead: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Make it Yours	$	65,704
GRAHAM	By Whitehead: 2 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Convenient Plan	$	64,704

SUBURBAN LISTINGS

E. CO RD 110	Wow! 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Pool-Barn/Stable/Shop-Greenwood Schools	$	275,000
ROBIN	Melody Acres: 4 bd-3 ba-3 liv-Wonderful Lary Resale-Town & Country Quiet	$	209,900
E. CO RD 97	UNDER CONTRACT		
S. CO RD 1218	Near Air Strip: 3 bd-2.5 ba-1 liv-Mstr=Fpl/Jacuzzi	$	143,500
S. FM 1788	Large 5-Bay Wrkshp: 3 bd-2 ba-2 liv-Great Metro Access	$	125,000
ANN	Quiet Country Living-Great Access: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Corner Acreage-Great View	$	124,500
TATTENHAM	Quiet Country Living Close to Town: 4 bd-3 ba-2 liv-Barn & Stalls	$	120,000
E. CO RD 110	NEW LISTING	$	117,000
	Ready for Horses! 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Apprx 2.25 Ac-Barn-7 Stalls-Lighted Arena-Steed Run		
E. CO RD 124	Ridge Heights: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Barn/Tackroom-Apprx 1.33 Ac	$	114,900
E. CO RD 145	NEW LISTING	$	45,000
	Near Town: 3 bd-2 ba-1 liv-Apprx 2.29 Ac -Room for Horses & Gardening		

COMMERCIAL

JASMINE	Zoned IPI	$	10,000
JASMINE	Zoned IPI	$	25,000
E. HWY 80	Apprx 1.47 Ac-Service Rd Frontage-Easy Access/Great Visibility	$	35,000
FLORIDA	NEW LISTING	$	55,000
	Can Be Car Lot/Retail/ServiceStation-Good Location-Lots of Traffic		
KENTUCKY	Zoned C-3	$	108,000
MICHIGAN	Office Building-Lighted/Paved Parking-Meeting Room	$	175,000
FRONT	Zoned LI/RR Spur	$	450,000

LOTS & LAND

HAMBY	12 Lots	$	1,500 ea
TREVINO	NEW LISTING	$	2,500
	One Residential Lot - Single Family Detached - Fairway Park Addition		
WALNUT LN	2 Blocks	$	3,500 ea
ALAMO DR	2 Lots	$	4,500 ea
GARDEN LN	2 Blocks	$	4,500 ea
BOWIE DR	1 Lot	$	4,500
FLOYD CT	Residential Lot in Fairway Park	$	5,000
W. 87th (Odessa)	Residential Lot - Approx .53 Acre - Golf Course Lot	$	8,000
S. CR 1122	20 Lots	$	10,000 ac
	Reata Ranch Estates - 2.5 Ac to 4.04 Ac - Residential - May be Sold Individually		
S. CR 1204	Apprx 2 Ac	$	11,900
W. CR 123	Apprx 66 Ac	$	19,500
CHERRYWOOD	Corner Lot	$	25,000
E. CR 1090	Greenwood	$	34,400
WHITMAN	+/-11 Ac	$	130,000
W. CR 2950	Martin Co	$	220,000
I-20	22+Acres	$	285,000
COWDEN ADDN	10 Lots	$	400,000
PARKLEA ADDN	12 Lots	$	450,000
E.LOOP 250 N	Apprx 640Ac	$	1,248,000
E. LOOP 250 N	+/-65 Ac	$	1,300,000

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- Four bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 living areas
- Beautiful home in Green Hill Terrace
- Over 2500 sq. ft. in Lee High School District

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NEW LISTINGS

NEELY-Classic Colonial! Two story, 5+/bd 4.5/ba 3/la. Brick floors great pool.....$199,500
CASTLEFORD-Spacious 4/bd 3/ba 2/la. New roof, tile flooring, great pool!.....$190,000
WOODHOLLOW-Immaculate 4/bd 3/ba 2/la 3/gar in Briarwood. Beautiful decor.....$188,500
DRIFTWOOD-Immaculate 4/bd 4/ba 2/la on Golf Course. Pristine!.....$186,500
MEADOWBROOK-Large 4/bd 2.5/ba, open floorplan, great for entertaining.....$126,000
KING RICHARDS ROW-Lovely 4/bd 2.5/ba with formal dining & 2 living areas.....$124,900
DENTCREST-Lovely 3/bd 2/ba with lots of new. Light and bright and ready to sell.....$84,500
SHANDON-Immaculate and totally updated! 4/bd 2/ba in Fannin area.....$79,900
STANTON-SIXTH ST.-3/bd 2/ba-Excellent condition, quiet neighborhood.....REDUCED!! $76,800
CIMMARON-Darling 3/bd 2/bd 2/la in great shape, fireplace, berber carpet.....$69,500
PRINCETON-Great family home with 3/bd 2/ba 2/car garage, storage building in back.....$59,900
DOUGLAS-In Odessa - Nice large 3/bd 2/ba 2/la with over 1800 sqft.....$52,500

SENSATIONAL HOMES OVER $100,000

CR 1130-Hill country charm-4/bd 2/ba 3/la indoor pool & recreation room on 5.8 acres.....$290,000
S HWY 349 - 31.2 ac land with 2 houses.....$250,000
HWY 176-ANDREWS-Cowboys paradise,3/bd 2/bd on 16.92 acres, arena, 250 trees.....$205,000
CHERRYWOOD-Fantastic custom Graham home, 4/bd + study 3/ba, Briarwood.....$174,500
S CO RD 1130 - Lots of new in this 3 br/2 ba/2 la/2 fp & 3 car gar - 5.22 ac.....REDUCED! $155,000
E CO RD 120 - 2 story office bldg. Corner Rankin Hwy.....$150,000
W CO RD 56 - Superior 3 br/2 ba/2 la/2 car gar, huge workshop, 3 ac.....REDUCED! $139,500
GODFREY-Super condition! 4/bd 3/ba 2/la, formal dining. Hot tub.....UC
HOLLOWAY-Museum area, two story with 4/bd 3.5/ba + apartment/office& workshop.....UC
SHANDON-Fabulous 5 bedroom, 3/ba 2/la, Lots of tile, super kitchen,.....REDUCED!! $125,000
FANNIN-4/bd 2.5/ba Large family home in established Fannin neighborhood.....$112,500
MOSS-Townhouse with pool, 3/bd 2.25 bath, lots of updating, great features.....$110,000
CRESTMONT-Perfect! 3/bd 2/ba 2/la. Brightest gem in Fairmont.....REDUCED!! $109,500

TERRIFIC VALUES UNDER $100,000

AUBURN - 4/br 2/ba, located on cul-de-sac, great landscaping.....SOLD
ST ANDREWS-Great floorplan, looks like new! 3/bd 2/ba in Fairmont.....$94,800
MICHIGAN - Old Midland charm. Lots of sq. footage, Berber carpet, 10X24' OS.....$89,900
BATES- 4 /bd 2/ba, 2/la, Super nice older home. Off Andrews Hwy near Loop.....$89,500
S CR 1130-No better value under 90K-3/bd 2ba. on 1.25 acres.....SOLD
PROVIDENCE-3/bd 2/ba 2/living areas-Great value, clean, open, pretty yard.....UC
MICHIGAN-Beautiful Austin Stone 3/bd 2/ba 2/la, home warranty recent a/c & roof.....SOLD
PRINCETON-Lovely Old Midland 2/bd 2/ba 2/gar. Convenient locale.....$79,500
FANNIN-Neat and loved. 3/bd 2/ ba 2 car garage, fireplace.....$76,950
MISSION CT-Super neat 2/bd 2/ba townhome. Refrigerator remains.....$69,500
DOUGLAS DR. Spacious 2/bd 2/ba in established area. Charming home.New a/c.....$69,900
STOREY-Charming 3/bd 2/ba 2 car garage, 2 patios, large lot.....REDUCED! $61,900
PRINCETON- 3/bd 2/ba 2/car garage, enclosed patio could be gameroom/2nd living.....$54,900
S CR 1220-Spacious 3/bd on 2 acres. South on Midkiff to W CR 118, north 1 mi.....UC
ERIE-4/bd 2/ba Could be 3/bd 2 living areas. Very nice curb appeal.....$52,000
KANSAS - Neat & clean 3/bd 2/ba with huge covered patio.....$49,900
CEDAR SPRING-Nice 3/bd 2/ba 2/la, water softener with R/O. Lots of space.....$47,900
STOREY-Inexpensive "Old Midland" 3/bd 2/ba.....UC
MADERA - Odessa- 3/bd 1/ba new roof, siding, thermo windows, large backyard.....$45,000
BAIRD-3 br/2 ba/2 car garage.....$41,000
TRAVIS-Large 2/bd 2/ba plus office or second living area, high ceilings, fireplace.....$39,900
DEVONIAN-Complete remodel, new carpet, paint, 3/bd 1.5/ba Ready to move in.....$39,000
MORGAN WAY-Large 4/bd 2.5/ba Nice large house for the money.....UC
KENTUCKY - 4 br/2 ba converted duplex.....UC
SPRAYBERRY-Under construction, complete remodel-2/bd 1.5/ba w/20X30 workshop.....$32,000
HOLLOWAY - 2 br/1 ba, with exceptional potential. Great investment!.....$27,560
CR 143- 2/bd 2/ba mobile home is great area on 2 acres. Owner finance available.....UC
CANYON-Solid starter home. 2/bd 1/ba 1/garage.....SOLD
CEDAR SPRING-Great starter home. New carpet & interior paint, large trees.....SOLD
LIDDON-Lovely townhouse, completely remodeled 2/bd with covered brick patio.....$29,500
MARIANA-Great investment opportunity. 4 duplexes w/2 br/ ba.....$22,260 to $24,380
E CR 140-Mobile home lots, some w/ septic & water well Starting at.....$8,000-$14,000

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COMMERCIAL-8th St. in Odessa-Great visability.....$180,000
COMMERCIAL - Andrews Hwy - super office bldg, 4 units or 1 large.....REDUCED!! $140,000
COMMERCIAL - Lot on Big Spring.....$150,000
E CO RD 120 - Office bldg w/ parking.....$150,000
10 ACRES - Middle of Greentree North.....$150,000
MEDICAL/OFFICE BUILDING -Approx 4975' one story office in "Old Town".....$110,000
E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.47 acres).....$13,000
E. HIGHWAY 80 - (3.0 acres) -.....$12,000
TEJAS - 1 Lot on 2.5 acres, Ranch Estates-.....REDUCED!! $5,500
LOTS OF LOTS - within your budget!.....$600-$8,000
W. SHANDON - One lot.....$2,950
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10 AMHURST-Traditional 5 bd, 2.5 bath. New Orleans bricked patio with fountain. GREAT!
2506 BELLECHASE-NEW LISTING! absolute pristine condition 3/2/2. Small yard, almost a TH, big rooms. This is special!
4302 GREENBRIAR-NEW LISTING - HUGE 2 st, 4/2.5, formals & den, country kitchen. This one has the works! $129,900.00
4008 FAIRWOOD-This is all that you could possibly dream of. Marble countertops, Pool, spa, 5 bd, 5 ba with study, high ceilings, 3 FP, and the list just goes on and on. This is a one of a kind gem!!
52 LAFAYETTE-NEW LISTING! this will wow the wowless. Super special TH at a great price!
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2002 N. "C"-Colonial style home - Fannie Foreclosure - 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 living areas.

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4425 Leddy Dr.-3 bedroom, 1.5 bath, large dining area, 24x22 shop off alley with office and bath, 8x12 overhead door also Morgan storage bldg. 2 yards both fenced. This property has a lot to offer at a low price.

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3410 Woodhaven-Fabulous 4 bedroom, 3 bath home, 3 car garage. This home has lot's of carpet and tile. Large backyard with the prettiest pool in Midland. Located in Trinity Meadows. Priced to sell quick.

12008 W. Co. Rd. 56-3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 car garage. Large Master suite with a fireplace. Jacuzzi tub in the master bath. Lot's of closet space. Large kitchen with dining area and a formal dining room. Too much to mention. Call for all the details.

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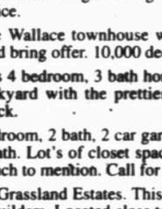

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THIS WEEK'S LISTINGS

WOODHAVEN-4BR/2 1/2BA/2LA	$143,000
FOXBORO-4BR/3BA/1LA	$136,000
PINEMONT-3BR/2BA/1LA	$107,000
FAIRBANKS-4BR/2BA/1LA	$118,500
COLEMAN CT-4BR/3BA/2LA + study	$155,500
PASADENA-3BR/2BA/2LA	$59,000
LEISURE-3BR/2BA/1LA-Plus game room & study/office	$62,500
CLUB DRIVE-3BR/2BA/2LA	REDUCED $78,500
SPARKS-3BR/2BA/2LA, Plus $1,500 Buyer Allowance	$73,900
RIDGEFIELD-5+BR/3BA/2LA+ pool,	$243,500
TRINITY	REDUCED CALL TODAY!!!
GOLDEN ROD-4BR/3BA/2LA + 3 acres	$209,000
BEDFORD-4BR/2BA/2LA	$119,900
11601 WCR 58-4BR/3BA/2LA +2.5 acres	$161,000
11603 WCR 58-4BR/3BA/2LA +2.45 acres	$184,000
ASPEN-2BR/2BA/2LA	REDUCED $65,000
MICHIGAN-2BR/1BA/1LA	$29,900

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NEW LISTINGS

WYDEWOOD ESTATES....Super drive-up appeal is a major plus for this 3 bedroom home on quiet cul-de-sac. Beautiful paneled family room, huge pantry/storage area off laundry room, covered back patio with dog run. Large trees and lots of landscaping! Call Anita for more.....$78,000

WYDEWOOD....Right out of "House Beautiful", this immaculate 4 bedroom home has soaring ceilings, many skylights and is lite and brite. Beautiful berber carpet and tile throughout. Unique wall treatments, many updates and gorgeous landscaping. This one is ready for immediate move-in!.....$84,500

WEDGEWOOD PARK....Spacious and open 4 bedroom home has huge living-area overlooking kitchen, sequestered bedroom for guests or teen, sunroom, large master with oversized closet. Pool-sized yard has playgym under large trees. Call Anita for more!.....$89,000

GREEN TREE COUNTRY CLUB ESTATES...This one is a knockout! This 2 story Spanish style beauty has 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, gorgeous tiled atrium, inground pool with arbor sitting on the 15th fairway of Green Tree golf course. Wow!!.....$149,900

PERFECT FOR YOUR VALENTINE!....Call Anita about the great deal you can get on this 3 bedroom, 1 car garage with fireplace. Big kitchen/breakfast rm, garden room in backyard. Recently replaced carpet and some fresh paint.....$44,500

WHERE TO DINE FOR VALENTINES....Great location on spacious corner lot, this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home has 2 living areas plus a garden room overlooking landscaped back yard, updates include fresh exterior paint and replaced carpeting. Don't miss this one!.....$72,900

YOUR HEART'S DELITE!....This home located on a beautiful tree-filled street has 3 bedrooms with sequestered master, 3.5 baths and 2 living areas plus formal dining. Lovely tile flooring, spacious rooms, 2 back yards with easy maintenance. This home is one of a kind! Fresh interior paint and carpet. Just ask Anita.....$86,900

VALENTINES GIFT TO YOUR BUDGET....Spotless 4 bedroom beauty in Prestigate has 3 full baths, formal dining, wet bar in den, sequestered guest suite, courtyard patio in back, oversized garage and lots of storage. Large trees give wonderful drive-up appeal. Call Anita for more!.....$116,500

PERFECT FOR YOUR SWEETHEART!....Spacious 4 bedroom home in coveted Briarwood. Large kitchen, formal dining room, sequestered master, 3 car garage, custom built-ins and large trees. Don't miss this special listing. Call Anita for more!.....$142,500

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CUPID HAS HIS ARROWS ON this charming 4 BD, 3.5 BA, 2 story home in Green Tree. Formals, study/office, and balcony. Have a party on the covered patio and relax in the hot tub!.....$159,000
SWEETHEART OF A DEAL in this beautiful 4 BD, 3.5 BA home. Formal living area, den, study/office, and 3-car garage. Plus satellite system, water softener, and R/O system.....$154,900
LOVABLE LOW-MAINTENANCE home in Green Tree South. 4 BD, 3 BA home. Formal living, family room, formal dining, landscaping and storage, storage, storage.....$154,900
FOR YOUR SWEETHEART this beautiful 4 BD, 1 LA or 3 BD, 2 LA home in Trinity Meadows is the perfect choice. 3 BA, sequestered master, water softener and R/O, and completely updated. Charming courtyard with goldfish pond!!!.....$151,500
CUPID'S CUL-DE-SAC DELIGHT The matchmaker loves this 4 BD, 3 BA home. Formals, den, game room, R/O, water softener and wet bar. Open patio surrounds game pool.....$144,900
HEART TO HEART Let your love settle into this gorgeous ROBERT GRAHAM resale. 4 BD, 2 1/2 BA, formal living, and sequestered master suite. Popular floor plan flows from room to room.....$128,900
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4803 Teakwood.....$99,900

1-5PM
4308 Downing.....$104,500
1202 Scharbauer.....
3405 Woodhaven.....$151,500

2-4PM
5719 Hillcrest.....$284,900
301 Skywood Circle.....$197,500
2400 Maxwell.....$79,900
5102 Teakwood.....$190,000
5105 San Antonio.....$72,500
5118 King Richards Row.....$131,500
5304 San Antonio.....

3-5PM
5706 Greenridge.....$162,500

NEW LISTINGS:
9 Hialeah.....$489,000
7010 Courtney.....$220,000
5313 Carrington.....$196,000
1304 Daventry.....$179,900
2803 Sentinel.....$147,500
5706 Crowley.....$135,000
4718 Melville.....$132,500
1212 W. Golf Course.....$121,000
2821 Durant.....$109,900
4412 Gleneagles.....$101,900
3008 Moss.....$97,500
2206 Wydewood.....$93,900
4205 Russell.....$82,500
2405 Flare Ct.....$79,900
4604 Debbie Cove.....$78,000
4611 Crockett.....$56,900

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4 OR MORE BEDROOMS

Fairwood.....$628,000
Fabulous 5 BD, 5 1/2 Baths, Zoned HVAC, Formals, den, study/office, hobby/shop, intercom, sec. system, jacuzzi-style tub. Call Marilyn Jo Smith at 682-8820, to view this exquisite home.

Hialeah.....$489,000
WOW- What a Home! 4BR with his & her offices, spectacular living areas, master bath, recently update, master closet the size of a bedroom, plus the "Dream Yard" with pool and cabana. Clayton Alexander/Marilyn Jo Smith 682-8820.

Island Drive.....Reduced $415,000
SPECTACULAR Mark Payne custom. Five bedroom plus study. Pool & yard on well. Shows like new with a fabulous view! Call Donna Pehl 697-0490.

Rustic Trail.....$399,900
Builder's own home in Greentree. Spacious living in 4BD, 4BA, steam shower in master. Fabulous built-in TV wall, 5 car garage with workshop. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Saddle Club Dr.....$398,000
Own a resort! Flagstone flooring, massive living area, sunroom overlooking pool & spa, cabana, tennis courts. List goes on...Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Oriole.....$397,000
Absolutely Breathtaking View of the golf course from this Spectacular 5 bedroom, 3 LA home, a place for everything here. Call Deborah Pierce 520-2112 for your private viewing.

Edinburgh at Pecan Acres.....$368,000
Gorgeous 4BR, 3 1/2BA, study, 3 car garage, horse barn on 2 1/2 acres. Stunning professional decor. Absolutely beautiful. Ask for joyce brickey 682-3191.

Rustic Trail - Green Tree North.....$298,900
Absolutely STUNNING custom-built home on the course overlooking the ponds! Enjoy fabulous views from balconies upstairs & downstairs! 4 bedrooms, 3 living areas, 2 dining areas & 3 fireplaces! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Grasslands-5719 Hillcrest.....Reduced $284,900
5 bedrooms, 4 baths, 3 liv., 4 car garage - custom one owner. Call Jo.

Choate-Trinity Estates-Great Value.....$279,000
4 bedrooms + study or 5 bedrooms, 4 1/2 baths. Call Jo.

Fairwood.....$269,000
Henry Nickolson custom, 3 full baths, 2 half baths, 3 car garage, many, many lavish extras. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Almey Ct.....$258,000
Stunning home, 3 1/2 baths, 4 car garage, hardwood floors, extra built-ins, backyard pool & spa, located on 1 1/2 lots. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Ridgefield Ct.....$235,000
Gorgeous 5 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, 2 living areas, study & 3 car garage. Only 1 1/2 yrs. old. Hurry! Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Trinity Meadows.....$224,900
Stunning Drive-up appeal! 5 bedrooms, 3 1/2 ba., 4 living areas, formal, den, game, sunroom. Open kitchen, beautiful decor! Circle drive under oak trees. - Denise at 697-1799. MCAD Says Over 4000 sq. ft.

Courtney Ct.....$220,000
Absolute stunner - study/playroom, designer interior, large lot, child-safe cul-de-sac. Super neighborhood. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Sunrise Ct.....Reduced $209,900
Gorgeous home with wonderful view of 6th green-Greentree North. 4BR, 2LA, 3 baths, formal dining, double fireplace, 3 car garage. A/C rep 98, roof 97, carpet & paint 97. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Devlin.....$208,000
5 bedrooms plus a study/office, 3 1/2 BA, formal living, den, formal dining, jacuzzi-type tub, and zoned heat & A/C. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Cherrywood.....$207,500
Fabulous new construction by Mike Jackson located in Briarwood. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, corner lot. Choose your colors now. Call Sam for floor plan!

Devlin.....$199,900
4 Bd, 3.5BA, 2LA Keith Antilley home. Security System and so many extras. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Devlin.....$197,500
Call Marilyn Jo Smith to find out the details on this Keith Antilley home.

Skywood Circle.....$197,500
Beautiful new family home in quiet, old-fashioned neighborhood. 4 BR's, 3 baths, 1 LA, formal dining - Meadowland Estates. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Carrington Ct.....$196,000
Pristine condition - tremendous kitchen, extra built-ins, 3 car garage, cul-de-sac location, fantastic neighborhood. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Teakwood in Greentree C.C.-.....$190,000
Picture perfect, this 4BR/ 3 BA or 3 BR w/lovely study. Looks like a house beautiful magazine layout in every room. Call Joyce Brickey 682-3191 for all the bells & whistles. It's loaded!

Grasslend-New Construction.....$188,500
Another showstopper by Troy Hunt! Enjoy soaring ceilings, walls of windows, 4 bedrooms PLUS a study! Tiled walkways, 3.5 baths, formal living & dining, plantation shutters and 3 car garage! Just Stunning! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Graseland.....$183,500
Keith Antilley is building another one! 4BD, 3.5BA, 2 LA, and so much more! Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Daventry Place.....$179,900
Beautiful 4BD, 3.5 BA home with formal living/dining area, game rom, bonus room, water softener, R/O, and 2-car garage. Call Marilyn Jo Smith at 684-0377.

Woodhollow-Briarwood Estates.....$179,800
FIVE (count them!) 5 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living areas, 2 dining areas & 3 car garage in this lovely home! Just next door to the neighborhood park & pool too! Oversized cul-de-sac lot boasts huge back yard! Wow! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Centerview.....$179,900
A lovely home. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths in excellent condition. Call Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

"Old Midland"-DON'T MISS THIS!.....$179,900
Fabulous 4 bedroom located on Princeton, tons of windows overlooking gorgeous yard with pool. Call Deborah 520-2112. Decorating allowance too!

Cypress Ct-Green Tree Country Club.....$179,900
You won't believe the SPACE in this huge, huge home on the course! 4 bed, 3.5 baths, 2 living plus 2 dining! Double fireplace, high ceilings, gourmet kitchen & tile galore! Unbelievable price for the footage! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Daventry.....Reduced $175,000
Huge home, perfect for large family or entertaining. Recent tile in den, wood floors, living rm, Fabulous kitchen. Call Sam.

Coleman.....$174,900
4 bedrooms, seq. master plus adjoining office. Immaculate, quality, shutters, tile floors. Please call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Highland Ct.....Reduced! Offers! $173,600
Beautiful 11 month old 4 bedroom, 3 full bath, 2 living area home on cul-de-sac! Den plus gameroom, sequestered master and in-law plan. 3 garage. Hurry! Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Castleford-Pristine & Perfect.....$169,900
You may faint when you see this SPECTACULAR home nestled in a quiet cove of Saddle Club S.! 4 oversized bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living plus 2 dining! 2 fireplaces, security system, fabulous patios....WOW! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Lemonwood-New Listing.....$169,900
Gorgeous home has 4 BD, 3 BA, formal living, formal dining, den, and wonderful kitchen with breakfast bar and island. Incentives for buyer! Call 689-0144 and let Marilyn Jo Smith show you this beautiful home.

Hillcrest.....$169,900
4 bedroom, 2 living, 3 baths, 3 car garage. Wonderful. Call Jo.

Cherrywood-Reduced.....$169,000
Briarwood -Beautiful Kahler Resale! Four large bedrooms, three baths, one living area. High ceilings, built-ins, great closets, three car garage. Call Sam House at 682-8820.

Greenridge.....Reduced $162,900
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 1 living area. WOW! Super custom cul-de-sac, large lot, spacious kitchen, tile floor, large utility, approx 200' stg./work area in garage, gorgeous homes with many upgrades. Call Ruth 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Polo Park-Southampton.....$161,900
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 living. Immaculate Call Jo.

Idlmose-First Time On Market.....$161,500
Custom home, 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 3 car garage, cul-de-sac. Gorgeous! Must see! Call Ruth Young at 697-1217.

Co. Rd. 1244.....Reduced $160,000
Gutted & remodeled & additions U/C 4 BD, 3 1/2 baths, 2.2 acres. Have to see to believe. Denise 697-1799 - ask for as-is price.

Castleford-Reduced.....$159,900
Impressive, elegant, and surprisingly warm & inviting, 4 bed, 2 LA, 3 1/2 BA in Saddle Club South, 2 1/2 fireplaces, enormous country kitchen, call Denise 697-1799.

Hilleboro-New Listing.....$159,900
Custom home, lots of tile, light & bright, 2 liv. areas, call Clemmie.

Teakwood Trace.....$159,000
4 BD, 3.5 BA, 2 story home with formals, study/office, and balcony. Covered patio and hot tub outside. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Teakwood.....$154,900
4BR, 3 BA, low maintenance home. Formals, family room, landscaping & ample storage. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Woodhaven.....$154,900
Versatile plan for 5 bedrooms or 4 plus an office. 3 full baths and 3-car garage. Delightful home in beautiful condition. Call Marilyn Jo Smith TODAY!

Woodhaven-New Listing.....$151,500
Beautiful 4 BD, 1 LA or 3 BD, 2LA home in Trinity Meadows. 3 BA, sequestered master, water softener and R/O, and completely updated. Charming courtyard with goldfish pond! Call Marilyn Jo Smith at 689-0144 to view this wonderful home.

Shady Oak Ct.....$149,900
Spectacular & original 4 bedroom in Green Tree S. has 3 LA's inc. gorgeous atrium, inground pool and arbor. Located on the 15th fairway. Call Anita.

Brighton-Impeccable.....$149,800
Smashing...sequestered master suite with fireplace is enormous! Kids wing - 3 fabulous bedrooms with 2 full baths. High ceiling, wall of windows. Lots of sunlight flow thru family room, plus stunning formal dining. Call to see Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Tallowtree.....$148,500
Drive by and call to see this pretty 4 bedroom, 4 bath, 1.10 acres, 2 water wells and a large house in back, seller is accepting offers! Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Rosewood.....$147,900
Fantastic in Briarwood. 4 BR, 2 living areas. 3 full baths - shows like new - shutters, gas cooktop - it's great. Call Donna 697-0490 or 682-8820.

Sentinel-5 Bedroom-Open-Light & Bright - New Listing.....$147,500
Trees, pool, near park. Great house. Please call Jo 683-1425.

Stutz.....$144,900
4 BD, 3 BA, formal living, den, game room, formal dining, plus fabulous in-ground game pool! Call 682-8820 and let Marilyn Jo Smith show you this wonderful home.

Goldenrod, Gardendale (W. Co. Rd. 30).....$143,900
Nestled among the pines! 4 BR, 2 1/2 BA, 2 Liv., formal dining. Over 200 trees! Located on 2.498 acres. Inground pool. Call Joel Oldham at 682-8820 or 689-9696 to see this lovely home today!!

Rosewood.....$142,800
This beautiful 4 bedroom home in Briarwood has lg. kitchen, formal dining, 3 car garage, custom built-ins and large trees. Call Anita!

Humble-Old Midland Beauty.....$141,000
Space to spare in this elegantly updated 4 bedroom home! 3 spacious living, 3 baths & wonderfully landscaped low maintenance yards! Circle drive, oversized porch, water softener and new roof (Jan. 99)! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Stonesleigh.....Reduced $139,900
Wonderful 4 bedroom, Polo Park, sequestered master, formal dining, great! Please call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Sundance-New Grassland Construction.....$139,900
Love at first sight when you see this DREAMHOME by Kahler! Superb quality throughout this spacious 4 bed. Hurry to pick your own carpet, paint, tile and cabinets! Soaring ceilings, walls of windows, WOW! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Crowley-New Listing.....$135,000
Incredible price for area! 4 BD, 3 gorgeous baths, dream kitchen! Walk to club house & Scharbauer. Call Denise 697-1799.

500 E. Co. Rd. 140-New Listing.....$135,000
3 liv. areas, in-ground pool, lots of storage sheds, will lease with option to buy, call Clemmie.

Melville.....$132,500
A super Bob Tinney - great floor plan - 4 bed, 2.5 baths. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

King Richards Row.....$131,500
WOW! What a wonderful floor plan - open kitchen with 4 bedrooms and 3 full baths. Take a Look - just call Deborah to see this or other plans available 520-2112.

Polo Parkway.....Reduced $131,000
Spic N Span with open den, RO, security, kitchen island with Jenaire grill, crown molding, etc., 4BR, 2BA. Clayton Alexander 682-9494.

Co. Rd. 109-Greenwood.....$129,900
Just 3 years new and BETTER THAN EVER! 4 bedrooms, sunken living & tile, tile, tile! Gourmet kitchen, large yard, soaring ceilings, wall insets and numerous special features in this Davis resale! DIVINE! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Lancashire.....Reduced $129,900
Newly decorated, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, formal dining, plantation shutters, brick flooring - must see. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Crestwood.....$128,900
Popular Robert Graham plan. 4 bedrooms, two and a half baths and immaculate condition. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

King Richards Row.....$126,900
Immaculate 4 bedroom Kahler built home has wonderful kitchen w/huge built-in china cabinet/desk, berber carpet, large rooms, tile, brite and beautiful! Call Anita.

Sherwood.....$123,500
4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, brand ne U/C ay for you. Whitewash cabinets & tiled floors, sprinkler system, blinds throughout too! Call Deborah 520-2112.

10901 E. Co. Rd. 109-New Listing.....$121,900
Behind Greenwood Schools, Light & bright, better than new, call Clemmie.

Golf Course.....$121,000
Must see inside! Over 3900sf. Two huge living areas, 4 BRs, 3 1/2 BAs, new kit is gorgeous, extremely lg. den w/raised ceilings, pretty FP & 4 skylights. Call Joyce 682-3191.

Mahler Addition-Drastically Reduced.....$119,900
Extra ordinary fine! Incredible, sepa U/C quarters is mind boggling, seeing is believing! Enormous bedrooms & baths, tons of kitchen cabinets, charming formal living & dining area, sunlight dances thru the windows, den with fireplace. To see today call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Lehigh-Offers!.....$116,900
Super, spacious 4 bedroom, 3 full U/C with sequestered master suite, in-law plan, great closets. $4,000 carpet allowance. Hurry! Priced for quick sale. Call Sandy Scott 684-0375 or 686-8323.

Crestgate.....$116,500
4BR's, 3 full baths, immaculate w/sequestered guest wing, separate formal, courtyard patio. Hurry! Call Anita.

Mahler-WORKSHOP.....Just Reduced $113,500
4 bedroom, 2 living, immaculate, workshop. Please call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Dyer Circle.....$112,500
A super home located on a cul-de-sac. 4 bedrooms, beautiful backyard. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

King Richards Row-Reduced.....$109,900
Outstanding Kahler resale in IMMACULATE condition! 4 spacious bed, 2 dining, wonderful closets & plantation shutters! Luscious landscaping & oversized wood deck complete with trellis! HURRY! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Durant.....$105,900
Beautiful spacious 4 or 5 bedroom in excellent condition with 2 1/2 baths - not in flood plain. Hurry to view. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323, 684-0370.

Goddard.....Reduced! $109,900
4 bed, 3 1/2 baths, 2 car gar. 2 carport, swimming pool, garden room, tile floors, totally updated, great location, walk to school. Seller will pay $1,000 of buyer's closing costs, new carpet, master bath, counter tops. Hurry! Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Fairfax Ct.....$109,500
Wonderful cul-de-sac location. Great plan with huge bedrooms and lots & lots of windows! Beautiful yard with mature trees. Call Billie 697-5545.

Emerson-Pretty Pool.....$105,000
Pretty 4 bedrooms, 2 car garage rear entry, 2 car carport, huge den, formal dining, cul-de-sac, walk to Emerson. Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Skyline Terrace-Walk to School, Pretty & Bright.....$104,500
4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 liv. areas, recent upgrades, tile floors & new tile countertops & pretty backyard. Call Ruth Young 682-7884.

Gleneagles.....$101,900
4 bedrooms, formal dining, 1 living, tile floors, Great Place. Call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Teakwood.....Reduced $99,900
Great Price & area, great property, 4 bedrooms, huge living area, good size yard, wide driveway, 2 car garage. New Paint, Recent upgrades. Must See! Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or 697-1217.

Stanolind.....Reduced $99,900
5 bdrms, large kitchen, sequestered mstr bdrm with fireplace. Call Clemmie.

Stanolind.....$99,700
Great floorplan, big bedrooms, formal living & dining, great price for over 2700 sq. ft. home! Always call Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Shandon-New Listing.....$98,900
Fannin School, pool, workshop, decking, please call Jo Braden 683-1425.

Bedford.....$97,500
4BD, 2BA, formal living area, and den. Covered patio, workshop, and an auto sprinkler with separate water well. 1-car attached garage and 2-car detached. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Cuthbert.....$96,500
Very nice 4BR, 3 bath, 2 LA's, plus sunroom, 2 CG. Lots of Room! Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Windsor.....$95,500
4 bedroom, 2 living areas, sequestered master bdrm, Call Clemmie.

Keenland-Country In City.....Reduced $89,900
This property has been recently updated with all new carpet and paint, extra room has been converted back to a two car garage. .63 acres. Call Lavonne 694-0444.

Greenbrier.....$89,000
4Bd home w/country kitchen overlooking huge family room w/2 sitting areas. Seq 4th bdrm, garden room, office & bonuys room. Please call Anita!

Abbey Pl.....$84,500
Immaculate - well cared for - great drive up - 4/2 has soaring ceilings, skylites galore and many updates. Mint condition! Call Anita!

Culver.....Reduced $79,900
Mom will love the country kitchen, dad the workshop & the kids their huge bedrooms, with over 3000 sq. ft. What's not to love. Call Vicky.

Wishire Park-If you rent you can afford this.....$49,900
4 bedrooms, 2 liv., 2 baths, workshop, tile floor in kitchen, extra insulation, ref. air cond., much new in this home. Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or Larry Hatfield 684-0369.

Harlowe Drive.....$49,900
Cute 4BR, 2 liv. areas. Much U/C throughout. Enclosed sunroom, RV parking in rear. In great condition. Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appointment.

Leisure-BIG WORKSHOP.....Reduced! $49,900
So Much updating! 4 bedrooms, 2 living areas, tile floor in kitchen & den, 35x12 workshop w/elec. Carpet has been replaced. Must See! Call Ruth Young at 682-7884 or 697-1217.

3 OR LESS BEDROOMS

Racquet Club.....
A super deluxe home located in Racquet Club South. This is a real beauty. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, beautiful beam ceiling. Call Mary Jo 684-4268.

Grassland...Sophisticated Patio Home, Exclusive Area.....$209,000
3 generous bedrooms with seq. master, tremendous closets, spectacular kitchen, dazzling with sunlight, this smashing living areas plus formal dining. 3 car garage. To see today call Larry or Debbie at 684-0369.

Oaklawn.....$165,000
Large "Old Midland" jewel. Larg U/C od floors. Call Sam House for more info.

Greentree Country Club.....Reduced $147,000
Builder's home feature rich, Bright open floor plan w/gorgeous master suite bath. Includes Country Club Membership. Careful it's loaded! Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Meadowwood Ct.....$142,900
Great 2 BR, 2 bath, 1 LA Patio home, great location, lots of amenities - must see. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Knights Place-New Listing.....$137,900
Loads of tile, 2 liv. areas, formal dining, call Clemmie.

Castleford.....$137,500
Outstanding finish work & ceilin U/C huge rooms, great built-ins, 2 1/2 baths, lovely landscaping - exceptional! One owner custom with 2 living areas, formal dining area. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Lanham.....$136,900
Gorgeous TH 2 yrs old. Fantasti U/C living areas, 2 1/2 baths. Call Billie 697-5545.

Country Club.....$132,500
3BD, 2.5BA, 2LA, & beautiful landscaping. You will love it. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

Neely-Reduced.....$124,500
Large patio home priced to sell. Call Clemmie.

Lafayette Place.....Reduced $120,000
New Orleans in Midland! Lovely townhome with recent paint, tile, a/c, roof, dishwasher & HWH. 2 BR's, 2 LA's, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car garage. Pride of ownership shows! Please call Jane Petree 682-1995 or 425-7255.

Fields.....Reduced $119,000
One of the prettiest houses on U/C Light & bright. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268 - 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. G 4,200.

Seaboard-MaMar-1st Time Ever On Market.....$109,900
Lots of large rooms - even has a hobby/office - don't miss this one, carpet allowance. Powder room too! Deborah 520-2112.

Daventry.....$102,500
One of the best buys in Saddle Club South - 3 BD, plus a study. Call Mary Jo Drury at 684-4268.

Western-Enormous Backyard...plus pool.....$99,000
Sequestered master bedroom, master bath -double vanities, separate tub & shower & great closets. Walls of windows, brighter living area, cozy family room w/fireplace plus gameroom. Tons of space. Ask for Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Moss.....$97,500
Immaculate low maintenance patio home - open floorplan, saltillo tile, beige carpet, freshly painted, super storage. Hurry! Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Daventry Pl.....$97,500
Lovely 2 story 3 BD, 2 1/2 bath w/master down, updated carpet, tile, vinyl & inside/out paint. Great family home in prestigious Saddle Club South. Call Cheryl at 682-8820, 689-4600.

Brunswick-Patio Home.....Reduced $97,500
3/2 - low maintenance, wet bar, large master suite! Plus formal dining. Please call Donna 682-8820, ext. 158.

Noel.....$96,500
Townhouse near Loop with many improvements made in last year. Beautiful tile floors and Berber carpet give a fresh new look! Call Billie 697-5545.

Wydewood.....$92,900
READY TO MOVE? Then see this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with den, study/office & formal dining. It's a winner!! Call Marilyn Jo Smith 682-8820.

St. Andrews.....$89,900
Picture pretty, formal dining, gre U/C ndscaped yard, Call Clemmie.

#5 Marinor Ct. - Fannin School.....$89,900
Take a look inside this spacious home! New paint & carpet are SUPER! Nice cul-de-sac location has trees galore, front courtyard, brick fencing & large patio! Picture windows, 2 dining areas, high ceilings! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800

Mark Lane.....Reduced $88,000
Bonus room off breakfast area U/C bedrooms, huge living area, house out back for teenagers. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Wedgewood.....$88,000
2 bedroom low maintenance townhome - extremely private. Soaring ceilings, lots of extras - just call Deborah 520-2112.

Stanolind.....$88,500
Beautiful 3 BR, 2 bath. Formal dining, family room with FP. Large split fenced backyard. Corner lot & landscaped. For an appointment to see, call Joel Oldham at 689-9696.

Fannin Terrace.....$86,900
Unique 3 bedroom/3.5 baths, with trees!! 2 living + formal dining. Beautiful tile flooring. Call for more! Anita Noles.

Chon Cove.....$85,000
Outstanding curb appeal, formal dining, separate tub & shoer in master, enclosed patio with tile flooring, corner lot. Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Fannin.....$85,000
You will never have to drive the kids to school again - if you lived in this Fannin cutie - sunroom w/new Berber carpet - lots of new. Call Deborah 520-2112.

Joy Dr.-Shows Like A Model Home!.....Reduced $84,000
Picture Perfect 3 bed plus sitting area in master, 2 living areas with fireplace, large bedrooms. Lovely yard. Walk to school. Call Ruth Young 682-7884.

Russell-New Listing.....$82,500
New to Market, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, formal dining, large living room, large master bdrm, fabulous closets, 2 car garage. Call Sam 699-2163.

Huntington.....$82,500
Large three bedroom, two bathroom home with two living areas and a two car garage. Home needs a little TLC and the price reflects this. Call Kirk French for more information. $7,000 Decorating Allowance!!

Graves.....Reduced $82,000
Wonderful house in ODESSA, located near the mall - call for a list of the amenities, Clemmie.

Wydewood-$3,000 Decorating Allowance.....$80,000
Big Big Big Rooms! Two story, MBR on ground floor, 3 BR, 2.5 BA, one LA, large kitchen w/island, breakfast area. Overs 2 car garage. Call Sam House 682-8820.

Wydewood Addition-New Listing.....$79,900
Impressive courtyard, 3 generous bedrooms, 2 full baths, sizeable den w/fireplace, very functional kitchen, great storage. Ask for Larry or Debbie 684-0369.

Norwood.....$79,900
Great updated patio home, 2 baths, lifetime siding, saltillo tile, 2 car garage. Call Sam for appointment 682-8820.

Maxwell-Great Kitchen, OWNER WILL LOOK AT OFFERS.....$79,900
Close to Midland College - super home with 3 large bedrooms, two baths. Call Mary Jo 684-4268. Will Lease.

Debbie Cove.....$78,000
Super drive-up appeal! 3/2 on quiet cul-de-sac w/gorgeous landscaping & lg. trees, has paneled fam rm. Huge pantry. Call Anita!

**Brazos-May Be Non-Quality Assu U/C Just Listed - 3 bedroom, 2 bath large bedrooms, separate formal dining. Pretty living room with corner fireplace. Call Ruth Young at 697-1217.

College.....$77,900
"Museum" area cottage, 2 BR, 1-1/2 BA, 2 living areas, sunroom, converted garage into an office with loads of storage room. Please call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 to see today!!!

Placid.....$77,500
Cul-de-sac, walk to schools, great home. Huge master bedroom, huge den with corner fireplace, close to Bonham, Alamo & YMCA. Clean with neutral decor. Call Ruth Young 697-1217.

W. Scharbauer Dr.....$74,500
2 story townhome with 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths. Call Deborah 520-2112.

Bedford.....$74,500
Open floorplan, 2 large living areas, formal dining, big master, situated on corner lot with mature landscape. Always call Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

Permian Court.....$74,500
Nice family home with sequest U/C bedroom, 3 BR's, 2 baths, 1 LA, 2 CG. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

Sparks.....$74,500
3BR-3 bath, 2 car garage, swimm U/C deck has its own private yard! 2 spacious living areas, separated by double French doors...formal dining room. Great FP. Call joyce brickey 682-3191.

W. Denger.....$72,900
3 bedroom home on tree-lined street has recently replaced carpet & vinyl. Exterior fresh paint. Pretty corner lot. Don't miss. Call Anita Noles.

N. B Street.....$72,500
3 BD, 3BA home in "Old Midland". Second living area is great game room or office. Excellent kitchen with large pantry...Plenty of square footage. Recent updating. Great location + Decorating Allowance. Call Marilyn Jo Smith.

San Antonio-New Listing.....$72,500
3 bedrooms, immaculate, so special. Please call Jo.

Shell - Allowance.....Reduced $69,900
Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 3 living areas or could be 4 bedroom. Seller w/allow $6,200 for new Heat/Air & carpet. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Haynes.....Reduced! $69,900
Great starter home close to schools & shopping - 3 BR, 2 baths, 2 LA, fireplace, 2 car garage, storage house or workshop, 7' wood fence, AC & heating replaced '96 - Call Jane Petree 682-1995. Recent Paint.

Preston.....$67,900
Darling 3 bedroom townhouse - updated, large master closet, 2 car garage, FP & more. Call Sam for appointment.

Princeton.....$66,000
Darling 3BR, 2BA, 2 Liv. areas. Refrigerator to remain. Shed/workshop. Established neighborhood. Near shopping. Water softener. Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appointment.

Louisiana.....Reduced $64,900
Non-qualifying assumption!! This three bedroom home has two bathrooms, a formal dining room, and a two car garage. Call Kirk to see at 682-8820.

Humble-Wedgewood Park - Reduced.....$64,500
Don't miss this great WORKSHOP, in-ground jacuzzi, waterfall and divided yard! Great 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living, home on landscaped corner lot! Sprinkler system, 2 cg & some recent paint! Call Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Rocky Lane.....Reduced $59,900
Really nice home with lots of extras. 3 BR's, 2 baths, 1 living area, 2 CG, satellite dish, ceramic tile, French doors to patio, parking pad in rear. Call Jane Petree 682-1995.

3808 Shell.....Reduced $59,900
3 bedroom, 2 living, sunroom, trees. Please call Jo 683-1425.

Stanton.....$59,900
Darling inside & out! Country kitch U/C living area, seq. master, light & bright, great storage, great location! Call Larry or Debbie 684-0369.

Upland Street.....$58,950
Cute 3BR, 2 BA with 2 liv. areas. Large backyard. Open kitchen with breakfast bar. Water well for yard. Call Joel Oldham @ 682-8820 or 689-9696 for an appointment.

3616 Tampico.....$57,900
Lovely Townhouse, corner lot, great U/C Clemmie.

Crockett.....$56,900
This is your home! Many, many updates - kitchen, bath, tile flooring, 20x24 workshop with office, super nice! Vicky Garrett 570-8889/800-583-5923.

702 Alpine.....Reduced $56,900
Wonderful Dellwood 3 bed - country kitchen, large utility, trees. Call Jo 683-1425.

Louisiana-Newly Painted Interior.....Reduced $56,900
Over 1700 sq. ft. in the great 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in convenient location. Call Sandy Scott 686-8323 or 684-0370.

Shadylane-Updated To The Max.....$54,900
This dollhouse is SIMPLY UNBEATABLE! High ceilings, gourmet kitchen, 2 large livingplus formal dining! Lots of space & lots of style! Ceramic tile and wood floors give this the feel of casual elegance! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Eisenhower-Recently Updated.....$54,900
Enjoy SOARING ceilings in this oversized living area with cozy fireplace! The new paint, ceramic tile, and carpet are DIVINE! Large living area opens to formal dining! 2 car garage & nice yards! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Bowie.....$52,000
Neat as a pin and ready for new owners. Move into this spotless 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 living room home. Great price, nice size home in good condition. Call Sam.

Crenshaw.....$52,000
Spacious 3/2 in quiet, established neighborhood has large living area w/corner fireplace, indoor utility, 2 full baths, no bkyd neighbors. Call Anita!

Ric-SPECTACULAR HOME.....$50,000
You won't find a prettier 3BR, 2BA in this price range. Backyard is lovely. Sprinkler system. Call joyce brickey 682-3191.

Dewberry-Recently Updated.....$49,900
Expect a PLEASANT surprize when you walk into this wonderfully redone dollhouse! New 2-tone paint, berber carpet & ceramic tile look great! Very spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath with garage! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Leisure-Updated.....$48,900
Tiled kitchen overlooks tiled family room with fireplace. Plus hard to find 4 great bedrooms, ref. air, huge workshop, must see to believe. Call Ruth Young 682-7884 or Larry Hatfield 684-0369.

Ruby-Workshop.....Reduced! $45,900
Spotless home - includes study, newer windows, porch, sprinkler system, plus wonderful shop with bath. Call Donna Pehl 682-8820, Ext. 158.

Nobles-Reduced to Sell.....$45,900
Was a Beast. Now A Beauty! 3B U/C cent make-over, please come see me, Clayton Alexander 682-9494.

Wilshire.....$45,000
Recent carpet and interior paint. 3 bdrms, 2 baths, large kitchen, 2 living areas, great neighborhood. Priced to sell. Call Sam.

Benhwood.....$45,000
Fixer upper - but well worth the price. 3BR, 2 bath, FP, large lot. Lots of potential. Clayton Alexander 682-9494.

Brooks Dr.....$44,500
Cute 3 BR, 1.5 bath with fireplace, cozy kitchen and lg. dining area. Call for more! Anita.

Harlowe.....$42,900
2 bedroom, 1 bath, loads of updating, picture pretty, call Clemmie.

Delmar-Workshop Deluxe.....$42,500
This is NOT THE ORDINARY workshop! 220V, phase line, plumbing and plenty of space for 2 cars in this one! This darling 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 living with 1 to 3 gar., has water well & sprinklers! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Illinois.....$39,900
3BD, 2 BA, formal living, den, central HVAC. Workshop, and open patio. Call Marilyn Jo Smith at 682-8820 to view this cozy home.

Princeton-Recently Updated.....$39,900
This oversized 3 bedroom, 2 bath home looks WONDERFUL with the new carpet, paint & vinyl! Super spacious plan on large corner lot has many extras! Don't miss the cozy fireplace! Victoria Printz 689-4800.

Harlowe-Exceptional.....$39,900
Refrigerated air. 3 ample bedrooms plus study, 2 baths, two extraordinary living areas, tons of charm. Unbeatable. Call today Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Harlowe-Brick.....$39,900
Cozy & comfy king size master, cute kitchen, utility room, great yard. Immaculate. Call Larry or Debbie Hatfield 684-0369.

Woodcrest.....$38,700
Great area - super home - 3 b U/C baths, large living area. Mary Jo Drury 684-4268.

217 "A and "B" E Circle Drive.....DUPLEX.....$38,500
Investor delight or owner occupie U/C ms, 1 bath on each side. Must see to appreciate the value!!! Call Joel Oldham at 682-8820 or 689-9696 to see.

Harlowe.....$34,900
Cute 2 bdrm w/2 living areas, fireplace, central air, call Clemmie.

Park Lane.....$28,900
No Kidding This One Is Cute! Pride of ownership, recent carpet, vinyl, DW & WH. 2BR, 2 bath, great investment. Clayton Alexander 682-9494.

Sprayberry.....$28,000
2BR and 1 bath, 1 living area. Large backyard, 1 car carport. Central heat & air. Seller offering vinyl & carpet allowance. To see, call Joel Oldham at 689-9696.

Sagewood Condo's-Why Rent? When You Can Buy.....$22,500
Clean as a Whistle! Darling 1 bedroom, great closet, charming living area, utility room, worth seeing today. 3 to choose from! Ask for Larry

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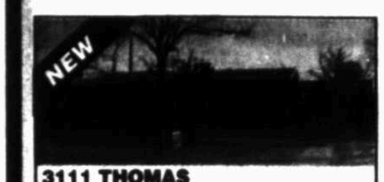


3111 THOMAS
- To be sold as is
- Investment property
- Close to mail

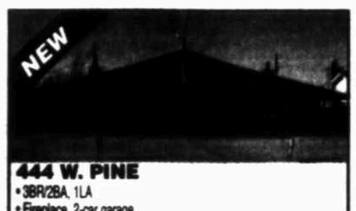
Offered at $24,000
Call Dana Chandler at 685-0400

402 SWEETBRIAR
- Great buy on 4BR home
- Lots of spacious backyard
- Close to schools and shopping

Offered at $43,000
Call Danny Norwood at 682-9495

4113 HARLOWE
- Permian Estates 2 bedroom home
- Recent paint and carpet
- Ceramic tile floors in kitchen and dining area
- Brick veneer with large backyard

Offered at $43,500
Call Sandra Kile at 685-0400



444 W. PINE
- 3BR/2BA, 1LA
- Fireplace, 2-car garage
- Central kitchen
- New carpet & paint

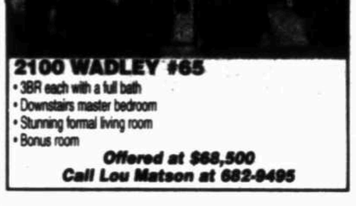
Offered at $57,500
Call Laura Manulik at 682-9495

446 W. PINE
- 3BR/2BA/1LA
- Perfect condition
- New paint & carpet
- 2 car garage

Offered at $57,500
Call Laura Manulik at 682-9495

5007 LEISURE
- Versatile 3BR/2BA 2 story home
- Gameroom plus study/office
- Spacious kitchen/breakfast area
- Zoned heating & cooling plus storm windows

Offered at $62,500
Call Pat Paxton at 682-9495



2100 WADLEY #65
- 3BR each with a full bath
- Downstairs master bedroom
- Stunning formal living room
- Bonus room

Offered at $68,500
Call Lou Matson at 682-9495

3806 FANNIN
- • Updated with new carpet and paint
- Very spacious living area
- Three bedrooms, 2 baths
- Close to schools and shopping

Offered at $69,900
Call Laura Manulik at 682-9495

4813 NEELY
- Gorgeous landscaping
- Large corner lot
- Quiet neighborhood
- Close to schools, shopping and Loop 250

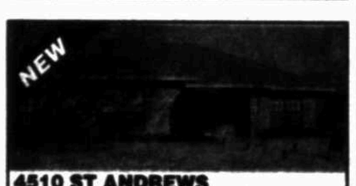
Offered at $77,500
Call Danny Norwood at 682-9495

3509 PRINCETON
- Beautifully redecorated three bedrooms, two baths
- Two living areas with cozy fireplace in den
- Recent AC/heat, Berber carpet, tile, paint and more
- Large lot with great water well

Offered at $79,900
Call Les Carnes at 685-0400

3316 NEELY
- 4BR/2BA
- Spacious living room w/FP
- Formal dining room
- Breakfast bar in kitchen

Offered at $84,900
Call Roberta Aldridge at 682-9495

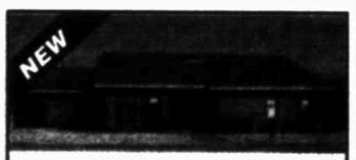


4510 ST ANDREWS
- Large family room
- Formal dining plus nice breakfast room
- Good sized master with 2 master closets
- Tall ceiling in living area

Offered at $85,000
Call Donna Omar at 685-0400

2601 NOEL
- Low maintenance townhome
- Great kitchen overlooks lush atrium
- Large main living area, beamed ceiling
- Spacious master bedroom

Offered at $92,500
Call Pat Paxton at 682-9495



4204 MERRILL
- 3BR/2BA/2-car garage
- Sequestered master suite
- Office/study w/built-ins
- Great oper double counter entertainment area

Offered at $96,000
Call Patti Wallace at 685-0400

4812 TIMBER LANE
- Gorgeous kitchen with custom cabinets
- Large master with high ceilings
- Small, beautifully landscaped yard
- Priced to sell

Offered at $114,000
Call Donna Omar at 685-0400

4723 SPRING MEADOW #6
- 3BR, BR now a study
- Nice large family room
- Decked backyard with gazebo
- Master bedroom downstairs

Offered at $125,000
Call Sandy Hanson at 682-9495

3406 WOODHAVEN
- Bill Allen 4BR w/unique master bath
- Big walk-in "Popcorn" room (wet bar)
- Terrific kitchen w/oodles of cabinets
- Home Warranty to buyer

Offered at $143,000
Call Pat Paxton at 682-9495

2412 STANOLIND
- Great four bedroom in Fannin
- Good plan with quality updating
- Spacious rooms, fabulous master suite
- Corner lot in popular neighborhood

Offered at $149,500
Call Roberta Aldridge at 682-9495

3401 NORTHFIELD
- Exceptional in Trinity Meadows
- 4BR/4BA (incl. his & hers master)
- Gorgeous landscaping and lighting
- Lots of updating, impeccably maintained

Offered at $174,900
Call Jane Wolf at 682-9495

2211 CO. RD. 1118S
- 4 bedroom country estate on 11 acres
- Great ostric farm or breeding facility
- Numerous outbuildings including a workshop
- 3 water wells, fenced and cross fenced

Offered at $297,000
Call Roy Proctor at 685-0400

Roses are Red, Violets are Blue, We've got the Perfect house for you.

OPEN 1-2

1803 NORTH "H" 159,500
Claire Heck, Assistant to Roberta Aldridge
Spacious 3BR/3BA/2LA home w/quality updating - great pool, large workshop, excellent plan. Better than a box of candy.

3316 NEELY Roberta Aldridge 84,900
Well maintained 4BR in central location - high ceilings, easy care yard, good plan - really a sweet deal!

OPEN 1-2:30

3404 ROSEMONT Wanda Cannon 119,900
4BR in Fairmont Park. Wonderful drive-up appeal! High ceilings, sequestered master.

OPEN 2-3:30

5709 GREENRIDGE Roberta Aldridge 169,000
Light, bright and immaculate - a 3BR/3LA jewel for your sweetheart in Grassland.

OPEN 2:30-3:30

5707 DEVLIN 217,500
Claire Heck, Assistant to Roberta Aldridge
Every custom amenity in this well planned 4BR in Grassland. Bring your Valentine and fall in love again!

OPEN 3-5

1906 WINDDRIFT 209,000
Wanda Cannon (Owner Agent)
Grassland, pool, cabana, 4BR/3BA/2LA, 3-car garage.

OPEN 4-5

2409 BOYD 189,500
Claire Heck, Assistant to Roberta Aldridge
4BR in Fannin has it all! Seq. mstr, sparkling pool, great yard, gourmet kitchen to make a special Valentine meal!

$200,000 AND UP...THE CITY'S MOST EXTENSIVE SELECTION OF HOMES IN THE UPPER PRICE RANGES, CALL US!

BLUEBIRD LN-Extraordinary in every beautiful detail, 4BR/5BA on 3+ acres, pool, 5 fireplaces, fabulous formals, exceptional "great room", sunroom, gorgeous landscaping and terraces, private, secluded drive ... CALL
SADDLE CLUB ESTATES-Incredible space, style, appointments. 5BR/9BA, formals + study + den + playroom. Gorgeous newer pool, lavish landscaping and trees. Owner Agent ... 650,000
CARDINAL LANE-The most wonderful suburban home ever! Unbelievable amenities, great space, 10 ac ... 495,000
WINCHESTER CT-Incredible TH - indoor pool in fabulous living area; 4BR/6BA; MBR w/library, stunning studio, office, 3FP, 5 garages, absolutely wonderful ... 495,000
FAIRWOOD-Absolutely stunning 5/4/3 with 3-car garage and 3FP's. Pool & the list goes on! Wonderful ... 460,000
TRINITY-Simply beautiful! One of a kind 5BR in Trinity Estates on beautiful lot ... 400,000
TATTENHAM CORNER-Most exciting home on mkt! 5BR/6BA, acreage, pool, incredible style, quality. Owner Agent ... 395,000
RUSTIC TRAIL-G.T. North. Excellent view of course & lakes. Great floor plan. 2-story, large rooms, 2BR up, two down, 2LA, 2FP, 3-car garage, workshop, M.R. Lary quality ... 395,000
CITATION-Incredible Saddle Cub North TH! Pool, spacious formals, huge den, 2BR guest house. Lovely ... 345,000
FAIRWOOD-Wonderful Bill Brown resale. Spacious, like new 5/3+/3. Den, gameroom & formals. Must see this fabulous home. Ready to move into today ... 339,900
OAKLAWN PARK-A fabulous, luxurious condominium in a very special setting. Pool, 2BR/2BA plus a wonderful guest house ... 335,000
LAKES-Lovely custom 2-story in gated subdivision. Fantastic lake view, North of Saddle Club Estates ... 329,900
CRESCENT PLACE-Fabulous Crescent Place home with great space, wonderful updating, sparkling pool ... 325,000
CHOATE-Lovely and spacious in Trinity Estates 4 bedroms, 2 bonus rooms, sparkling pool, beautiful yard ... 310,000
BLACKBERRY-Beautiful 1 yr old 4/4.5 home on 3 acres. The best of two worlds. City home in county setting ... 289,000
SOLOMON-4BR/3.5BA w/playroom, wonderful 2-story home on 4 acres in town ... 280,500
CITATION-High style in Saddle Club North TH. Too much new to list. Lovely, elegant. Owner Agent ... 279,500
BAYBROOK-4BR/3+BA, gourmet kitchen, seq. master, Bill Brown construction, light & bright, ready for you! ... 276,000
L-Old Midland remodeled beauty, unique custom design, wonderful detail ... 276,000
SINCLAIR-Gorgeous remodeled 2-story in Old Midland, 4 or 5BR/3BA/3LA/2-car garage & 2-car carport ... 275,000
RIDGEFIELD-The "Perfect" 5BR complete w/great sports pool and spa ... 244,900
RUSTIC TRAIL-Spacious 4BR/3.5BA/3 garage and 3 super living areas plus newer pool, gorgeous golf course view ... 239,750
SINCLAIR-Outstanding TH, luxurious mstr w/2BA, gorgeous formals, den, high ceilings, lush landscaping ... 235,000
PINEHURST-One of Saddle Club Easts' loveliest! Wood floors, 4BR/3BA, 3FP, 3 garage, seq. master, perfect! ... 225,000

What's going on at Langstons? 1/1 TO 2/9

NEW LISTINGS	73
UNDER CONTRACT TRANSACTIONS	50
CLOSINGS	50
TOTAL LISTINGS	173

HATHAWAY-lovely home in Grassland. 4BR/3BA w/3LA. 2 large yards. Don't miss LA attached to garage ... 224,000
FENWAY-TH under construction. Excellent plan, light & open. 3rd garage w/room for workshop ... 223,000
DEVLIN-Customized one-owner home w/fantastic amenities! Fabulous 4Br in popular Grassland ... 217,500
STONECREST-Fabulous custom home located on quiet cul-de-sac. 4BR/3BA/2LA/3-car garage. Large backyard ... 214,500
WINDDRIFT-4/3/2/3 w/pool & cabana. The cabana has another full bath and room. It's beautiful. Owner Agent ... 209,000
SPRINGFIELDThis is it for lovely decor, light spaciousness, gorgeous decor, B. Brown quality! 4/3.5/3 garage ... 207,000
SINCLAIR-Stunning 3/3/2 TH - beautifully maintained & updated. Lush landscaping. It's fabulous ... 205,000

$100,000-$200,000...A WONDERFUL GROUP OF BEAUTIFUL HOMES, YOU'LL WANT TO SEE!

LOS ALAMITOS-Smashing custom built 4/3.5/3. This is a beautiful, spacious home. Don't miss it ... 198,500
BOYD-Wonderful location w/lots of new, 4BR, gourmet kitchen, great pool. Lovely 2-story ... 189,500
GREENRIDGE-The perfect 4BR home inside & out in Grassland Estates. Great yard ... 185,000
STANOLIND-Fabulous 4/3/2 in "Old Midland". Totally redone. Master suite is unbelievable! ... 178,500
RUSTIC TRAIL-Fabulous contemporary 4BR on course. Lots of new & redo! ... 178,500
BASSWOOD CIRCLE-Such a great plan, $3,000 carpet allowance w/acceptable offer, incredible condition ... 174,900
NORTHFIELD-Exceptional 4/3 with 2 living, formal dining, lots of updating, gorgeous landscaping, 3 car garage ... 174,900
TRINITY MEADOWS-Wonderful 5BR/2LA w/pool in Trinity Meadows ... 174,000
OAKWOOD-Big beautiful TH in Green Tree Oaks. 3BR/2.5BA, music, study, 2FP. Smashing ... 172,900
WOODHAVEN-Spacious & sensational - totally redone home in coveted Trinity Meadows ... 169,900
GREENRIDGE-Outstanding custom home in Grasslands. Gorgeous decor, beautiful landscaping ... 169,000
KINGSTON-Custom built in Polo Park. 3BR/2.5BA w/2 wonderful living areas. 3-car garage ... 159,900
NORTH H-Spacious & bright 3BR/2LA, recent updates, a gem with great pool & workshop. You'll love it! ... 159,500
PRINCETON-Updated & spacious, lots of new in "Old Midland" 4/4/4LA, pool and deck ... 159,500
COLEMAN-Terrific 4BR + study and 2LAs in tip-top condition ... 155,500
GOLF COURSE-Distinctive architecture + peaceful landscaping. 3BR/3BA. Bogulios limestone floors & FP ... 153,900
CROWLEY-4 year old 4BR/2BA/2LA resale in excellent condition ... 149,900
DRIFTWOOD-A 4BDR, 3BA, 3 car garage Green Tree Beauty priced for quick sale ... 149,900
CAROL LANE-Country living in the city w/space galore, horse stable, workshop. Mint condition ... 149,900
STANOLIND-4BR in Fannin! Great plan, popular neighborhood, wonderful updating ... 149,500
HACKBERRY-3 BR + study or hobby room on golf course, lush landscaping, large dining. Seller financing ... 147,500
LAFAYETTE-New Orleans style 2-story TH, secluded area with brick paved streets ... 146,000
HAYNES-Terrific 4BR/3BA/3LA with pool. Minimum yard maintenance, great for entertaining ... 144,900
FOXBORO-Meadowpark. 3/2 w/2 dining/2LA, sparkling pool. Low maintenance yard on quiet cul-de-sac ... 143,500
WOODHAVEN-Trinity Meadows 4BR - great plan + home warranty ... 143,000
DRIFTWOOD-Stupendous! Wonderful Condition! Pool, spa, workshop, 4BR and the list goes on! ... 139,900
VALLEY-Just perfect! Large beautiful 4/2.5/2 PLUS fabulous gameroom. Gorgeous backyard & patio ... 139,900
DUKES-Beautiful red brick in Polo Park, 3BR/2.5BA with 2LA ... 136,900
FOXBORO-Sharp! Sharp! Sharp! 4BR/3BA w/kitchen overlooking LA. Hurry! Hurry! ... 136,000
AMHURST-Super 5/2.5/2 with den, fireplace, living, brick patio w/fountain, beautiful landscape ... 135,000
STUTZ-Generous 4BR, one-owner home, beautiful landscaping, numerous custom features ... 132,750
PINE-Ready right away! Completely updated Wallace TH, beautiful kitchen, great plan, a must see! ... 132,000
LAFAYETTE PL-Beautiful escape in Midland. 3BR/2.5BA, New Orleans style TH. Must see this one ... 130,000
HARVARD-Old Midland w/fabulous charm, incredible great room, spacious master, guest quarters ... 130,000
BRUNSON-Museum area columned 2-story home 3/3.5/2LA w/pool & hot tub, hardwood floors, jacuzzi tub ... 130,000
BRADFORD CT-Custom blt 3/2 in Polo Park like new w/all the bells & whistles. Great built-ins, storage & more ... 129,900
GREENBRIAR-Wonderful 2-story traditional. Formals and huge country kitchen. Big trees - lush yard ... 129,900
ARROYO-Immaculate 4BR, light & bright home that is in immaculate condition ... 129,500
BRIGHTON PL-Exceptional 3/2 w/2LA, formal dining, great kitchen, seq. master, gorgeous landscaping ... 129,000
FAIRFAX CT-4BR/3BA/2LA/2 dining w/mature trees on quiet cul-de-sac w/updating. Workshop off garage ... 126,500
SPRING MEADOW #6-TH 3/2/1LA, very nice master bedroom downstairs ... 125,900
GULF-Immaculate well-cared for home in "Fannin" areawith all the updating done! ... 124,900
HUMBLE-Spacious 4BR in a great location. Lots of upgrades, water well, shop & storage house - Offering home warranty ... 120,900
WARD-Picture perfect patio home with big, bright rooms! ... 120,000
FAIRVIEW LANE-Seller will look at any offer. Also offering 2% towards buyer's CC or paint allow ... 120,000
BEDFORD-Charming Old Midland 4BR great location, updated kitchen ... 119,900
ROSEMONT-4BR Fairmont Park home. Cute, cute, cute. Robert Graham resale ... 119,900
FAIRBANKS-Cute as a button 4BR/2BA w/lots of recent updates! Don't Delay! ... 118,500
CRESTGATE-Spacious 4BR/3BA/2LA home in Crestgage ... 114,900
CRESTGATE-Very clean 4BR home w/large gameroom plus LR, den & FD ... 114,500
TIMBER LANE-Better than new! 1.5 yr old Kahler resale with fabulous kitchen, large master and small yd ... 114,000
TIMBER LANE-Like new Kahler construction home with 3BR/2BA. Spacious and beautiful ... 113,000
BOYD-MaMar beauty. Touch of old with a new facelift! This house is beautiful. 3/3. ... 112,000
GODDARD-Quietly tucked away in Emerson Heights, 3BR/2BA - absolutely perfect home ... 111,000
GLENEAGLES-1998 model TH w/a maintenance free yard. 3BR/3BA ... 110,000
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ST. ANDREWS-1998 model TH w/a maintenance free yard. 3BR/3BA ... 110,000
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BELLECHASSE-Super great low maintenance 3BR home in Plantation Hills. Big rooms, neat as pin ... 109,900
CASADY CT-4BR/3.5BA/2LA plus computer/sewing room. Check this price! In Trinity Meadows ... 109,000
PINEMONT-Darling 3BR in popular Fairmont addition! Seq. MBR w/sitting area ... 105,500
NORTH L-Beautiful home located in mature area. 4BR/3BA w/3 large LAs. Charming inside & out ... 105,000
BEDFORD-Charming "Old Midland" home with quality updating, hardwood floors & pretty landscaping ... 105,000
HERMITAGE-Super home on cul-de-sac. Fantastic pool, 3BR w/seq. master ... 104,900

UNDER $100,000...SMART BUYS...LOVELY HOMES...PERFECT FOR YOU!

NEELY-"Old Midland" charming, unique, tri-level. Study, workshop, gorgeous yd. Many updates ... 99,500
METZ-Don't miss this well priced 4BR, 2BA on Cul-de-sac. Lots of room to roam ... 99,000
DENGAR-Well maintained 4/2.5, spacious rooms. Hurry ... 96,000
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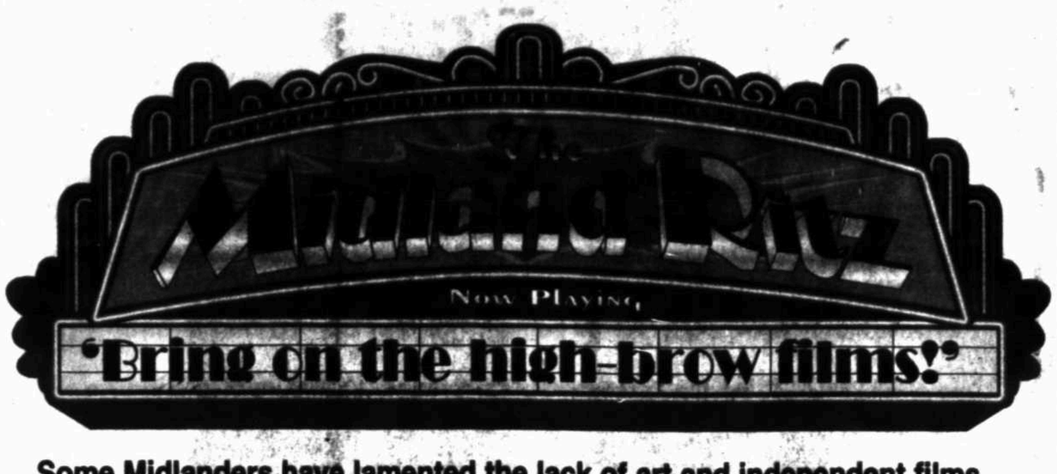

Some Midlanders have lamented the lack of art and independent films playing on movie screens in the Tall City. With more screens, Odessa is faring better in getting more of the smaller, critically-acclaimed films.

By Mella McEwen
Staff Writer

Blockbuster movies like "Saving Private Ryan" or "A Bug's Life" or "Titanic" dominate entertainment headlines and movie screens.

But Midlanders are also interested in smaller films like "A Simple Plan" or the Italian film "Life Is Beautiful" or "Elizabeth" and the not-so-small "Shakespeare In Love" which received 13 Academy Award nominations this past week.

"When 'Shakespeare In Love' and 'Elizabeth' came out, people were asking us when we were going to get them," said Tom Blase, manager at Hollywood Theaters Tall City Ten.

He explained that "those decisions are out of our hands. They're made" at the Hollywood Theaters corporate office in Dallas. And Blase said that while there is local interest in those smaller movies, "the audience that would want to see those movies would come the first week and that would be it." So corporate officials tend to book the movies that will draw the largest audiences.

Midland, he pointed out, "does not have enough movie screens to support that many movies. Odessa has 23 screens so they can support that many movies."

Hollywood Theaters owns the four movie theaters in Midland — the two first-run theaters, Tall City Ten and Midland Park Mall, and two dollar theaters, Hollywood Cine Four on Cuthbert and Hollywood North Park.

Some Midlanders would like to see more of the independent, art films up on the local Hollywood movie marquees. Managers, however, said the decisions are made by the corporate office in Dallas and that the smaller films don't pack the auditorium.

Brian Adamcik/ Reporter-Telegram

While Hollywood also owns theaters in Odessa, San Francisco-based Century Theaters last year opened a 12-screen theater in Odessa.

Scott Hammersley, general manager at Odessa Century 12, said that the movies for his theater are also chosen out of the corporate office.

He agreed with Blase that while there is an audience in the Permian Basin for the smaller films, "overall, the crowd for that type of movie is smaller than it is for 'Varsity Blues.'"

Midlanders do get a chance to see some of these movies on videocassette.

Rob Gilbert, manager of Hollywood Video, said that his store carries a number of smaller titles that rent well "for the volume of rentals we have."

However, he said, "'B' titles rent better than art house films. It's like there's a subgenre of erotic alien films out now that are popular. We have four or five titles and they're always

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Academy voters love 'Shakespeare,' 'Ryan'

N.Y. Times News Sevice

LOS ANGELES — Three weeks ago, a beaming Steven Spielberg was holding two Golden Globe statues won for directing and producing his acclaimed World War II drama "Saving Private Ryan." When asked whether the awards, which often foreshadow the eventual Academy Award winners, meant that he would cruise through the Oscars with victory assured, Spielberg laughed nervously.

"You'd have to be crazy to think that," Spielberg said. "If anything, this makes me *more* nervous. You just don't know how voters are going to think."

That much was certain Tuesday when nominations for the 71st Academy Awards were announced. When the dust settled, it was Miramax's festive costume romp, "Shakespeare in Love," not "Saving Private Ryan," leading the way. "Shakespeare" scored 13 nominations to 11 for "Private Ryan." The three other best picture nominees racked up nominations in bunches as well. "Elizabeth," "The Thin Red Line" and "Life Is Beautiful" each had seven nods.

Obviously, it was a good day for war movies and Elizabethan period pieces and a great day for Roberto Benigni, nominated for writing, directing and starring in his touching Holocaust fable, "Life Is Beautiful." Benigni is only the fourth person to be honored for a single film in the actor, director and original screenplay categories. The others: Orson Welles ("Citizen Kane"), Woody Allen ("Annie Hall") and Warren Beatty ("Heaven Can Wait," "Reds").

"I wish that I were a bluebird so that I could fly to everyone's window and thank them," Benigni said. "I'm overjoyed."

Beatty could have scored the hat trick again for "Bulworth," but came away with only one nomination for original screenplay. Perhaps for that reason, he was a little more subdued than Benigni.

"Well, at least maybe now Rupert Murdoch will see my goddamned movie," Beatty said. Murdoch owns 20th Century Fox, which produced "Bulworth."

Joining Benigni in the best

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BOOMER BLUES

Movies: Coming to Midland?

By Myra Salcedo
Lifestyle Editor

Here's the pitch: Gwyneth Paltrow stars as a cross-dressing muse for the young William Shakespeare as he puts the future of literature in peril when he titles his new play "Romeo and Ethel, the Pirate's Daughter."

Salcedo

Try to describe the plot to anyone, and they think "Shakespeare in Love" sounds like a completely inane movie. In less capable hands, "Shakespeare in Love" could have resulted in some trite and dull fare and never would have garnered 13 Academy Award nominations. Instead a host of actors and director John Madden pulled off one of the wittiest romps of the year. Even actors in the smallest parts were convincing. I was shocked to hear it reported that Judi Dench, in her role as Queen Elizabeth, was only on the screen SIX MINUTES! An absolutely memorable and commanding presence, Ms. Dench was nominated for the Best Supporting Actress role for only SIX MINUTES on screen. Being a Midland resident (one of the alleged "few" who attends these types of movies) I drove all the way to HO-Dessa to see "Shakespeare," and if I were an Academy voter I would give the Oscar to Ms. Dench.

Being a resident of the movie-deprived Permian Basin, the only other Best Supporting Actress nominee I've seen (on videotape) was Kathy Bates in "Primary Colors." (Yes, she was appropriately despicable in the part, but we've already seen her meanie side in "Misery" and she was on screen more than SIX MINUTES.) The other three nominees came from films you will never see on a movie screen in Midland — "Hilary and Jackie" (never), "Little Voice" (NEVER), and "Gods and Monsters" (NEVER, NEVER, NEVER!).

Of course, having said that, some movie managers will make me eat my words. (Please do, we are tired of having to drive to Lubbock, Dallas or Austin to see these critically-acclaimed films that apparently are too high-brow for the likes of podunk West Texans). And my husband always reminds me of the time (back in the days when I was the Reporter-Telegram movie critic) and I swore that "Blue Velvet" would NEVER, EVER, EVER, EVER play in Midland, I nearly wrecked the car when I saw it listed up on the marquee at Midland Park Mall. After driving into the curb, I drove into the mall, parked and

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'Now voting' on Oscar winners

Can you pick the winners? The entry with the most correct answers will win two season passes to any Hollywood movie theater. Only one entry per household. Just fill out the ballot (here or online at www.digitalbasin.com) by checking the gray boxes and mail to Oscar Winners, Midland Reporter-Telegram, P.O. Box 1650, Midland, Texas, 79702. Entries must be brought to the Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, by 5 p.m. Friday, March 19 or postmarked by March 17, 1999. The winner will receive season passes for two to any Hollywood movie theatre. Ballots will be tabulated in a process that recognizes correct answers in the chronological order as the ballot appears here.

Best Supporting Actress Nominees

Best Supporting Actor Nominees

Best Actress Nominees

Best Actor Nominees

Best Director Nominees

Cinematography

- A Civil Action ☐
- Saving Private Ryan ☐
- Shakespeare in Love ☐
- The Thin Red Line ☐
- Elizabeth ☐

Best Animated Short Film

- Bunny ☐
- The Canterbury Tales ☐
- Jolly Roger ☐
- More ☐
- When Life Departs ☐

Best Picture

Shakespeare in Love ☐

Gwyneth Paltrow and Joseph Fiennes find love.

The Thin Red Line ☐

Nick Nolte before the battle of Guadalcanal.

Life is Beautiful ☐

Roberto Benigi directs and stars in this Holocaust film.

Elizabeth ☐

Cate Blanchett makes the transformation from princess to queen.

Saving Private Ryan ☐

Tom Hanks leads the charge, receiving a best actor nod for the WWII film finding favor with audiences.

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SURVEY QUESTION: I would like to see more of the smaller, art films in Midland: Yes ☐ No ☐ The type of movies I want to see more of are _____

HAVE YOU HEARD?

Benefit features jewelry show, salad luncheon

By Marilyn McKnight Harrison

The Junior Woman's Association of Midland and Occasions Fine Jewelry & Gifts presented "The Timeless of Elegance of Platinum" Jewelry Show and Luncheon recently at the Midland Center.

The event will benefit the association's ongoing philanthropic projects, Memorial Hospital Pediatrie Fund and Clinic of the Community Children's Ministry.

McKnight-Harrison

A video, "the History of Platinum," was presented before dancers and models took to the stage to show how platinum jewelry has evolved in elegance and beauty through the ages. The time periods highlighted were the 1940s, 1960s and 1990s. Each section of the program featured jewelry of that era, along with appropriate music and clothing of the times. The clothes were provided by Midland Community Theatre and Juliaa Gold.

Before the show began, attendees enjoyed champagne punch or iced tea and a cold salad medley comprised of chicken, fresh vegetables and pasta, followed by dessert selections and coffee. The event was catered by Murray & the Frenchman.

Platinum and white were featured in the decorations, with a dramatic black backdrop on the stage to showcase the performers. Platinum colored, helium balloon arrangements were used throughout the room. All of the tables were sprinkled with silver star confetti, and silver lame covers on the chair backs added to the elegance of the affair.

Among the 250 ladies in attendance were Ann (Mrs. Bill) Kleine, Jackie (Mrs. Tom) Ingram, Frances (Mrs. Evetts) Haley, Flo (Mrs. Sam) White, Jenna Welch, Susie Burnett, Betty (Mrs. Don) Tomlin, Robin (Mrs. Bill) Eiland, Hazel (Mrs. Keith) Somerville, Sue (Mrs. Ed) Brannon, Laurie (Mrs. Miles) Boldrick, Susie (Mrs. Don) Evans, Amy (Mrs. Tim) Leach, Leslie (Mrs. Paul) Hinton, Virginia (Mrs. Bob) Jones and JoAnn (Mrs. Leroy) Minnix.

Chairmen of the event were Sabrina (Mrs. Chris) Statton and Sherri (Mrs. Eddy) Merket. Pat Weaver is the association president.

MEMBERS AND FRIENDS of the Midland Woman's Club always anticipate the club's annual Mexican Fiesta Dinner, which is traditionally held in January as the premier fund-raiser of the year.

Held this year on Jan. 29 at the clubhouse in Hogan Park, the dinner was followed by a program of traditional Mexican music and dancing. The young people, who comprise the dance troupe, Ballet Folklorico of Midland, were dressed in authentic costumes that help preserve their Mexican heritage. The colorful decorations were provided by Mari's Imports.

Guests also had the opportunity to enjoy a needlework exhibition, featuring pieces by both club members and their families. The works of art will be on display through February, and the public is encouraged to view the exhibit.

Among those noticed in the crowd were Shirley and Randall Johnston, Wanda and Ed Franke, Evelyn Minear, Neta Dill, Jean Sauze with her sister, June Dunkin of San Angelo, Mary and Max Combs, Kaye and Mike Houston, who recently moved back to Midland from Yemen; Ahlene Lane, and Lois Rogge with her sister, Mildred Rogge of Odessa.

Helen Tinnin and Paula Cox co-chaired the event. Jo (Mrs. Perry) Connell is club president.

"GET RID OF THE JANUARY BLAHS! Come celebrate Australia Day." So began the invitations to a luncheon and style show held on Jan. 26 as a benefit for the historic Scarborough/Linebery House at 802 S. Main St.

The attendees enjoyed a lunch featuring Beef Stew and Apple Pie with Cinnamon Ice Cream, catered by Hazel's Specialties, and a showing of fashions from Ginny's Collection.

The den and garden room of the home were transformed into a tea room setting for the affair. Fresh flowers decorated the red, white and pink covered tables.

The Australian Flag, loaned by Midlander Derek Edmonds, a native of The Land Down Under, was flown for the day, and other items from his homeland were placed around the house. Guests signed a letter that will be sent to Australia to let its citizens know of the Midland celebration.

Among those who enjoyed the event, which included a tour of the home, were Fan (Mrs. Jimmy) Mowles, Elsie (Mrs. Harry) Hugly, Phyllis (Mrs. Robert) Stine, Carol (Mrs. Wallace) Craig, Ellen (Mrs. Lance) Friday, Ann (Mrs. Wayne) Westerman, Mary Lou (Mrs. Jack) King, Mary (Mrs. James) Rasmussen with her daughter, Deborah Rasmussen, and Rosenelle Cherry.

BRAVO, BRAVO! Those who saw the third in Lubbock's "Give Your Regards to Broadway" 1998-99 series, "Fiddler on the Roof," gave the show a prolonged and heartfelt standing ovation.

The production was such a success, with Washington, D.C., native John Preece in the lead role of the father, Tevye (this being his third national tour and over 1,000 performances as that character); the marvelous music, with such memorable songs as "Tradition," "Matchmaker," "Sunrise, Sunset," and "Do You Love Me?" and an outstanding ensemble, which captured so well the lives of the citizens of Anatevka, a small village in Russia, on the eve of the Russian Revolution.

A number of Midlanders headed north to see the show. Among those we spotted at the Sunday matinee were Joy (Mrs. Ron) Cunningham, Ann (Mrs. James) Gilbert, Sherri and Jeff Gilbert, Ann Parish, Marybeth Hughes, Carolyn Gunn, Linda Finch, Rhondy Barker and Nancy Burgess.

WE RECENTLY received our first invitation for New Year's Eve 1999! To ring in the new millennium, the Midland-Odessa Symphony is hosting "An Evening of a Lifetime."

The invite states it's to be an elegant celebration with dinner, dancing and entertainment. Thus, the countdown to one of the biggest parties of the year has begun!

Marilyn McKnight Harrison is social columnist for the Reporter-Telegram.

Black History Month banquet features Lubbock councilman

Staff Reports

Negro Business and Professional Women's Club will celebrate its Annual Celebration of Black History Month program with a banquet 6:30 p.m. Feb. 26 in the Midland Hilton.

The banquet theme is "African American Challenges for the New Millennium." Guest speaker is Lubbock City Councilman T.J. Patterson.

Patterson received a bachelor of business administration in marketing in 1958 from Bishop College. He taught at Mary and Mac Private School and served as assistant dean in the College of Business Administration at Texas Tech University. Since 1977, he has served as co-founder and co-publisher of "The Southwest Digest," and served as commander in the U.S. Navy Reserve. Patterson was elected to the Lubbock City Council from District 2 in 1984. He served as Mayor Pro Tem from 1991-1992 and organized marches against gangs and violence in the city.

In addition, Patterson is the first African-American to be elected as president of the Texas Municipal League. He serves on the board of trustees of Paul Quinn College. The TJ Patterson Board and TJ Patterson Library were named in his honor in Lubbock. A member of the NAACP,

T.J. Patterson

Patterson is also active in the National League of Cities, serving on the Energy, Environment, Natural Resources Policy Committee, and is past president of the Texas Association of Black City Council Members.

He and his wife, Bobbye Bailey Patterson, have three children and four grandchildren.

Tickets may be obtained from members. Suggested donations for tickets is $18. For tickets or more information call 682-9306, 684-6932, 683-1325.

Oscar's omissions: What about 'The Truman Show'?

By Bernard Weinraub
N.Y. Times News Service

HOLLYWOOD — What happened to "The Truman Show"?

The drama, directed by Peter Weir and starring Jim Carrey as a man who slowly realizes that his life is a television show, was considered a virtual certainty as an Academy Award nominee. Carrey was widely assumed to be an Oscar contender as best actor.

But when the nominations were announced this week by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, the movie was not among contenders for best picture, nor was Carrey on the best actor list. The movie did earn nominations for Weir as director, Ed Harris as best supporting actor and Andrew Niccol for original screenplay.

Several Hollywood marketing executives and producers were almost united in explaining why the academy snubbed "The Truman Show." They said that while some newspaper and magazine critics lavishly praised the movie, people in Hollywood didn't quite get what all the hoopla was about.

"It was a critics' phenomenon, and the town never liked the movie," one top producer said.

A studio marketing executive said that an oft-heard comment about the movie was that it was overpraised, and that there may have been a glimmer of resentment by actors of Carrey's relatively effortless leap from comedy to drama. The actors branch of the academy selects the acting nominees.

In addition, Carrey's chances of an Oscar nomination may have been hurt by his winning a best actor prize at the Golden Globes, which were awarded by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association on Jan. 20. The deadline for academy voters was Jan. 29, and many people cast their ballots in the final week.

"It may have been, 'OK, he got the Golden Globe, that's enough,' " the marketing executive said.

There were some other surprising omissions from the nominations. Bill Murray in "Rushmore" and Jane Horrocks and Michael Caine in "Little Voice" were ignored. And "Beloved," based on the novel by Toni Morrison, was nominated only for its costume design.

In the foreign film category "The Celebration," a Danish movie, was seen as almost a sure contender. It wasn't.

Some of the best picture nominees are expected to benefit commercially before the awards presentation on March 21, notably, "Shakespeare in Love," which is expanding nationwide this weekend, and "The Thin Red Line," which has so far fared modestly.

By last weekend its box office was only $30.6 million, compared with "Saving Private Ryan," which has taken in $194.6 million since its summer release.

COBURN BACK IN LIMELIGHT

In the late 1960s and 70s James Coburn was a top Hollywood star. His roles in "The Great Escape," "Charade" and "The Americanization of Emily" were followed by the two espionage spoofs, "Our Man Flint" and "In Like Flint," and then the hit satire "The President's Analyst." For a while Coburn could do no wrong.

Then came the late 70s, and his career collapsed.

"From 1979 to 1989 I had arthritis; I couldn't work hardly at all," said Coburn, who was nominated for an Academy Award as supporting actor for his role in "Affliction."

Recalling the 80s Coburn said: "I did a lot of voice-overs. That paid the bills. I kept going to doctors. They didn't know how to deal with it, didn't know what caused it. I finally realized I had to heal myself."

AP Photo

Billy Bob Thornton, left, received a Best Supporting Actor nominee for his turn as dumb bumpkin in "A Simple Plan."

VOTERS: Art-house films not overlooked by Academy voters

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actor category are two-time winner Tom Hanks ("Saving Private Ryan"), art-house favorites Ian McKellen ("Gods and Monsters") and Nick Nolte ("Affliction"), and surprise nominee Edward Norton ("American History X"). Notably absent: Golden Globe winners Jim Carrey and Michael Caine and "Shakespeare's" Shakespeare, Joseph Fiennes.

"What's very encouraging is to see Edward Norton's nomination," McKellen said. "He said to me I was the reason he became an actor. I hope I'm the reason he doesn't win an Oscar."

Nolte, meanwhile, was happy to see his low-budget movie recognized.

"It was a small picture, $6-million-budget picture to gather this much attention," said Nolte, who was also nominated in 1991 for "Prince of Tides." "One doesn't anticipate that. You make those kinds of films for the sake of making them. You can't really lose money on them, but it's just the love of filmmaking. It makes it very special in that sense."

For best actress, nominations went to two Elizabethan women (Gwyneth Paltrow for "Shakespeare in Love" and Cate Blanchett for "Elizabeth"), two women struggling with illnesses (Meryl Streep, "One True Thing"; Emily Watson, "Hilary and Jackie") and Brazilian actress Fernanda Montenegro for "Central Station."

Streep has now been nominated 11 times, tying her with Jack Nicholson and leaving her one away from record-holder Katharine Hepburn. Blanchett, Montenegro and Paltrow are all first-time nominees. Watson was nominated in 1996 for "Breaking the Waves."

In other categories, James Coburn ("Affliction"), Robert Duvall ("A Civil Action"), Ed Harris ("The Truman Show"), Geoffrey Rush ("Shakespeare in Love") and Billy Bob Thornton ("A Simple Plan") were nominated for supporting actor; Kathy Bates ("Primary Colors"), Brenda Blethyn ("Little Voice"), Judi Dench ("Shakespeare in Love"), Rachel Griffiths ("Hilary and Jackie") and Lynn Redgrave ("Gods and Monsters") were the choices for supporting actress.

"Mine was the fifth name read, and I have to tell you I was getting a little nervous," Redgrave said. "But they read it, and that's the important thing."

Many others in the movie industry would second that emotion today.

MIDLAND: Show up for small films!

(From 1E)

walked up to the ticket window to make sure it wasn't the work of a prankster.

Though the movie managers are right in one respect, the artsy, more sophisticated fare may not be well attended in the Tall City. You most likely won't have to hurry to get a seat for a movie not starring Cameron Diaz or Jim Carrey. It's true the more popular films are those like "Stepmom" which once sold out in Midland before we reached the ticket window. That's when we drove to Odessa to see "Elizabeth" with less than 20 people in the audience and several were from Midland (maybe all were from Midland but we didn't think to ask for a show of hands). And it's true, my husband and I got a private showing of "Waking Ned Divine" one evening in Odessa.

Maybe my husband and I make up a good percentage of the weird minority who wants to see "Life is Beautiful" instead of the hordes of folks trampling all over each other to see "Mighty Joe Young." But, judging from the number of irate Oscar-worthy-moviegoer wannabes who have called to complain, I think there is more of an audience out here than corporate folks in Dallas (making decisions about what plays here) think.

So, please movie managers, prove me an ignorant pessimist, and bring some of these films here. And please folks, especially those of you who called me and said "Bring on the art-house films," if these movies are shown here, go see them. Give the movie managers a reason to show them. It's lonely in the middle row.

Amazingly, I've seen four of the top five movies this year without leaving the Midland/Odessa area.

I think the WWII drama "Saving Private Ryan" will get Best Picture because the dramas usually fare better than the comedic romps. I loved both movies, but being a die-hard theater fan, "Shakespeare's" elegance and well-executed wit stole my heart.

I would give "Elizabeth" Best Costume if the fine details of makeup and wigs are included in that category.

"The Thin Red Line," another WWW II drama, has some haunting cinematography but was largely incoherent in the final moments. It was especially annoying to see a key character like Nick Nolte's vanish out of the storyline for no particular reason except that the introspective point of view kept shifting. I think this may have worked better in the book.

"Life is Beautiful" — didn't see it and seeing it probably means another out-of-town trip to do so. But, hey, it's nominated in two categories. The Academy showed their global acuity by nominating it for Best Picture, but will probably give it Best Foreign Film.

YOU DIDN'T ASK, BUT:

I think the movie that should get the award for Most Gratuitous Sex Moments in A Comedy should go to "There's Something About Mary." Cameron Diaz plays a ditsy pediatric surgeon (yeah right) who doesn't ever seem to go work, but finds plenty of time to parade around in front of her window in her undergarments. There were some sexual moments in this movie that had my husband automatically reaching over to cover the eyes of a 10-year-old girl seated next to us. We didn't know the girl, but couldn't believe some of the stuff she was viewing.

I would give Best Out Takes Ever to "A Bug's Life." If you walked out when the credits started, you missed some real hilarity.

My husband wants Ed Harris to win Best Supporting Actor for "The Truman Show," one of his favorite movies of the year. (We won't even talk about the fact that he enjoyed Jeff "The Dude" Bridges smashing his ragtag car into a dumpster in "The Big Lebowski" so much that he rented the tape and ran it back to that scene a half a dozen times until my grown daughter wrenched the remote control from his hand.)

See you at the art-house films.

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Racing form tabs 'Ryan' frontrunner

N..Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK—"Saving Private Ryan" is a bigger favorite to win this year's Best Picture Oscar (R) than Secretariat was to win the Kentucky Derby, according to Daily Racing Form, which today released its first-ever set of "Oscar Odds."

The 71st Academy Awards will be held on March 21.

The 104-year-old daily newspaper of thoroughbred racing, known as the "Handicapper's Bible" by horseplayers, tabbed "Saving Private Ryan" the overwhelming 2-to-5 favorite to defeat the late-running "Shakespeare in Love," "Life is Beautiful," "The Thin Red Line," and "Elizabeth."

"Since everyone already uses the language of horse racing to describe Oscar 'races' — favorites, longshots, dark horses, photo-finishes — we thought it was only appropriate for Daily Racing Form to issue a set of odds," said Steven Crist, Editor and Publisher of the Form. "Odds as short as 2-to-5 are unusually short in any race, but our oddsmakers think 'Saving Private Ryan' is close to a stone-cold cinch."

Daily Racing Form tabbed Nick Nolte the slight 8-to-5 favorite over Tom Hanks in a tight race for Best Actor and Gwyneth Paltrow as the 7-to-5 choice for Best Actress. In the supporting role categories, the Form rates Billy Bob Thornton the 9-to-5 favorite for Best Supporting Actor and Judi Dench the 6-to-5 choice over Lynn Redgrave for Best Supporting Actress.

MOVIES: Some don't come to Midland

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gone."

Gilbert observed that frequently big name actors appearing in smaller films will attract attention.

"Right now, 'High Art' with Ally Sheedy is popular. Molly Ringwald is in 'The Office Killer,' which just came out this week," he said. Another example is Gwyneth Paltrow in 'Sliding Doors.'

Customers who are looking for smaller films are more knowledgeable about movies, he said, speculating that they're more likely to read reviews.

He said that interest in the smaller film titles has increased over the last 18 months.

"For what they are, they do real well," he said.

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AROUND TOWN

National Multiple Sclerosis Society will host Empowerment Day on Employment 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Feb. 27 at Midland's Holiday Inn, 4300 W. Highway 80. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. Cost will be $10 per person or $15 per couple; lunch is included.

Janet Pritchett, employment lawyer, will be guest speaker. Groups such as Employment Specialist, Consumer Credit Counseling Service and Texas Rehabilitation Center will also participate. Mike Potter, chief executive officer and president of Westwood Medical Center, will give a motivational talk during lunch.

Information on how to work more efficiently and stay in a win-win situation in the work force, and how to deal with discrimination will be included.

For reservations or information call 570-8248 or 1-800-FIGHT-MS. Program is sponsored by Teva Marion, Athena Neurosciences and Biogen...

...READ TO ME preschool storytime program at Midland County Public Library, 301 W. Missouri Ave., will present stories on airplanes 10-10:30 a.m. Feb. 16 and 17. This free program for children aged 3-5 is presented each Tuesday and Wednesday in the library's Children's Department...

...PERMIAN BASIN Rose Society will meet Feb. 16 at Furr's Cafeteria, Midkiff and Cuthbert Streets. Dinner will be 6 p.m., with meeting to follow at 6:30 p.m. Gene Spires will present a program on pruning all varieties of roses and preparing the garden using soil renewal and chemical applications. For information call 682-8401...

...PALETTE CLUB will host a "Still Life in Pastel" workshop March 10-12 at Midland Arts Center on Wadley. Kathleen Cook, member of the Pastel Society of America, will conduct the workshop. Ms. Cook, who has been working in pastel for 30 years, has had her work featured in American Artist and Southwest Art magazines, and has won awards in national competitions.

Advance registration fee of $175 is due by Feb. 17. For more information call 699-7136 or write to P.O. Box 4252, Midland, Texas 79702...

...WEST TEXAS Storytellers Guild will have a "Story Swap" 7-8 p.m. Feb. 18 at Barnes and Nobles Bookstore. Annalon Gilbreath will present a program on the art and techniques of storytelling and a short review of "Winter Tales" workshop in Oklahoma City. All interested people, whether prospective storytellers or not, are invited to attend. For more information call 699-7828...

...NEWCOMERS' CLUB will have a luncheon 11 a.m. Feb. 18 at Jazz restaurant. Edie Benchabbat will speak on Mardi Gras traditions. For more information and reservations, call 697-6015 or 686-8737...

...UNIVERSITY GRADUATE Women will meet 11:30 a.m. Feb. 22 at the Petroleum Club. Beth Mitchell will present a program on "A Trip to a Wedding in India." All university graduates are invited. RSVP by noon Feb. 18 by calling 694-2273 or 687-1575 ext. 3012...

...NATIVE PLANT Society of Texas, Midland chapter, will meet 7 p.m. Feb. 16 at Sibley Learning Center, 1307 E. Wadley. Mr. and Mrs. Don Merritt will present a program on attracting butterflies to the garden. A short business meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., before the program...

...VAN, Serving the Visually Impaired, will meet for bingo 10:30 a.m. Feb. 12 at the Van House, 2908 W. Ohio. Those attending are asked to bring sack lunches. For more information call 694-2648...

...MIDLAND SOCIETY of University Women will meet 10 a.m. Feb. 19 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley. A tour of the theater will be conducted. Box lunch will be provided by Back Door Catering...

...PERMIAN AIMEES, auxiliary to the Society of Petroleum Engineers, will meet for luncheon 11:30 a.m. Feb. 16 at Ranchland Hills Country Club. Program will be on "Forever Green." For more information call 682-5474 or 699-5258...

...FRATERNAL ORDER of Eagles Auxiliary #2982 will meet Feb. 16 at VFW 7208 Hall, 1306 E. Taylor. Social time will be at 7 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 8 p.m. Texas State Auxiliary Madam President Helen Orran will make he official visit. Spring leadership conference will be discussed. All members are urged to attend...

GRACIE BONDS STAPLES

Life not worth living is worth sharing

By Gracie Bonds Staples
N.Y. Times News Service

FORT WORTH — As Johnny Muhammad tells me about his childhood, I am thinking I know this story, know the loneliness in his words. It's like crying under a driving rain. No one can see the tears, but they're there.

He is a little boy, he recalls, no more than 8 or 9. But as always, the adult world beckons him to be a man. He washes the dishes, makes sure his little sister's hair gets combed and the homework gets done.

Staples

Sometimes, to help make ends meet, there is an odd job for him to do. And if he manages to go to school at all, learning is out of the question.

"I couldn't focus on studying, because I was focused on making sure the door was locked," he says. "Did I make sure I locked the front door?"

Muhammad, 33, repeats his story often these days for seventh- and eighth-grade students at Dunbar Middle School in Fort Worth. He hopes he can have a positive effect on kids whose lives have not been much different from his.

Muhammad, one of four behavior-modification instructors in the Fort Worth school district, works with students at risk of being suspended or expelled because of discipline problems. Under the program, which began this school year, members of the local nonprofit African-American mentoring group Umoja offer guidance, anti-drug messages and other instruction.

Muhammad shares his story so students will know that they, too, can overcome even the worst neglect, the worst odds.

"I look at them and I see me," he says. "I came from the same kind of environment — trying to make money to help out. I want them to know that if Mr. Muhammad can get through it, they can, too."

He sits now just inside the door of the school auditorium. He is a survivor who has gone from desperation to redemption, from homeless crack addict to custodian to teacher. He has been clean for five years.

It would not have been possible, he says, had it not been for the teachings of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and Minister Louis Farrakhan, teachings that a friend shared with him.

The most important teaching, he says, is to love yourself. He also says it's the one he tries hardest to impart to his students who "don't just have low self-esteem. They have no self-esteem."

By the time most students meet Muhammad — if they are lucky enough to meet him — abuse and neglect have taken their toll and have resulted in academic failure, mischievous behavior, or both.

Admittedly, he gets discouraged. He has four or five hours a day to reach students, and it often seems too little. But while he has them, he tries to get the students to see why they are worth loving, to show them that one mistake doesn't define who they are.

What is troubling to him is that he knows his story may not make a difference. The reservoir of bitterness can be a powerful one, even deadly; the community's apathy can be too entrenched.

"I have men tell me all the time 'Brother Johnny, you're getting too close,' " he says. " 'Brother, you're just wasting your time. That's a lost cause. The only way they're going to get it right is when Jesus returns.'

"And I say, 'Well, don't you have Jesus in you?' "

Muhammad maintains that whether one believes in the teachings of Jesus or in those of some other God, it is time for adults to put aside religious differences, to put aside titles and to work together to make a difference in the lives of children.

He says he feels blessed to be able to share his story, to do his part.

Gracie Bonds Staples is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Kiss collection makes big impression

By Jon Hahn
Hearst News Service

Sometimes a kiss is just a kiss, sweeter than wine but just something to build a dream on. Or something to put in your pocket and take home like a souvenir ballpoint pen.

Scott Schaible, a 36-year-old eligible bachelor, has been collecting kisses for the last 16 years. "I must have, oh, about 1,500, maybe more," said the traveling automation technician from Kirkland, Wash.

Some technician, huh? Like, how or why does a guy go about collecting kisses, say, like butterflies or stamps? "Well, I do a lot of traveling in my work, and I began collecting what are really just 'lip prints' so I would have something to show where I was, and when," he said.

Here we are, on Valentine's Day, remembering first kisses — Scott says his first real kiss was when he was "about 15" — and hoping for others, when along comes a guy who collects them with all the apparent detached passivity of a postage stamp collector. (I would use that numiswhatever word, but it always makes me stumble.)

"The first one was a lady here in Seattle. We were just friends going out, and she had dabbed her lips with a napkin before eating, and I saw her lip print on the napkin and said: 'Hey, would you sign that and put today's date on it?' " Schaible recalled.

Well, this frequent flier became a frequent trier of lines like that throughout the United States, Mexico, Canada, South America and Australia — everywhere his work took him. "Of course, a lot of women think it's weird ... but they still do it. I figure only 5 percent, probably even less, won't."

So, let's get this straight. A reasonably good-looking guy from Seattle is spending the week on a job assignment in, say, Brazil, and he showers after a long day's work and goes down to the hotel lounge and orders a pre-dinner drink and notices across the room a strikingly beautiful woman twirling an ice cube around in a tall frosted glass.

She has long, glossy black hair that falls like silk over her sandlewood shoulders, and her dark eyes move slowly in the back bar mirror, stopping as she meets his reflected gaze. He takes his glass, stands up and slowly approaches her at the bar. He smiles softly, nods, and puts his drink down, extends his hand. She notices he is handing her a ballpoint pen like the ones in the lobby.

"Excuse me," he says, "but my name is Scott Schaible and I'm from the United States ... from a place you probably never even heard of, called Kirkland, actually Juanita, in Washington state, and I couldn't help noticing your exquisite lipstick color. I happen to have an extensive lip-print collection and was wondering if you wouldn't mind simply making a lipstick impression on your drink napkin there and signing it ... just your first name, and put the date on it, too, if you would. I sure would appreciate it."

I was getting all warmed up about this scenario when Scott assured me that it wasn't like that most of the time. He doesn't date these women, doesn't even try most of the time. "That's not the intention. I just want to have something to remind me of where I've been," he said.

Scott said he's never met anyone else who collected lip prints, but that he doesn't consider it particularly odd. "Sometimes, they think I'm joking, or that it's sorta weird, but they usually do it. I just explain what I'm doing. And I have bought some drinks," he said.

These lip-printers are not all fabulously beautiful. Neither are they all complete strangers. "I have prints from my mother, and many of my former girlfriends," Scott noted. "And on the girlfriends, usually I got their prints before we got involved."

And they don't ask for their lip prints back when they split up, he added. There's a country-western song title somewhere in there but I'd better kiss it off.

Designer's styles for daily grind, not Oscar glamour

By Cara Anna
N.Y. Times News Service

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Dana Buchman is her own best model.

She slips between two mannequins at Bloomingdale's, smiles calmly for a photo, then walks, impeccably postured, through the maze that will be her $35-a-seat luncheon and fashion show.

The nearby racks of her new spring designs are heavy in peach and coral, but she wears winter's gray, light-wool pantsuit. She designed that, also. Go ahead, feel it. She leans forward and offers a sleeve.

She even wins over the caterer, Jack Merklien. "I've seen some designers, their clothes are too outlandish," he says.

"But her, each piece is so simple and plain." (After catering a similar event a year ago, he says, he went home to Coral Springs with two of Buchman's suits for his wife.)

Buchman, a Tennessee native, doesn't quite design in the fast lane. During Fashion Week in New York, she presented her collection in her showroom instead of on the runway. And she doesn't bother with the wear-my-dress-for-the-Oscars pleading with celebrities. "I'm not into that kind of promotion," she says. (Her Luxe line, however, does include gowns.)

Buchman caters to women like her, the 35-and-older crowd, the kind now waiting for her fashion show and pecking at their salads.

Ever helpful, she includes terms — Tones of Twilight, Graphic Seductions — on her price tags to help shoppers know what can mix and match.

Buchman's fans have enough money to shop on Worth Avenue in Palm Beach, where she just opened her latest boutique.

But they're not above seeking out the sales rack, which for Buchman's visit has been shrunk to a row of animal-print blouses and stuck behind a pillar.

In contrast, her new spring jackets run in the mid-$300s, and one silk scarf is close to $100.

Woman's Club meeting planned

Staff Reports

Midland Garden Club will host the February meeting of Midland Woman's Club scheduled for Feb. 18 at the clubhouse. Social time will be 11:30 a.m. with luncheon to follow at noon.

Joni Daly of Flowerland will present a program on "Grow It, Then Show It!" which will feature designs incorporating locally-available items.

Ms. Daly has been involved in the floral industry in the Permian Basin for eight years. She is a certified Texas Master Florist and a member of the Permian Basin Florists' Association, where she recently served as president. She is a committee member of the Texas State Florist Association and a member of management at Flowerland in Midland, which is incorporated by Mark Knox Flowers of Odessa.

Joni Daly

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ENGAGEMENTS

YOCHAM-SIEMER

Former Midlander Jennifer Leigh Yocham of Arlington will become the bride of Craig Alan Siemer, also of Arlington, 4:30 p.m. March 29 in Maui, Hawaii. Parents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Pat Yocham of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Siemer of North Richland Hills.

Miss Yocham is a 1992 graduate of Midland High School, a 1996 graduate of Abilene Christian University, where she earned a bachelor of arts degree, and a 1998 graduate of Texas Woman's University, where she earned a master of science degree.

She is a speech-language pathologist with Cook Children's Medical Center.

Her fiance graduated from Fort Worth Christian in 1991 and from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in 1995, where he earned a bachelor of science degree.

Jennifer Leigh Yocham and Craig Alan Siemer

He is a pilot for Atlantic Southeast Airlines.

WEYMAN-MYERS

Former Midlander Laura Lynn Weyman and Paul Andrew Myers, both of Dallas, are planning a 7 p.m. April 24 wedding at Northwest Bible Church in Dallas. Parents of the bride-elect are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brunson Weyman of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lou Myers of Peoria, Ill.

Miss Weyman is a 1988 graduate of Midland High School, and a 1992 graduate of Baylor University, where she earned a bachelor of fine arts degree in graphic design. She is a 1989 Minuet Club Debutante, a member of Junior League of Richardson, Elder Care and Chi Omega sorority, and is employed as art director for Mentler Creative Marketing. Her fiance graduated from Peoria High School in 1985 and from Bradley University in 1990 with a bachelor of science degree in history and business administration/management. He

Laura Lynn Weyman and Paul Andrew Myers

is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha and is employed with Midmark.

HARRIS-BARESSI

Dr. and Mrs. Fred Harris of Rye, N.Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Jill Harris, to Joseph Phillip Baressi III, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Baressi Jr. of Midland. The wedding is planned for June 26 at the Carlton Hotel in Washington, D.C.

Miss Harris is a graduate of Rye High School and George Washington University, where she earned a bachelor of arts degree in psychology with a minor in business administration. She is a financial systems consultant for PricewaterhouseCoopers in Washington, D.C. She is working for a master's degree in corporate finance from Johns Hopkins University. Her fiance graduated from Midland High School and Harvard University, where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in economics. He is a financial analyst for Cable and Wireless Corporation in Washington, D.C.,

Sandra Jill Harris and Joseph Phillip Baressi III

and is in his first year at Georgetown Law School.

LARSEN-BISHOP

Stacey Lyn Larsen of Midland will become the bride of Everett Eugene Bishop of Plainview March 6 at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland. The bride-to-be is the daughter Mr. and Mrs. Greg Larsen of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Tony Blasingame of Midland.

Miss Larsen, a 1997 graduate of Midland High School, attended Midland College. Her fiance graduated from MHS in 1995 and attended MC. He is a firefighter and paramedic with the Plainview Fire Department.

Stacey Lyn Larsen and Everett Eugene Bishop

PREAS-ROGERS

Heather Suzanne Preas and Kendal Ray Rogers, both of Midland, are planning to be married 7 p.m. May 8 at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity in Midland. The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil G. Preas of Midland. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Tat T. Rogers of Midland.

Miss Preas is a 1990 graduate of Midland High School and a 1996 graduate of Texas Tech University, where she earned a bachelor of arts degree in sociology. She is employed with Manpower International Inc. Her fiance graduated from Lee High School in 1993 and attended Texas Tech. He is employed with Triple N Services.

Heather Suzanne Preas and Kendal Ray Rogers

CARRASCO-HINOJOSA

Emily Diane Carrasco and Edward Lee Hinojosa, both of Midland, are planning a 1 p.m. May 15 wedding at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Midland. The bride-to-be is the daughter of Jimmy Carrasco of Midland and the late Cynthia Carrasco. Parents of the future bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hinojosa of Midland.

Miss Carrasco, a 1995 graduate of Lee High School, attended Midland College. Her fiance graduated from Midland High School in 1996 and attended Texas Tech University. He is serving in the U.S. Army.

Emily Diane Carrasco and Edward Lee Hinojosa

SILVERMAN-FFRENCH

Jennifer Elise Silverman of Midland and Aaron Rene Alexander Ffrench of College Station are planning to be married 7 p.m. June 26 at the Petroleum Club in Midland. Parents of the bride-elect are Joyce and Charles Silverman of Midland. The future bridegroom is the son of Elizabeth Ffrench of Flower Mound and Lawrence Rene Ffrench Jr. of Arlington.

Miss Silverman is a 1994 graduate of Midland High School, a 1998 graduate of Texas A&M University and a student at Texas Tech School of Law, where she is scheduled to graduate in 2000. She is a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Her fiance graduated from Lawrence D. Bell High School in 1994 and is scheduled to graduate from Texas A&M in May. He is a member of Texas A&M University Corps of Cadets Squadron 13 and Texas A&M Ross Volunteer Company.

Jennifer Elise Silverman and Aaron Rene Alexander Ffrench

Desk reference can be helpful

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Have questions about your coming wedding? You might find answers in an unexpected place, "The New York Public Library Desk Reference" (Macmillan, $34.50), suggests the publisher.

The bride may want to marry on the same day and date as her grandmother, and she can find the match by consulting the perpetual calendar (Chapter 1, Times & Dates). Her bridesmaids and guests come from many cultures, so to avoid conflicts with Hanukah, Ramadan and Boxer Day, she checks the list of international holidays under the same heading.

She's knows she should be informed about the groom's financial status, so she finds out by tallying his worth (Chapter 20, Personal Finances). She calculates his life expectancy, which is promising (Chapter 18, Health). And how about the stone in her ring? It's real (Chapter 4, The Physical Sciences, Mathematics and Technology).

She also can find out points about grammar, correct forms for letters and addresses, patron saints, literary references, wine choices, household tips, and honeymoon destinations.

Author to teach heirloom smocking, sewing classes

Staff Reports

Tumbleweed chapter of the Smocking Arts Guild of America, and Arts Assembly of Midland, will host heirloom sewing and smocking classes with author and columnist Kay Guiles. The classes are scheduled for Feb. 25, 26 and 27 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 4601 Neely in Midland.

Ms. Guiles, owner and designer of Kay Guiles Designs and a nationally-known sewing designer, will teach five separate classes of three hours each, including:

- "Delicate Details," demonstrating techniques to make a garment distinctive;
- "Creative Hems," drafting and creating many imaginative hem finishes;
- "Smocking Matters," teaching shadow smocking, smocked embellishments and new stitches;
- "Heirloom Explorations," covering many heirloom machine techniques; and
- "Time Savers," featuring sewing, construction, smocking and finishing techniques that speed up sewing without sacrificing quality.

A trunk show of Ms. Guiles' designs and a market of heirloom sewing supplies also will be featured.

Kay Guiles

Classes are open to all interested people; however, class size is limited so registration is recommended. Deadline for registration is Feb. 15.

For more information call 687-0320 or 685-3889.

Area students winners in national competition

Staff Reports

Students from P.S. Images Modeling and Talent Center of Midland attended the American Modeling and Talent Convention at Hilton Head Island, S.C.

Winners from the local school, and all of Midland, were: Autumn Bizzell, petite runway; Kelly Marcell, teen petite photo; Bonnie Lewis, commercial model photo; and Chris Stephens, monologue.

Other area students competing were Lee Tenney of Alpine; Mycah Emmerson and Travis Steele of Kermit; J'Layne Niehues of Garden City; Sabrina Hubbard, Jon Hubble and Kasey Simpson of Odessa; Macie Ford of Corpus Christi; Alayna Smith of Stanton; Kaleigh Sevey of Big Spring; and Sarah Adams, Parker Crouch, Loren Hubele, Ashley Hutto, Kimberly Martin, Shiloh O'Donnell, Kyla Rich, Rebecca Rigdon, Stephanie Sell, Marianne Slattery and Justin Wilson, all of Midland.

P.S. Images received first place for group runway competition.

Judges were managers, agents, casting directors and representatives of recording companies. Modeling and television acting schools from across the country participated.

Sponsors were U.S. Geo Supply, Greenwood Tire and Lube, J.L. Davis Company, Allenco, Tommie Fowler, Churchills, Deloras and Trudie Eason, Kirkland Brothers, David Poe, First Service Air Conditioning Contractors, Sunitomo Corp of Singapore, Paul and Wilma Ellis, Taff Family, Flying J Corp., Harder Insurance, Robert Henry DDS, James Carpenter OD, Elvira Burns MD, Cassie Frances, Jim Hill, Ken's Rent It Center, The Perfect Setting and Energy Design.

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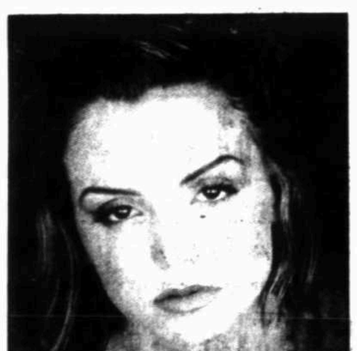

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WEDDINGS

MAY-HERNANDEZ

Mr. and Mrs. Jesus R. Hernandez

EL PASO — Jana Michele May of Midland became the bride of Jesus R. Hernandez, also of Midland, 3 p.m. Jan. 9 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church in El Paso. The Rev. Steven Trout officiated.

Parents of the bride are William L. May of Irving and Patricia L. May of El Paso. The bridegroom is the son of Maria H. Perez of El Paso.

Shelley May was her sister's honor attendant. The bride's other attendants were Candance Portillo, Marie Attaguile, Bobbie Perez, Kambra Cates, Alex Sanchez and Becky Sanchez.

Christopher White served as honor attendant for the bridegroom, who also was attended by Isael Marquez, Vincent Attaguile, Brandon Cates and Blake Cates. Ushers were Dwayne Cates and Justin Cates.

Following a wedding trip to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple lives in Midland.

HENRY-WILKERSON

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Wilkerson

Macedonia Baptist Church was the setting for the Jan. 16 wedding of Tricia Henry and Ronnie Wilkerson, both of Midland. The Rev. O.J. Archie officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Thomas Hunt and Carolyn Falks, both of Midland.

Parents of the bridegroom are Josephine Wilkerson of Alabama and the late Dale Wilkerson.

Valerie Tennon and Yolanda Hubbard were the bride's honor attendants.

Her other attendants were her daughter, Sheniquea Tyler, and her sister, Toya Hunt, as well as Kalia Henry, Kelly Henry, Keandra Tyler, Nikia Wilkerson, daughter of the bridegroom; Ashley Tennon, Shamyra Ray and Mechelle Acosta.

Dan Keets was honor attendant for the bridegroom, who also was attended by Shaun Love and Stephen Tyler, sons of the bride; Joseph Falks and Rodrick Hunt, brothers of the bride; Jordan Smith, Quilin Bess, Pattrick Bess, Steve Henry and Jimmy Tyler. John Cooper was an usher.

After a wedding trip to Cancun and Las Vegas, Nev., the couple lives in Midland.

HOUSTON-BEAL

Mrs. Stephen Adams Beal

WALANAE, Oahu, Hawaii — Elizabeth Lynn Houston and Stephen Adams Beal, both of Dallas, were married at the home of the bridegroom's grandmother in Hawaii. The Rev. Jerry M. Hilton officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cue Dellas Boykin III and Mr. and Mrs. William Bremond Houston, all of Austin, Texas. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Barry Ashley Beal of Midland, Texas.

Honor attendants were Leslie Ann Houston, sister of the bride, and Barry Ashley Beal, father of the bridegroom.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Texas Christian University and is employed with University Park Methodist Day Care. Her husband graduated from Texas A&M University in 1994, and from TCU Ranch Management School in 1996. He is self-employed.

After a honeymoon on Kauai, the couple lives in Dallas.

STUKES-GOMEZ

Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Hiram Gomez

Rhonda Marie Stukes of Irving became the bride of Francisco Hiram Gomez, also of Irving, 3 p.m. Feb. 6 at Cornerstone Christian Church in Midland. The Rev. Jesus Angel Gomez, father of the bridegroom, and the Rev. Hiram Saehz Gonzales, grandfather of the bridegroom, officiated.

Parents of the bride are Linda Ruth McNeely Stukes of Wichita Falls and Patrick Wayland Stukes of Loraine. Her grandparents are Joseph E. and Lois V. McNeely of Wichita Falls.

The bridegroom is the son of Anna Belle Gomez and the Rev. Jesus Angel Gomez of Midland, and the grandson of Dora and Hiram Gomez of Midland.

Jamie Melissa Harsh was honor attendant for the bride. Her other attendants were her father, Patrick Wayland Stukes, and her grandfather, Joseph Ernest McNeely, as well as Cynthia Ann Gomez and Yvonne Jean Bejil, sisters of the bridegroom; and Hannah Lucille Gomez.

Mike Knezek served as honor attendant for the bridegroom, who also was attended by Albert Gomez, Rueban Gomez and Jeremiah Wayland Stukes, brother of the bride.

The bride, a 1992 graduate of Wichita Falls High School, attended Midwestern State University. Her husband graduated from Wichita Falls High School in 1991 and attended Lon Morris College in Jacksonville. Both are employed with Albertson's.

The couple lives in Irving.

NEW! LIFESTYLE GUIDELINES

The deadline for all items to be published in the Lifestyle pages is 2 p.m. Friday, the week before said item is to be published.

AROUND TOWN

Items submitted for the Around Town column will be published at least once; more than once if space allows. The Around Town column is published Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Deadline for all Around Town items is 2 p.m. each Friday for items which will be published the following week, beginning on Monday. The space is free of charge and is offered on a first-come/first-serve basis.

CLUB NEWS/LUNCHEONS/FASHION SHOWS

Deadline for all Club News items, luncheons and fashion shows (which are published in Sunday newspapers) is 2 p.m. Friday, 10 days before the item will appear.

MILESTONE EVENTS

The Reporter-Telegram publishes announcements of such milestone events as engagements, weddings and wedding anniversaries, and quinceneras, bar mitzvahs and bat mitzvahs of charge.

Deadline to have an announcement published in the Sunday paper — including wedding engagement and anniversary announcements — is 2 p.m. 10 days prior to the publication date.

■ **Engagement announcements:** There is no limit as to how early in advance of the wedding an engagement can be announced. However, engagements should be published in the paper no later than two weeks before the wedding date.

■ **Wedding announcements:** Wedding announcements must be published up to six weeks after the event. Names of no more than 25 attendants for the bride and 25 attendants for the bridegroom will be published. Cities of residence for wedding attendants will no longer be published. Relationships will be published only for brothers and sisters, parents (or grandparents) or children of the wedding couple. For those wishing to list more, advertising space may be purchased.

■ **Wedding anniversaries:** Anniversary announcements — 25th or higher — are also accepted for publication up to six weeks after the anniversary date or celebration.

■ **Pageants:** Announcements of pageant winners are published for teen-age and adult winners only. Photographs are published of winners, not runners-up or contestants. These announcements will be published on a space-available basis.

Forms for weddings, engagements and anniversaries are available from Carol Ramirez in the Editorial office. All materials should include the signature and telephone number of the person submitting them.

Photographs may be submitted with wedding, engagement and anniversary announcements, but are not required. A portrait of the bride-elect or engaged couple may be submitted with engagement announcements. Portrait photographs of the bride only or of the wedding couple may be submitted with wedding announcements. A different photo must be submitted for engagement and wedding announcements. Anniversary photos should be current.

Vertical photos are preferred. Both black and white, and color studio quality portraits are acceptable from wallet size up to 8x10. Polaroid shots are not accepted.

Photos can be picked up from Carol Ramirez in the Editorial Department after publication, or a self-addressed, stamped envelope can be enclosed for the photo to be returned by mail.

ANNIVERSARY

Couple celebrates 64 years

Merejildo and Felipa Heredia

Merejildo and Felipa Heredia of Midland celebrated their 64th wedding anniversary Feb. 9 with a Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Heredia and the former Felipa Gonzales were married Feb. 9, 1935, at St. George Catholic Church in Midland. They are the parents of Beatrice Madrid, Elodia Avalos and George Heredia, all of Midland, and Mario Heredia of Lubbock. They also have 11 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

The couple lived in Santa Anna, Calif., before moving to Midland in 1946. Heredia was ranch foreman for the L7 Ranch and F.D. Breedlove; a ranch hand for the C. Ranch and the Faskin family, and a ranch hand for Fred Turner. He also worked for Tampico Spanish Inn and the City of Midland.

The couple are members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

DEAR ABBY

Happy marriages embrace friendship, love

By Abigail Van Buren

Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Years ago you printed a list of tips for a happy marriage. I thought they were wonderful and had them framed. My husband and I recently retired to Florida, and somehow the list was lost during the move. Could you please run it again? — NANCY IN ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

DEAR NANCY: I'm pleased they meant so much to you. They certainly bear repeating, particularly on Valentine's Day, the day that celebrates love. Read on:

1. Look not for perfection in your mate. You will not find it, and it's just as well. Living with a saint could be very tiresome.
2. Let your love be stronger than your hate or anger.
3. Learn the wisdom of compromise, for it is better to bend a little than to break.
4. Believe the best rather than the worst. People have a way of living up or down to your opinion of them.
5. Remember that true friendship is the basis of any lasting relationship. The person you choose to marry is deserving of the courtesies and kindnesses you bestow upon your friends.
6. Practice forgiveness, for who among us hasn't needed to be forgiven?

DEAR ABBY: I am writing to you in order to reach grandparents of divorce who have been victimized by tangled state laws that make it difficult and expensive for them to visit their grandchildren if the custodial parent has moved out of state.

On Nov. 12, 1998, President Clinton signed into law a bill authored by Rep. Rob Andrews, D-N.J., that guarantees grandparents the right to visit their grandchildren anywhere in the United States, so long as a state court has provided for grandparent visitation. The law, known as the Visitation Rights Enforcement Act, requires states to recognize one another's visitation findings.

I was one of the thousands of grandparents who have experienced devastating difficulties trying to exercise my court-ordered visitation to my grandchildren.

When my ex-daughter-in-law moved from New Jersey to North Carolina, I had to repeat the legal process all over again in North Carolina. I was granted visitation, but only after incurring three years of exorbitant legal fees, travel expenses and bureaucratic delay.

The Visitation Rights Enforcement Act mandates the reciprocal recognition of grandparents' rights once a state has ruled that those rights ought to exist, but please point out what this new law will not do: It will not impose a federal decision about grandparents' visitation rights on any state.

The new law also does not preclude a new finding that changed circumstances or newly discovered inappropriate behavior might warrant the reversal of an earlier visitation order.

I urge grandparents to use this new law cautiously, but DO use it. — JOSEPHINE M. D'ANTONIO, PRESIDENT OF GRANDPARENTS COUNT, CHERRY HILL, N.J.

DEAR JOSEPHINE: More than 75 percent of older Americans are grandparents. Congressman Rob Andrews advised me he sponsored the legislation because he had heard from many grandparents who had lost their relationship with their grandchildren when the state to which the custodial parent had moved would not grant visitation rights.

I'm pleased to spread the news about the Visitation Rights Enforcement Act, which was designed to help frustrated grandparents keep in touch with their beloved grandchildren.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 37-year-old woman who works in a hospital linen room. One day I noticed a man on a ladder doing repairs. I was mesmerized in an instant by his smile. Every time I see him, I get butterflies.

I wrote him a note and asked a co-worker to deliver it. I got no response. I summoned my courage and handed him a second note myself. Still no response. Finally, I asked him directly if he had read it. His only comment was, "Nice penmanship."

Rumor has it that he's seeing someone. So why isn't he man enough to just tell me he is not interested? What can I do to get a response, either positive or negative? — WAITING IN ARLINGTON, TEXAS

DEAR WAITING: You have already received a response. He isn't interested. Accept reality and leave the man alone.

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

Poach dried fruit for tasty — and low-fat — winter dessert

By Mark Bittman
N.Y. Times News Service

I'm not sure when the tradition of poaching dried fruit dropped out of the average home cook's repertory. Probably about the same time fresh summer fruits from the Southern Hemisphere starting arriving in midwinter.

But nothing can match dried fruit for convenience and intensity of flavor. And when you poach an assortment with port and a few spices, the result belies the ease of preparation. This is not a summer dessert (no one would mistake this for fresh fruit) but it is delicious, low-fat and a welcome change from any other winter dessert.

Consider the spices included in the recipe a guideline or series of suggestions rather than an absolute list. Be careful with especially strong spices like cloves, which can overwhelm a dish.

One of the great things about dried fruit is that organic varieties are readily available. Another is the incredible variety of fruits now being dried. Try prunes, figs, apricots, peaches, pears, cherries, blueberries, strawberries, pineapple and even banana.

I tried lighter, younger tawny port and an older, stronger ruby and late-bottled vintage ports. I don't think the difference is all that notable. Buy a port you'll enjoy, though, because the recipe uses less than a third of a bottle.

DRIED FRUIT POACHED IN PORT AND SPICES

12 prunes
8 figs
4 apricot peach halves
4 pear halves
3 pieces candied ginger
1 clove
5 allspice berries
5 peppercorns
1 star anise
1 inchlong cinnamon stick
1 cup port

Combine all ingredients in a medium-size saucepan, and bring to a boil. Turn heat to very low, and cover. Cook about 30 minutes, at which point most of the port will have been absorbed. If the fruit is tender, it's done. If not, add 1/2 cup water, bring to a boil again, cover and cook 15 minutes longer. Repeat once more if necessary.

Remove the fruit with a slotted spoon; then strain the liquid to remove the spices. Serve a portion of the fruit warm, cold or at room temperature with a spoonful or two of its juice and, if you like, a bit of sweet or sour cream, yogurt or creme fraiche.

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Club News

MIDLAND STUDY CLUB

Midland Study Club met at the home of Mary Lou Hogan. Puff Aycock and Norma McGrew were co-hostesses; 16 members and six guests attended. Karen Graves, Pat Peek and Linda Robinson of the Permian Basin chapter of the Poetry Society of Texas gave the program. Nominating committee reported on slate of officers: Winnie Kidd, president; Fena Berry, vice president; Deannie Humphrey, secretary; and Dorothy Lloyd, treasurer. Guests were Jane Kelton, Mary Ritchie and Dorothy Rush.

AARON ESTES CHAPTER, DAUGHTERS OF THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS

Aaron Estes chapter, Daughters of the Republic of Texas, met in the home of Mrs. S.P. Crain; 18 members and a guest, Joyce Moore, attended. Mrs. Clyde Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance and the pledge to the Texas flag. Mrs. William Russell was inducted as a new member. Bill Modisett, editorial writer of the Reporter-Telegram, gave a program on his book, "Historic Midland," assisted by Nancy McKinley.

Members went to the Brown-Dorsey home where Honor Day for Mirabeau B. Lamar, father of Texas education, was celebrated. The flag was given by Rep. Tom Craddick; Mr. and Mrs. Don Lilly donated the flag pole.

XI EPSILON EPSILON CHAPTER, BSP

Xi Epsilon Epsilon chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Linda Elliott. Christine Erb was co-hostess. Janet Miller was a guest. Sweetheart Ball and service project were discussed. Jacque Reed and Lilly Owen received Ritual of Jewels.

Five members attended a wine and cheese tasting party hosted by Xi Alpha Mu chapter. Laurel Dow gave a presentation about wine; white elephant gifts were auctioned. Scavenger hunt followed.

Martha Howton, chapter's Sweetheart for 1999, was honored with a tea in the home of Peggy Finch. Six members attended.

KAPPA KAPPA IOTA

Beta Pi conclave of Kappa Kappa Iota met in the home of Sandy Burns. Co-hostesses were Bess Barnett, Sara Harris and Renee Long. Betty Nunley presided. Marilyn Higgins called roll and read the minutes. Charlotte Sweatt gave the financial report. Members donated items for Permian Basin Center for Battered Women and Their Children. Jose Cuevas Jr. of Midland City Council was guest speaker.

PRECEPTOR EPSILON DELTA CHAPTER, BSP

Preceptor Epsilon Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Judy Jehring with 12 members attending. Sue Adams presided. Donna Fulgham read the minutes and Alice Wood gave the treasurer's report. Pauline Heidel discussed collecting stuffed animals for the Child Advocacy Center of Midland. Pat White reported on January socials.

Members hosted a baby shower for Suzy Arnold's daughter, Jai Ja White, in the home of Ms. Adams.

Super Bowl party was in the Lamesa home of Ms. Heidel.

Ann Poteet reported on the Valentine Sweetheart dance. Beverly Brock gave a program on "Guess the Sweethearts."

Members honored Ms. Fulgham with a "grandmother" shower.

LAUREATE NU CHAPTER, BSP

Laureate Nu chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of Tomina Clark with nine members attending. Joann Gardner reported on the upcoming state convention. Johnnie Moritz discussed plans to help a local group in need of assistance. Valentine Dance was discussed; Ms. Gardner is chapter Sweetheart.

CHAPTER DD, P.E.O. SISTERHOOD

Chapter DD of the P.E.O. Sisterhood met in the home of Jan Murdock. Joann Nolen was co-hostess. Paula Beshears gave a program on "In a Heartbeat."

LT. WILLIAM BREWER CHAPTER, DAR

Lt. William Brewer chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, met at Midland Woman's Club. Hostesses were Carolyn Sowell, Rebecca Bell, Mrs. Robert Knott, Barbara Huggins, Mrs. R.I. Sale, Mrs. George Staley, Mrs. Pat Baskin, Mrs. Glenn Allison, Mrs. Fred Wright and Mrs. John Younger.

Geometry cool for chic eyeglasses

By Anne-Marie Schiro
N.Y. Times News Service

NEW YORK — Oversized glasses, like oversize jewelry, look rather passe. Chic men and women today tend to favor small frames not only for reading, but also for all corrective lenses and for tinted glasses (except when they are out in bright sunlight and require maximum protection).

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MONDAY
1. Gloria Crites, Marie Morris
2. Mary Hammond, Buf Slay
3. Deborah Brookins, R. Englert
4 Joyce Mitchell, Belle Harris

TUESDAY
1. Betty Reeves, Dixie Gifford
2. Aggie Anguish, Wy Whitlow
3. Nancy Liberty, Jimmie Branch

WEDNESDAY
FLIGHT A:
1. Aggie Anguish, Sue Gardiner
2. Leonora Slusher, Jimmie Penn
3. Betty Reeves, Jane Myers
4. Gloria Crites, Mary Hammond
FLIGHT B:
1. Terri Tedford, James Simpson
2. Jimmie Branch, Jimmy Cox
3. Babe Griffin, Clarence Marley
4. Belle Harris, Bill Brooks

THURSDAY
1. Fena Berry, Joyce Mitchell
2. Bonnie Hubbard, Betty Moudy
3. Carolyn Hancock, Dot Pennebaker
4. Sally Reeder, Debbie Kemp
0-500:
1. Norma James, James Simpson
2. Martha Poss, Herb Wales
3. Joyce Mitchell, Pat Yochman
4. Karen Price, Joe Salman

FRIDAY
FLIGHT A:
1. Linda Jerman, Buf Slay
2. Mary Hammond, Vangie Lindsey
3. Debbie Kemp, Helen Owen
FLIGHT B:
1. Debbie Kemp, Helen Owen
2. Sadie Hudson, Sue Marshall
3. Kathryn Gesell, Tommie Strack
FLIGHT C:
1. Sadie Hudson, Sue Marshall
2. Kathryn Gesell, Tommie Strack
3. Corrinne Recer, Carolyn Hancock

SATURDAY
FLIGHT A:
1. Gloria Crites, Betty Reeves
2. Becky and Lyle Kinsey
3. Belle Harris, Bill Brooks
4. Aggie Anguish, Sally Whiteley
FLIGHT B:
1. Belle Harris, Bill Brooks
2. Evelyn Simpson, Helen Wise
3. Phyllis Berkowitz, Tom Vick
4. Kathryn Gesell, Joe Brittain

SUNDAY
1. Frances Levin, Laura Williams
2. Fern McGuigan, Corrinne Recer
3. Dixie Gifford, Bob Baker
4. Dorothy Demaray, Babe Griffin

'China chic' shown

NEW YORK (AP) — The Mao suit and the slim qi pao dress, both symbols of Chinese dressing style, actually grew out of cross-cultural influences between East and West. The phenomenon is illustrated through "China Chic: East Meets West," an exhibit running Feb. 16-April 24 at the Museum of FIT in New York City.

Selections are drawn from collections owned by the museum, part of the Fashion Institute of Technology, and from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the Newark Museum, the Metropolitan Opera, and private collectors. For information, call (212) 217-5800.

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Balloon Man
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Times subject to change.

Plan trip now for New Year 2000

By Eric Noland
N.Y. Times News Service

LOS ANGELES — The sea is a vast expanse of inky blackness at this hour well before sunrise.

You really don't want to be here, standing on the deck of a ship, gazing east. As a result of the merry-making last night — well, a few hours ago — your skull feels as if anchor chains have been dragged through your temples. But when you booked this cruise nearly two years ago, you promised yourself you'd do this.

You vowed you'd be here at this moment to greet the first dawn of the year 2000. Here in the South Pacific, hugging the international date line, to be one of the first on the *planet* to greet this dawn.

Legions of travelers share this compulsion to do something extraordinary on New Year's Eve 1999, whether it's a stay at an exotic resort or a visit to a city known for extreme revelry.

The celebrants probably don't want to hear that this millennium mania is a lot of wasted energy, since the new century and the new millennium don't technically begin until New Year's Day 2001. (There was never a year zero A.D., so the first decade was 10 full years, the first century 100 full years, the second millennium 2,000 full years.)

But why spoil their fun? If they want to go bonkers over the novelty of a year beginning with the numeral 2, why not get out of the way and let them do so?

"People want to do something monumental," said Christie Wiancko of Travel Professionals International in Lake Oswego, Ore.

And in most cases, apparently, that means passage on an ocean-going ship. "It looks like cruises are going to be the most popular (of all the so-called millennium travel options)," said Mary Papenfuss, managing editor of the Consumer Reports Travel Letter.

CRUISE LINES got wise to the fever long ago. Most began accepting deposits more than a year ago, without specifying what the final rates would be. Some of those rates came in at double normal, according to several agents who specialize in booking cruise travel.

That caused some prospective passengers to back out of their cruise plans when refund deadlines arrived late in 1998, but not many. And space for New Year's cruises is not expected to be available much longer.

"Bookings were going very, very well for a while, but then people seemed to balk at the prices. And now the prices are going down," said Elaine Ackerman, a Yonkers, N.Y., travel agent and former chairwoman of the American Society of Travel Agents' cruise committee.

Gloria Jacaruso of the Royal Caribbean line said: "We had a fallout rate, obviously. At one point, we had enough deposits in place to fill our ships three times over. But they were $200 refundable deposits. There's not much commitment there. (The crush) could have represented multiple bookings."

Bev Zukow of First Travel of California in Villa Park, said cancellations were "the exception" for her office's clients. "Most of the people knew it would be a lot of money," she added. "They realize it's going to be something special, an extravaganza."

And interest remains strong. Several travel agents said they anticipate most cruises will be booked solid by the end of February, even given the steep freight.

"Folks need only to look to the travel industry on the whole to realize that every travel supplier out there has raised rates for the millennium celebration," said Jennifer de la Cruz, spokeswoman for Carnival. "It's a standard supply-and-demand dynamic."

That's one way to look at it. Here's another:

"We're telling the buyer to beware," said Papenfuss of the Consumer Reports Travel Letter. "We have a huge warning that it is a great opportunity for gougers."

BECAUSE OF the extreme demand, cruise lines are in position to write all the rules.

In many cases, travelers have plunked down deposits without being able to get specific cabin assignments or even firm details on itinerary and New Year's entertainment. Also, payment schedules are more exacting. Rather than making an advance deposit and then paying the balance a couple of months before you sail — common conditions for cruises — payments for most New Year's cruises have been divided into major installments, with some final balances due as early as June.

"There are still cruises out there, but you're going to have to pay for them," said Zukow, the Villa Park travel agent who specializes in cruise bookings. "This is not going to be a situation where you find a deal. There are no deals out there. ... There are always all kinds of discounts and upgrades, but this time everybody is paying full — what we would call in airline travel full coach. The consumer isn't used to this."

Thus far, the shorter cruises — seven days' duration or so — have been snapped up the quickest. Destination doesn't seem to be of particular concern to many passengers, travel professionals say. The Caribbean, Mexico, the Panama Canal? No matter. People just want to be out on the water somewhere.

Understandably, the cruise lines are being swamped with inquiries about what kind of bash the passengers will get for their buck, but details are still pretty sketchy in most cases. Cruise entertainment generally isn't planned and booked this far in advance. But the lines insist they'll be making as big a splash as possible.

"There is a premium on this event, for all the cruise lines," said Dale DiBello of Silversea, a small-ship luxury line. "It's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity."

"WE'VE BEEN ASKING our entertainment people (for details). We should know more in February," said Erik Elvejord of Holland America. "It will be interesting to see what they do, because obviously you have to do something a little bit different than the typical New Year's Eve party. We might fly a special guest in to the ship. Or maybe let everybody steer that night." After a brief pause, he added, "I guess that might be a bad idea on that kind of a night."

Royal Caribbean boasts that its Vision of the Seas will be the first cruise ship into and out of the Panama Canal in 2000. In the Caribbean itself, the line plans to have seven of its ships converge on its resort in Haiti and five other ships meet at its private island, Coco Cay. Massive fireworks displays are planned for both locations.

Another popular destination for those willing to pay for longer cruises is the South Pacific, where the more accomplished celebrants will be able to enjoy New Year's Eve twice. It's as simple as positioning the ship just west of the international date line (around Fiji or Tonga, for example) and staging a New Year's party, then promptly sailing east, and crossing the date line, where it will be Dec. 31 all over again.

Also in the South Pacific, cruise lines undoubtedly will argue over who saw daylight first.

Antarctica cruises will be able to build a strong case, but that is a land of six months night, six months daylight, said Stephen Edberg, an astronomer at Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. What do you do, sail to where you can see the first vestiges of light in the east and declare Jan. 1 to have arrived?

For a true sunrise — and the first of 2000 — a ship would have to sail to the southeast of New Zealand, Edberg said, and take up a position at about 67-1/2 degrees south latitude.

Yes, for the determined reveler, that will be the place to be.

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MIDLAND COLLEGE

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Homecoming activities

Midland College's homecoming is set for halftime of the men's basketball game against Frank Phillips Thursday, Feb. 18, and several other activities sponsored by MC clubs will help celebrate the event:

—11:30 a.m-1:30 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16 in the Scharbauer Student Center, Students In Philanthropy will sponsor a Sumo Wresting contest.

—11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 17, MC Accounting Association will sponsor a Pie Toss.

—Noon-1 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18 in the Student Center, Baptist Student Ministries will provide free hamburgers; the Cheerleaders will host the First Annual Loco Chaps Beauty Pageant and a pep rally will begin at 12:30 p.m.

—12:50 p.m. Thursday MCLASS will host Tricycle Races.

—After the game, the Student Government Association will host a Karaoke Night and dance. UNITY will provide snap shots.

The public is invited to all events, and alumni are encouraged to attend. Call 685-4554 for more information.

Board of trustees meet

The Midland College Board of Trustees will meet in regular session 4 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16 in the Gibson Board Room of the Pevehouse Administration building.

Networking Breakfast

The monthly Networking Breakfast sponsored by the MC Business and Economic Development Center and the Midland Chamber of Commerce is set for 7:30 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 16 in the Roadrunner Room of the Scharbauer Student Center.

The topic of this month's session is "Health and Fitness." Cost is $5 at the door, and the public is invited. For more information, call 684-4100.

Fantasticks auditions

Open auditions for the musical *The Fantasticks* will be 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 18 in the Allison Fine Arts Building. People auditioning should be prepared to present a 30-second monologue and 16 bars of a song. There are roles for at least three women and six men in a variety of age ranges. Those who audition should be available Friday, Feb. 19 for call-backs. The production will take place April 23 and 24. For more information, contact Dr. David R. Allen at 686-4205.

Holiman Ranch riding club

An organizational meeting will be 6 p.m., Tuesday, Feb. 23, at the Midland College Holiman Wagon Wheel Ranch Education Center located at the intersection of Highway 349 and FM 2401—35 miles south of Interstate 20 on the Rankin Highway and 21 miles north of Rankin. Anyone interested in joining this Riding Club is invited to attend. For more information, call 535-2422.

McCormick Gallery

Etchings by Texas artist Anna Marie Pavlik will be on display in McCormick Gallery in the Midland College Allison Fine Arts Building through Feb. 26. McCormick Gallery hours are 8 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, and 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

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High Achievers

'Shadow Day' gives students work experience at MC

In the president's office at Midland College, Michelle Padilla works quietly at her desk, listening to the dictaphone pressed to her ears and transcribing the messages to the computer. She types several paragraphs and then pauses to proofread, correcting a single mistake. The president's secretary, Bahola Edwards, nods her approval of Michelle's work and then raises an eyebrow to indicate amazement. Michelle Padilla is a sixth-grader at South Elementary visiting Midland College for Junior Achievement's Shadow Day.

Junior Achievement student Raul Marquez looks at the Midland College web page as Monica Campos, secretary to the dean of Distance Learning watches. As part of Groundhog Shadow Day, Raul visited MC's distance learning classrooms and participated in a televised conference between the college and a classroom in Ft. Stockton.

The Midland College visit was part the nationwide Groundhog Shadow Day 1999 on Feb. 2 sponsored by Junior Achievement to "enable young students to spend time in the workplace, gaining a better understanding of the world and how the knowledge and skills they learn in school can be put into action."

Stan Jacobs is Midland College's associate vice president of instruction who helped bring the 20 Junior Achievement students from South Elementary to the campus.

Jacobs echoed Edwards' amazement at the work the students are capable of doing.

"I used to think working with a dictaphone was difficult, and now I find that sixth graders can do it," he said.

Finding out just how much these young students are able to do was one of the interesting side benefits of being "shadowed," Jacobs said.

"When you have a shadow for two hours, it causes you to re-evaluate how you do your own job," he said. "It makes you more aware of what's important about what you do."

Jacobs called it "serendipitous" that his shadow, Edmundo, is a budding cartoonist. Jacobs' hobby is drawing caricatures, and that interest gave the two an immediate connection. Edmundo took part in Jacobs' art history class, running the slide projector and researching art projects on the internet.

Jacobs said it also was rewarding to watch students develop an interest in careers they were unfamiliar with before coming to Midland College.

The student who shadowed MC Police Chief Charles Gunn was "enthralled with the experience," and by the end of the morning was convinced he wanted to become a police officer, Jacobs said.

About 20 Midland College faculty, administrators and clerical staff participated in Shadow Day. MC recruiting coordinator Adrian Carrasco coordinated the visit, matching "groundhogs" and "shadows."

"It was a good variety of people, and I think the positive feedback from the adults and the students means we can develop even more interest for the project next year," Jacobs said.

Jacobs has been involved as "a volunteer and advocate" for Junior Achievement at South Elementary for the last three years—teaching the Junior Achievement "Our World" curriculum, an introduction to global economics, business, geography, free enterprise and travel. "It's a good way to encourage kids to stay in school," he said.

Continuing ed sets courses

The following continuing education courses begin in the next several weeks at Midland College. For registration information, call 685-4518.

Advanced Geographix will be 6-9 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, Feb. 22-March 17. Christy Reed is the instructor.

Real Estate Law of Agency will be 6-10 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, Feb. 22-March 4. Sandy Hicks is the instructor.

Advanced Investments will be 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays, Feb. 23-March 30. Van Pearcy is the instructor.

An Introduction to Oil Field Manager will be 6-9 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, Feb. 23- March 4. B. Sykes-Bookha.m.mer is the instructor.

Tennis will be 9-10:30 a.m., Mondays-Thursdays Feb. 23-April 8. Bob Cornell is the instructor.

Ballroom Dancing-Smooth will be 7-8:15 p.m., Fridays, Feb. 26-March 26. Bernadette Lindsey is the instructor.

Ballroom Dancing-Latin will be 8:15-9:30 p.m., Fridays, Feb. 26-March 26. Bernadette Lindsey is the instructor.

Microsoft Windows 95 will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 26. Teri Waldrop is the instructor.*

Microsoft Works will be 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, Feb. 26. Melody Johnston is the instructor.**

Quickbooks Pro will be 6-9 p.m., Friday, Feb. 26, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27 and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 28. Robbie Campbell is the instructor.**

Quilt in a Day: 3D Applique will be 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 27. Sally Henson is the instructor.

* Held at the Cogdell South Facility, 201 W. Florida

** Held at Midland College Main Campus.

Authority on English slipware to present free workshop

An artist recognized for her expertise in 17th century English slipware pottery will present a free workshop at Midland College Feb. 22-24.

Irma Starr reproduces the Burnap Collection of English slipware for the Nelson-Atkin's Museum of Art Museum Shop in Kansas City, Missouri and travels nationwide to give workshops and lectures on slipware.

Starr received a bachelor of fine arts degree from Kansas City Art Institute. She has taught at Anderson Ranch in Colorado, the Archie Bray Foundation in Helena, Montana, the Pewabic Pottery in Detroit, Michigan, the Mint Museum in North Carolina, Plimouth Plantation and more than 30 other universities and art centers around the country.

She is working on a book and has already produced a video about English slipware.

At her Kansas City studio, she creates large jars, 32-inch commemorative plates, cradles, salt kegs and posset pots, which reflect her dedication to researching and experimenting with the slipware technique.

The Midland College workshop is participatory although observers are welcome, according to Carol Bailey, MC art instructor. People interested in the workshop should contact Bailey at 685-4652 for more information about how to register and what supplies are needed.

Congratulations to MC's 1999 Homecoming Nominees

Join us for all the activities Thursday, Feb. 18 MC vs. Frank Phillips at Chaparral Center
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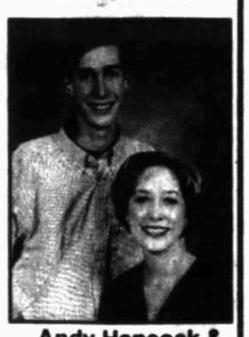

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Duke Ellington's sophisticated blend of jazzy swing and soulful melodies will fill Midland College's Chaparral Center today when Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. perform their "Hit Me With A Hot Note!" tribute at 7:30 p.m. This year marks the 100th anniversary of Ellington's birth. The show features Ms. McCoo, Davis, a cast of Broadway performers and a jazz band. Tickets are $19 for adults, $16 for seniors and students and $10 for children ages 1 to 10. For more information call the center, 685-4584.

Married duo to perform at Chap Center for Valentine's Day

This Valentine's Day, multi-time Grammy winners Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. bring their "Hit Me With a Hot Note! The Duke Ellington Songbook" to Midland College's Chaparral Center. Despite a marriage that has outlasted many, Cupid's arrows didn't, at first, hit a hot note in either of them.

"When we first met, sparks did not fly; it was not love at first sight," Ms. McCoo said.

"No bells or whistles went off," Davis said.

"But we connected just as kindred spirits," Ms. McCoo added.

That was more than 30 years ago and several months before the formation of a group they were to be part of for a decade — The Fifth Dimension, known for such hits as "Aquarius/Let The Sunshine In," "One Less Bell To Answer" and "The Worst That Could Happen."

"We became friends, and when the group formed, we started spending more time together just as friends, and I began to see a very understanding and gentle side to this man, which was unusual," Ms. McCoo said. "Talking to him was like talking to a girlfriend except he was coming from a male perspective, yet he still had a sense about the feelings of women."

His changed attitude at parties alerted Davis that something was different about his relation-

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Band to bring patriotic message to Midland

Despite coming from a "line of musicians" that included a grandfather who had served as a trumpeter during World War I, playing in a military band was not among the childhood dreams of Gena Stuchbery. Instead, she planned on following in her father's footsteps and becoming a high-school-band conductor in Texas.

However, her grandfather's stories of the musician's life in World War I and the chance to play her French horn daily, drew this Houston native upon graduating from the University of North Texas in 1987 to audition for just such a position.

"I'd gone to college with the intent of becoming a high school band conductor, but I wasn't really sure I was cut out to do that," said Capt. Stuchbery, commander and conductor of the United States Air Force Band of the West. "I'm pretty much a red-blooded American type, and I think the patriotic aspect of serving one's country had appeal for me.

"My father is a retired high school band director and actually my grandfather (the World War I veteran), who has passed away, was one of the early music educators in Pasadena. His teaching style sparked a lot of his students to go into the profession as well."

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United States Air Force

Band of the West

Captain Gena Stuchbery, commander and conductor of the United States Air Force Band of the West, is a third generation Texas musician. The San Antonio-based band performs a free concert, sponsored by Midland College and the Reporter-Telegram, at MC's Chaparral Center at 7 p.m. Feb. 23. To request tickets by mail or for group tickets call 687-8876.

Pianist Rich Ridenour plays his "Top Ten Greatest Piano Hits" Saturday for the Midland-Odessa Symphony Pops 8 p.m. concert at Odessa's Holiday Inn Centre. The performance comes during the Midland Symphony Guild's annual Gala Weekend benefit, known as February Fantastique, set for Friday and Saturday in the ClayDesta Atrium.

'Keyboard Wizardry'

After four years of practicing the piano because his mother made him do so, an elementary-school talent show changed the course of Rich Ridenour's life. He was 12 at the time.

"I had no idea what music could do to people," said the pianist, who performs as guest artist with the Midland-Odessa Symphony on Saturday. "It was on that day that I learned what music was all about.".

He played "Baby Elephant Walk" by Henry Mancini.

"The whole auditorium went nuts. Teachers were congratulating me afterwards. My friends were coming up afterwards and congratulating me. Nobody had any idea that I played piano. Of course, I didn't want anybody to know.

"I ended up winning the talent show. Socially, I was a star in the elementary school. I just couldn't believe it. I couldn't believe that music could do something like that to people.

"Even Mrs. Vander Werf, who was a lady who would never tap her foot and smile, tapped her foot and smiled. I didn't see it personally, but that's what all my friends were telling me. She was letting herself go with the music."

Ridenour was hooked on music from that day forth. "I understood the powers of music, and that's all it took."

A Grand Rapids, Mich., native, Ridenour went on to earn a bachelor of music degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree from the Juilliard School of Music. He studied with Louis Nagel and William Bolcom.

He teaches privately and has held teaching positions in such schools as Juilliard, Aquinas College, Grand Valley State University, Calvin College and, most recently, Western Michigan University. A co-founder of the Grand Rapids Musicians' League, Ridenour lives in Portage, Mich., with his wife, Stacy, executive director of the Kalamazoo Symphony, and two sons, who take lessons from their dad.

His programs feature classical literature as well as his

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Gilbert and Sullivan's 'The Gondoliers'

Midlander Bill Kersh finds the acting "a walk in the park," especially when contrasted against the singing in the Globe Theatre's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Gondoliers," which opens Friday at the Odessa theater.

"The acting's kind of stylized so it's not real introspective, the tearing-your-guts-out-trying-to-find-a-character kind," Kersh said. "The music is extremely challenging vocally."

This operetta, one of 14 written by the duo, is not as Kersh put it, "one of the big three" — "H.M.S. Pinafore" (1878), "The Pirates of Penzance" (1879) and "The Mikado" (1885). "Personally, I like this show much more than 'The Mikado' and almost as much as the other two."

This 19th century spoof of English royalty is set in Italy for fairly obvious reasons.

"The political and social satire in the play is biting," Kersh said.

"It pokes fun at (Verdi's) 'Il Trovatore' ('The Troubadour,' 1853) with a plot of misplaced babies and stolen infants and that sort of thing," said Michael Jordan, who teaches music at Midland College.

For Jordan, the operetta holds fond personal memories.

"I did this while I was in high school," said Jordan, a frequent performer for Midland Opera Theater's Opera in the Park. "This was the first musical comedy I ever performed. It brings back all those memories. It brings back the reason I got into this," and that high school performance "started me on my journey which wound up at Midland College."

Please see **PLAY**/12E

photos by Tim Fischer

Above, Kyle Rosson, left, as Marco, and George Melonakis as Gussepe, play gondoliers in the Globe Theatre's production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Gondoliers." At far right, Marge Campbell, the duchess, is displeased as Rosson greets Jane Aldrin, who plays Casilda. The play is being directed by Robert Kuhn of Indianapolis, Ind., at right.

Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Joyce Nichols Lewis

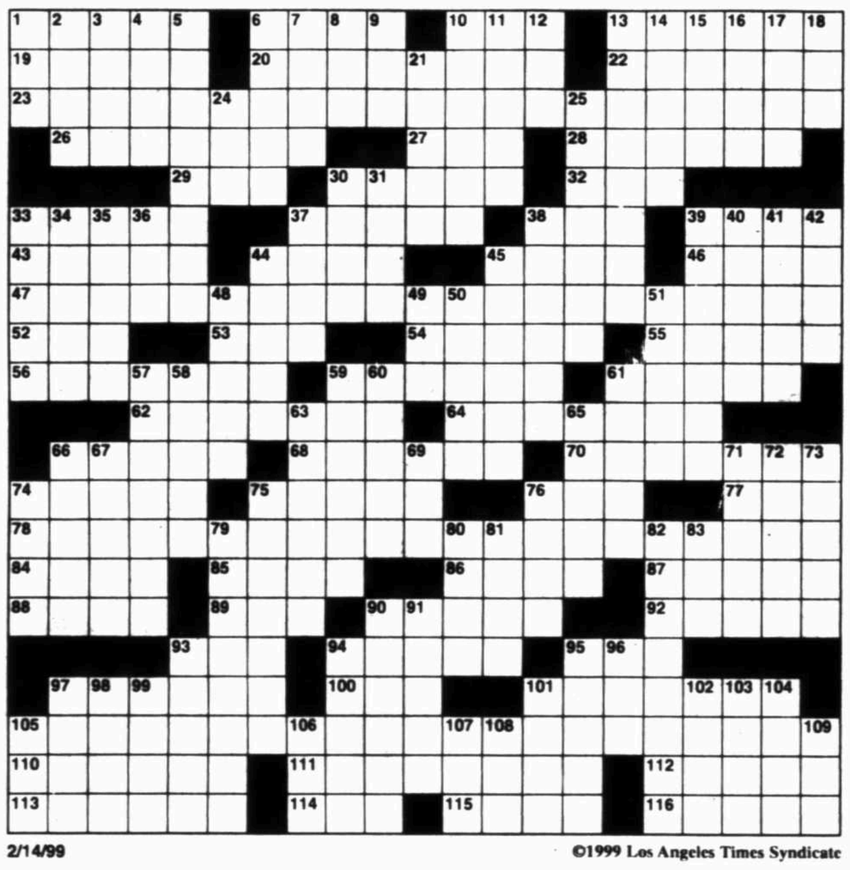
"BLIGHTED ROMANCE" By FRANCES HANSEN

ACROSS

1 Lewis's partner
6 Mexican laborer
10 "Fat" farm
13 Group of friends
19 "— heart!"
20 Balloon or dirigible
22 Wove
23 Start of a verse
26 "Les —": Berlioz opera
27 Choler
28 Iago's wife
29 Rapper Dr. —
30 Harassed a freshman
32 Juvenile patriotic org.
33 Cremona craftsman
37 Burdened
38 — Magnon
39 Make over
43 Christened
44 Teed off
45 Word with beam or light
46 Wall St. acronym
47 More of verse
52 Smuggled
53 Mind-blowing drug
54 Kind of companion
55 Former Polish lancer
56 Shaded public walk
59 Make minor changes
61 Cummerbund's place
62 Show excessive devotion
64 Nautical direction
66 — Ababa
68 Humiliated
70 Gathers up the dough
74 Sail extender
75 Comforting word
76 Private eye
77 One, in Brest
78 More of verse
84 Nautilus navigator
85 Ancient capital of Japan
86 Info seepage
87 Took down
88 Cannon of films
89 Dada co-founder
90 AKA
92 Impudent
93 Letter from Greece
94 Toweled off
95 John —
97 Not mended yet
100 Cockney's castle
101 Du Maurier novel
105 End of verse
110 Dan of whining villain roles
111 From the Continent
112 Rock's heavy —
113 Most bashful
114 Ave. crossings
115 Millay or Ferber
116 Manicurist's file

DOWN

1 "Windy City," briefly
2 Endure
3 State firmly
4 Cabinet name
5 Certain grasshoppers
6 Stewart of golf
7 Smorgasbord offerings
8 Pizarro's gold
9 A 30-day month
10 Ogled
11 Like most roadways
12 — glance
13 S. Carolina campus
14 Ancient Asia Minor region
15 Kuwait weight
16 902, to Nero
17 Horne or Olin
18 Netherlands city
21 Grab
24 Debussy's sea
25 A first-class advantage
30 W.W. I spy
31 Lipinsky leap
33 Sinus cavities
34 Taj —
35 Western church society
36 Hanoi holiday
37 A Taylor man
38 Prairie wolf
39 Eastwood TV hit
40 Ludwig and Jennings
41 Get the lard out
42 Clumsy guys
44 Hemp plant
45 Made untidy
48 Great Italian printer Manutius
49 Lady Bird's man
50 Ball game, in Blois
51 "Something of Value" author
57 James or Dolly
58 Piaf or Wharton
59 Minerva, to the Greeks
60 Loved ones
61 W.W. II women
63 B-flat on the piano
65 Inflict, as vengeance
66 Marquand's "Late" George
67 Ibsen's field
69 Kitten's cry
71 Card divisions
72 Inspector Appleby's creator
73 In want
74 True grit
75 Russian ruler's wife
76 Start of a Clement Moore poem
79 Visibly agitated
80 Writer Wiesel
81 Interpret
82 "— in one word": Shakespeare
83 Mauna —
90 Outfits for tilting
91 Stand by, as a ship
93 Israel's Shimon
94 "Sinker"
95 Hotelier Heimsley
96 — Dhabi
97 Dissenting sounds
98 Not any
99 Eye problem: Var.
101 Tatum's dad
102 Skelton's Kadiddlehopper
103 Quote
104 In the distance
105 Gridiron abbrs.
106 — Moines
107 Unfold, poetically
108 Sparks or Rorem
109 Medieval cathedral town



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Jacqueline Bigar's Stars

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

BORN TODAY
Magician Teller (1948), actor Ken Wahl (1953), actress Florence Henderson (1934)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might have sweet dreams and good intentions. However, you and a partner could be on opposite sides of an issue. Another needs to transform his thinking or get unstuck. This is your call, ultimately. Take an overview, detach. Just how important is this? Tonight: A perfect Valentine's Day!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Pressure builds. A lot of people make demands of you — or are you being overly responsible? Recognize that you could make another feel powerless by your doting style. Pull back some and build a better relationship. Allow another to reveal his feelings. You need to hear them. Tonight: Make a must appearance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Take off on a day excursion; invite a favorite person along. You could be pressured by information and your own demands. Stop and relax. A little time away from it all recharges your batteries. Give in to a long-term desire. Make it so! Tonight: A different Valentine's celebration.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A partner knows how to put you in seventh heaven. However, on some level you could feel resentful that he doesn't do more. Be smart; express your caring in a way that he can hear, rather than nagging. Examine your expectations. Could they be leading you astray? Tonight: Your touch means a lot to another.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Who is surprised that others are drawn to you? Sort through admirers and decide who you want to spend your Valentine's Day with. A family member could get very angry when dealing with you. Wherever you go, you add romance and sparks. You can't help but be passionate. Tonight: Go along with another's plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Your sign shows caring through actions and nurturing; today, your practicality comes out. Hopefully, another understands that to you, vacuuming the carpet is as romantic and loving as spending money on a frivolous item. You might need to explain your values one more time. Tonight: Doing your share.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ You find someone extremely alluring and attractive. Your naturally romantic ways add more steam to a relationship or flirtation. Be careful with a tendency to overspend, even though you don't like to limit indulgence. Talk about your feelings. Tonight: Make an important call.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Your temper flares when dealing with a family member. You could find this person evasive. Look within to find what is irritating you; you might have this same characteristic! Make a point of demonstrating your caring. Give that important gift. Tonight: Make nice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You could feel uneasy, but not be exactly sure why. Be careful. Are you taking another's comments personally? Your sensitivity to others remains high. Follow your intuition with a loved one and you won't go wrong. Let your creativity come out. Tonight: A special night out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ A friend pushes you hard, especially where money is concerned. A loved one could have strong expectations about what you need to do this Valentine's Day. Handle funds carefully; you could spend much more than you think. Express your deeper feelings. Tonight: Whispering sweet nothings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ You have a strong vision of what is right. You bring unusual romance and caring into your day, as well as into others'. Typical of your sign, you use Valentine's Day to let your friends also know how much they mean to you. Zero in on what you want. Tonight: Smile and enjoy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Your intuition helps you figure out which way to go. A sudden change in plans tosses you into chaos. Remember a family member and an important gathering. In your customary manner, you draw others in and fit a lot into your day. Don't forget that special person! Tonight: Be open.

Goren Bridge

WITH OMAR SHARIF & TANNAH HIRSCH

FOLLOW THE BOUNCING BALL

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 10
♡ K J 10 5
◇ A K 10
♣ A 10 9 6 5

WEST
♠ 9
♡ Q 9 7 6 3
◇ J 5 4
♣ K 8 4 3

EAST
♠ A K 8 3 2
♡ 4 2
◇ Q 8 7 2
♣ Q 7

SOUTH
♠ Q J 7 6 5 4
♡ A 8
◇ 9 6 3
♣ J 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	Dbl
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Six of ♡

We can understand East's decision to double South's game contract. However, a good holding in the enemy suit is rarely sufficient justification for this action. Since the set is unlikely to be more than one trick unless the opponents have taken leave of their senses, and the double warns declarer of the bad break. East was, in effect, offering 2-to-1 odds that the game could be defeated.

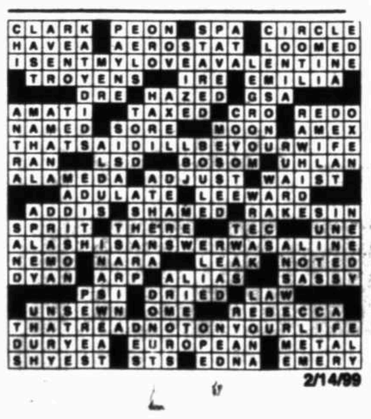
North's two no trump response asked South to show a feature in a side suit. South declined to show the ace of hearts because, at this vulnerability, the hand was a minimum weak two-bid. Nevertheless, North pressed on to game because the vulnerable game bonus is substantial.

A diamond lead would have defeated the contract, but West's choice of a heart cannot be faulted. Dummy's ten of hearts held the trick, and the ten of spades was run, fetching the nine from West. Declarer, Warren Spector of New York, came to hand with the ace of hearts and led the queen of spades, and West's heart discard confirmed the expected bad trump split.

East took the ace and shifted to the queen of clubs, won in dummy. Now declarer played the king of hearts. Had East not ruffed, declarer would have discarded a club from hand, then ruffed a club and used dummy's two diamond entries to collect two more ruffs in hand. In the end position South exits with a diamond and the jack of spades becomes the fulfilling trick. Try it.

When East ruffed, declarer overruffed and exited with the jack of clubs to West's king. The diamond return was won in dummy, and a winning club was led. East cannot ruff this trick profitably, so a diamond was discarded from the closed hand. Declarer ruffed the next club to come down to the same trump length as that of East, then crossed to dummy with a diamond. Any card off the table now couped East, limiting the defenders to one club trick and ace-king of trumps.

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE



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FEBRUARY 14-20, 1999

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

American Airpower Heritage Museum: EXHIBIT: Navajo Code Talkers of World War II. EXHIBITION: The American Airpower Heritage Museum is internationally recognized for its collection of authentic World War II artifacts and memorabilia. The museum currently has five permanent exhibits, highlighting five different phases of World War II, in the main gallery and two permanent exhibits in the hangar. Take an on-line tour of the museum at http://www.avdigest.com/aahm/aahm.html, 9600 Wright Dr., Midland International Airport, Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 12-5 p.m., call 563-1000, Admission charged. Group and student discounts available with prior reservation.

Arts Assembly of Midland: WORKSHOPS: KidsAct free workshops for children led by No Holds Bard of Los Angeles with the Pickwick Players, 1-4 p.m. for grades 7-12, followed by a performance at 5 p.m. All workshops are held at Midland Park Mall near Sears, 4511 N. Midkiff. Pre-registration available through Midland schools and Friday, February 12, 7-9 p.m. at Midland Park Mall. Call 687-1149 for more information. Free. EXHIBIT: Art in the Park, features four unique sculptures on display through June at Windlands Park, 1000 W. Dengar, 687-1149. Free.

The Brigl Collection: EXHIBIT: Selected works by William A. Brigl, by appointment, 1701 N. Garfield, 683-8445. Free.

The Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin: CLASS: Adventures in Art for students ages 6-12, 2:30-4:30 p.m., one Sunday per month. Next class on March 14 features a study of the Renaissance. Tuition charged. EXHIBIT: ZOOillogicals, paintings by Chica Brunsvold, final day. EXHIBIT: Enchanted Light, dichroic glass and light sculptures by Ray Howlett, final day. Museum open Tuesday-Saturday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Sunday 2:00-5:00 p.m. 4909 E. University, Odessa. 550-3811. Exhibits are free.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: Light Dreams: Holography, Image and Illusion, exhibit for children, through May 2, Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m. 683-2882. Free.

Gallery 1114: EXHIBIT: Lahib Jaddo and James W. Johnson, a husband-wife team from Lubbock, through Feb. 20, 1114 N. Big Spring St., Thurs.-Sun. 1-5 p.m. or by appointment, 685-9944. Free.

Marian Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: In Search of New Worlds, 3 p.m. and 4 p.m., 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged, free for Museum of the Southwest members.

Midland College: CONCERT: "Hit Me With a Hot Note," a Valentine's Day tribute to Duke Ellington, starring Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr., 7:30 p.m., Al G. Langford Chaparral Center, 685-4584. Admission charged. EXHIBIT: Etchings by Anna Marie Pavlik, through Feb. 26, McCormick Gallery, Midland College, 3600 N. Garfield, Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., call 685-4500. Free.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBIT: La Salle Shipwreck Excavation, 301 W. Missouri, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, 2-5 p.m., call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

Midland County Historical Society: HISTORIC HOME: Z. Taylor Brown-Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 N. Weatherford, guided tours give fine capsule of Midland County History - open by appointment, call 682-2931. Free. Also available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

Museum of the Southwest: EXHIBIT: Un/Familiar: Contemporary Artist Series 1999, featuring the works of Phyllis Stapler of Albuquerque, New Mexico, through February 28, Here and Now Gallery. EXHIBIT: MISD Social Studies Tour, through February 28. EXHIBIT: Birds In Art 1998, a traveling exhibit from Leigh Yawley Woodson Art Museum of Wausau, Wisconsin, features 60 works by internationally renowned artists using diverse media, through February 28. EXHIBIT: Oil Patch Dreams: Images of the Petroleum Industry in American Art, features 60 works from American artists (1901-1991) including Norman Rockwell, Andy Warhol, Thomas Hart Benton and others, capturing the impact of oil on the 20th century, through March 14. EXHIBIT: Taos Founders, featuring works from the Taos Society of Artists which portray the beauty of the Southwest and its unique inhabitants, through October 17, Hogan Gallery. EXHIBIT: Sculpture selections from the Museumís collection, through January 2000, Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri, Tues.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5 p.m. 683-2882. Free.

Odessa Art Association: 4909 E. University, San Miguel Square, Odessa, call 915 362-7988. Free.

Odessa College: LRC, 201 W. University, Mon.-Thurs. 7:45 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 7:45 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 2-5 p.m., call 915 335-6646. Free.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum: SUNDAY RIG TOURS: tours of the modern drilling rig, 2:30-4:30, weather permitting, a docent will be at the site near Interstate 20 to explain the rig for no additional charge, 1500 W. I-20 West, Mon.-Sat. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-5., call 683-4403. Admission charged.

The Presidential Museum: 10 a.m. -5 p.m. 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 800 862-7123. 1351. Admission charged.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: EXHIBIT: NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, through March 5. Gallery hours are Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 1-5 p.m., Sun. 1-5 p.m., Third Floor Gallery, 4901 E. University, Odessa, call 552-2806. Free.

White Pool House: TRAVELING EXHIBIT: Reach for the Sky. Tuesday, 12-3 p.m., Wednesday-Saturday 10-3 p.m. 112 E. Murphy St, Odessa, 915 333-4072. Free.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

The Haley Library and History Center: EXHIBITS: Permanent collections including paintings, bronzes, firearms and artifacts that exhibit pioneer settlement of the Great Southwest, spur collections, saddles from ranching pioneer families, and archival collections including photographs of turn of the century ranch life. The library houses 30,000 volumes on settlement of the region and the cattle industry. 1805 W. Indiana. Open Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-5 p.m. 682-5785. Free.

Midland Fine Arts Center: EXHIBIT: First Annual Arts Center Youth Competition, Grades K-12, all home schools, Mon-Fri 3:30-6:30 p.m., through Feb. 26, 921 W. Wadley, 687-4924. Free.

The Presidential Museum: EXHIBIT: Young Thoughts, a collection of short reports submitted by fifth graders, highlighted by paintings, sketches, and sculptures of each of the presidents from the Museumís collection, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. in honor of Presidentís Day, 622 N. Lee, Odessa, 915-332-7123. Admission charged, free to students.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Midland Community Theatre: CLASS: Winter Theatre School, K-12th grades, through March 5, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-2544. Tuition charged.

Midland County Public Library: PRESCHOOL STORY TIME: Transportation series, with stories this week featuring airplanes, for ages 3 to 5. Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:00-10:30 a.m., Childrenís Department, 301 W. Missouri, 688-8991. Free.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Midland Community Theatre: MUSICAL: "Carousel," through March 7, 8 p.m., Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley, 682-4111 or 570-4011. Admission charged.

Odessa Art Association: EXHIBIT: 41st annual Permian Basin Art Exhibition opens at 7 p.m. with awards program beginning at 7:30 p.m. Exhibit continues through March 28, Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University, Odessa, 915-368-7222.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Globe Theatre: MUSICAL COMEDY: Gilbert & Sullivan's "The Gondoliers," 7:30 p.m., 2308 Shakespeare Rd., Odessa, 915-332-1586 or 580-3177. Admission charged.

Marian Blakemore Planetarium: SKY SHOW: In Search of New Worlds, every Friday 8 p.m. except holiday weekends. Telescope viewing available following sky show, weather permitting. Telescopes set up in Haley Park behind the Planetarium until 10:30 p.m. 1705 W. Missouri, 683-2882. Admission charged, free for Museum of the Southwest members.

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Midland Symphony Guild: ANNUAL BENEFIT: February Fantastique, gala ball featuring the New York troupe Le Masquerade with its Broadway musical reportoire, senior belle presentation, and a dinner buffet, 6:30 p.m.-midnight; Gala brunch and style show by Julian Gold, highlighted with the freshman belle introduction on Saturday, 10:45 a.m.-1 p.m., ClayDesta Atrium, 6 Desta Drive. Call 684-6912 to reserve. Admission charged.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Big Brothers/ Big Sisters of Midland: Bowl for Kids' Sake, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Midland Park Lanes, Loop 250 and Holiday Hill Rd. Call 687-0195 to register for bowling or for more information. Individual and corporate sponsorships available.

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Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale: CONCERT: Pops Series: "Keyboard Wizardry," featuring guest pianist Rich Ridenour, 8 p.m., Holiday Inn Centre, 6201 E. Highway 80, Odessa, 563-0921. Admission charged.

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Permian Playhouse: PERFORMANCE: "Snoopy, A Musical," presented by The Kaleidoscope Company, 2:30 p.m., 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa, 550-5456. Admission charged.

✔ The Week Ahead

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Feb. 14-20

Monday

Museum open

The third Monday of February is officially recognized as President's Day by the people of the United States. The Presidential Museum, Odessa, is usually closed on Mondays. However, the museum will be open to the public on Monday the 15. The museum is located at the corner of 7th and Lee Streets in Odessa.

Thursday

Storytelling

Annalon Gilbreath, president of the West Texas Storytelling Guild will be the speaker at the next meeting: "Story Swap" to be held today from 7 to 8 p.m. at Barnes and Nobles Bookstore, 2617 W. Loop 250 North.

All persons interested in Storytelling No. 101, are welcome to attend, and bring a friend. A short review of the Workshop presentation at "Winters Tales" held in Oklahoma City, attended by Mrs. Gilbreath, will be discussed. Come and share a tale or experience, with humor or mystery, old or new tales welcome.

For further information call 699-7820.

Live entertainment

The Press Box, 3303 N. Midkiff Road, presents live entertainment featuring Traffic Jam at 8:30 p.m. today.

Also performing at the establishment will be Skeleton Crew on Friday and Saturday at 9:30 p.m., Luscious Funk at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 24, the comedy and musical act Taxi and Danny's Kicking Machine at 9 p.m. Feb. 25 and 26 followed by Cadillac Voodoo Choir at 10:30 p.m., and Burt Herrin on Feb. 27 for his CD release engagement party.

Performance set

Comedian Barry Martin and Mercury Nashville recording artist Rodney Carrington perform at The Ranch here at 7:30 p.m. today. Tickets are $12.

Martin has made repeat performances on such television shows as "Evening at the Improv," "Comedy on the Road," "Nashville Now," "Crook & Chase" and "Music City Tonight" as well as being featured in issues of Country America magazine.

Saturday

Broadcast premiere

Arnold Schoenberg's "Moses und Aron" will receive its Texaco-Metropolitan Opera radio broadcast premiere on Saturday at 1:30 p.m., Eastern Time, over the Texaco-Metropolitan Opera International Radio Network.

The opera will be broadcast live from the stage of the Metropolitan Opera House, and will be heard locally over radio station KCRS.

Group to perform

ODESSA — The Asylum Street Spankers will perform at Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Saturday.

The show starts at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10. of the group the Dallas Morning News said: "Like a black-and-white rerun on Nick at Nite, Austin's Asylum Street Spankers spark fun, fuzzy memories of a bygone era when a kazoo was considered a valid musical instrument and the 'unplugged' was the only choice available."

Soup cook-off

STANTON — The 10th annual Great Texas Soup Cook-Off is scheduled for Feb. 20 in the Martin County Community Center. The public votes for the soup of their choice and plaques are given for the top three winners.

Along with the soup cook-off there will be a dessert auction. Come bid on Martin County's best desserts prepared by local award winning bakers.

For more information on the Soup Cook-Off contact Nelda Turner in City Hall, at 756-3301.

Upcoming in Midland/Odessa

Organists to meet

The West Texas Chapter of the American Guild of Organists will meet at 7 p.m. Feb. 25, at the Midland College Library, Room 217B.

The meeting will be an opportunity for everyone to explore the Internet and to discover the variety of musical resources that are available on it. The public is invited to attend. For more information contact Jack Martin (915) 345-2686.

Performance set

ODESSA — Clay Walker performs with special guest Robert Earl Keen at Ector County Coliseum March 11 at 7 p.m.

Tickets are on sale at all central ticket locations: Endless Horizons, CD Warehouse, Sound Design, Dan's Music and Video, and Wacked Out World. Tickets are $19.50 plus service charge.

Sewing class

The Tumbleweed Chapter of the Smocking Arts Guild of America and the Arts Assembly of Midland presents nationally acclaimed sewing designer, author and columnist Kay Guiles for heirloom sewing and smocking classes in Midland on Feb. 25-27.

Classes are open to all interested persons, however class size is limited. The registration deadline is Feb. 15. For more information regarding these classes please contact Ellen Boyd at 687-0320 or Marsha Thomas at 685-3889.

Bus chartered

The Presidential Museum has announced plans to charter a bus, Feb. 27 to Lubbock to see John Davidson in "Bully—An Adventure with Teddy Roosevelt."

For reservations and information call the Presidential Museum, (915) 332-7123.

Workshop presented

Artist Kathleen Cook will present a "Still Life in Pastel" workshop at the Midland Fine Arts Center March 10-12.

An elected signature member of the Pastel Society of America, Ms. Cook is the juror for the Midland Arts Association Spring Juried Art Exhibition, set for the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., from March 12 to April 10.

Workshop co-chairs are Marie Marinovich and Doris Spires. For more information on the workshop, call Ms. Marinovich, 699-7136.

Upcoming Outside Midland/Odessa

Annual retreat

FORT DAVIS — Texas Mountain Trail Writers will hold its annual Retreat here Feb. 26-28.

The weekend will begin its activities on Friday afternoon with one of the presenters, Leon Metz of El Paso, Texas, signing books at Hotel Limpia between the hours of 3:00-5:00 p.m. There will be a reception for both Metz and the other presenter, Robert Spiegel of Albuquerque, N.M., at Hotel Limpia from 6:00-8:00 p.m.. Both presenters are published authors.

On Feb. 27, Robert Spiegel will present "Writing a Winning Book Proposal" and "Succeeding with Magazines." He brings more than twenty five years experience in publishing and writing to his workshops. Metz has been published since 1966 and writes historical Westerns. He has also hosted programs on "The History Channel" and will speak on historical research.

Also expected at the retreat is author, Doris Rangel, of Victoria, Texas a member of the Trail Writers, who has just published another novel, "Prenuptial Agreement."

For more information, such as registration fees, accommodations, and to save money by preregistering contact Texas Mountain Trail Writers, % HCR 74, Box 110, Fort Davis, TX 79734, phone-915-426-3739; E-mail: lagdvsmt@.overland.net. Or, you may phone Bob Miles at 915-426-2467. You do not have to be a member to attend this Retreat.

Performance set

ALPINE — The musical group Wayanay Inka will perform at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at Our Lady of Peace Parish Hall. Wayanay Inka comes from Peru and has established an international reputation as being among the finest and most exciting exponents of Andean music.

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PROGRAM: Pianist to perform with symphony

(From 9E)

own arrangements of American jazz and pop. He brings his "Keyboard Wizardry" to West Texas to perform one of his specialities — the "Top Ten Piano Hits-Chopsticks to Tchaikovsky" with the symphony, summing his program up as "everybody's favorite piano pieces from all the styles known to keyboard literature."

Admission is $30 for conductor circle seats, $20 for preferred seating and $10 for general admission. The concert is sponsored by Chase Bank of Texas, Altura Energy LTD and CVA Advertising. For reservations call the symphony, 563-0921. The 8 p.m. pops, set for Odessa's Holiday Inn Centre, will include the symphony performing Cole's "Unforgettable" and Gershwin's "Crazy for You."

Ridenour's program is an outgrowth of his college years spent playing in piano bars and nightclubs to earn money.

"I learned what people like,' Ridenour said. "I also learned to play a lot of things that people didn't want to hear that I thought they should hear." He said, laughing. "They always responded well."

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DUO: Couple to perform at MC

(From 9E)

ship with Ms. McCoo.

"We used to go to a lot of parties when we first met and, usually when I'm at a party, I like to get up and dance and jump around and do everything.

"But Marilyn and I would sit on a couch and talk through the whole party like nothing was happening except the two of us. And before we knew what was happening, we would be on our way home and didn't think about dancing or being a part of the party.

"The party was between the two of us. And I knew then this was going to be a person that was going to be a very close friend. Somebody I could talk to and be myself with."

The Fifth Dimension had been in full swing for more than 18 months before the couple began dating.

"When we started dating, the romantic part of our relationship developed very quickly," Ms. McCoo said.

The beginning of their romantic involvement with one another wasn't an official date. Thus, because they were together most of the time because of work, neither was certain of the exact moment when their being together could be considered a first date.

"Actually, we just kind of fell into it, if I remember it correctly," Davis said.

"We were always together," Ms. McCoo said.

"Our date was always there," Davis said.

"We didn't date date," Ms. McCoo said. "We started spending more of our time off together, maybe going to a movie."

"Or just spending time at home," Davis added.

"We didn't do a formal dating thing," Ms. McCoo said. "It was a little different from the normal boy meets girl, boy dates girl kind of thing."

The subject of marriage passed Davis's lips in Vancouver after they had been going together for two years. His proposal was triggered by another couple's wedding plans.

"I thought we had better do something soon, the way we were living we needed to be married," Davis said.

The decision made them both nervous.

"For a lot of people, when you're good friends and love each other and everything is going smooth, when you put paper on it, it changes the whole relationship," Davis said.

"And it did," Ms. McCoo said of their marriage. "Things get more serious. When you're just going together, you get your check and he gets his check, and what he does with his money and whatever you do with your money, its none of" the other's "business. But once you get married, it's everybody's business."

"All the business became one,' Davis said.

"It just gave us something new to fight about because we fought all the time anyway," Ms. McCoo said.

Davis agreed. "Right. We were the happy fighting couple."

They both laughed. Ms. McCoo said, "When we told the group we were going to get married, they got real nervous."

"We fought all the time," Davis said. "We didn't think anything of it. We enjoyed it."

"We were just two very strong-willed people, and we had our own ideas of how things ought to be, but no fists-t-cuffs," Ms. McCoo said.

"But after all these years, I don't do it anymore," Davis said. "She argues by herself now. She used to have an arguing partner, and now she doesn't."

The laughter over the telephone reached a peak. When it subsided, Ms. McCoo said, "People didn't give our marriage very long. They figured we'd be divorced within four years."

The naysayers were wrong. But, after a decade with The Fifth Dimension, the couple decided to become a duo act. The decision was a difficult one to make.

"We were friends before the group started," Davis said. "We knew each other, the three guys did, when we were kids. And all of a sudden, we're singing together and making good music, and then it takes off to be something the world can enjoy. That's the special part about it; that's the icing on the cake right there."

Ms. McCoo said, "That was what made the decision so hard. We were with three people who were friends. We enjoyed a lot of experiences and had an incredible run with hit records and seeing the world and making the records together, but Billy and I had other things we wanted to do with our lives, and if we didn't go on and do them, we'd look up one day, and it would be too late."

"It would be too late," Davis said, again agreeing.

Their first single as a duo, "You Don't Have to Be a Star (To Be In My Show)," was a No. 1 hit and netted them their first of eight Grammy Awards for Best R&B Vocal Performance by a Duo. The Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis Jr. Show" began airing on CBS in 1977. Davis starred in the hit musical "Blues in the Night' at the Old Globe Theatre. Recently, Ms. McCoo made her Broadway debut as Julie in "Showboat."

Now, more than 30 years later, not only are they still married, they also continue to work together.

"We're still here smiling," Davis said.

"We laugh about it now," Ms. McCoo said. "I think the reason that we were able to withstand all that arguing is because we were friends. Friendship is so important in a marriage. People don't realize that. Mutual respect. And our faith plays a very important part in our relationship."

"Yes," agreed Davis, who has recorded a number of gospel albums. "And you really have to like each other. Being there for each other and listening, taking the time to listen to what each other has to say is very important.

"A lot of times men do not want to listen to their wives. I remember I used to be like that. I used to tune Marilyn out. We used to get into that, and I would half hear what she would say. Once I really listened and found out what she was saying was much more important than what I was thinking (she was saying), it was so important that I listen to her. Then I could make the right decision."

"Of course, common interest helped tremendously," Ms. McCoo said. "I think that it's important to learn how to give and to take. You've got to learn how to give and take to live together."

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PERFORM: Free tickets available for Band of the West show

(From 9E)

With her grandfather's stories tucked into her memories, she had her own ideas of what the job would be like but found that her image wasn't completely in harmony with reality.

"I'm not sure that anybody's first job is what they think it's going to be," Ms. Stuchbery said. The job turned out to be "a lot more than what I thought it was going to be. As a teacher, I knew I would have the opportunity to influence lives, and you don't necessarily think you're going to do that sitting in a military band. And yet," you do.

"We perform both for blue suiters — internal Air Force audiences — as well as the hundreds of thousands of civilian folks that we play for each year. And that can be anything from young elementary school students in a music class where we do a clinic through junior high, high school and college students — maybe some potential bandsmen for us — up through the general public.

"There are lots of military veterans who attend our concerts. And I've had many come up afterwards and say, 'When you did that World War II song, it took me back to that place in time when I was away from my wife. This is a special song for us.'

"They have a tear in their eyes. And I've touched them. That happens a lot in this group. Those are the kind of experiences that are irreplaceable. It serves as a reminder of why we do what we do, and the impact we can have on folks with this job."

The mission of the Band of the West is fourfold: troop morale, community relations, Air Force recruiting and the preservation of the national heritage. That mission brings the Lackland Air Force Base band and its conductor to Midland College's Chaparral Center for a 7 p.m. concert Feb. 23.

Free tickets are available at Joanne's Gifts, 3211 W. Wadley Ave., No. 11-A; Jones Piano-Organ-Clocks, 428 Andrews Highway; Memories Unique, D-1, Midland Park Mall, near Sears; the Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Ave.; Chaparral Center, Entrance 3; and Stanton Drug, 201 N. St. Peter, Stanton. The free concert is presented by the Reporter-Telegram and MC. To request tickets by mail or for group tickets call 687-8876.

"I like to equate our kind of programming with a Boston Pops approach," said Ms. Stuchbery. "We will be doing some light classical music, opening with a wonderful piece called 'The Hounds of Spring,' which is a piece written specifically for band by Alfred Reed. We'll have some wonderful Sousa marches, which always get people's toes tapping and some popular vocal music as well. And we have highlights from 'Fiddler on the Roof.'"

Soloists include Senior Airman Brent Beech, clarinet; Airman First Class Lee Ann Fox, vocalist; and Airman First Class Andre Rascoe, vocalist.

"We perform a broad spectrum of music," said Ms. Stuchbery. "We appeal to as many tastes as we possibly can in less than two hours, and hopefully people will walk away feeling not only entertained, but perhaps inspired.

"We also wave the flag a little bit. That's a large part of our job. We want to remind people that this is still a great country regardless of the things you read about and hear about that may be negative.

"We still live in a land of freedom. Freedom that was purchased by sacrifice and sometimes the ultimate sacrifice of life by those who were in the military who preceded me. We have a lot to be thankful for and proud of. I'm here to remind folks of that."

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PLAY: Globe to present Gilbert and Sullivan's 'The Gondoliers'

(From 9E)

Being on stage at the Globe Theatre brings back memories for Odessan George Melonakos, who works for Brey Appliance Parts.

"This is a love I hadn't pursued in 20 years so I'm hooked again," said Melonakos, whose first taste of theater in two decades was in the Globe's production of "Two From Galilee."

"I brought my daughter out here for her to audition, and the next thing I knew I was up on stage," Melonakos said. "I wound up doing something I love a lot. Twenty years ago I did 'Showboat' at the Globe."

"The Gondoliers" marks Melonakos's first exposure to Gilbert and Sullivan. "This is the first one I've ever even opened up, but I am hooked. These boys were evidently the Monty Python of the 1800s."

Odessan Kyle Rosson, who also was in the Globe production of "Two From Galilee," is "not an opera buff." His passion for singing brought him to the auditions. He finds the operetta "a very delightful light musical comedy. The music is very precise and exacting, and it's the precision that makes it go."

Jane Aldrin, another who was in the Globe production of "Two From Galilee," had "never seen this operetta before." She came to tryouts hoping to "get in the chorus again" and "ended up getting a main part.

"This is a first for me. I've never done anything like this before. It's quite challenging."

Odessa High School sophomore Gaby Enriquez, who was not familiar with the operetta, also found herself cast in her first major role. "I was really hoping for a chorus role. I had no idea that I would get such a big part. I was just jumping up; I was screaming; I was so excited."

Marge Campbell, a native of Snyder who moved to Odessa three years ago after living in California and Colorado, is having "a lot of fun" in the Globe production, which marks her first experience as well performing a work by Gilbert and Sullivan.

Gilbert, a master of tricky rhymes and breathless, tongue twisting patter songs, wrote plots that poked fun at serious operas as well as the English nobility. Sullivan was gifted at writing simple, charming melodies. His music is more than a series of melodies; it contains skillful counterpoint and makes clever use of instruments.

Norman Lloyd, author of "The Golden Encyclopedia of Music," suspects that their operettas, written over 20 plus years of quarrelsome collaboration, "are performed in England and the United States probably more than any other musical stage works."

"The Gondoliers" will be performed at the Globe Theatre, 2308 Shakespeare Road, on Feb. 19, 20, 21, 26, 27. Show time is 7:30 p.m. A matinee is planned for 2:30 p.m. Feb. 21. Call (915) 332-1586 or 580-3177 for reservations.

Directing the production is guest director Bob Kuhn of Indianapolis, Ind. Kuhn was contacted about the Odessa show by friends Carlene and Tim Wadley, who have volunteered their directing talents to several Globe productions. Now retired, Kuhn worked for Dow Chemicals for 33 years.

"During that time, music and theater was my avocation," said Kuhn, who first became involved directing Gilbert and Sullivan works in Midland, Mich. "I was involved in many shows, but Gilbert and Sullivan is something that I have a fondness for."

Jordan finds that Kuhn "has a special affinity for Gilbert and Sullivan, which I think will give the show some energy it might not have had otherwise. Gilbert and Sullivan is a pretty stylized comedy that you have to have had a lot of experience with to really bring it off."

What keeps drawing Kuhn to these operettas is, he said, "Sullivan's music and Gilbert's satirical sense of humor."

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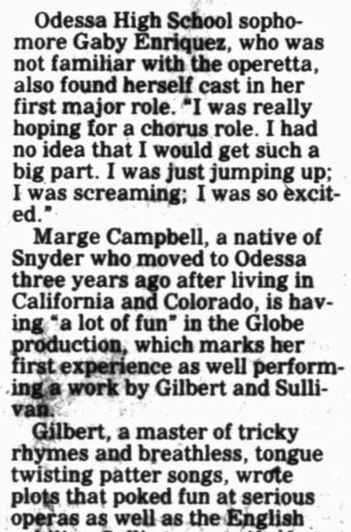

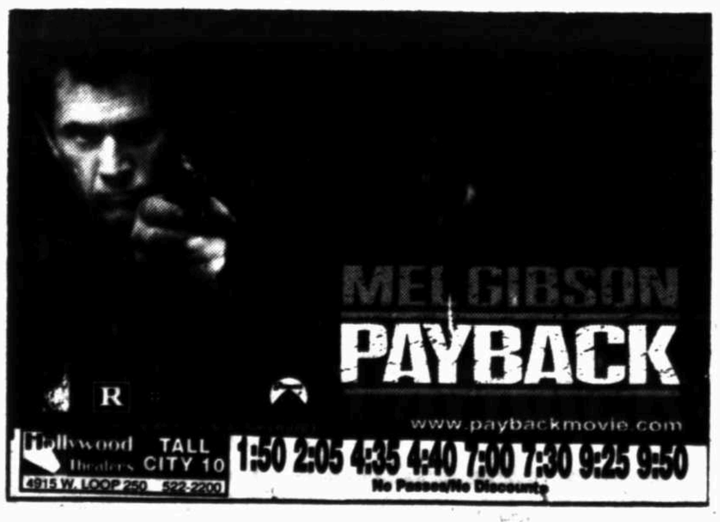

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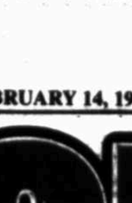

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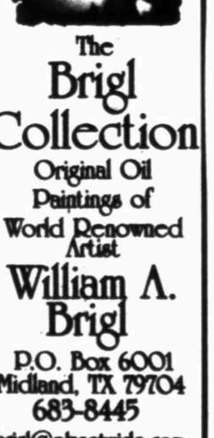
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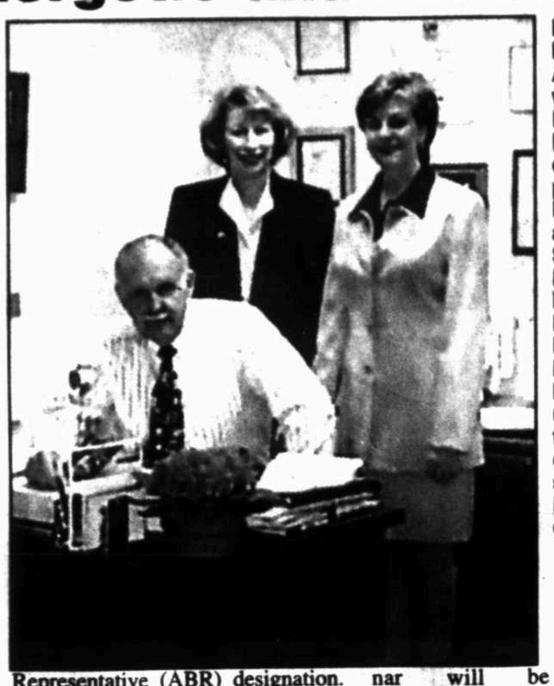
The "Home Team" is committed to providing efficient, energetic and effective service

Who is the "Home Team?" It's a story of three real estate agents with 45 combined licensing years who have teamed up to provide the very best of real estate service to the residents of Midland! Even their Mission Statement on the back of their business card bespeaks their daily intent: "We are committed to providing efficient, energetic and effective service to you - our buyers, sellers, and other agents with whom we are privileged to work. We believe that the purchase or sale of real estate should be a positive, profitable, and enjoyable experience. Our Mission is to provide a world-class real estate experience by applying our time, knowledge, and negotiating skills to maximize our client's and customer's satisfaction. We want each client and customer to be compelled to share their success with friends, family and acquaintances and be The Home Team's "Customer for Life".

The Home Team had its birth in 1998 and combines the talents and experience of Pat Paxton, Broker Associate with Langston Realtors for over 20 years plus her licensed assistants, Sheila McKown and Ron Larson. They are located in the Langston Realtors office at 1908 West Wall, where the atmosphere is warm and friendly and the business of buying and selling properties is handled like the properties were their own homes.

Recently, Pat Paxton and Sheila McKown successfully fulfilled the requirements and were awarded the coveted Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR) designation. It puts them on the cutting edge of real estate services to Buyers. As a Buyer's Agent working on the Buyer's behalf, they are compensated through the commission that the Seller offers when listing their home.



Pat Paxton, Broker Associate with Langston Realtors for over 20 years plus her licensed assistants, Sheila McKown and Ron Larson have 45 combined licensing years and have teamed up to provide the very best of real estate service to Midland residents.

Pat, Sheila and Ron have a great desire to have knowledgeable Buyers and Sellers and in keeping with this goal they will be holding a Buyer's Seminar on Saturday, March 20, 1999 at the downtown office of Norwest Bank. This seminar will be designed for anyone interested in the purchase of a home which includes first time buyers or those buyers that have been out of the market for awhile. On tap for the two-hour event will be a home inspector, an insurance agent, a mortgage lender and an attorney from a title company to answer your questions. The seating will be limited to approximately 20 people; so, if you'd like to attend, please call The Home Team at 682-9495 and let them know you intend to come to this free seminar.

While visiting recently with Pat, Sheila and Ron at their Wall Street office, the subject of Midland's economy and how it has affected the housing market came up. It was the general consensus of all three that the housing marketplace is stable at this time. Home values are not increasing at the rate they had been in the past several years and the inventory of homes available to purchase is still low. Pat indicated that in the past when companies had downsized, this just made more homes available to qualified Buyers and these properties were eagerly absorbed. They indicated that much of their business in this past year has been with first time Buyers primarily because the interest rates have remained low and make owning a home more feasible and practical than paying rent.

When working with Sellers, The Home Team helps the Seller determine the highest and best price for the property, assists them with preparing their house to put its "best face forward", and extensively marketing the property through open houses, the Internet, newspaper advertising and information boxes in front of the house that provide continuous 24-hour marketing.

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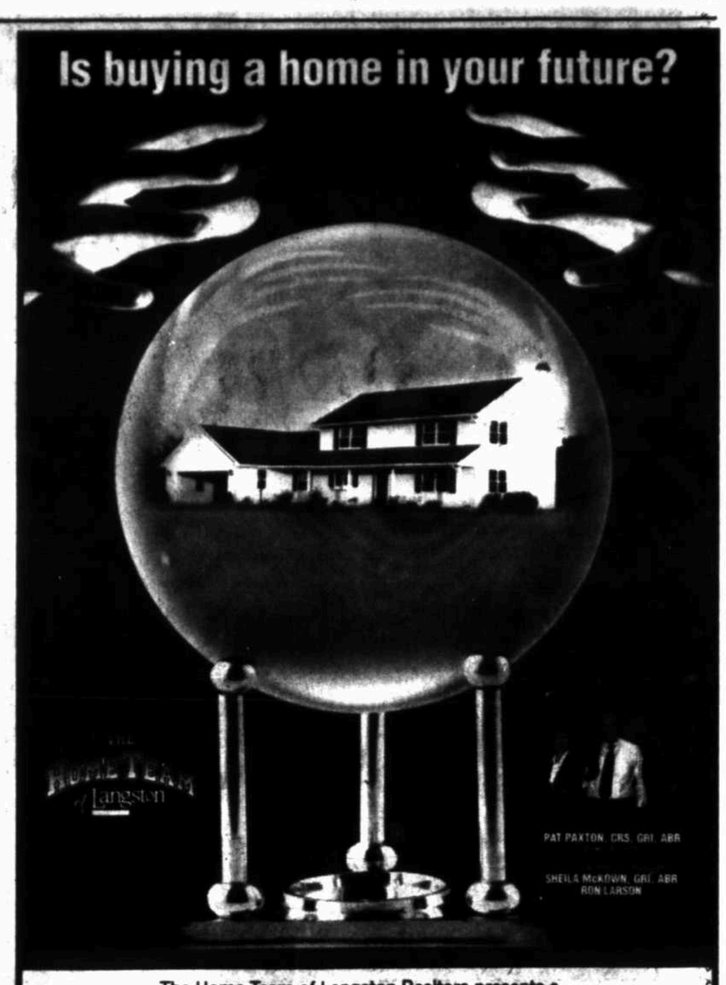

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Because of the high turnover, Judy Jackson's Consignment Collection is constantly changing-and Judy and her store manager, Frances Porter, have a great knack for grouping furniture in unusual combinations-which can help browsers to visualize possibilities within their own homes.

They can also tell you bits of fascinating history about many of the pieces, which have come from every imaginable corner of the world.

Regular visitors to the Consignment Collection say Judy and Frances have an infallible eye for just the right accent, or just the right color when they're looking for advice about fitting pieces together to create an atmosphere.

Judy also offers 30-day layaway for the convenience of her customers, as well as a "want" list, and lists of customers looking for a special item. It's best, however, to visit the store regularly, because with all the moving in and out, Judy and Frances create a sort of informal school of possibilities for arranging what you have to the greatest advantage. Above all, there is the excitement of finding a treasure that may enhance your home with its own history-all for an affordable price!

Judy Jackson's Consignment Collection is located at 3200 W. Wadley, #6. Phone 689-3536. Hours 10:30-5:30, Monday-Saturday.

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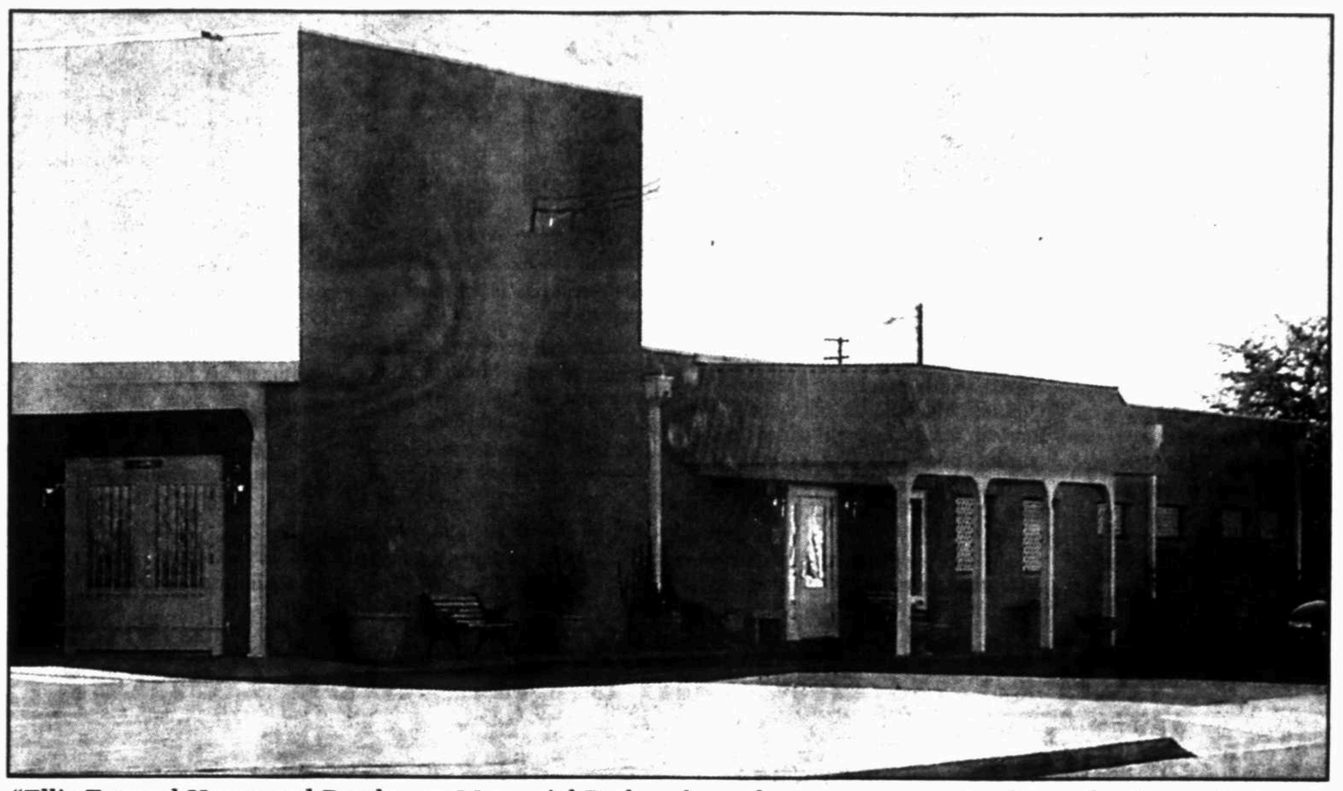
A true honesty and dedication to service during a trying time



John Laschkewitsch, a retired Colonel who moved with his wife and family to Midland from Bismark, ND, said that like most people, he had not thought much about funerals.

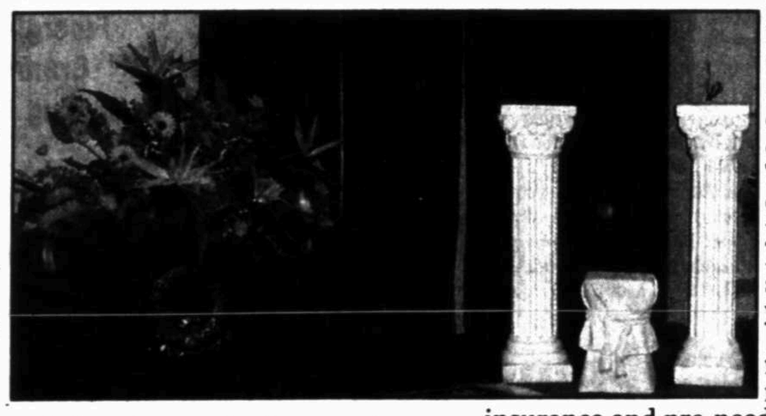
"We had bought lots and markers, and had intended our funerals to be in Bismark," he explained. "Then my wife, Mary, was stricken with a severe progressive neurological illness, and our home was in Midland."

Mr. Laschkewitsch was faced with the imminent death of his wife and the need to make arrangements for the funeral in Midland, at first went to a corporation-owned funeral home recommended by friends. But he was disturbed and put off by what appeared to him to be an excessively commercial approach. "I began to look around, during this very try time," he remembers. "The most difficult thing I've ever done was to have to shop for a fair and good service.

"I believe it was through the grace of God that I was brought to Clawson Pipkin at Pipkin Funeral Home. The more I talked with (Mr. And Mrs. Pipkin), the more I could see a true honesty, a dedication to service, as well as a commitment to being fair and open," he said.

It is unfortunate that John Laschkewitsch's initial experience is the norm rather than the exception. All funeral homes should be like Pipkin Funeral Home, where Clawson Pipkin, independent owner and dedicate advocate of the families he serves, stands out against the corporate giants. At Pipkin Funeral Home, family members are given time and space, and are never steered to more expensive caskets than they would have chosen in less stressful times. Above all, the surviving spouse, parent, son, daughter or sibling is given complete support.

Clawson Pipkin encourages anyone with questions or concerns to call his office at any time, and he carefully answers and explains in plain language all the processes of the funeral. This compassion makes all the difference to families who often don't know what questions they should be asking.



Mr. and Mrs. Pipkin admit that their unique attitude toward funeral and burial arrangements is not as lucrative as some, but they say their reason for being in business is to give the community a choice.

"Ellis Funeral Home and Resthaven Memorial Park, Sunset Memorial Garden and Martinez Funeral Home of Odessa are owned by SCI of Houston; Hubbard Kelly and Frank Wilson of Odessa belong to the Loewen Group of Canada," said Mr. Pipkin. "I feel that being independent, I can access each family without the pressure of profits for stock holders." Their attitude is working in Midland.

Pipkin Funeral Home observes its sixth anniversary this year, and has seen a steady growth. Mr. Pipkin is always listening to needs of his families, and changing in response to their needs.

Recently Mr. Pipkin added a Cremation Arrangement room to assist families who choose cremation and need a suitable cremation casket for the funeral service, as well as receptacles for the ashes of loved ones. In the Cremation Arrangement Room, family members can sit comfortably at a conference table and view samples of cremation caskets, urns, and other receptacles in excellent taste to serve a multitude of preferences. This is but one example of the kind of service you can expect when you choose Pipkin.

Pipkin Funeral Home fills the full spectrum of needs, from acceptance of all insurance and pre-need policies to the down home personal service that is offered.

Many people don't realize that even if they have already paid for funeral arrangements with another funeral home-even in another city or state-they can have those arrangements changed quite easily, by bringing the policy into Pipkin's office.

Pipkin is ready to assist with a chapel seating 250, complete choice of caskets or cremation caskets, grave marker or headstone. Funeral services can be traditional, secular or cremation.

Mr. Pipkin often goes to extraordinary lengths to meet the comfort of their patrons, calling family members, arranging for transportation or sleeping accommodations for out-of-town family members and other simple acts of kindness.

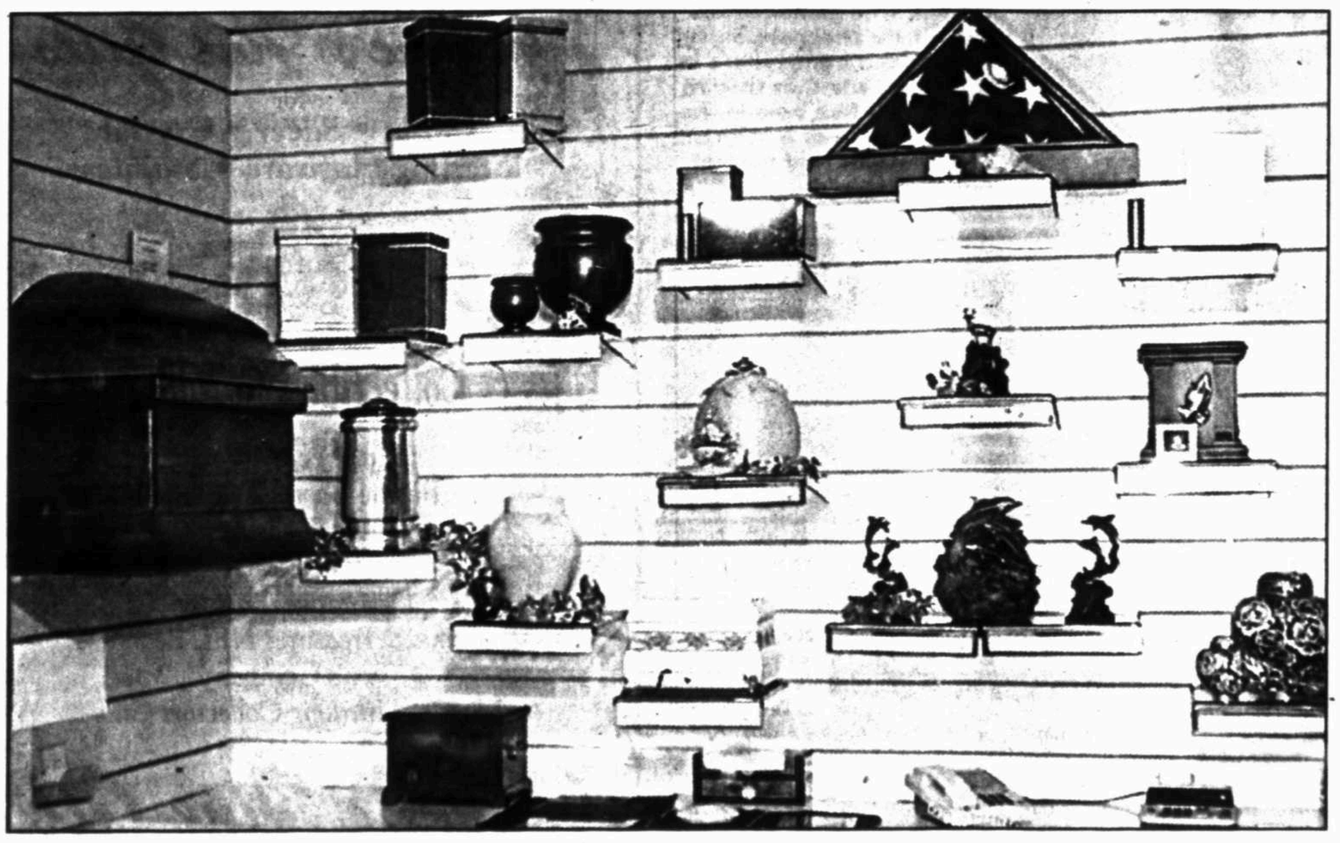
"There was nothing I needed from Clawson Pipkin and his staff that he didn't provide," said John Laschkewitsch. "He even helped me with the obituary and showed it to me as it would appear in the paper." Such unsolicited testimonials are regular occurrence at Pipkin Funeral Home. Another patron, Mrs. Josie Brenner, said, "At a time when there is a loss, there is so much to do that you forget what needs to be done. But at Pipkin Funeral Home, there was a sense of caring. The Pipkin staff made things so much easier for everyone. Mr. Pipkin made sure that things were as we wanted. After the services, we would call to see if I needed anything or if he could help in any way. Mr. Pipkin and his staff were wonderful."

The Pipkins say they do receive thanks for the myriad of extras they provide out of love and caring, but they say what they do is what any neighbor should do. "I feel the way I run my business is the way a funeral home should be run," says Mr. Pipkin. "People shouldn't be pushed into things they don't need at a time when they are the most vulnerable."

Pipkin Funeral Home encourages families and individuals to make prior arrangements (pre-need planning) for funerals, markers, headstones or bronze markers, thus eliminating stress and hasty decisions when a death occurs.

Mr. Pipkin is a licensed embalmer and funeral director, and has been in the funeral business for more than 30 years.

He encourages anyone having questions or concerns to call his office.



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Sewing essentials and more can be found at Needle Nook

Love quilts? Needle Nook, in the Imperial Shopping Center at Midkiff and Wadley, is the place for you!

This shop has everything for quilters - from the seasoned professional to those just getting started in needlecrafts. You'll find all the sewing essentials like scissors, snaps, buttons and bows. There are threads of silk or 100 percent cotton in rainbows of colors.

Among the fabric lines carried by the shop are Hoffman, RJR, Benartex, Maywood and Chanteclaire. Needle Nook has the entire collection of Cabin Fever by Moda, and P & B's DAR Museum Collection. They even sell feed sacks and feed sack squares for quilt making. You'll find vanilla colored muslin to back your feed sack quilt tops.

The Nook carries a variety of needlecraft kits like Kindred Spirits, Art to Heart, I Done My Best, and KP Kids & Co. Martha Pullen, Mary Engelbreit and Debbie Mumm embroidery cards are in stock, too.

Instruction books and quilting guides abound. Browse through the Australian Patchwork magazines then choose from several patterns for quilts from Australia. You can also find the new Thimbleberries Guide for Weekend Quilters on the shelves.

Searching for that perfect gift to present to your favorite seamstress? Check out the Nook's silver pincushions and thimbles. You'll also find tea towels and table linens. Moda has just revived those colorful tablecloths from the 30s, and they're in stock at the shop.

Needle Nook is an authorized Bernina dealer, recently adding a Bernina mechanic to its staff. Classes on the operation of your machine are free if it was purchased at the store, only $75 if you bought it elsewhere.

There are any number of classes scheduled to teach a wide variety of needlecraft arts including applique, embroidery, hand quilting, machine quilting and fashion design and creation.

The really big news at the Needle Nook is their new location. They'll be moving three doors west, next door to Flowers by Ron.

"We should be in our new location by the first of March. We'll be gaining about 1,000 square feet in the move. The class space will be larger, and there will be room for our new quilting machine," says owner Joyce Sledge.

As to the new addition, Needle Nook recently purchased a Gammill Quilting Machine. It's a beauty - fourteen feet of laser driven custom quilting power. If you're tired of being the queen of tops, bring your quilt creations to the Nook for finishing.

The shop is proud to showcase a different customer's work each month. In the next months Ann Podany, Joyce Goodson, Kay Gilstrap and Glenda Sherrard will have their works on display.

Needle Nook has all of the sewing essentials, as well as everything for quilters

The staff at the Nook has their own project in the works. Each staff member has hand appliqued blocks for a quilt to be auctioned at the Annual Cancer Society Round-up. The project's quilting will be done on the newly purchased Gammill.

You can now check out Needle Nook on the World Wide Web. The Internet address is members.aol.com\njoyce\index.html.

But it's best to pop into the shop in person. Abuzz with buyers and browsers, Needle Nook is home to the quintessential quilter!

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Bill's Fence Craft and Bill's Fireplace Center serves West Texans for over 20 Years

Bill Rodriguez is a very diversified General Contractor in Midland. He opened his first business, Bill's Plumbing, in 1977. Then in 1978 he opened Bill's Fence Craft and Bill's Fireplace Center.

Bill Rodriguez is a staunch supporter of Midland College and United Way, and participated in Christmas in April. He is also a Gold Member of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, which he believes plays an important role in our community. Bill says, "We go the extra mile to support the Chamber of Commerce." He has served on the Chamber's Board. He is also a member and supporter of the Better Business Bureau, where anyone can call and check out individuals and businesses before hiring them to do work. Calling and checking with the BBB for previous problems can prevent finding out the hard way that complaints may have been filed against someone, and whether their problem was resolved, before getting involved with them yourself. Bill's philosophy is, "You receive from the community, you return it back into the community." Bill intends to stay involved with the community!

Bill specializes in fence repairs and new construction. He does various types of fence repair—wood, brick and masonry. They also do work on gates, concrete curbing for flower beds, wrought-iron fences, and install cinder block fencing. Any work designed to keep fences and yards presentable, they do it!

Bill Rodriguez, owner of Bill's Fence Craft and Bill's Fireplace Center feels that no job is too small, and no job is too big. His company does them all.

He also does exterior repairs, such as to the side of a brick house, and maintenance to the house. He is capable of doing roof repairs needed for brick pointing. When the masonry between bricks deteriorates, the process to fix this is called brick pointing. He also does concrete, brick and stucco work. Being a General Contractor, he is not limited or restricted to any one type of work. According to Bill, "No job is too small, and no job is too big. We do them all."

As you can see in the photo, Bill can cement steel posts in the ground instead of wood, and can use steel frames when building your gate, which will last a lifetime. Using steel posts in place of the wood is a very practical idea, considering the high winds we are subject to here in West Texas. And when you add a dead bolt and latch to this gate, that is security! But best of all, when you use the steel frame on the gate, it won't sag!

Bill uses written contracts for his work. He believes having a contract will eliminate any confusion or misunderstandings between the contractor and client. It clearly sates the details of the work to be done and the materials, price and time frame for completion of the job, and conformity with existing building codes, etc. It's all stated clearly on paper— eliminating any misconceptions.

He wants his customers to be satisfied with his work, and all work is guaranteed to be satisfactory. "We don't want the customer to worry while the job is in progress, and we like our customers satisfied when the job is completed," according to Bill. The best advertising is word-of-mouth from satisfied customers for jobs well done! He gives references of work done, so that you can check out his expertise.

Bill's Fireplaces is located at his office located at 1509 N. Big Spring. His shop is located at 203 N. Lamesa Road. He carries gas logs, majestic fireplaces and services them, too. For an appointment, give Bill a call at 682-5157 or 684-6089.

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Joanne's Fine Gifts doubles the fun of shopping with Wedding Gifts, Beanie Babies and More

Joanne's Fine Gifts is still the place to go for Reed and Barton, Royal Doulton, Waterford-Marquis and all the leading names in fine crystal, china and silver, but customers in ever increasing numbers are learning that Joanne's has a softer side as well. Soft as in Beanie Babies, those little beanbag toys that capture the hearts of collectors from 6 to 86.

Soft as in NFL, Harley Davidson and Coca-Cola limited edition collectible bears.

Owner Joanne Gentry and her daughter Debbie O'Neill, who manages the shop, said they began carrying Beanie Babies last year, and soon found that customers who once came in to shop for gifts of china and bought Department 56 collectibles on impulse, were gravitating toward the back table where the Beanie Babies sit.

The store gleams with a bountiful selection of sterling pieces by Wallace, Kirk Stieff, Gorham, Lunt and Towle, as well as silver-plated hollowware in handsome water pitchers and a coffee and teapot set.

Stainless flatware is available by Gorham, Oneida, Jean Couzon and Reed and Barton. Joanne's also carries Nambe ware from Albuquerque, which isn't silver but has the same appearance, as well as Kirk Stieff pewter, either in the traditional brushed satin or silver finish.

One of the joys a bride experiences is selecting fine crystal for probably the only time in her life. Waterford-Marquis is available in stemware, and sure to be treasured for a lifetime is a beautiful crystal vase.

Every bride loves the thrill of seeing her table on display. Joanne says brides still favor Lenox Autumn and Eternal patterns and Wedgewood Nantuckett and Countryware.

Shoppers enjoy the relaxed atmosphere in the store, whether they're looking for heirloom-in-the-making china by names such as Lenox, Royal Worchester, Spode, Wedgewood, Noritake, Royal Doulton and Mottahedeh from Portugal, or a little bit of whimsy from Department 56, a Beanie Baby, or some other plush collectible-or perhaps-just looking.

Both Joanne and Debbie contribute to the atmosphere with an indefinable quality that makes it easy to enjoy the browsing, whether you have five minutes or an hour.

Joanne brings to the job her love of people from 31 years of working for Kruger's Jewelry in downtown Midland and 17 years in her store at the present location. Debbie has worked in the store for four years now.

A wide array of gift items include pottery and ceramic pots, some with Texas themes, others of bright yellow, covered with a smattering of amazingly realistic bees. There are deceptively fragile-looking bread bowls in an open basket weave design in vivid colors that are both over- and microwave-safe, and can be used for a variety of purposes, both practical and decorative.

Owner Joanne Gentry and her daughter Debbie O'Neill, who manages the shop, help shoppers enjoy the relaxed atmosphere in the store, whether they're looking for heirloom-in-the-making china or a little bit of whimsy-or that perfect gift for the bride.

There are exquisite pewter crosses and crucifixes, and for the hummingbird collector, a pewter hummingbird hovering over a flower set in a geode base.

There are also gifts for your favorite man, including a traveling office kit with all the indispensables he keeps in his desk drawer.

Nor are new parents forgotten. Check out the lovely little picture frames in pastel colors with tiny pale yellow bears, which look like cake icing.

Once you've made your selections, Joanne's offers free gift wrapping, or wrapping for mailing. And if you need your package shipped, no problem. Joanne's will ship by UPS, for only the cost of the postage and wrapping material.

Joanne's Fine Gifts is located in the Imperial Shopping Center. Phone 694-9812. Open 10-5:30 Tuesday-Friday, and 10-4:30 Saturday.

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Yes, There is a difference in Vitamins--Check out our selection at Natural Foods Market

For years there was a common saying among the makers of food supplements that the human body couldn't tell the difference between a natural or a chemically processed vitamin or mineral. Now health professionals are coming forward every day to say that not only are chemical food supplements less easily assimilated than organic, but that some even contain harmful substances that can affect your health.

Larry Satterfield, owner of Natural Foods Market, says anyone shopping for vitamins or minerals should read the labels before buying.

"One of the most widely advertised vitamin supplements on the market today lists, among other ingredients, Yellow Dye No. 6," he said. "an ingredient that researchers say has caused cancers in lab mice.

"Why you'd need yellow dye in a vitamin tablet is beyond me," added Satterfield, "but that's just some of the information you'll find by reading the labels.

Satterfield added that simply switching to herbal compounds and natural ingredients won't ensure that you'll get enough of what you pay for.

"Herbs lose potency with age, and with certain kinds of processing," he explained. "That's why we deal only with herbal companies that test to make sure the herbs they buy have all the components needed for the desired results. Our herbs and vitamins and minerals are tested for maximum strength, and they contain only natural ingredients.

Although the largest part of Natural Foods Market's business is in high quality vitamins, minerals and herbs, Satterfield said an increasing number of his customers are shopping for organic foods, both fresh and processed, packaged or in bulk, that they read about in diet or holistic living books. Natural Foods Market sells many such publications, along with other free publications that may be had simply by asking.

Two of the most popular books on his shelves lately are Why Christians Get Sick, and God's Way to Ultimate Health, both written by George Malkmus.

"He came to Midland in October and spoke, and a lot of people are buying his books, audio tapes and videotapes," said Satterfield. Once they're in the store, they also pick up the foods recommended by the Reverend Malkmus, whose personal story is enough to make you think twice about your own eating habits.

Malkmus at 42 was the rising young pastor of a church, when he began experiencing intestinal problems. When he consulted a doctor, he was told that he had advanced colon cancer.

"He was told that he had three months to live," said Satterfield. "But he read Genesis 1:29 in his Bible: 'See, I give you all the seed-bearing plants that are upon the whole earth, and all the trees with seed-bearing fruit; this shall be your food.'

"So (Malkmus) unplugged his oven and his stove and a year later, he was still alive. That was 22 years ago."

Satterfield said Midlanders who have begun eating according to the Malkmus food plan come into his store eager to talk about how well they feel, and how much difference the healthy eating has made in their lives.

"They call it 'God's Diet,'" he said. "We try to eat 85 percent raw foods and 15 percent cooked, usually at the evening meal. Others come for help in

sticking to a Dr. Dean Ornish diet, and recently, readers of Suzanne Somers and Marilu Henner, who have both written books outlining their own eating regimens.

Satterfield said nobody in the store is a doctor, nor do they hand out medical advice, although they have a well-thumbed shelf of reference books, and are adding more all the time. Another good reference is the Food Combining Guide wall chart, which Satterfield says is the best single piece of information he's ever read.

"One of the big stumbling blocks to a lot of people who would like to change their way of eating is what goes well together. The Food Combining Guide tells what foods combine well, as well as the ones you shouldn't eat together.

"There is also a section called 'Five Health Builders and Five Health Destroyers'", he added, "and a little section called 'Rich Foods Mean Rich Diseases'."

Satterfield is a practitioner of what he preaches, eating a vegetarian, largely uncooked diet, and adhering to three main rules for eating: 1. Whole foods are better than processed or refined foods; 2. Raw foods are better than cooked foods; and 3. Plant-based foods are better than animal-based foods.

Before changing his diet, Satterfield said he usually had a roll of anti-acid tablets in his pocket, and that he used a small bottle of aspirin every four or five months. Since leaving the "Standard American Diet-or SAD" he said he hasn't had a headache or a stomach ache in almost five years, or used an aspirin or antacid.

Natural Foods Market stocks a 50-foot-long wall full of vitamins, minerals, herbs and other supplements. They have an extensive book and reference section, and offer a discount to senior citizens.

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Expressions...The place for gifts, collectibles and home accessories

An eye on the future with a focus on the home, describes Expressions owner, Sandra Green's approach to merchandising. A distinctive shop on the Midland market scene for ten years, Sandra has watched Midland grow and change, and Expressions has kept the pace.

Sandra explains that, "Our customers have changed along with Midland. People are increasingly sophisticated, and we try to respond to their needs. With our busy and complicated lifestyles, I see a real demand for specialty gifts, accessories, and collectibles that help people express themselves in their home. I like to say that we 'help make a house a home'." Because of this philosophy and the "customer always comes first" attitude, Sandra was named recipient of the Sam Walton Business Leader Award for 1998.

Collectibles give people a special way to express themselves. Expressions carries some of the most popular lines. Wee Forest Mice, Boyd's Bears, Ty Beanie Babies, and United Design are just a few of the delightful and whimsical collectibles you can find here. Muffy VanderBear and her many charming accessories are here now as well.

Expressions is the exclusive distributor for the Wee Forest Mice and one of the largest dealers of Wolfard Oil Lamps, Galileo Thermometers,

Sandra Gree, owner of Expressions was the recent recient of the Sam Walton Business Leader Award for 1998.

Root candles, Dreamsicles, Boyd's Bears, Newell Oler Music, the full line, and Crabtree and Evelyn products, and Sandicast dogs. If you have ever wanted to immortalize your favorite canine, or just adopt a low maintenance pet, Sandicast dogs are amazingly lifelike.

Sandra's philosophy has meant growth for Expressions. "The response to our design and decorator center has been overwhelmingly positive." Sandra started three years ago with just one room of quality decorator accessories, and her customers were so excited with the selection and service that Expressions now has four full rooms of quality with great selections and prices to choose from.

During the next four months, Expressions plans to bring in two new looks with the first one being some selective inspirational items and the second being a unique collection of baby items. This will be two new areas of gift items for the year 1999. Sandra says, "We are really excited about the new addition and we think our customers will be also.

"We pay attention to the outdoors, too," Sandra adds. "I enjoy being outdoors, so I love my selections for indoor or outdoor spaces." Splashing fountains, clever stepping stones, chimes, feeders and unique birdhouses with old antique items on the front are just a few of the garden items you can find.

Vennie Dollahan, a valuable asset to Expressions, is the owner of Enchanted Attic, an area within Expressions that specializes in personalized stationery, a large selection of computer paper and scrapbook supplies such as stickers and borders. Vennie also carries a complete selection of Crabtree and Evelyn products such as potpourri, gifts, candles, and bath products, that are exceptional gifts for anyone.

Don't forget Expressions when you are looking for special gifts. Kitchen accessories, collegiate items, specialty foods and potpourri are wonderful ideas for anyone on a gift list. Of course, gift-wrapping is always free and always done with a smile.

With Expressions Too approaching its first anniversary, the store has grown and become a terrific source for bargains and antique items.

Stop by Expressions and catch a little bit of Sandra's enthusiasm and see why Expressions,..is an uncommonly wonderful gift store.

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Rustic Outpost offers Furniture and Acccessories Reflecting Old Mexico and the Old West

Trips to Ruidoso and furniture they couldn't resist buying for themselves spawned the idea for Rustic Outpost, which opened September 1, 1998. Owner Dennis Finn left his position at Westwood Medical Center as Education Co-ordihator to act as buyer and manager for the store. Co-owner and wife Patricia remains at Westwood as same-day surgery charge nurse.

Rustic Outpost carries furniture that is exclusive in Midland, almost all of it crafted by hand in the state of Chihuahua, Mexico. None is made in a factory, and every piece is an eye-catcher. The majority is massive enough to discourage the most ardent furniture-moving homemaker from the urge to rearrange a room.

A heavy pine table seats six with chairs featuring a sunburst design, carved across the tops. This is the kind of family table young diners will always remember. It is one of the many pieces in the store that Dennis calls "Pass me down" furniture.

The heavy, queen-size, pine bed falls into this category, too. The Finns' 16 year-old stepson is the proud owner of one. Rustic Outpost also carries Southwestern style, iron beds in queen-size.

Tarahumara Indians in Mexico created the sofa table, featuring oil-painted scenes of Mexican horsemen riding across the three top panel. Another sofa table is fashioned of aged barn wood, finished only with wax, giving it a soft lustre. Both are sure to be conversation pieces in any room.

The store is a browser's heaven because all of the prices on the items are clearly marked. One, which is sure to stop every shopper in his tracks, is the clock cabinet with shelves behind the top door. Filling the face of the door is a large, battery-operated clock, ideal for the person, forgetful about the time. Inside, other shelves and drawers are ideal for clothing and other belongings.

Pieces which spell "Southwest" include the tables with cow horn legs and cowhide tops. Another is the iron mirror, surrounded by western symbols such as horseshoes, arrows, and a snake design. Dennis uses high-quality mirror glass from this country to fill the frames.

The soon-to-open Courtyard Cafe in downtown Midland has bought a number of Rustic Outpost's pieces to decorate the spacious restaurant.

Tall, CD cabinets come in a variety of finishes and doors. Some have glass; another has iron decor across the front. A standout is a cabinet like one which appears in Robert Redford's "Sundance" catalog. It is a bright teal blue with golden suns painted on the side. (And a much lower price tag than "Sundance"'s.)

Several styles of entertainment centers are on display. One, a whitewashed center, features pocket doors, which fold back along the inside, providing extra space.

Not all the furniture is massive. A sturdy but quaint student desk begs the most reluctant pupil to organize his school supplies and homework in the little cubbyholes and drawers. The same desk sells in a Taos shop for $1400. Dennis sells it for $285.

An artisan from Alamogordo, New Mexico, creates the large, pine rockers. Dug— McIntyre crafts two sizes, both fit for the mammoth proportions of a Paul Bunyan. One will seat three persons. Another version is built three inches lower to the floor for the comfort of those with shorter legs.

Although some are created in places distant from the Southwest, the store's accessories seem especially designed for the rustic style of the furniture. Colorful, wooden roosters are made in Indonesia; made-for-a-lifetime baskets come from Pakistan.

Others depict the flavor of the Old West such as the Mexican spur bookends and the candle holders with the Texas star, right out of the pages of Texas Monthly magazine. A charming, inexpensive candleholder, made of iron in the shape of a heart, is painted a teal blue.

Iron floor and table lamps provide another rustic accent in a room. Some enclose spurs or Texas stars and feature leather shades.

A muted green, iron easel seems to be awaiting a western painting. At the top is a large star with Texas-shaped brackets at the bottom to hold the painting.

Some of the newest accessories are the charming, roughly-hewn bears from Ruidoso. Of different sizes, each possesses a different, winsome expression. If a buyer wishes, the bears can be personalized by adding skiis, a fishing rod, or rifle in addition to a name.

Dennis or salesman Don Kuenstler will be happy to help customers or make them feel welcome to browse. Count on the temptation to sit in one of the huge rockers.

Rustic Outpost is located at 3001 W. Loop 250, Suite C-105, next to Mervyn's. Phone 522-1202. Hours are 10-6, Monday through Saturday.

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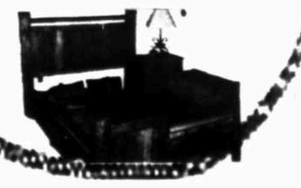


Once Upon A Time provides the stuff that dreams are made of

Once Upon A Time co-owner Patti Eager and partners Rixie Connell and Donna Snyder provide lovers of whimsy an enchanted kingdom of special gifts and treasures served up with the perfect cards at their shop in Midland Plaza at Loop 250 and Midkiff. Located across from Service Merchandise and right next door to the Perfect Setting, you'll find a fairy tale come true where one-on-one customer service is the first law of this magical land.

To help you save the stuff your dreams are made of, the shop offers a scrapbooking center, Pretty in Print, where Gina Lann presides over scrapbook workshops. Loads of acid free papers are available for dream saving and custom printing of invitations. Arrangements can be made for a class in scrapbooking to be taught at your place of business or organization.

Once Upon A Time provides gift ideas ranging from a large selection of stationery from Lang Graphics and Carol Wilson, to whimsical wind chimes and bird houses hand painted by Mrs. Connell, to one of the area's largest selections of collectibles from Coca-Cola. Or, if you're looking for a souvenir for a Yankee buddy, Texas teasers and pleasers abound, including Lone Star State collegiate memorabilia for the new graduate or student.

For Mary Engelbreit fans, this truly is the magic kingdom! What the shop doesn't carry, they'd be pleased to special order. You'll find ME teapots and cookie jars, coffee cups and coasters, drawer pulls and watches. Why there's even the "Queen's" crystal ball available for purchase.

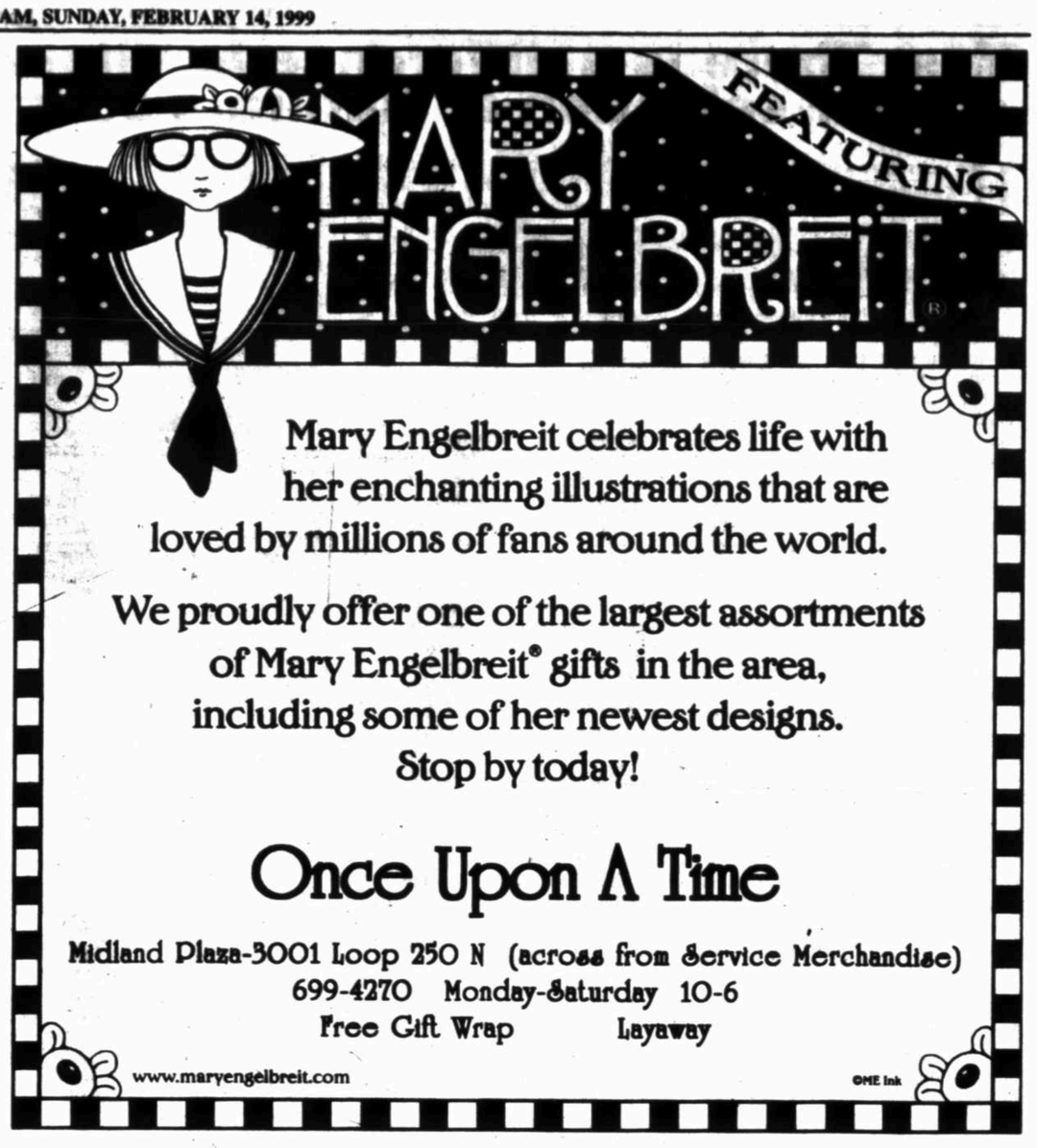
According to Mrs. Eager, it's the broad assortment of each line of gifts that sets the shop apart from similar stores. "What we've tried to do is focus strongly on the specialty brands that we carry, providing a large selection of items from that line. Most small stores will have just a little. We've learned that people like having that large selection from which to choose. So, instead of carrying wind chimes from only one manufacturer, we offer four or five lines, including those that are unique or unusual."

Patti Eager and partners Rixie Connell and Donna Snyder provide over 1400 square feet of spur of the moment gifts.

The store also carries several leading lines of greeting cards, whimsical figures by Eddie Walker, and Hearth & Home Original Cake candles. You'll find a variety of items perfect to include in gift baskets, like hand made scented soaps from Dallas shaped in loaves like bread and sliced to order on sight. There is also a large selection of Inspirational art tiles by J. Duban Designs from Ft. Worth.

The size of Once Upon A Time - about 1400 square feet of selling space - gives it an intimate and easy atmosphere, making it the perfect place to drop by and pick up a gift for that special someone on the spur of the moment. "Everyone's so busy these days that people wait until the last minute when purchasing presents, but they want a nice gift...something quick and simple while still being special. You can pop into our shop, pick out a present, the card to go with it, and then we'll gift wrap it for free," states Mrs. Eager.

"We keep our store light and cheery and very casual. We buy merchandise that brings a smile to your face, something that's fun for our customers and us too," says Mrs. Eager of the store. And like in all good fairy tales, her dream of gift heaven has come true.



The staff at Cut Above works together to provide a professional and friendly atmosphere

Owner/Stylist Terry Wells of the Cut Above Hair and Nail Salon has worked in the Hair Business for 17 years. Terry said, "I have been very fortunate to work for very nice people along the way. I try to provide an environment where not only do my stylists and manicurists want to work, but customers feel welcomed and enjoy our salon."

Terry has owned Cut Above for 3 years and has had very little turnover in stylists. "Three stylists have left our salon in the past because they moved away from the area," Terry said, adding "We all work well together to provide a professional and friendly environment, and especially professional services."

Times are tough right now, so it is especially important to provide the best service possible. The stylists are continually attending classes and hair shows to stay current on the latest trends and techniques. Terry says, "I think being honest with customers builds a trusting relationship. They have to trust your ability to provide them with a service, whether it is a cut, color, perm or style. We all feel it is important to know how to provide the best service. We learn it through education—Continuing Education!"

The Stylists at Cut Above include Amado Peña, Brenda Yonts, Linda Campbell, Cathy Davis, Ashley Plumlee, Angie Herebia and owner, Terry Wells. They also have two manicurists, Rebecca Nelson and Sherry Cockrell.

All of the stylists and manicurists have families. Terry says, "We know what it is like to be busy— running children to soccer, dance, school, and sports; and trying to fit in our own personal free time. So when it comes to customers, we try very hard to schedule around such things. It's nothing to come back to work late because either the customer or one of us has had a crazy day of running. Customers like that about us—we try very hard to be loyal, and so do they. Cut Above has been very blessed with a great clientele," says Terry.

You will be greeted by Angie Herebia, who is not only the receptionist, but also a stylist building her clientele. Terry, Ashley, Cathy, Amado and Brenda have all worked together for approximately 8 years. They have all attended Classes and Workshops together, and help each other out in many situations. We really compliment each other. Linda Campbell, the newest stylist to the salon, is the Redken Educator for the area. She recently returned from the Redken Symposium in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Standing L-R: Terry Wells, Becky Nelson, Amado Pena, Sherry Cockrell, Cathy Davis, Linda Campbell
Sitting L-R: Brenda Yonts, Angie Herebia, Ashley Plumlee

Our manicurists, Becky Nelson and Sherry Cockrell, have added to the Salon—not only with their loyal customers, but with their expertise. Becky has 9 years experience, while Sherry has 2 years and is still building a clientele. The manicurists also do pedicures and paraffin manicures.

The Cut Above technicians adhere to the strict sanitation regulations of the Texas Cosmotology Commission.

Cut Above is located next to Mervyn's and Ranch House in the Midland Plaza. The Salon is open Tuesday-Saturday. Hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Monday by Appointment Only. Call 697-1924 for an appointment.

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J-MAR ART GALLERY is noted for its quality framing, prints and gifts

Martha Galyean's eye for color is her secret for blending picture, mat, and frame as she has done in over 95% of the prints on display at J-MAR ART GALLERY. "Frames by Martha G" are known to enhance any print a customer brings in or selects in the gallery.

Since moving to their Midkiff St. location, Jim and Martha Galyean have added an array of quality gifts in addition to their prints. They include beautiful flowers from Capodimonte and delicate, purple irises with long-stemmed blossoms that come boxed, much like real flowers.

Elegant porcelain roses can accent almost any type of room. Lifelike hummingbirds and doves by Andrea hover over roses, which rest on their own wooden bases.

Colorful Palo Pinto pottery, made by John and Judy McCain in Gordon, Texas, comes in several rich shades of blue and in many shapes and forms. For her master's degree, Judy created a magnificent wall hanging of silk and other hand-dyed yarns. The vibrant blues and reds bring gasps of admiration from browsers.

J-MAR ART CALLERY is the exclusive dealer for the Mill Creek Limited Edition line of sculptures. Dramatic animal figures are signed, numbered, and certified for authenticity. They include deer, moose, antelope, tigers, buffalo, and the popular wolves and eagles, plus open stock items. They range in price from $29 to $596.

Until January, 1998, Bradford Exchange plates were available only through mail order. Now, J-MAR ART GALLERY features them with some that include the warm colors of artist Thomas Kinkade's scenes.

Delicate gifts, sure to attract a woman's eye, are the glass-blown hummingbird and angel earrings.

Prints by well-known artists such as G. Harvey, Larry Dyke, Debbie Hyatt, and Virgil Stephens are available, both framed and unframed, Harvey's evocative titles reflect his attitude toward his subjects. They include "Taking Texas North," depicting a cattle drive; "Boss's New Rig," "Early Riders," "When Snow Melts Into Music," and the popular "Texas Independence," which shows cowboys riding along the streetcar tracks down rainy Congress Avenue in Austin. Red, white and blue bunting drapes the buildings, leading to the state capitol.

A man and his wife, browsing in the store, glimpsed the framed print on display. Noting the price, the man commented, "That's just for the print, isn't it?"

"No," Martha told him, "that's for the frame and all."

"Why, I paid that much in Dallas for the print alone," he said.

Larry Dyke is known for his Bible verses that serve as titles for his paintings. Only the Scripture name and verse number appear on the front, but the certificate of authenticity on the back carries the verse's wording, which explains the picture.

J-MAR ART CALLERY can obtain any print by G. Harvey or Larry Dyke.

Ted Ellis is a young black artist from League City, Texas. His touching religious scenes feature worshipers in paintings such as "Gospel Soul Choir," "The Baptism," "Grandma's Church," and "Sunday Worship," both depicting white-painted, country churches. His "Praying Hands" is a classic.

Ellis reveals an appreciation of black military men in his paintings of the buffalo soldiers. "The Lonely Angels" focuses on black airmen.

In the Southwest Contemporary art of Doreman Burns, the bright colors are irresistible. Young western women are shown in such whimsical poses as "Sweetheart of the Rodeo," "Buffalo Gal," and "Rodeo Rider." One of these might grace a restaurant, western shop, ladies room, or hair salon.

Jim Galyean says, "We're eager to work with an office or a business to develop its decor with our prints and accent pieces."

He points out his prints of famous U.S. golf holes, along with the humorous, Mulligan golfing figurines, both of which would enhance a golfer's office.

J-MAR ART GALLERY's celebrity prints by Gary Saderup are sure to include a famous personality with special significance to a customer. Of course, Martha G. can use her unique framing talents on the print to spotlight a chosen place in any room. The celebrities include: Michael Jordan, George Strait, Garth Brooks, Ronald Reagan, Martin Luther King, Katherine Hepburn, Marilyn Monroe, John Wayne, the Star Trek characters and many others.

The atmosphere in J-MAR ART GALLERY is quiet and relaxing, the perfect place to make a selection for now or some future, special occasion. Do Mother's Day or Father's Day ever present a gift problem? Beautiful, framed calligraphy pays touching tributes in "To My Mother" and "To My Father." Come in and let friendly Jim and Martha Galyean show you around or just leave you alone to browse.

J-MAR ART GALLERY is located at 1215 N. Midkiff, just south of Andrews Hwy and Midkiff. Phone 520-6160. Hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

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Carter's Furniture makes commitment to customers in the Permian Basin

It's a tradition in West Texas that when things warm up, you fix up and spruce up, making use of the pretty days to build up and spread out.

That's why it's no surprise to hear that Carter's Furniture plans to build additional showroom space in order to have room for more lines of selected, dependable furnishings with the value and insistence on complete satisfaction that Carter's customers have come to expect over the years.

Tim Carter, third generation owner of Carter's Furniture, said he has made a lasting commitment to his customers in the Permian Basin and beyond.

"The new area will allow us to make commitments with other vendors that will enable us to change and to keep pace with what our customers want. In this business, you're constantly bringing in new styles in response to your customers who want change, while maintaining classics for others."

Meanwhile, the value at Carter is just as good as it ever was.

Late last year, Carter's Furniture added a Broyhill gallery at the front of the store for the advantage of customers who want fine quality, furniture of classic good taste and value. Carter's customers have been able to buy Broyhill here for years; however, the gallery is new, and it's the only one in the Midland/Odessa area.

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"We'd like to invite anyone who didn't make it to the grand opening of our Broyhill gallery to come in now," said Carter. "We think they'll really like what they see."

Carter said the store will also continue to carry its large line of La-Z-Boy, which has grown from a rocker-recliner manufacturer to a major player in stationary upholstery sofas, loveseats and occasional chairs.

"We continue to put a lot of emphasis on La-Z-Boy," he added. "It's a rapidly changing company, and one of the most dynamic in the industry, with a good feeling for what's going on. Our La-Z-Boy gallery covers about 5,000 square feet." The La-Z-Boy design center enables shoppers to select a frame and fabric for a custom look and have it in six to eight weeks. To accommodate buyers wanting a custom look in other lines, the store maintains a catalog room with all the manufacturer's catalogs.

Carter's Furniture also features a Beauty-Rest bedding department, as well as many smaller independent brands that have proven to give good value. To find the best there is to offer, he said the company goes to the big markets.

"We shop the major markets at international home furniture markets at High Point, North Carolina, the capitol of the world for furniture.

"They have two major markets a year, and about 100,000 people show up for each one. You get a good idea quickly where the furniture industry is headed."

Carter said he grew up in the furniture business. His grandfather started a store in Big Spring, which was owned and operated by his uncle.

"Then my father started this business in Midland as a used furniture store in 1951," he said. "He relocated a few times, then built the present building just east of downtown on Illinois, and expanded it.

"In 1986, we started a transition of ownership from my father to me," said Carter, "but my father and mother are both still active and are very much a part of our business.

"Customers still come in and ask for my father. They'll say, 'Oh, when we first moved to Midland, we bought our whole house-full of furniture from him,' and they'll bring their sons and daughters in to buy furniture.

"It's always nice when that happens."

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The Ivy Cottage overflows with gifts for everyone

The Ivy Cottage sits a little way backK from the street but is easy to spot from its inviting garland of greenery, twined across the front. Whether or not you're a compulsive shopper, you're guaranteed to find irresistible the selection in Midland's largest gift shop.

Nowhere else in Midland except in the Ivy Cottage will you find specialty items for the office, bath, garden, kitchen, nursery, wedding, and almost any collection you can think of—all in one place. The store is especially proud of its large selection of unique greeting cards.

You have hard-to-buy-for people to delight with a gift? You'll find an amazing array of creative items designed for policemen, firemen, doctors, nurses, and airplane enthusiasts. A framed collection of postage stamps with airplane images is an eye-stopper. The store also carries state of Texas, Texas Tech, and Texas A&M gifts.

Everyone swept up in the scrapbooking craze will find bountiful papers, invitations, rubber stamps, Mrs. Grossman's stickers,, and other enhancements to create their books of precious memories.

Baby books feature spaces for the family tree, first achievements, and all those milestones parents—and, later, the grown-up baby—will love to look back on.

The store carries wedding planners and guest books. Bridal memory books have pages for recording details of the courtship, the parties, and the wedding itself and all it entails. This, too, is a book the bride and groom will always cherish.

A bridal registry is one of the Ivy Cottage's services with formal invitations that can be ordered.

A spring or summer wedding would be the perfect incentive for a garden shower. The store's garden department fairly swells with ideas for gifts: chimes of all sizes, animal-shaped sprinklers, rain gauges, thermometers, bird feeders, birdhouses, garden hose holders, door mats, flags—anything imaginable that goes with "outdoors," "garden," or "patio."

A new bride—or any woman—would enjoy a kitchen trimmed with Mary Engelbreit decor, especially her bright red cherries. The Ivy Cottage has a huge selection of items such as recipe boxes and cards, a framed print, hot pan holders, picture frames, refrigerator magnets, a floor mat, note pads, and a bulletin board.

Easy-to-hold kitchen gadgets from the Good Grip line offer garlic peelers, ice cream scoops, potato peelers, and other tools for those who have diminished hand strength.

Nostalgia continues to be the theme of novelty cookie jars. This year it's those American icons, Betty Boop, Lucy, and Elvis. They also appear in matching salt and pepper shakers.

Any man can find the perfect gift for that special woman. One remarked, "My wife said for me to buy anything I see; she'll love it."

Women who enjoy romantic surroundings will relish the Aromatique potpourri in Smell of Spring and Smell of the Rose. Aromatique also makes Splendor in the Bath with candles, powder, and bubble bath.

For a truly personalized gift, let the Ivy Cottage create a gift basket with unusual, gourmet foods, candles, or bath items. The talented people there can also make a wreath or centerpiece from in-stock materials.

Jewelry cases display a tantalizing array of pins, earrings, necklaces, pendants, rings, and bracelets.

Men who want to add their own style to their offices or homes might appreciate the safari collection. For cigar enthusiasts, there are appropriate items such as bookends, humidors, and ash trays.

Large crosses of pewter and silver, both ornate and simple, could grace a home or an office. A dramatic, silver head of Christ is included in the collection.

The Ivy Cottage family consists of Becky and Tim Phillips, Gena Linebarger, Nelda Teer, Beverly Vaughan, Donna Sawyer and Jeanine Stanfield. New faces include Sherrie and Greg Sikes, Terrisa McKnight, Ester Lopez and Kati Alexander.

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Be ready to feel that tug-of-heart when you discover exactly the right gift for that person you're shopping for. And it will be virtually impossible if you don't find something you simply must have for yourself!

The Ivy Cottage welcomes shoppers from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday-Saturday at 3101 N. Big Spring. Phone 687-6010.

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Pinner Carpets where customer service ranks first

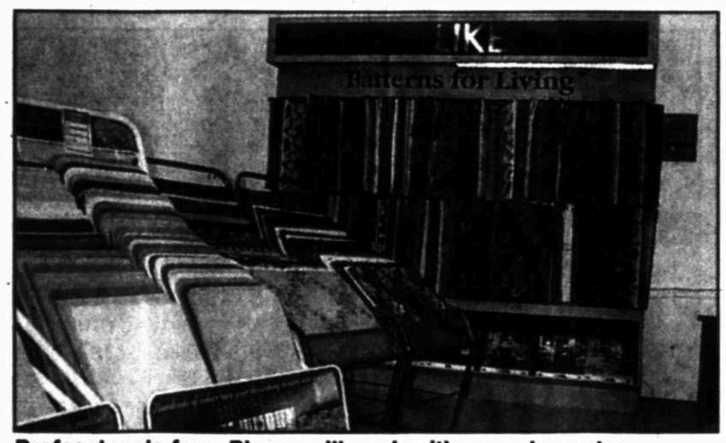
Pinner Carpet at 800 East Eighth Street in Odessa has been in business for more than thirty-eight years. With over 10,000 square feet of carpet and flooring samples, Pinner boasts one of the largest showrooms in the area. The variety of flooring to choose from is enormous.

The Stevens Carpet Gulistan Collection is one of Pinner's newer lines of carpeting. With an incredible 240 colors and eight styles to select from, you can let your imagination soar. Try Saxonies such as Weston Hills or Park Meadows for your formal style. Then choose textures like Piper Glen or Barton Creek for a more cozy and casual feel.

One of the more popular lines of Pinner carpeting is Karastan. Their broadloom carpet and area rugs are truly works of art, designed and crafted to satisfy both the aesthetic and the practical demands of your home or business.

Maybe 100 percent nylon berber from Styles for Living is the carpet you have in mind. It's warm. It's soft. It's comfortable. And it will be installed by experienced professionals when you purchase it from Pinner.

Other carpeting choices found at Pinner Carpets include Masland, TrustMark, Queen, Coronet, Mohawk, Cumberland, Sutton, Aladdin, Custom Weave and Cabin Crafts. There is something for any budget, from top-of-the-line to the easily affordable.



Professionals from Pinner will work with your decorator, designer or builder to give you the special look you're after.

Looking for wood? Mannington Wood Floors with their rich tones and handsome luster speak of timeless elegance. Professionals from Pinner will work with your decorator, designer or builder to give you the special look you're after. Parquet and planking are also available from Hartco, Andersen Wood and Bruce Wood.

Laminate flooring is the newest, most innovative flooring material available. More practical than wood, more durable than vinyl, it offers an astounding range of style options. From warm, welcoming woodgrains to today's most popular stone-looks. Another Pinner line, Wilsonart Flooring, stands out in terms of laminate style and performance.

Pergo is the revolutionary laminate floor covering from Sweden, and Pinner Carpets carries it. With excellent wear characteristics and easy care, Pergo is ideal for kitchens, hallways, playrooms, living rooms and bedrooms. There are so many designs your imagination can run free. Professional custom installation is available, of course.

Custom and area rugs can be found at Pinner. They carry modular carpet tile, vinyl and vinyl sheet goods as well. Pinner Carpets is also a DuPont Approved MasterStore.

So, for all your commercial or residential flooring needs, shop Pinner Carpets where customer service ranks first.

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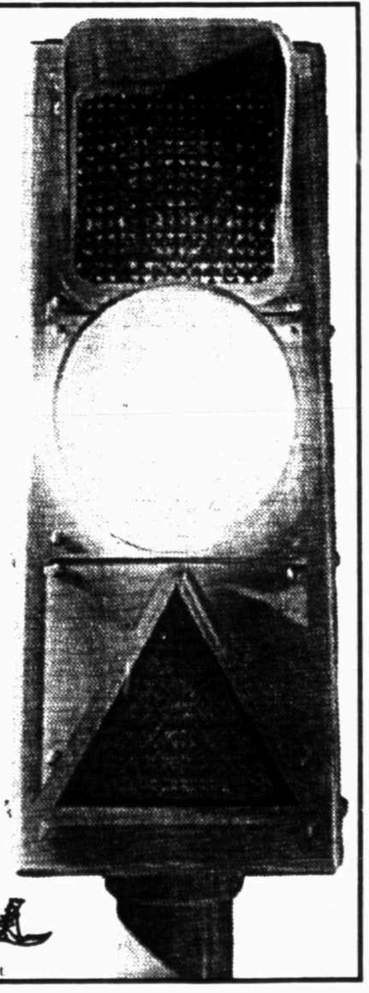

When it comes to lighting your life with a beautiful glow, the place to start is A Shade Above

There's something shady going on at the little shop at 3328 N. Midkiff, just across from San Miguel Square. Tired looking old lamps enter the door and exit a little later with a total face lift! The magic is as simple as a new shade, a finial or in some cases, a minor repair from A Shade Above.

The right lampshade can change a tired old lamp into a piece of art or make a fashion statement from a decorating dilemma. Brenda Beasley, owner of A Shade Above, has seen the magic of a lamp gone glamorous time and again. She can make it happen for you.

Her customers come from around the corner and around the world. One woman who lives in Hawaii flies into Terminal, then stops by A Shade Above on her way to her ranch in Alpine.

A Shade Above has lamp shades for all personalities and tastes. For the western personality, there are lamp shades featuring pictures of Dale Evans and Trigger, or an old-time chuck wagon gang, as well as handmade rawhide shades.

For the more tailored person, Brenda has linen shades in empire styling, cut corner squares and cut corner rectangles. Choose shades in tapestry fabric with old English fringe for a Victorian look. Brenda says popular colors currently are bisque, pastels, terra cotta, celadon green and copper. Black shades with gold lining and black rope trim are also hot.

"The gold lining under the black silk casts down a nice warm light," she says, "and the black lining in a black shade closes the lighting and makes it more intimate. We sell more black with gold lining than almost any other combination."

Brenda Beasley, owner of A Shade Above, says her store has lamp shades for all personalities and tastes and has seen a new lampshade work magic time and again.

For a contemporary look, try a looped string shade for the look of a beaded shade, but subtle, and in a wide range of shapes.

Brenda says her all-time best selling contemporary is the black parchment coolie lampshade. She also sells a lot of oval shades, which are more popular today than ever before.

If you really want to walk on the wild side, there are lamp shades covered in cheetah, leopard and zebra print fabrics-and not to be overlooked is the tiny boudoir lamp, trimmed in marabou.

Silk-O-Lite, which is A Shade Above's leading lampshade line, is found on lamps in hotels such as the Waldorf-Astoria, St. Regis, Helmsley Hotels, New York's Plaza Hotel, Ritz-Carlton and other world-famous hotels. Brenda says she also sees her shades in movie scenes and TV shows.

Many of A Shade Above's customers are collectors of finials, which Brenda says can often dramatically change the look of a lamp. Her collection includes one-of-a-kind cloisonné and crystal designs, hand-carved bone, miniatures of trout, bass, animals; geodes and arrowheads; and one the size of a golf ball in the shape of...a golf ball.

If you need not only a lampshade, but a repair, A Shade Above has a complete lamp repair shop and custom shop, where lamps in need of a little first aid, or even major surgery can come out looking like new. It goes without saying that A Shade Above also has the finest of lamps as well, for all tastes, from rustic iron to handpainted, traditional or Oriental. And if you're an idea person who sees the glass neither half empty nor half full, but as the base for the perfect lamp, you can take your ideas and materials to A Shade Above, and they'll do the rest.

In short, when it comes to lighting your life with a beautiful glow, the place to start is A Shade Above.

A Shade Above is located at 3328 N. Midkiff. Phone 694-2229.

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Flowerland specializes in weddings and parties with a full service shop that can design anything for any budget

For over 30 years Flowerland has been providing fresh flowers for all occasions, "while getting our best ideas from our customer," states Peggy Parkinson, manager of Flowerland. "We love our customers and give them a lot of credit for their ideas."

The store's nine designers are experienced in all areas of the flower business and pride themselves in satisfying just about any creative request, from floral arrangements to gift baskets.

According to Mrs. Parkinson, "When a customer calls, they tell us about the occasion and the emotion of the situation, whether it is a wedding or a birthday. Our designers then create something appropriate for that event. We are a service-oriented organization that can basically produce whatever our customer wants."

Flowerland specializes in weddings and parties with a full service shop that can design anything for any budget. They also offer a variety of gifts for any occasion including silks, gift baskets and gourmet items. Even teddy bears can be found around the shop.

Holidays are especially busy for Flowerland, but Parkinson proudly points out that their staff can be very creative under pressure. "Working with flowers can be a hectic business, while at the same time being a lot of fun!" adds the store's manager.

The design staff is quite talented at creating something comforting, as well. "Funerals are a difficult time. People need someone they can trust to give them fresh flowers. Flowers are such a personal statement, it is the last thing we can do for a person," says Mrs. Parkinson. "We are in an emotional business. It is great to fill orders for the special needs of our customers."

"We do our best to get the freshest flowers. We have products that come from places as far away as South America and Hawaii," adds Mrs. Parkinson. The life cycle of flowers is longer because the staff at Flowerland is very knowledgeable about processing and hydrating their products with fluids.

The Flowerland designers also offer free consultations at your home. "We can customize silk arrangements for any decor. The business of flowers is very personal because the customers tell the designers what they want to have expressed with their arrangements," remarks Mrs. Parkinson.

As manager of the flower shop, she enjoys her job and the fact that the most beneficial thing about the floral business is giving something back to the people that are its customers. "Nothing is ever the same. There is never a dull moment when working with people to design new arrangements," says Mrs. Parkinson.

Flowerland has a full service shop to meet their customers needs.

"The customers are what make this business great," she continues. "There is something about fresh flowers. They can change a person's whole mood. That makes our job rewarding."

Flowerland was established in 1947 by Mr. Jim Kent, who then sold it to Ron Johnston. In 1968 Mark and Jane Knox purchased the flower shop. Mr. Knox was the president of FTD in 1992, and remains an influence within the floral industry today.

Flowerland is located at 413 Andrews Hwy., Midland, 682-1634.

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First National Bank: Locally owned, locally managed

Offering Midlanders a bank that is locally managed, overseen by a local Board of Directors and funded by local investors were the goals of Ken Burgess and Steve Harper when they opened First National Bank of Midland three months ago.

"We live in Midland; we are committed to Midland, we are involved in the community," said Ken Burgess, chief executive officer of the bank.

Harper, bank president, said, "Another goal of our bank is to offer a high level of personal service and a full range of banking services."

He added, "The bank's niche market is small to medium-sized businesses, everything from independent oil and gas operators to general business. We also want to handle not only a business owner's banking needs, but his personal needs too."

"Meeting that niche market, " Burgess said, "is easier for an independent bank like First National Bank than for bank holding companies. In the 1970's and early 1980's, Texas cities were dominated by independent banks rather than bank holding companies. It is the other way around now."

The two men noted that offering personal service means bank customers can call the bank knowing they will talk to a real person, not a machine, and staff members will know each person who walks in the door.

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Midland's policy of supporting businesses that support the community is apparent in the bank's early growth. Open barely three months, Harper said the bank already has just under $6 million in deposits and just under $12 million in assets.

Visitors to the bank may feel they have taken a trip back in time when they walk through the doors. The bank interior strongly resembles an 1890's bank lobby and , indeed, is modeled from a photograph of the lobby of the original First National taken in 1895 in its Main Street location. The interior features brass teller cages, brass railings, a wooden floor and 1890's - style lamps.

With new office furniture in place to complement the look, the only thing that may seem out of place is the computers," Harper observed.

When the doors opened at Texas and Colorado Streets on November 17, the bank revived the First National Bank of Midland name, which had been absent from Midland's business community since October, 1983, when the original bank failed after over 90 years in business.

Burgess and Harper stress that they aren't trying to revive the original bank, but they do hope to revive its community spirit and its emphasis on community involvement.

"This is a brand new bank," Burgess said. "It has nothing to do with the old First National Bank, but there was a lot about the old First National Bank that was positive to the community that we want to revive."

"For example, " Harper said, "its location is part of bank officials' efforts to boost downtown Midland's revitalization."

The two bankers, who each have 20 years in banking, began efforts in January, 1998, to attract investors, hoping to raise $4 million for capitalization, the minimum require by the office of the Comptroller of the Currency. They raised a little more than $6 million by last November when the bank opened.

Though, they aren't trying to revive the old First National, both Harper and Burgess have a history with the old bank. Burgess worked there from 1979 to 1983, and Harper from 1980 to 1983.

Board of Directors

(left to right)

Ken Burgess, Mike Canon, John Bergman, Tevis Herd, Bob Leibrock, Steve Castle, Terry Wilkinson, Eddie Hodges, Steve Harper, Cary Billingsley, Eric Oliver, Jim Welsh, and Jim Ramsey.

Award winning Phillips Interiors Ethan Allen Gallery serves your decorating needs

Located at 2500 Andrews Highway in Odessa, Phillips Interiors Ethan Allen Gallery is the winner of the 1998 Better Homes & Gardens Better by Design Award for Outstanding Achievement in American Design.

To serve your decorating needs, there are three designers on staff: Imogene Weir with six years experience, state certified Chris Thiebeaud with over nine years in the business, and Mary Morton, who moved to the Permian Basin from Houston one year ago and has 5 years experience in interior design. Professionally trained on the latest styles, the staff at Phillips Interiors will work with you in the store or at your home.

Inside their large showroom room, you'll find options, options and more options for the home of your dreams. There are armoires and armchairs, sideboards and sofas, along with the all the accents that go into making your interiors spectacular.

The featured new line for the Ethan Allen Gallery is American Artisan. It's a collection of furniture that combines the unique grain of oak with generously scaled, handsome designs. You'll appreciate the rugged durability of solid oak. Each piece has a sophisticated timeworn look you can live with day after day.

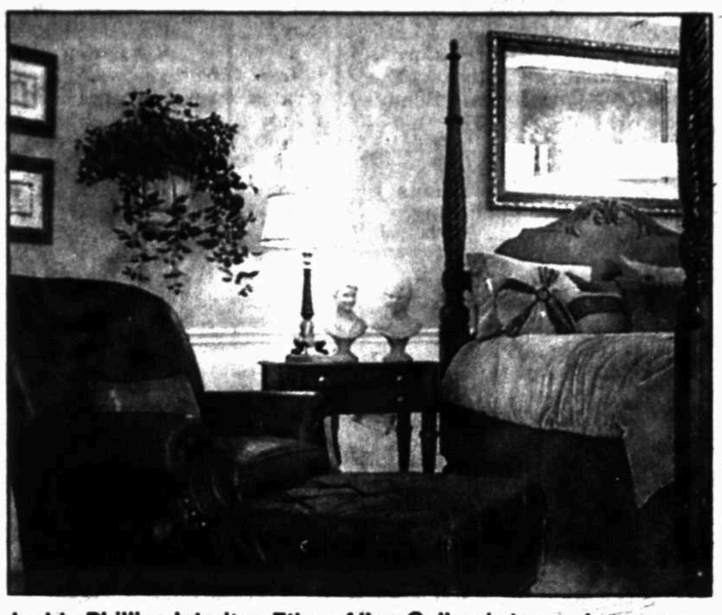
Country Crossings is a line that reflects an innocent purity, a hard work ethic and an honest pride. Each piece recalls a special part of our heritage with its mixture of solid maple and simple metal accents.

Another Ethan Allen line with a country feel is Farmhouse Pine. Its rustic beauty and hearty scale bring a refreshing wholesomeness to contemporary decorating. Beautiful, weathered finishes convey the look of furniture found in country cottages.

Looking for a style that's a bit more classic? You'll find the British Classics line more to your taste. Furniture in this collection is intentionally eclectic, managing to capture the look of aged antiques collected over time.

Phillips Interiors Ethan Allen home office collection is designed to accommodate all your work-at-home needs with a flair for style and function. Along with traditional desks, there are space-saving armoires designed to easily conceal your computer equipment when not in use. The designers at Phillips, working with a variety of lines, can help you balance style and practicality.

Whether you like it plain or fancy, Phillips Interiors gives you options to create the furniture that is right for your home or office - from contemporary to formal, classic to cozy comfortable. Customize your choices with upholstery from luminescent leathers to exotic prints. Most collections offer a variety of finishes and stains.



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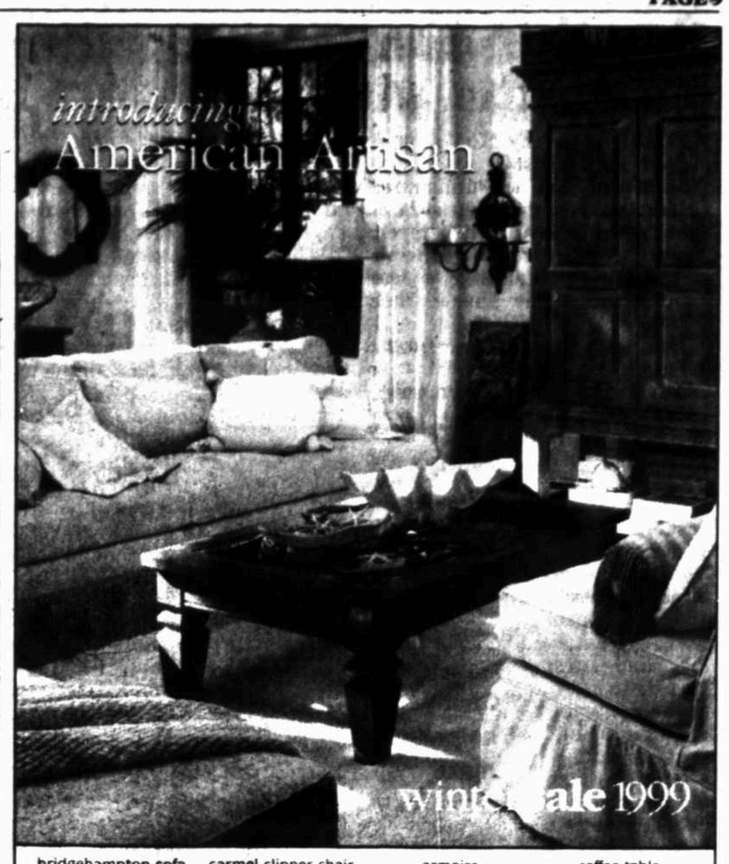
"Our customers today enjoy a casual lifestyle. They have a savvy style," states Sherry Hosick Sivils, manager of the Odessa store. "Our designers work with them to create a room they can live with and in," she adds.

Phillips Interiors has served the home furnishing needs of the Permian Basin for over 50 years. The Phillips family has owned the business for those sixty years. They pride themselves in offering West Texas the best in interior design, decorating and furnishings.



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Wedding Daze co-ordinator takes stress, mistakes out of wedding planning

Joyce Ray is a licensed wedding co-ordinator who recently opened her business, Wedding Daze, in San Miguel Square. "It used to be," she says, "that many girls married right out of high school with their mothers at their sides to help them plan and make the decisions for a wedding. Now, more young women are off at college or have graduated and are working, and their mothers are working, too. They simply don't have the time or resources to plan a wedding. That's where I come in."

When a bride-to-be comes to Joyce, the first thing she asks her is, "What planning have you done?" Nine times out of ten, the answer is "Nothing. I haven't done a thing."

Joyce tells her that until she secures a location for the wedding and reception and a minister or rabbi, no other decision can be made.

Wedding Daze services include custom-made, wedding and rehearsal dinner invitations at a discount, place cards, maps to show the location of the wedding and reception, a wedding booklet with names of the wedding party, etc. for the bride to hand out at the wedding, and thank-you notes.

Joyce has designed a notebook with a bounty of practical tips on planning a beautiful wedding with the least difficulty. The notebook contains ideas for every detail from staying organized to choosing a photographer. It also features pages for the wedding budget and prices for the items Joyce provides. Besides the silk flowers she uses exclusively, these include a lattice trellis, several styles of candelabras, illusion canopy, and pew bows. She also can furnish everything needed for the reception: centerpiece, punch bowl and ladle, silver coffee server, pen, wedding mints, serving knives, satin roses filled with birdseed, and a brass easel to display the bride's wedding portrait.

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A "To-Do" list in the notebook covers necessary tasks to be accomplished from 10-24 months before the wedding to "After the Wedding."

"The most common mistake brides make," Joyce says, " is letting time get away from them."

Seven years of experience and an obvious devotion to her job combine to make Joyce someone a bride instantly trusts. Their first visit is a free consultation..

She belongs to the Permian Basin Bridal Association, which is an organization made up of vendors such as caterers, wedding apparel shops, florists, cake designers, photographers, hair and makeup salons, etc. A co-ordinator brings repeat business to vendors, so she can negotiate a better price.

Wedding Daze is not a retail shop, but Joyce does custom-make silk flower bouquets, corsages, boutonniers, headpieces, flower girl baskets, centerpieces, and rehearsal dinner, altar, and reception room decorations. A bride can look through photograph books of weddings Joyce has co-ordinated.

She says that brides tell her the two things hardest to find are attractive cake tops with the bride and groom and wedding party gifts. She creates the cake tops to a bride's preferences.

Joyce is especially pleased with the hand-carved, playing card boxes from Poland for the men in the wedding. She carries playing cards that are plastic-covered and will be replaced by the manufacturer if lost within five years. Included in her reasonably-priced gifts are scrimshaw pocket knives. For the girls, she has delicate, picture frames, some trimmed with pearlized white roses, and trinket boxes.

How long should it take to plan a wedding? Joyce has worked on several for a year, but in this length of time, the possibility for more tension and changes in decisions are likely. ("I write everything in pencil!" she says.) Ideally, six months is a workable time.

A bride-to-be can choose from three, co-ordinating packages that include Wedding Daze's services. They range in price from $250-$750. Why hire a co-ordinator? Joyce explains, "She will save you time, stress, and money. These three things become more meaningful as the wedding day draws near."

One of her services in the packages is making motel reservations for out-of-town guests. She knows Midland well and can place them in motels or a hotel as close as possible to the rehearsal dinner, church and reception.

Through her professional training and experience, Joyce's goal is to help every bride create the wedding of her dreams with beauty, originality, and quality at an affordable and reasonable price. She says, "We will make it just as special and unique as the love shared by her and her groom."

Wedding Daze will hold an open house from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., February 16-20. Soon-to-be brides can register for door prizes each day.

Wedding Daze is located inside the atrium at San Miguel Square, 3303 N. Midkiff, Suite 168. Hours: 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday.. Phone: 522-2555.

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C&G Mercantile has brought both creative and unique items to Midland for the past 2 years

Gary Caldwell and George Walden, native Midlanders and owners of C&G Mercantile, have been in business for two years now. With their unique shop, they bring both creative and unique items to Midland for your home's decor.

"We are still having as much fun with the store as when it first opened," claims Caldwell.

C&G Mercantile is now carrying new leather lines, including Old Hickory Tannery and Paul Roberts.

According to Walden, "We are concentrating on more unusual leather frame styles."

Their exceptional leather items include couches, loveseats, occasional chairs, shag leather rugs, cowhide pillows (including ones from Double D), rawhide shades and leather-framed mirrors.

Both Walden and Caldwell handpick their merchandise, trying to find the most original items for your home. They've recently received a shipment of antler lamps and chandeliers. Other remarkable pieces include creative light fixtures, mesquite crosses, eclectic dining tables and bookcases.

At C&G Mercantile you can also find imported pieces of Mexican-primitive as well as of Texas-ranch style selections.

"We are very versatile. We are able to take ideas from our customers and create the atmosphere that they want. We really listen to what they have to say about the look that they are going for," states Walden.

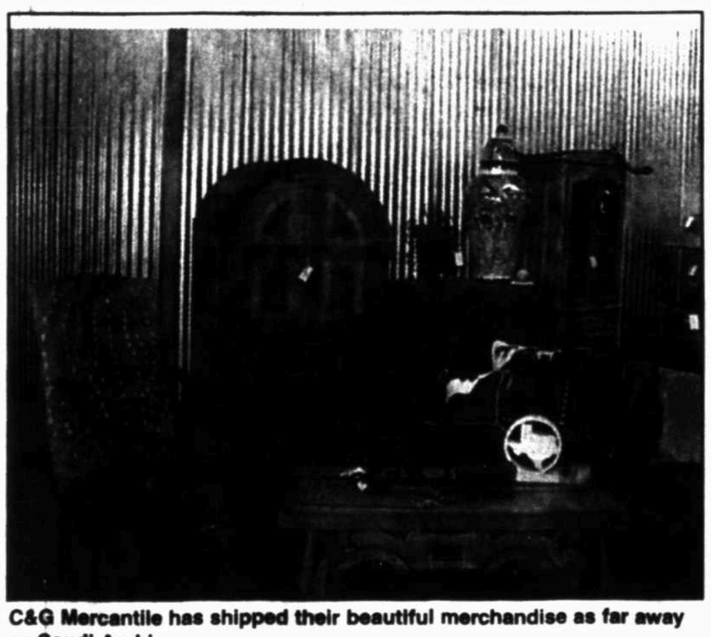
The store is constantly changing with the arrival of new shipments and purchases. Customers can find items that larger cities like Dallas or Ft. Worth don't carry. There's even a suit of armor displayed against one wall.

The creative custom-made fireplace screens etched with cowboys, as well as the solid mesquite wagon-wheels topped with glass can create a Southwest atmosphere that brings the West alive in any setting.

It's a look that has become popular well outside our local area. "We've shipped to Colorado, Oklahoma, Waco, Austin, Dallas, Houston, Round Rock and even as far away as Saudi Arabia," says Caldwell.

As you wander their showrooms you'll encounter big cats and bison heads, Texas limestone lamps and hand-painted chairs. There are metallic horned toads prancing across tabletops along with Mexican masks and all manners of things. You'll even run across an elephant's foot ready to accept umbrellas. One popular line of imported items is folk art from the Tarahumara Indians.

Both Caldwell and Walden are anxiously awaiting a unique shipment from Tennessee and Kentucky scheduled to arrive at C&G Mercantile within the next few weeks. They have purchased one of a kind coffee and end tables made out of wood culled from the old barns and shed used to process tobacco.



C&G Mercantile has shipped their beautiful merchandise as far away as Saudi Arabia.

When considering this shop, don't limit yourself to concepts of furniture and interior design. It is a great place to find that one gift that no one else would think of, guaranteed. You can pick up a most unusual picture frame or a bronze steed sculpture for that very special friend.

Do remember though that when you want to bring the most unique and creative items into your home for that "sets you apart from the ordinary" look, come to C&G Mercantile at 421 Andrews Highway..

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Captive Eye Publishing helps local businesses make big impressions.

Captive Eye Publishing, although a young design studio, has grown quickly and developed a strong client base. Specializing in graphic design, desktop publishing, and print advertising, Captive Eye has helped local businesses, both large and small, make big impressions.

Owner Bonnye Cordero said, "Most people don't really understand what a graphic designer or desktop publisher does."

"My job is to think creatively and make beautiful, eye-catching, and most importantly, readable printed material," Cordero said.

Local businesses that do not have a graphics department in-house may find the services Captive Eye Publishing provides very useful.

"Many of my clients call me on a daily basis," Cordero said. "Since they don't have a graphics person in their company, they rely on me to design their logos, business stationery, flyers, and brochures."

As a way of explaining the variety of services Captive Eye offers, Cordero tells prospective clients, "if it can be printed, Captive Eye can design it."

"That just about covers everything - from ads that run in newspapers to logos to candle jar labels," Cordero said.

That brings up an interesting new service that has, quite by accident, become a popular gift idea. Captive Eye Publishing designs and adheres personalized labels to candle jars, and wine or champagne bottles for special occasions. What began as a unique gift of thanks to her clients at New Year's (see ad, right) has become a popular way for businesses to thank others in a memorable way.

Remember the saying, 'Never judge a book by its cover'? Well, people still do. In business, as in other areas of life, presentation is very important. Captive Eye Publishing helps local businesses make big, professional impressions on the minds of consumers.

"Once my clients saw what I had made for them, they wanted to do the same for their business," Cordero said. "I designed the labels to match the bottles they had purchased. Then I mounted the labels and returned the bottles to them so they could distribute them. Everyone always loves them," Cordero said.

If you would like more information about Captive Eye Publishing, please call Bonnye Cordero at (915) 520-0775.

Here is a sample of clients Captive Eye Publishing has worked for:

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Captive Eye Publishing specializes in designing the following:

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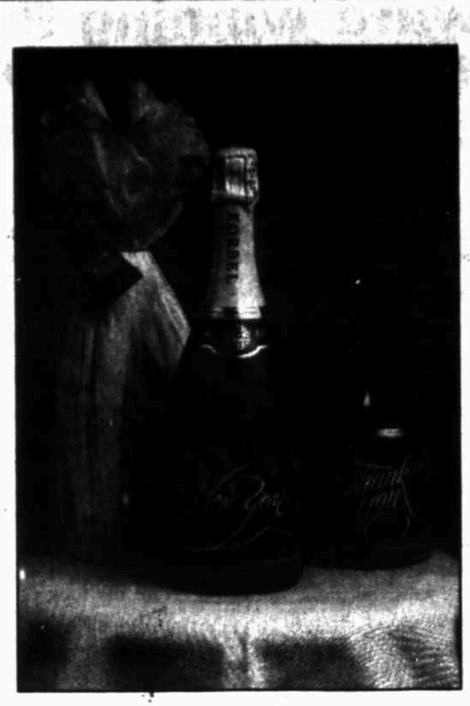

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Midland Frame & Wheel Service Inc. keeps training in order to keep up with the newest technology

Midland Frame & Wheel Service, Inc. was established in 1949. It has been located at 2407 W. Wall since 1950. Twenty-five years ago, Pat and Ralph Webb bought this already established brake and alignment shop. In 1974 as today, they had one goal in mind: to deliver the kind of quality in workmanship that ensures the customers keep coming back. The employees there are ASE Certified—the ASE stands for automotive service excellence.

A lot has changed since 1974. Ralph "retired" on paper, but he's still there every day advising his son, David, who runs the business with Pat and Gale, David's wife. Gale went to work there in 1983, Joe Clevenger in 1985, Al Alaniz in 1988, Linda McDonald in 1993, Keith Hall in 1994, Jeff Butler in 1996, and Rick Towery in 1998. Cars are smaller now, brakes more precise, most have front-wheel drive, and much of the diagnostic work, as well as the billing, is done by computers. The men and women bringing their vehicles, from passenger cars to light trucks, to Midland Frame & Wheel for brake jobs, alignments, and other maintenance, are likely to be second and third-generation customers.

"A lot of our current customers started coming here with their parents. Now they bring their own children with them," David said.

Midland Frame & Wheel Service, Inc and their employees strive to deliver the kind of quality in workmanship that ensures the customers keep coming back.

David says the focus hasn't changed. "We still give every job the same careful attention we always did. We have an excellent opportunity, while the wheels are off, to check for problems such as leaking shocks or struts, or wheel balance, and let you know what we find."

David says such maintenance is not only a good safety measure, but good time and money management as well, since a well-maintained brake and wheel system are less likely to need expensive and time-consuming emergency repairs.

Many of our customers call and schedule an annual maintenance check on all of their family vehicles.

We have one customer who is a teacher. Every year, during his Christmas break, he brings all his family cars in and has us check them.

"When a customer calls for an appointment, we can give an estimate of how long the job will take. But generally, cars brought in early in the morning are usually out by noon; one brought in at noon is usually ready by 6 the same afternoon."

Midland Frame & Wheel's personnel are experts at their jobs, and keep up that expertise with ongoing training, as well as yearly quality management training; not to mention the 108 years experience between them and they are ready to work on anything from brakes, alignments, front-wheel drive and drive axle problems, CV joints, shocks and struts, suspension work - you name it, they work on most any kind of car or light truck.

"We have to keep training in order to keep up with the new technology," David said. However, that doesn't mean that Midland Frame & Wheel is solely a new-car brake and wheel shop.

"It's fitting that we have all these antiques and memorabilia hanging around on our walls," said Pat.

"Because we welcome antique cars, too. We have some of those ourselves."

In fact, if you have a car that's not yet an antique, but you'd like to keep driving it until it is, the people at Midland Frame & Wheel Service, Inc. will help you achieve your dream—safely, and very economically.

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Jones Piano offers quality service on pianos & clocks

At Jones Piano, there are three certified factory technicians on-site who can install the Player Action in the pianos; no matter if the piano is owned by the customer or purchased from Jones.

"We are one of the few stores in the country that actually installs the digital player into the piano," Jones said.

The large showroom is located at 428 Andrews Highway, and has been helping students and music teachers in the Permian Basin since 1964.

At Jones Piano, the customer comes first. Jones keeps a book of letters from past customers stating their appreciation for his efficient service.

At Jones Piano, the customer comes first, and a book with letters from past customers stating their appreciation for efficient and quality service are a testament to this. Happy customers include Music City Mall in Odessa and residents of Houston, Oklahoma, and Kentucky, to name just a few.

Happy customers include the Music City Mall in Odessa, which purchased a 7 ft., 4 inch Semi-Concert Grand custom-made Player Piano System Music Background.

Pianos from Jones Piano also have found homes in Houston, Oklahoma and Kentucky.

Jones Piano has the largest selection of pianos, organs and clocks in the area. The showroom is filled with pianos and organs with name-brands like Baldwin, Chickering, Yamaha, Wurlitzer and Howard-Miller Grandfather Clocks.

Jones said that Yamaha and Baldwin are the main brands. Chickering is the mid-priced, and Wurlitzer and Samick are the least expensive lines.

"We guarantee our price to be the best in the country," said Jones.

The family owned business orders directly from the manufacturer at the right time for the buyer to get the best price for the customer. There is no middle guy or overhead. You can select your piano, organ or clock, have it delivered, financed and serviced, all from the same location.

While you are there, take time to look over the digital Yamaha Clavinova, the latest in the music business technology. The Clavinova has won "Digital Piano of the Year" for the last three years.

They care about handling the instruments at Jones Piano and deliveries are made with a custom-made delivery diesel truck with a lift.

The owner of Jones Piano has discovered that the workings inside a Grandfather Clock are much like those inside a piano. Now it is possible for the store to offer the same efficient service and delivery for clocks as well as organs and pianos.

Another guarantee that makes the delivery a safe one for the piano — "Every truck has a tuner or clock technician riding in it."

One more guarantee. Most of the pianos have a 10-year trade-back at the original price.

At Jones Piano, they also carry the Howard-Miller Grandfather Clock line.

"There is something that relaxes you with its ticktock," he said.

They also repair and service clocks and pianos.

Jones has discovered that the workings inside a Grandfather Clock are much like those inside a piano. Now it is possible to offer the same efficient service and delivery for clocks as well as organs and pianos at Jones Piano.

Jones Piano is located at 428 Andrews Highway.

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Midland hospitals have made city regional center for medical care

Jeffrey McDonald

The story of medical facilities in Midland focuses in large part upon two major institutions, the older Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, just outside Midland's downtown, and the younger Westwood Medical Center in the rapidly developing west side.

Both have pursued their own programs of development and expansion over the past year, programs that will continue into the millennium. Both have attracted a large and diverse community of medical practitioners to Midland. And both are making Midland a regional center for medical care in West Texas.

Though a relative newcomer to the West Texas medical community, Westwood quickly has become one of a number of key institutions in the community, a role that has been reinforced by a number of developments in 1998.

"The most exciting was the opening in February of our cardiac cath lab, which significantly increased our cardiac diagnostic capability," said Mike Potter, president and CEO of Westwood Medical Center. "That's the piece of equipment where the cardiologist can insert dye in the heart vessels and then take real-time X-ray images to determine whether there is a blockage in the arteries that provide blood to the heart muscle."

The real-time capabilities, Potter explained, allow physicians to make a timely diagnosis as well as a decision on the appropriate treatment to follow. There were other related highlights over the past year that entailed the expansion of medical specialists to the surrounding Westwood complex, he said.

"Sort of along the same line as that, an additional part of the heart program ... we had two cardiologists move their offices into the Westwood Medical Office Building, which is actually attached to the hospital building."

"And then, and this was a key part of our strategy last year, we added an ob-gyn group, a physician who specializes in internal medicine, and a family practitioner. Two more physicians who moved into an office building adjacent to the hospital were two orthopedic surgeons — one who was a general and who has a fellowship in spine surgery."

According to Potter, the year ahead will feature a number of highlights, including a fundamental change to hospital operations that should have a profound change on practically every facet of Westwood's services.

"For this year, the biggest thing that is happening as far as the overall plan, is a complete conversion of our computer system (as of Feb. 1)," he said. "There's really three parts to it. We have a finance and accounting program; we have our patient information system; and we have a clinical system. With this conversion, all three of those systems will be able to communicate with each other."

"The clinical system? A nurse on the third floor receives instructions from a physician to order lab tests and X-rays and an EKG on a patient. The nurse will now be able to enter those orders at the nurse's station; the requests for the service will print out in the lab for the tests, in our imaging center as an X-ray request and in our cardiopulmonary department for the EKG."

According to Potter, the new system again displays its value when the tests have been completed and the results are ready for distribution and analysis.

"And the thing that will be the biggest benefit to us, when the results are ready, they'll also be entered into that system and will be immediately available online at the nurse's station on the third floor," he explained. "Instead of having to wait for a printed lab report to be carried upstairs and placed on a chart, it will be available, essentially, in real-time. And then the chart document will follow.

"Also, at the time that the results are entered into the system, the financial data will automatically be entered into the patient's financial account, and that will save a step in that part of the process."

Other developments at Westwood in the year ahead have a familiar ring as the medical center prepares for the year 2000 and the complications that year might present to computer systems.

"We're also working on our year 2000 issues, having identified all the critical equipment upgrades and software upgrades and be Y2K-compatible," Potter said. "Fortunately, because we're a relatively new facility, we don't have too many items that will need to be replaced or upgraded. But we are looking at roughly half-a-million dollars in Y2K upgrades."

The rest of the developments that lie ahead are of a more routine nature than anything associated with Y2K — developments that a medical facility must pursue with or without the advent of a new millennium, Potter said.

"The rest of it will be what I call routine capital improvements; equipment and service improvements in the coming year," he said. "Probably the biggest clinical improvement will be an expansion of our Prompt Care 24-hour facility, and we're adding — in addition to just increasing the space that will allow better patient flow — one specialized treatment room and one specialized cardiac room.

"That will continue to add onto the development of our programs here at Westwood, as well as be able to offer increased service 24-hours-a-day for walk-ins."

At the other end of Andrews Highway from Westwood is Memorial Hospital and Medial Center. While Memorial is the older of the two institutions, there is nothing aged about the facility or its staff (both professional and volunteer), who continue to play an important role in Midland's medical community with a youthful vigor.

"In 1998, Memorial Hospital was recognized as an American Heart Association 'Community Training Center' for the Texas region," said Christopher Thrash, director of Community Relations at Memorial. "In the 1998 'Best of Midland' contest sponsored by the Midland Reporter Telegram, Memorial Hospital was named 'Best Hospital,' Memorial Rehab Hospital received 'Best Rehab Facility' honors, and the Urgent Care Center was named 'Best Minor Emergency Clinic,'

"Memorial Hospital is very proud of their outstanding volunteers and their contribution. Since 1950, the auxiliary of Memorial Hospital has donated more than $2.5 million to the hospital for the purchase of medical equipment, ambulances, and the start-up costs of numerous services."

Thrash refers to the hospital staff as "the stars who make Memorial Hospital shine," citing numerous examples of their commitment to a healthier community, above and beyond their regular hours at the hospital.

"Memorial's staff members actively participated in numerous community programs throughout the year," he said. "American Cancer Society Roundup and Relay For Life, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation Walk for a Cure, March of Dimes Walk America, American Heart Association Heartbeat, Meals on Wheels Gourmet Gala. They provided drug screening for D-FY-IT, contributed over $40,000 to United Way agencies in 1998, and collected over 20,000 pounds of food for the West Texas Food Bank during their eleventh annual Holiday Food Drive.

"In May of '98, Memorial Hospital held a free community health fair called 'A Fair of the Heart.' SportsCare, a service of Memorial Hospital, participated in more than 80 community events with Mabee Aquatic Center, Midland Soccer Association, Midland High School, Lee High School, Junior Achievement, Midland Angels and Odessa Jackalopes, just to name a few," Thrash said.

"In conjunction with Dr. John Dean, SportsCare provided X-ray Xpress at all Midland and Lee high school football games, which enabled players to receive on-site medical attention at the stadium."

Through 1998, Memorial Hospital continued a variety of medical care and information outreach programs.

"Community Health Care Centers offered immunization programs at both the Pediatric Clinic and Family Services Clinic throughout the year," Thrash said. "Twice monthly, the staff conducted blood pressure and blood glucose screenings at Casa de Amigos and the Southeast Senior Center. Our Cityline Healthline generated more than 20,000 calls in 1998."

There were few areas of Memorial Hospital that did not see some developments in the course of a very busy year, Thrash said.

"Allison Women's Imaging Center was opened in March," he recalled. "All breast diagnostic services are now performed at this site, even offering high-tech stereotactic breast biopsy.

"Our radiology department is also very proud to now offer the only open field MRI services in the Permian Basin. Our pharmacy purchased a state-of-the-art robotics system that is one of just a few in the country today. And the hospital is now the proud home of Starbuck's Gourmet Coffee, which is located in the main lobby."

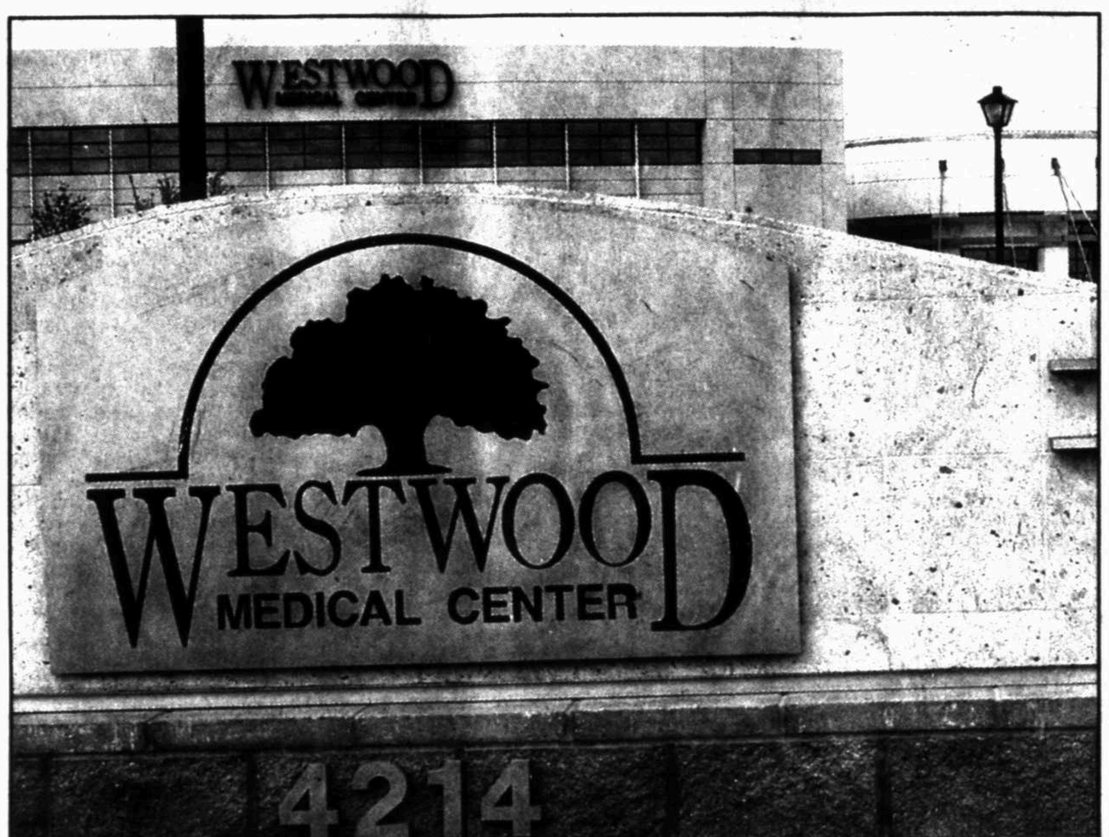
The year ahead will be every bit as busy and as exciting, especially as Memorial prepares to mark a half-century of service to Midland," Thrash said.

"Internally, many renovations and expansions at Memorial Hospital are currently under way — in cardiopulmonary, biomed, housekeeping, hospital information services, medical records and the addition of a new physicians lounge. We eagerly look forward to the opening of the new Heart Institute in the fall of 1999, which will be located on the third floor in the renovated surgical suite area.

"Memorial Hospital is also anticipating many exciting events that will celebrate their 50th anniversary in the year 2000."

It is the quality of medical care available through these facilities, their staffs and their programs that is part of efforts to promote Midland as a place to live and a place to do business.

"We consider Midland as a regional center of the Permian Basin, whether it be for oil and gas, retail, or medical," said Dennis Clayton, Economic Development manager for the Midland Chamber of Commerce. "And we promote the fact that we have become, and are in the process of emerging as a regional medical center."



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Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, at top, and the newer Westwood Medical Center, above, are two facilities that make Midland a regional center for medical care.

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Most Midland banks don't expect much growth in 1999

By Joe Dominey

Bank presidents' view of the city's economic outlook ranges from "pretty dismal" to "cautiously optimistic."

A few saw some positive trends developing in the non-energy sectors, especially in mortgage lending in a low-interest rate environment. One sees a rare opportunity for independent oil and gas producers to acquire producing properties from the major oil companies. The need for further economic diversification also was underscored.

New affiliations also will become more apparent in 1999. NationsBank will become Bank of America. Norwest is a branch of Wells Fargo, and Midland American Bank has merged with First United out of Houston. Meanwhile, a new First National Bank has opened, calling for a return to the good old days of personal relationship banking.

The banks' chief executive or managing officer recently were surveyed to determine their outlook for the local economy. The questions covered each bank's niche in the market, where new growth might occur, the Y2K problem, new services or expansions, banking as a prospective career, and the impact of non-bank competitors.

BANK ONE

Joe Andrews, president of Bank One, views Midland's economy "as being pretty dismal" for the remainder of the year, adding that there is nothing on the horizon to provide encouragement for 1999.

"The impact of low oil prices is already being felt with staff reductions and drastic capital budget restraints. In spite of what the Wall Street Journal stated, Bank One-Midland is and will be in the energy lending business as well as the other segments that drive our economy. Loan demand certainly will not be robust, but we intend to meet the loan needs of our customers," Andrews stated.

"I do not expect a lot of growth this year, but what growth occurs will come from the non-energy segments of our economy. Although dismal today, the energy business will return with the independents playing a more significant role in domestic production. As this returns, so will service company business."

He said that the Bank One organization is spending $500 million to ensure that its member banks are Y2K compliant.

Bank One's merger with First Chicago in late September created the fifth largest bank in the United States with assets of $240 billion.

"We have no expansion plans for 1999. New products are always being developed and rolled out during the year," he said.

As for a career in banking today, Andrews observed, "Changes in banking are occurring daily. It is much different than when I began my career. One would want to carefully study the new focus before deciding."

Bank One has two locations: 3201 W. Wall St. and 3209 Courtyard Drive, across from Midland Park Mall.

CHASE BANK OF TEXAS, N.A.

"We're better at predicting interest rates than oil prices," said Ed Jones, president and chief executive officer at Chase Bank's Midland Office. "We believe rates will fall by 90 basis points — nearly 1 percent — this year, and that's very positive."

He speculated that there will be a slight improvement in oil prices to the $17 to $18 range, but doesn't know when this will occur.

"We're the largest commercial energy lender and private bank in the Permian Basin. We cater to the companies with revenues of $3 million or more. A recent third party survey confirmed that, based on our market share, we are the leading commercial energy lender in the Permian Basin,"" he said.

Jones said that Chase's niche is in handling people of companies of size who need sophisticated help in solving risk management problems, or a more varied range of services. It only takes a few such customers to significantly impact market share.

"We have $1 billion under management in our Private Bank," referring to Chase's trust services division.

Surprisingly, the bank's loans exceed deposits by a 2-to-1 ratio, Jones said.

"Our consumer deposits are low relative to loans. We have about $400 million in loans and about $200 million in deposits," he said.

Another specialized area is providing customers with export-import services in places such as Russia.

New growth will come from the energy sector, according to Jones. "Our role in assisting independents as they acquire properties turned loose by the major oil companies will be an area of growth. We've staffed up for this, and now have five reservoir engineers, up from three last year."

Chase is now providing a broader range of capital access to its customers, including mezzanine lending and pure equity capital.

The Y2K problem won't be a problem for Chase, but Jones sees it as a concern for oil operators.

"Every little piece of equipment in the oil patch — flow meters, pump-off controllers and all that stuff — needs to keep working after 2000. Computer chips are everywhere," he said.

Non-bank financial competition is a concern, primarily in the rarified stratosphere of the investment-banking realm. "Our competition is Goldman Sachs, Merrill Lynch, and Enron Capital."

A young person considering banking as a career will need to be able to adapt to the changing financial services environment, he said.

"Banking is a huge business that's been protected and hampered by regulation. The banks, brokerages, and insurance companies that split in the '30s are all coming back together. The big players are going to do it all. Chase is more of an investment bank for companies with revenues of $100 million or more.

"It's a very exciting place for someone who stirs things up," he said.

"The fact that we're big is not important. We don't worry about size. We tell our staff, 'Think small. Speed wins.' We're all big enough; it doesn't matter as long as the bank is big enough to handle what you need," Jones concluded.

Chase operates banks in Midland at 400 W. Illinois Ave., 500 W. Illinois Ave., and 1030 Andrews Highway. In Odessa, Chase Bank is located at 620 N. Grant.

COMMUNITY NATIONAL BANK

Robert D. Southerland, president of Community National Bank, sees the outlook for Midland's economy this year as "only fair." A locally owned bank, Community National's leadership sees its best opportunities in the real estate and small business arenas.

"We don't expect much growth this year, perhaps between 5 percent and flat," Southerland said.

"New housing is going to slow down. The builders are being prudent, and not building a lot of 'specs.'' The number of spec housing is about half of what it was (last year). I really feel good about the real estate market. We're filling up what we built in the '80s, and have not been hurt by major oil company closings."

He was less sanguine about careers in banking for young people. "I wouldn't recommend banking to anybody. You've got a shrinking environment. The number of charters has been cut in half and is still shrinking. Young people are forced to go into the metro areas and get in with the big banks; the good jobs and training is no longer available here," Southerland explained.

In 1998, Community National had its best year to date, even though it missed its projections by 5 percent. "July 1 we just stopped growing," he said.

He said that on Dec. 31 the bank had about $83 million in assets, $75 million in deposits, and $38 million in loans, and plans to keep its ratios the same this year.

The Y2K issue is overblown, in Southerland's opinion. "It's a consultant-generated panic, but it needs to be contended with — you can't just ignore it. Businesses aren't stupid. They've been working on it for awhile. We've contacted all our loan customers and surveyed them concerning Y2K. We completed all our own testing back in October and are compliant with O.C.C. (Comptroller of Currency) regulations," he said.

There are no plans for adding new services or new branches this year after an aggressive expansion last year. CNB opened branches on Midland Drive at Andrews Highway and downtown in One Wall Plaza. It also has offices at Terrell Street and Florida Avenue and in San Miguel Square, Midkiff Road at Wadley Avenue.

FIRST AMERICAN BANK

Bobby Norman, president of First American Bank, said the Midland-Odessa branches are part of a statewide group with assets of about $2.5 billion.

"We're pretty positive. I think the outlook for our local economy is predicated on the price of oil. That will be important. The length of time the price is low creates a multiplier effect, which flows down in the form of layoffs, office closings, affecting consumption in the retail sector. However, I'm encouraged because we've seen some firming in oil and gas prices. Bonuses are being paid on oil today that weren't prevalent 10 years ago.

"I do think we'll see kind of a flat year," Norman said. "Prices may stay down for the next 18 months or for several years, or may improve by mid-summer. It's a question mark."

He said that there are reports that worldwide inventories are not as great as had been estimated previously.

First American is striving to establish a position as an energy lender. "That's what I'm here for. Banks have been growing through acquisitions, but now the cost of acquiring is several times book value. We chose to look at the existing market" to increase market share, he explained.

Norman got his energy lending experience at the old First National Bank of Midland where he worked in the early 1980s. He then worked for First National Bank of Lubbock and also operated his own business for a time.

First American hired an additional lender and will add one more this year. "With our savings and loan background we were predominantly centered in real estate. In Amarillo it's cattle, in Midland-Odessa, oil and gas. We plan to diversify between real estate and oil and gas. It will take time. Our strategy is to bridge the gap between the smaller local banks and the big regional banks in serving the energy sector."

First American has a loan limit of about $30 million. Norman said that they expect to be making loans in the $500,000 to $25 million range.

"We're interested in 'relationship banking,' a more personal banking approach. It's the model that banks followed years ago, where you serve all the customers' personal and business financial needs," he said.

Concerning the Y2K problem, Norman said they are well-prepared and plan to furnish customers a brochure that will explain what has been done to test their systems. "The problem has been overblown. You shouldn't be worried unless your transactions are date sensitive."

First American is in the process of moving its executive offices. "In the next few weeks we will relocate to Dinero Plaza on North Big Spring, where we've leased an additional 7,000 square feet. We have a branch there that occupies about the same amount of space."

Non-bank competitors continue to be bothersome, he said.

"With the present interest rate environment you'll see some disintermediation-deposits running off from financial institutions due largely to the proliferation of mutual funds. With the slowing down last fall in the stock market, we're likely to see a reversal of the trend. When you sell stock, you've got to put the money somewhere."

Will banking careers offer opportunities for young people? "I think so. In the next several months we'll be looking at putting on an entry-level position. There's a lot of consolidation going on in banking, but you can't consolidate customers. Somebody's going to be talking to that customer face-to-face. It's an interesting time to be entering the banking field," Norman said.

First American has four branches in Midland and four in Odessa. Norman guessed that First American falls in the mid-range of banks in Midland, below NationsBank and Norwest, and among the group that includes Chase, Midland American and Bank One.

"In Odessa we're No. 1 in deposits," he stated.

First American's Midland locations are at 1004 N. Big Spring St., 21 Plaza Center, 1100 Andrews Highway, 4511 N. Midkiff Road and a motor bank at 710 N. Big Spring St.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF MIDLAND

Ken Burgess is chief executive officer and Steve Harper is president of the new First National Bank of Midland, which opened in January.

Burgess said that the Midland economy would be somewhat weak in the coming year because of low oil prices. "Due to the fact that the bank is just starting its operations, the low oil prices should have a minimal impact except to the extent that it affects loan demand. Deposit growth has been strong so far and we expect that to continue in 1999."

First National ended January with total assets of nearly $12 million and deposits of almost $6 million.

"Low oil prices can have a very strong impact on the local economy if the low prices persist for very much longer without any relief. This is more evidence that the city must take action to diversify its economy so that Midland will not be so susceptible to the wide economic swings caused by periodic changes in energy prices," Burgess said.

First National's primary focus is on the small- and medium-size business customer. In addition, the bank provides a full line of products and services for consumers.

"Since we are a Midland-owned and -managed bank, all loan decisions are made locally and all customer service is delivered by local employees who strive to develop long-term relationships with our customers."

Burgess said the bank's growth would come at the expense of other banks' market share.

First National is in a good position with respect to the Y2K problem. "We were required to purchase only systems that were already tested to be Y2K-compliant. Even with this said, the bank and management are testing these systems to assure that all systems will work together through the date change and through several other key dates in the year 2000," Burgess said.

First National's management has plans to add electronic banking this year, and open a drive-in facility.

A career in banking today should be defined more generally as a career in the financial services sector, Burgess said.

"The lines have blurred between banking and other financial services companies. This consolidations will probably continue but at a slower pace. There should continue to be good jobs in the financial services sector in the coming years, but they will look different than they do now."

First National's offices are located at Texas Avenue and Colorado Street.

MIDLAND AMERICAN BANK

John Grist, president of Midland American, commented on his team's outlook.

"We're budgeting a flat year with virtually no increases in volume. We expect the impact from and oil and gas prices to be strong whether they're bad or good. The price of oil affects the entire economy. We experienced a fairly flat year in 1998," he observed.

The announcement last year that it was being acquired by First United of Houston may not have helped any. "We're in a little different situation because of the acquisition. The ensuring uncertainty may have affected our performance. We're going to leave the name as is, but we'll be a division of First United."

First United has $14 billion in assets, and the merger with Midland American closed this month. The advantages of the merger include the ability to make larger loans, and the addition of two services: home equity loans and long-term mortgage lending, according to Grist.

Midland American steered away from home equity loans when banks were first given the authority to make loans secured with the borrower's home equity.

"We will offer an index money market account, which will be tied to an index average of 100 mutual funds. This should contribute to deposit growth," he speculated.

He doesn't see any problems on the Y2K front: "We were examined twice by the Federal Reserve in 1998 and also had an independent audit, and were deemed to be in compliance. Our customers should be concerned that they are Y2K- compliant."

Asked about expansion plans, Grist said, "We're presently looking at the Odessa market."

Non-bank competitors also are problematic. "Independent banks have been very negatively impacted by brokerages and credit unions. It's becoming more and more difficult to compete," he said, adding that credit unions have an unfair advantage because they do not pay income taxes.

A career in banking is about as good as any field, he said. "Young people should become computer literate, then decide what they want to do with their training."

Midland American reported about $230 million in assets at year-end. "We benefited from the other independents that have gone by the wayside," mentioning Midland National Bank and ClayDesta National, which both became units of Norwest Bank Texas, N.A.

Midland American's main office is at 401 W. Texas Ave. Branches are at 3005 W. Cuthbert Ave., 719 W. Louisiana Ave., Wadley and Midland Drive, and in Stanton at 1211 Lamesa Highway.

NATIONSBANK

Larry Holden, president of Midland's NationsBank, said "Our outlook for the local economy and our prospects for the rest of 1999 are cautiously optimistic."

He noted that NationsBank has had a strong record of energy lending for more than 60 years and, during that time, has experienced many fluctuations in the energy market similar to the one we're experiencing now.

"Most of our customers have been in the oil business for many years and have a good understanding of the vagaries of the industry. They know that when oil and gas prices go down, they must employ more conservative financial strategies to survive the downturn. Our bankers and lenders work hard with our customers to assure that they are financially prepared for the bad times, as well as the good times," Holden said.

He asserted that the decline in oil and gas prices will certainly have a short-term negative impact on the local economy but expressed confidence in NationsBank's ability to offer creative solutions and advice to energy customers in hard times.

"NationsBank has been providing financing to the oil and gas development and production industry for more than 60 years. Our niche in Midland and Odessa is predominately the commercial energy customer, but because of the strength and breadth of our national banking organization, we also serve consumer, public finance, small business, credit card, mortgage and investment customers. At NationsBank we are better prepared to survive the downturns in local and regional economies because of the size and scope of our organization," he stated.

"Locally, we have also diversified our portfolio over the past decade. I think those of us who survived the '80s in the energy market learned the importance of long-term financial planning and diversification."

He doesn't think Y2K is a problem. "To paraphrase Franklin Delano Roosevelt, 'Our customers have nothing to fear but fear itself.' NationsBank has bade Year 2000 readiness a priority and we're well on track to meet the goal of being 2000-ready, well before the turn of the century. We're even helping our customers by providing them with Y2K-readiness solutions on our Website at www.nationsbank.com/information centerY2K@nationsbank," Holden said.

Midlanders can look for a new name on NationsBank's buildings soon. "Early in April, the signs on our buildings, drive-ups and ATMs, as well as our brochures and materials in our banking centers, will bear the new Bank of America brand. Customers will see very little change as a direct result of the brand change. They can continue to use their checks, deposit slips and ATM cards and there will be no interruption of direct deposits or any payments deducted directly from savings and checking accounts. The terms of loans and credit cards will remain unchanged."

NationsBank is simply too big to be fazed by non-bank financial service providers. He said they have attained the scope and strength to withstand assault by any competition, be it other banking organizations or non-bank competitors.

"Our biggest challenge is still regulatory restrictions that limit our ability to offer customers a full range of financial services."

Holden thinks it's a good time for a young person to enter the banking field. "We also think it's a good time for a young person to be thinking about a career in the energy business. In fact, we recently announced two NationsBank scholarships to Midland College and The University of Texas of the Permian Basin to help students who are interested in careers in the energy industry. These scholarships are tangible proof of our long-term commitment to the oil and gas industry."

BankAmerica Corp. (NationsBank), with $618 billion in total assets, is the largest bank in the United States and the leading bank in Midland-Odessa, according to Holden. NationsBank has full-service operations in 22

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Realtors remain positive about '99

Jeffrey McDonald

In light of recent headlines about low oil prices and layoffs, the fact that some casual observers may openly discuss the end of Midland's strong real estate market is not surprising.

They might be surprised, however, at the upbeat attitude of professionals in that market, many of whom have been through the cycle of boom-and-bust before.

"We're listing more houses than we normally do, but we're only 75 more than we were last year," said local Realtor R.C. Skeet Doss. "We still have 6 1/2 to 7 percent interest rates that we're working off of; we still have bond money programs in Midland, and we still have buyers.

"I have been through two busts already, and we had interest rates at 15 percent back then. ... I am optimistic. We've been here before, and I'm optimistic."

As president of the Permian Basin Board of Realtors, Doss not only speaks from his own personal perspective, but as an experienced representative of his industry.

"And it's a very interesting position that I'm in," he said. "Wherever I go people ask me, 'well, when's the bottom going to fall out of the real estate market there?' And all I can do is smile and say, 'the bottom hasn't fallen out, we still have people buying homes, they're still looking, and we're still making appointments.'"

A quick poll of Midland Realtors shows that, in general 1998 was a good year. For some it was the best year ever.

"Well, for our real estate office it was our highest combined volume since our office has been in operation," said Suzi Knight, chapter president of the Midland Women's Council of Realtors, and an Associate at Langston Realtors of Midland.

Clayton Alexander, a broker associate at Re/Max Midland, reported a similar experience.

"We had a spectacular 1998," he said. "It turned out to be one of the best, one of the most active years that this office has ever experienced. It was just one of the those super years. And it was very surprising in lieu of the oil prices and how they have held down."

For Alton Keith, a licensed broker/property manager for Century 21 Midtex Realtors, there may have been better years than 1998, but he was far from ready to adopt a pessimistic attitude — again drawing from a perspective that has experienced the ups and downs of the oil business.

"Oh gosh, for me it was good, busy year. But I work both sides, listing and selling, and also leasing," he explained. "Probably '98 was, by comparison, a little slower. Income was down a little bit. But not anything drastic. I don't get quite as pessimistic as some folks. I've been here awhile, I've been through this before."

Local real estate professionals are mindful of the headlines that have filled local news in recent weeks — lower oil prices, decreased levels of activity in the oil patch, corporate mergers and downsizings, and the layoffs that often accompany such actions. But they also point out that other factors are at work in the local real estate market, including new factors that are changing the configuration of that market.

"I wish I could say that it's going to be as glorious as '98, but we're already seeing a lot of listings coming on the market because of people out of work. But we still have a nice, healthy demand," Ms. Knight said. "I think we're going to have a lot of market participants that become a little more high-profile than last year. We're probably going to see more investors come into the marketplace. Hopefully we'll still maintain a high number of first-time home buyers because of the low interest rates.

"And we're still seeing a good, good activity in the marketplace," she said. It's just the configurations of the buyers are different than they have been for '98. For example, I think we've got a really, really strong marketplace for the retirement community. And MOHRE (Midland-Odessa Health & Retirement Endeavor) has done a wonderful job of creating a wonderful economic niche, and we're seeing that having a major impact. And that's just one example. So I really think our market configuration is going to be different than we saw in '98."

Alexander also remained optimistic about the year that lies ahead.

"We're trusting that Midland has become a little more diversified than the last time the oil prices took a dive," he said. "But so far we have been very surprised and very pleased with the way the housing market has stayed active."

Keith added, "We're off to a pretty rough start. Lots of folks have already made the move up who are going to make the move up. And according to the news reports of the last 10 days, two weeks, folks are going to be moving out again."

"And I kind of expect that to continue through the year. But then, I think that just about everyone who's going to move has moved."

In the meantime, agents report being busy, fielding phone calls, making appointments and showing houses. And in the course of that, they are learning that the Midland market continues to offer a variety of listings for a variety of home buyers.

"Well, there's such a wide variety of people; I think everybody has their own criteria," Alexander said. "Because there is a lot of activity in new homes, the builders did quite well this year. The housing that was built in the '90s has all the bells and whistles that people like. But there is still a solid group of people out there that prefer the older homes with the more established lawns and all.

"And also there's a wide variety of prices in the market out there right now. So there's a little bit for everybody."

So what are they looking for? Keith said that a particularly important criterion for home buyers in any price range is value.

"People are just mostly looking for a good deal in any price range, whatever the price range," he said. "Maybe room for an expanding family, maybe the first home for a new family.

"Right now I don't see a big demand for the higher end, although in Midland — maybe more than in the other cities — there's been more of a demand for the higher-priced home. I don't see that changing too much."

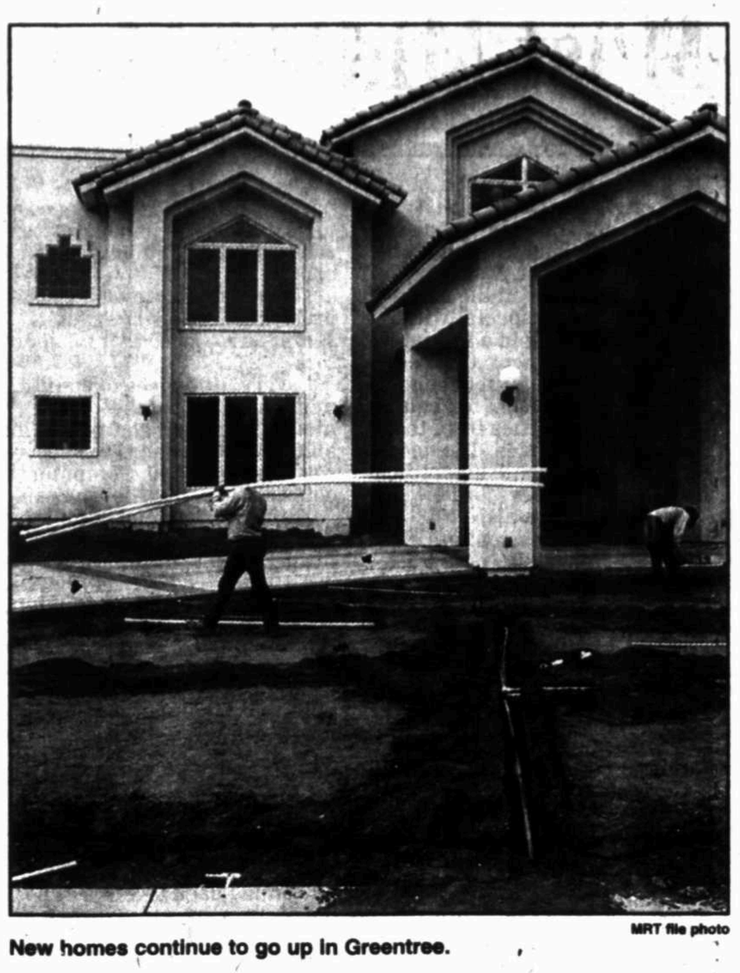
Doss also has noted the emphasis that potential home buyers place upon value, as well as the emphasis they place upon the home's condition.

"They want the best house that they can afford in different price areas," he said. "You have different people looking for different things."

"For the most part, people look in this day and age for a house that is well- maintained and updated. The better shape the house is in, and the more eye-appeal that it has, the better it will sell."

"I would say, all in all, across the board, the most important thing besides location is the condition of the property," Ms. Knight said. "And the cream puffs still always sell first. So condition is very important. In some of the different price ranges, we're seeing more and more importance placed on the home office.

"And we've found the kitchen has become the center of the home, that's come back. And no matter what the price range, the buyers want a good kitchen. And the master bedroom configuration has become important. We're seeing less formal areas becoming important. Most people, men and women, are looking for something light and bright, because they're really uplifting. And open areas are important."



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"We have been in Midland before and enjoyed success then, and think Midland is a great community from many respects besides financial. It fits well with the localities where will have offices by March 31 — Plainview, Lubbock, Big Spring, Abilene, El Paso and numerous locations in New Mexico."

Observing that the Midland economy has declined with oil prices, disposable income has been diminished and the ripple effect will continue to be felt. Also, with the corporate downsizings, he speculated that there would be significant dislocations of people.

"Hopefully, 1999 will be a turnaround year for these prices and the economy will show a turnaround also. If a turnaround occurs in 1999, there will be a time in which confidence will have to be rebuilt. There could be great opportunity for local oil and gas operators as a result of the consolidations of major oil companies. One optimistic point is that interest rates continue to be low. I think that there could be good investing cash flows to the petroleum sector if there is a confident rebound in energy prices," Kirk said.

"Petroleum has proven to be a cyclical industry and this economy has to realize that. There have been and will continue to be successful businesses in this sector in good times and bad. Bad times sometimes result in very good opportunities for financially strong individuals and corporations."

Kirk called for a level playing field for all financial service providers. "Competition is healthy, but it would be very desirable that there be consistent rules to apply to each player," he said.

Should someone seek a career in banking? "Banking is like any other industry. It will be subject to significant change because of technology. There will be very good opportunities in banking. It, like oil and gas operating companies, will have to adjust to consolidations, but consolidations will make things more efficient and therefore better if service is not sacrificed."

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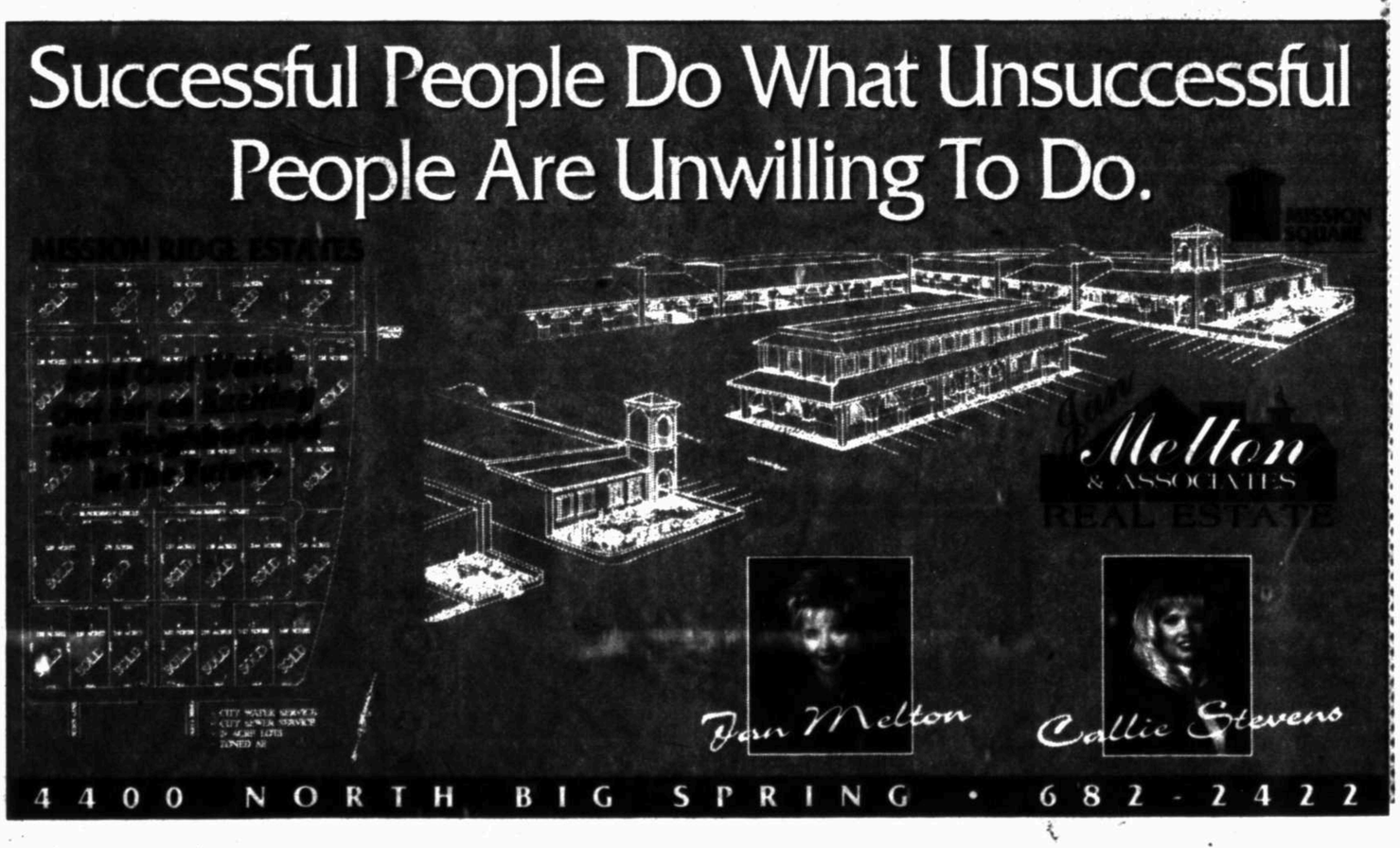

MOHRE continues to attract retirees

By Tanya Gentry

For more than a decade, the cities of Midland and Odessa and their chambers of commerce successfully have been attracting retirees to the area with MOHRE.

As the Midland-Odessa Health and Retirement Endeavor nears the new millennium, the success is expected to continue.

The nonprofit organization is thriving, according to Carolyn Carnes, executive director.

Originally, the office was expected to track 1,000 financially secure retirees who either moved here or remained after retirement. At the end of 10 years MOHRE had tracked 2,952 households of the 13,683 responses from its ads, she said.

The result is that the two cities have profited greatly by reaching out to retirees.

The first year the organization tracked 192 people who moved to the area and were designated by statistics as retirees, Ms. Carnes said.

Figuring in another 10 percent who moved here but were not recorded, such as parents moving in with grown children, that gives MOHRE 211 people. In 1997, the figures rose to 355 people who relocated. Since that time the figures have risen over 10 percent, she said.

MOHRE shows the highest number of contacts — 243 — came from Californians. Also running high were people in Illinois (120), New York (129), Michigan (91), Florida (75), Minnesota (93) and Pennsylvania (71)

Ms. Carnes and her staff spend time and effort promoting the attributes of the Permian Basin:

Climate: Midland-Odessa has an average of 316 sunny days a year, a median temperature of 64 and clean, clear air.

Travel: Midland and Odessa are located in the heart of West Texas, midway between Dallas-Fort Worth and El Paso. There is easy access to the interstate and there is an international airport with a new terminal.

Churches: There is one church for every 1,000 people

Culture: Several museums, including Museum of the Southwest and Petroleum Museum; community theater; and symphony.

Medical: Midland-Odessa is becoming a regional center for health care. The facilities include a cancer center and rehabilitation hospitals.

In addition, MOHRE promotes the fact that there is no state income tax and the cost of living in the area is low.

Ms. Carnes and her staff get the word out to many retirees through advertising in national magazines such as Where to Retire, Modern Maturity and Travel 50 and Beyond.

Ms. Carnes also attends different trade shows, and their latest tool is their Web site, which has had at least have 800 hits, she said.

The total economic impact to the area from the retirees in 1997 was almost $12 million, according to economist Kevin Skipper with Desert Analytic.

Adding up the 10-year Adjusted Economic Impact figures, retirees have brought $83.7 million to Midland-Odessa, he said. In Midland alone, the figure is $52.6 million in goods and services.

"This level of spending equates to the earnings. The economic justification for selling Midland to this expanding market is compelling," Skipper said. "The U.S. Census Bureau estimated that each retiree household spends an average of $32,623 a year on goods and services. The Texas Workforce Commission estimates that the average job in our area generates $25,808 a year in earnings. So, each retiree household spends the equivalent earning of 1.13 jobs. Retirees mean jobs for Midlanders and property sales and excise tax revenues to the city."

Just as retirees mean economic payoff for this area, the area offers job opportunities for senior citizens who still feel the urge to work.

"Many seniors do volunteer work in different areas of the community; many perform their jobs so well that they are asked to become paid workers," Ms. Carnes said.

Also, many senior citizens have started their own businesses. She said that MOHRE is targeting a group of individuals — at this time referred to as the Lone Eagles — who want to relocate after taking early retirement, buy a home and start a small business.

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New construction continues along Loop 250.

Continued development of loop has been proposed for year ahead

By Jeffrey McDonald

Over the past decade, in terms of road construction and new business startups, few spots in West Texas have come even close to the level of activity found along Midland's Loop 250.

What once was envisioned to serve as a "typical bypass" of the city has instead become a major expressway and business thoroughfare.

While the current level of construction and business activity has reached a new height in the '90s, the groundwork for this development was laid — quite literally — nearly 40 years ago when Loop 250 was nothing more than a concept on planners' drawing boards.

"The total mileage for the (loop's) construction phases is 10.796 miles, from the Interstate 20 interchange to Lamesa Road," said Glen Larum, of the Texas Department of Transportation's Odessa District office.

But continued development of the loop has been proposed for the year ahead, with frontage roads from Fairgrounds Road to the east end of BI 20, at an estimated cost of more than $1.4 million. And there might be still more development to follow.

"The IH 20 Corridor Study currently under way, with MK Centennial as the lead consultant, is studying the feasibility and location of an east Loop 250 interchange connecting to future expansion of Loop 250 from Lamesa Road to east IH 20," Larum said. "That eastward expansion would be the next phase of Loop 250 development."

Keeping pace with the development of traffic facilities and interchanges along Loop 250, has been the development of new businesses along what has become one of the busiest new retail/hospitality/entertainment corridors in West Texas. This has not only been a boon for local consumers, but also a source of jobs for the local economy, tax revenue for local government, and an increased attraction for residents of smaller communities across West Texas coming to Midland for shopping and entertainment.

Economic development officials in Midland point out that a variety of forces (including the decision to combine Midland with nearby Odessa for demographic reporting purposes) contributed to this new growth as much as — or perhaps more than — any concerted effort on their part.

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> — Dennis Clayton, economic development manager for the Midland Chamber of Commerce

"That's primarily retail growth, and that does impact the economics of the city," said Dennis Clayton, economic development manager for the Midland Chamber of Commerce, commenting upon the businesses that have developed along Loop 250 in recent years. "We target basic industry that brings in new jobs and new capital to the community.

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That's not to say, however, that the dramatic growth of new businesses along Loop 250 does not play an important role in the chamber's efforts to attract industry and jobs to the area. And it also serves to bring shoppers and other short-term visitors to Midland from communities across West Texas.

"We have a document we put in our information packets — the proposals we put out — that highlights our new businesses, our openings. We make that a part of our promotion," Clayton said. "And that also plays into the regional aspects of Midland, and the fact that it's a regional center for so many things, and for retail. And with the airport and the new terminal, that just enhances this being the regional hub, and this being an access to this region."

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Cheddar's restaurant is one of Midland's new additions to Loop 250.

Loop 250 tribute to vision of transportation planners

By Jeffrey McDonald

What began as a bypass around Midland has developed into Loop 250, a major expressway and business thoroughfare.

"As far back as the early 1960s, transportation planners for TxDOT and the city of Midland and Midland County were planning a bypass around the city using FM 1369," said Glen Larum of the Texas Department of Transportation's Odessa District office.

"In 1965, an interchange was built when Interstate Highway 20 was being built. In 1971, the portion of Loop 250 at Business Interstate 20, from IH-20 to just north of BI-20 (including the interchange and overpass over BI 20 and the railroad) was built.

"That was the first section of present-day Loop 250 to be built, and it has been modified slightly in the intervening years," Larum said. "When it became apparent that Loop 250 would not be a typical bypass, plans were made to develop it as an expressway, and frontage roads were built as a precursor for the present-day facility."

It is perhaps a tribute to the vision of state and local transportation planners that in the 1980s — even as West Texas was reeling from the effects of the oil bust — plans were under way to build the facilities that could accommodate growth, development and a new prosperity.

"In Midland, TxDOT began its Loop 250 projects in 1990, with plans developed in the late 1980s," Larum recalled.

"During the ensuing 10-year period, TxDOT has committed an average $3.2 million each year to Loop 250 project development, including district discretionary funding, state funding and federal funding. In earlier years, TxDOT had funded the building of frontage roads which were ... the initial stage of the project."

In 1990, construction focused upon the tri-level interchange at State Highway 158 and Loop 250, to the tune of $2.6 million. In 1993, the focus moved north to the interchanges of Loop 250 with Midland Drive and Midkiff Road, with more than $6.6 million invested in that phase of the project. In 1994, the first two phases of the Loop 250 project were brought together with construction of development of Loop 250 from SH 158 to Tremont Avenue, with interchanges at Tremont Avenue and Wadley Avenue, at a cost of nearly $4.8 million.

In 1995, 30 years after ground was broken for the first stage of what would become Loop 250, development continued with an added funding boost from the state. It was here that the focus of the project moved south to develop the connection between the loop and IH 20, with an interchange at Thomason Drive, to the tune of nearly $4 million.

The IH 20/Thomason project came on line in 1995, a year ahead of the original timeline because funds were available. "The Texas Transportation Commission approved an additional $3.7 million for the Odessa District, to be dedicated to the Loop 250 development plan."

In 1995, at the same time that work crews were developing the IH 20-to-Thomason Drive phase of the project, a second phase was under way to the north, at the interchanges of Loop 250 with Garfield and A streets, at a cost of more than $6.3 million. In 1997, work continued to move to the east with construction at the interchanges of Loop 20 with SH 349 and Lamesa Road, with more than $6.9 million invested in that phase of the project.

TxDOT has targeted the summer of 1999 for completion of that phase.

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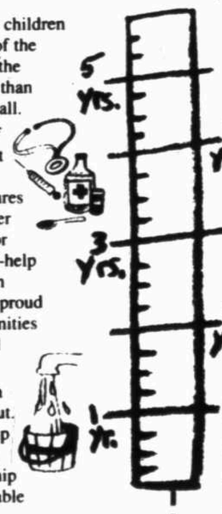

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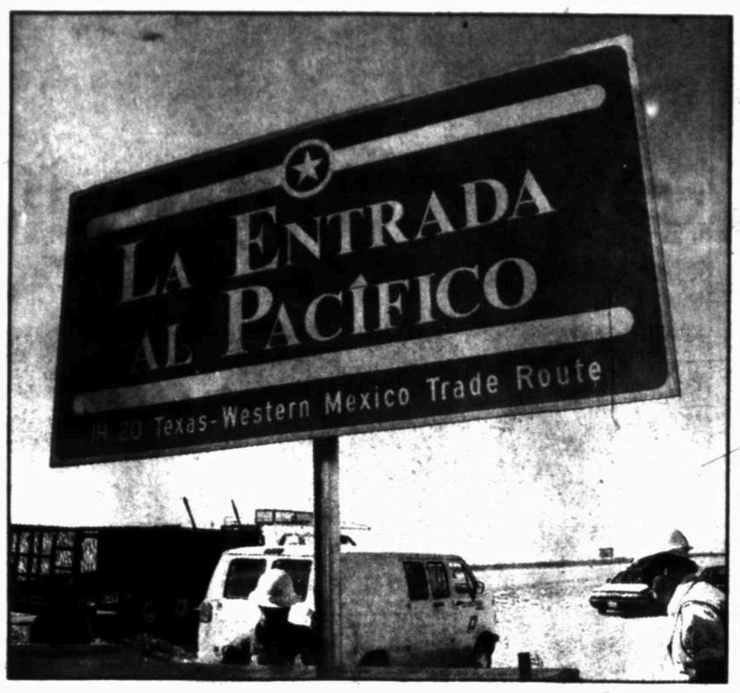
Development planning for property along I-20 awaiting TxDOT study

By Julie A. Wiseman



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"It's tough to dream in this economy. I guess you can make plans, but getting things actually in place is a different thing," said Cameron Walker concerning Midland's development of property along Interstate Highway 20.

As Planning and Development Coordinator for the city of Midland, Walker is well-acquainted with the planning process, which began in 1995 and is basically on hold awaiting the completion of a Texas Department of Transportation study.

It's been another year of research for Walker's department, TxDOT and hopefully some developers.

"I haven't had as many calls about I-20 as occurred about two years ago. I don't know whether people are out actively trying to market their properties or not," Walker said.

When asked if anything new was built along I-20 in Midland in 1998, Walker confided, "I can't think of anything new. A firm out of Dallas recently closed on a piece of property that is generally on the west side of Rankin Highway. It doesn't actually connect to Rankin Highway, but it does have some access down to I-20 off of Camp Street. There's a proposed apartment complex for that area."

Last year, most research regarding I-20 development centered around a consultant's report. J. T. Duncan and Associates of Dallas was hired by the city in 1995 to study potential development of the Interstate Highway 20 corridor from the city limits on the east end to its intersection with Loop 250. That report, which is available for review in Room 440 of Midland City Hall, 300 N. Loraine St., includes provisions for beautification, utility availability, zoning changes and additional access to the interstate.

Utility availability has expanded somewhat since the report was ordered. The city installed a sewer line from Midland International Airport to the sewer plant. This line has made it easier for nearby properties to tie into the sewer system.

Still, Walker asserted, "I would say development costs are very high along I-20. In some places you've got sewer nearby and in other properties it's nowhere near you. So the cost of extending sewer and water is not real good out there."

The city also has sought public input regarding the development. Two town meetings attracted more than 80 people, Walker said.

In addition, "We had an I-20 committee that, of course, is no longer active because it's fulfilled its purpose. We had input from them on all four of the areas we mentioned: the zoning, the access, the utilities and beautification.

"We'd like to take the draft that he (J. T. Duncan and Associates) has prepared and use some information out of it and make it into our own plan. I'd like to have it before the council sometime this summer," Walker said.

This would allow him to review the final version of TxDOT's separate study before finalizing the proposed draft.

TxDOT's plans and the city's plans "really serve two different purposes. TxDOT's plan will not talk about zoning. They are concerned with transportation and so are we, but they are not looking at some of the other elements like zoning," Walker said.

Glen Larum, public information officer for the Odessa District Office of the Texas Department of Transportation, affirmed that distinction, but pointed out the connection between development and traffic needs.

"We don't design highways to develop properties, although, that is an almost inevitable byproduct of anything that we do. We take into account how property is developing, but our major consideration is traffic flow and traffic accidents."

In April, TxDOT should have the final version of a report by consultant M. K. Centennial of Dallas. The Department of Transportation directed Centennial to study the needs and suggest improvements in the Interstate Highway 20 corridor from east of Midland to west of Odessa.

TxDOT wanted growth and changes through the year 2020 to be considered in the study.

Concerns to be outlined include interchange and crossover needs, along with mainline access and service road improvements.

"It's a study that will make certain recommendations and the Metropolitan Planning Organization of the Permian Basin (MPO) will use those recommendations to develop its strategies," Larum said. "Our funding in construction will be driven by the MPO's priorities."

The MPO is comprised of District Engineer Jose E. Morales, Mayor Bobby Burns, Midland County Commissioner Mike Bradford, Odessa Mayor Mike Atkins and Freddie Gardner, representing Ector County.

Though the final report will not be delivered to the MPO until April, Larum feels pretty confident about what he expects to see.

Early forms of the report were presented at two public meetings. The consultant presented a complete report at a public meeting on Nov. 19.

Larum said there was "input from the public that the consultant is taking back and incorporating. I didn't hear anything at that public meeting that would indicate to me that there were any drastic changes in these recommendations pending, but then I'm not the consultant and I'm not an engineer."

Recommendations will probably include:

- Construction of a new interchange with traffic signals at I-20 and West Loop 250.
- Construction of a "diamond" interchange at Midkiff. This would have up ramps and on ramps, as well as through frontage roads instead of the current "jug handled" exit and entrance ramp. It "would mean going back and streamlining that intersection so that the entrance and exit would be more with the flow of traffic," Larum said.
- Improvements to the interchange at Cottonflat Road.
- Addition of an interchange at 307, which would serve the Greenwood area.
- Conversion of two-way frontage roads to one-way frontage roads.
- Creation of a major interchange at East Loop 250.

Larum expects this last recommendation to get high priority. "They are talking about a major interchange at East Loop 250, which would serve to connect I-20 to Loop 250 and then develop and expand the existing Loop 250 all the way to I-20 on the east. That probably would be the most significant development project along that entire corridor."

Don't get ready to loop all the way around Midland just yet, though.

"Anytime you're talking about highway projects, even when you're talking about almost immediate projects, you're looking three to five years out in the future," Larum said.

"I don't think you can expect anything in 1999 or 2000," he continued. "The only thing you can expect in 2000 is some frontage road improvements from Lamesa Road east."

This project involves construction of a second Loop 250 frontage road east of Lamesa Road. The project is on the letting schedule for March of this year.

"Remember how (Loop) 250 used to be before the main lanes were created? There was a frontage road on each side of a vast expanse of grass," Larum said. "That's what we're talking about doing east of Lamesa Road, as the first stage of the project development. We would put frontage roads there and eventually go to main lane building."

Funding dictates how soon the project will be completed. Larum explained that the city of Midland could borrow funds from a state infrastructure bank. "They've been talking about doing something like that to construct main lanes going east to I-20. We're looking at where funding might be available and I know our district engineer is very committed to the building of the east interchange of Loop 250 and I-20. As soon as we can identify dollars that are available to do that, he's said that's his intention."

Larum summed up what is in store for the Midland-Odessa corridor of I-20 as a major transition.

"It's converting what used to be a rural interstate highway into an urban interstate highway. And, as Midland further develops along the interstate, it will become more and more like an urban highway. Part of the reason for this study is to look out into the future and see Midland the way it is going to be in 2020 and make sure that we are ahead of the curve.

"We are always in the process of responding to demand. That's how the department (TxDOT) works. In this case, we are trying to build a plan that foresees the need. We are creating a blueprint that has to be flexible. This is not locked in stone. It doesn't mean there will be no more opportunity for input," Larum said.

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Vehicle dealers hopeful about 1999 despite oil price slump

By Elizabeth Harrell

Midland's automotive dealers eagerly greet 1999 with hopes of continued profits despite dropping oil prices.

Although most concede that oil prices will affect sales, they also expect 1999 to be a successful year.

"We've forecasted a 20 percent increase," said Fred Dotson of Dotson Nissan.

Jed Heard of Berg Motors is "cautiously optimistic... looking for stable sales."

Berg Motors is undergoing a major remodeling and renovating. Heard said. "We wouldn't be doing that if we didn't have confidence in continued business."

Bill Stella of Village Lincoln expresses the same certainty. "We're building a new facility right next door. And I wouldn't do that if I didn't think the industry would continue to do well."

The new dealer on the block, Chris Robin speaking for Saturn said, "Actually, I'm not concerned about the low oil prices. I've driven through Midland-Odessa and if it's bad right now, I'd like to see it when it's good. As much growth as the area has had in the last few years, I'm really not concerned at all."

Oil-related issues for automotive dealers include fleet sales and truck sales.

"I would assume that truck purchases may decline slightly," said Mike Britt of Britt Imports. "I think you may see purchases being less frequent but I don't see it affecting us as much as some of the other manufacturers."

Doss Rogers of Rogers Ford explained, "The oil prices affect the auto industry because oil companies aren't buying fleets of vehicles, and individuals within that industry can't afford new cars right now."

Jack Sherman agreed. "The main thing is the turndown in the truck business. The well-servicing companies aren't buying any vehicles because they're not operating any products."

Sherman suggests that the outlook people have affects the way they spend their money. "You know, perception becomes reality and a lot of people think the oil business directly affects us. Obviously, that (perception) affects us. People are reluctant to buy because they feel as though we're in a depressed situation as far as income is concerned."

Don James of Toyota of Midland concurred. "If the public perceives it's going to be slow ... then they tend to be more conservative in their spending. I think that's how it affects us."

Dealers who have been through oil-price crunches in the past expect Midland's diversification to have a positive affect compared to the last oil price slump.

"Midland is more diversified now and the drop in oil is not as catastrophic to other local industries compared to the past," Rogers said.

James agreed. "In the last three years, it certainly has become much more diversified. I think we're becoming more of a regional shopping area. We're attracting people from the surrounding areas."

Most of the auto dealers agree that the growing numbers of restaurants, shopping opportunities and hotels bring income to the economy that wasn't previously available to support Midland through low oil prices. Bringing business into Midland significantly affects the local economy. Depending on the dealership, anywhere from 20 to 40 percent of car sales come from outside of Midland.

According to the dealers, people come to Midland to buy because they don't have the availability or selection in their own area.

Midland automotive dealers hope to attract car buyers with everything from new products to personal service.

Rogers, with a 35-year-old business, said, "Sales and service draw people. We've had very little turnover and we're a family-owned business."

Sherman said people come to his dealership because, " ... We're a friendly place to do business and people feel very comfortable doing business with us."

James believes that the product itself creates customers.

"Toyota is a very strong product and has a great reputation for reliability."

Saturn has a different approach as Robin explained, "The main thing is peace of mind. We're a no-haggle store. People know what they're getting up-front. They don't have to wonder if they're getting a good deal on the vehicle."

Britt attributes the success of his dealership to a loyal customer base. "We have a very loyal following. We work very hard to take care of our customers on an individual basis."

No matter what draws the buyer initially, auto dealers agree that keeping them coming back is the key to future profits.

Up-and-coming trends in the automotive industry primarily focus on customer satisfaction.

Currently, the one-price system like Saturn utilizes is becoming more popular with consumers. In response, Mercedes is moving in that direction with its 2000s-class sedan.

James said that "Mega stores, like Car Nation and Auto Max, are changing the way retailing is done."

"Care about your customer?" Heard said. "That's only going to increase. That's where the whole industry is headed."

A less positive trend, according to many dealers, is the buy-out of smaller dealerships by conglomerates, reducing the number of family-owned and -operated dealerships.

Technology is making its way into the automotive market via the Internet. Most dealers agree that consumers primarily use their Web sites for information and pricing purposes.

Rogers doesn't believe the Web site draws customers to the dealership but helps educate the consumer about car types and prices.

Dotson believes that the electronic age allows people to be more informed but doesn't think that Web sites will never replace the salesman.

Stella is waiting to see "how it can be used when it's not so fragmented."

Britt has a Web site but said, "I think right now it's still in infancy. I think the Internet will play a much stronger role in car purchasing."

Robin thinks that Web sites have their place. "I think it's a good tool for people to use to do some research and things, but it's like anything else ... it really boils down to the point of contact and how well the sales consultant can fit the customers' needs throughout the purchase."

As the auto industry moves closer to the millennium, the dealers agree that the coming year will bring many changes, most of which they think are positive. While riding out the low oil prices, optimism prevails with a focus on meeting the needs of local buyers, while bringing new business to Midland.

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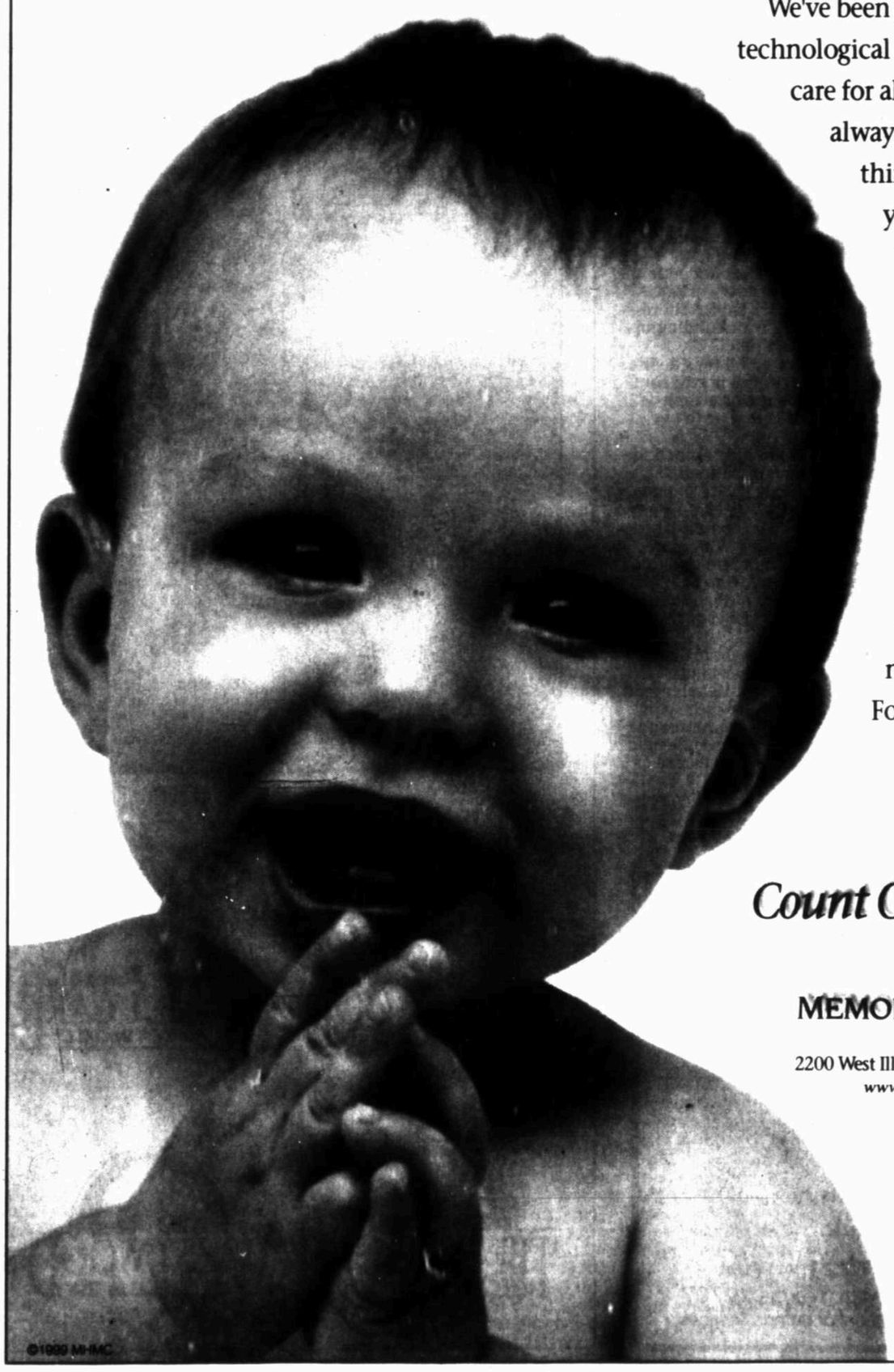

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Retraining programs can help those wanting to leave oil industry

By Paul Wiseman

Each day's news brings another headline shouting bad employment news, either a massive layoff plan or a merger that will lead to layoffs later.

As low crude oil prices continue and companies enact cost-saving strategies, employees scramble for work alternatives. "I see a lot of people who are tired of the ups and downs, and want to get out of the oil industry," said Doug Shipley, branch manager for Manpower. "Many are willing to be paid less in return for more stability."

Permian Basin veterans of previous oil cycles saw similar situations in the mid-1980s, when unemployment in this area reached close to 20 percent. It's not that bad yet, according to Texas Workforce Commission figures. December's unemployment rate in Midland was 4.6 percent, the same as in November. That is up from the December 1997 figure of 3 percent.

Odessa is feeling the pinch more, with a December 1998 unemployment rate of 8.2 percent, up significantly from 7.3 percent the previous month and almost double the 4.5 percent level of December 1997.

There is hope for those Shipley described as wanting to leave the oil business.

Odel Crawford, program administrator for the Texas Workforce Commission office in Odessa, has more than 60 people in retraining programs funded under the TRA (Trade Readjustment Act) and the TAA (Trade Adjustment Assistance Act). These programs were created by the Trade Act of 1974 and amended several times, most recently as part of 1993's North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Qualifying for the program is handled on a company by company basis. The main consideration is that increased imports of articles like, or directly competitive with, articles produced by the firm or a subdivision of the firm have contributed importantly to both layoffs and a decline in sales or production, he said. The well-documented foreign oil glut forcing crude prices down below $10 per barrel makes this a ray of hope for many who have been laid off by oil companies.

The TRA and TAA provide for 52 weeks of unemployment benefits and up to two years of training for qualified applicants, Crawford explained. Current participants are "mostly in community colleges, although you can get a relocation allowance," said Crawford, to attend a school in another area.

While TRA and TAA would help oil industry workers, almost every job in the Permian Basin is at least indirectly related to the oil industry, through what Crawford called a "chain reaction." "All segments are beginning to feel the crunch because we are so heavily tied to oil."

The chain reaction theory may explain why Odessa's unemployment is so much higher than Midland's. As crude prices fall, production companies (mostly headquartered in Midland), begin tightening their budgets by reducing the business they do with drilling companies and well-service firms (mostly headquartered in Odessa). That means Odessa and Ector County employees are the first to feel the job squeeze.

Lower on the chain are jobs in the retail and service industries. The service sector has been strong in recent years, Crawford pointed out, but, "as major corporations leave, the need for services dwindles," creating a sort of snowball effect in unemployment figures.

Crawford has seen this before. "I hope we don't reach double-digit unemployment this time," he said. "These are the worst times since 1986."

That year featured some of the highest unemployment figures ever recorded in the Permian Basin. Crawford recalled that in June 1986 Odessa had almost 20 percent, with similar numbers in Midland.

The service sector has been strong in recent years, Crawford said.

Kevin Skipper, chief economist for Desert Analytic, an economic and statistical services consulting firm in Midland, has seen a huge leap in service jobs since 1990. His analysis is based on employment numbers provided by the Texas Workforce Commission. Dat from 1990 and 1998 are annual averages. "The services industry grew 52 percent between 1990 and 1998, from 8,688 jobs to 13,180."

This is second only to construction, which increased 81 percent.

Service jobs also occupied a greater sector of the workforce, expanding from 23.3 percent of 1990's Midland County jobs to 28.5 percent in 1998.

In contrast, higher paying mining (oil and gas) employment is up only a little since 1990. Mining jobs increased from 9,196 in 1990 to 9,527 in 1998. The slower growth rate has shrunk its portion of the workforce.

"In 1990, the mining industry contributed 24.6 percent of employment and 40.1 percent of aggregate earnings in Midland County," Skipper said. "In 1998, the mining industry contributed 20.6 percent of employment and 36.8 percent of aggregate earnings in Midland County."

In 1998, the mining industry's average weekly earnings (AWE) were $1,009, which is 179 percent of the average for the county as a whole. Services contributed 21.4 percent of that year's aggregate earnings, as opposed to 16.3 percent in 1990.

"These jobs paid just 75 percent of the county average in 1998," Skipper said.

In other words, while the retail boom of recent years has created new jobs, most of them have paid less than the county average. This is reflected in Skipper's figures, which show Midland County's aggregate earnings growth lagging behind the rest of Texas.

"Aggregate earnings increased 78 percent in Texas between 1990-1998. Earnings increased 51 percent in Midland County," during that same time frame, he said.

Area employee providers such as Manpower and Energi Personnel are seeing the human effects of the economic challenges. Manpower's Shipley and Energi owner Judi Hansler have seen the downward trend.

"Minimum wage jobs are the big thing right now," Ms. Hansler said. "We're not gaining new technical jobs."

Ms. Hansler has received calls from clients her company placed into jobs in 1997 and 1996, who are having to look for new jobs. She estimated that 95 percent of her clients are laying people off. She added that most are leery of what the future holds and don't want to do any hiring until they know more.

"They're in a sit-here mode," she said.

Commercial construction and health care jobs are bucking the downward trend according to both Ms. Hansler and Shipley. "Midland and Odessa have worked hard to bring in retirees," which has added to the need for health care workers, said Ms. Hansler said. "There is nothing wrong with building up the health care field."

Shipley saw retail jobs decline late in 1998. "Retail is still coming in, but it's not as strong as it was over the last year to two years."

He has also found demand for non-oil-related manufacturing for both durable goods and non-durable goods.

They all appear to fully agree on the main point: With more than 36 percent of Midland County wages coming from one industry, the fortunes of that industry are mirrored in the county economy as a whole.

"Somebody has got to develop a way to bring other industry into the area," Ms. Hansler said. "We can't stay here if the community doesn't do something to bring in industry so people can make a living and take care of their families."

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Community & Senior Services employees Maria Suarez, right, and Silvia Padilla, prepare meals. They are working in the service sector in Midland.

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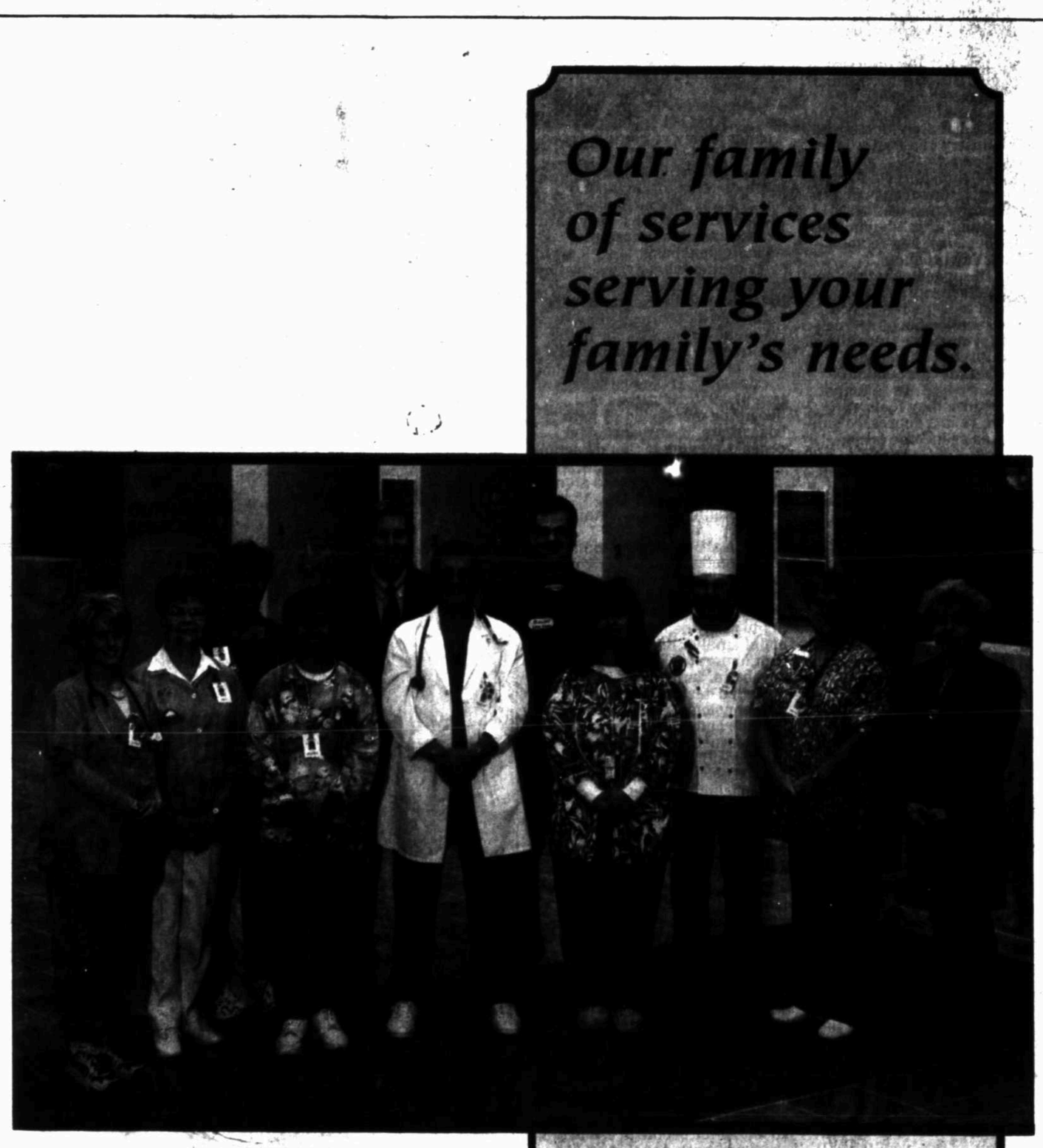

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Vasquez appointed

U.S. Department of Energy named Philip Vasquez, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oil and Gas Technology by Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson.

Vasquez is responsible for administering oil and gas programs in the Office of Fossil Energy.

He built a successful criminal and civil litigation private practice, Vasquez and Vasquez in Victoria, Texas with his wife, Ava Ganem Vasquez.

Vasquez is a 1978 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Petroleum Land Management. He earned his Juris Doctorate in 1987 at the University of Houston Law Center, where he also acquired a masters in International Economic Law.

Company opens

Material Resource Management (MRM) has opened offices in Midland at 1400 Keith St. The company, which also serves the South Plains from Lubbock, offers a wide range of petroleum services including inventory control, inventory management, materials tracking and field audits.

Kevin Livingston, owner, says MRM, in an environment of low oil prices, is able to provide a wide variety of materials control programs on an as-needed basis, saving operators the cost of a fulltime materials specialist. In conducting audits, the company provides bimonthly, monthly and quarterly reports. Itemized reports list: lease, fields, surface and production equipment assets.

Adding to SPR

WASHINGTON — To shore up the nation's shrinking protection against oil emergencies, the Clinton administration will announce on Thursday that it plans to add oil to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve for the first time since 1994.

To add to the reserve, the government will take royalty payments for wells on federal land in oil rather than money. The decision represents the first time since 1980 that the government has dedicated new resources to buying oil; then, Congress voted money for purchases .

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Drillers can survive prices

Drilling executive says "bunker mentality" will help drilling contractors survive oil price crash

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

A stunned drilling industry is watching the rig count set new record lows almost weekly, but one drilling executive is confident the industry can make it through the depression by observing a few survival tactics.

Karl Benzer, president of recently merged FWA/JSM (a UTI company), said drilling contractors can hold on to rigs and survive for another day by merging, shrinking, cutting costs, top-to-bottom marketing and hunkering down. "It all boils down to getting more dollars in the door and fewer out the door."

The number of rigs actively drilling for oil and natural gas in the United States dropped to 588 in January, the lowest rig count in history. Now new historic lows are rewriting the record book. The number of U.S. working rigs last week was 546, and the decline shows no sign of letting up.

Out of 54 counties in the Permian Basin of West Texas last week, 40 had no rigs running at all. Two counties in New Mexico, Lea and Eddy were responsible for nearly one-half the rigs running in the Basin. Veteran drillers in the Basin say this is the most counties without a working rig since the count was established in 1940. "Things are much worse in the Permian Basin than in other parts of the country," said Ray Peterson, President Peterson Drilling and former chairman of International Association of Drilling Contractors.

> **"It all boils down to getting more dollars in the door and fewer dollars out the door."**
> Karl Benzer
> FWA/JSM

The Oil Report survey reveals that many oil companies have no capital budget at all for 1999, while others have slashed 1998 capital budgets considerably. This is after most 1998 budgets were revised downward.

With only a quarter of Permian Basin rigs working, Karl Benzer said contractors have taken on a bunker mentality. "The focus has shifted to survival. When operators find it uneconomical to drill wells, there is little a drilling contractor can do."

Benzer, said, because most of the national rig fleet are in fewer hands, such as UTI, Nabors, and Patterson, survival may not lead to a massive sell-off of drilling rigs as in the eighties, when there were many small drilling contractors. In the years following the 1986 oil price crash, most of the

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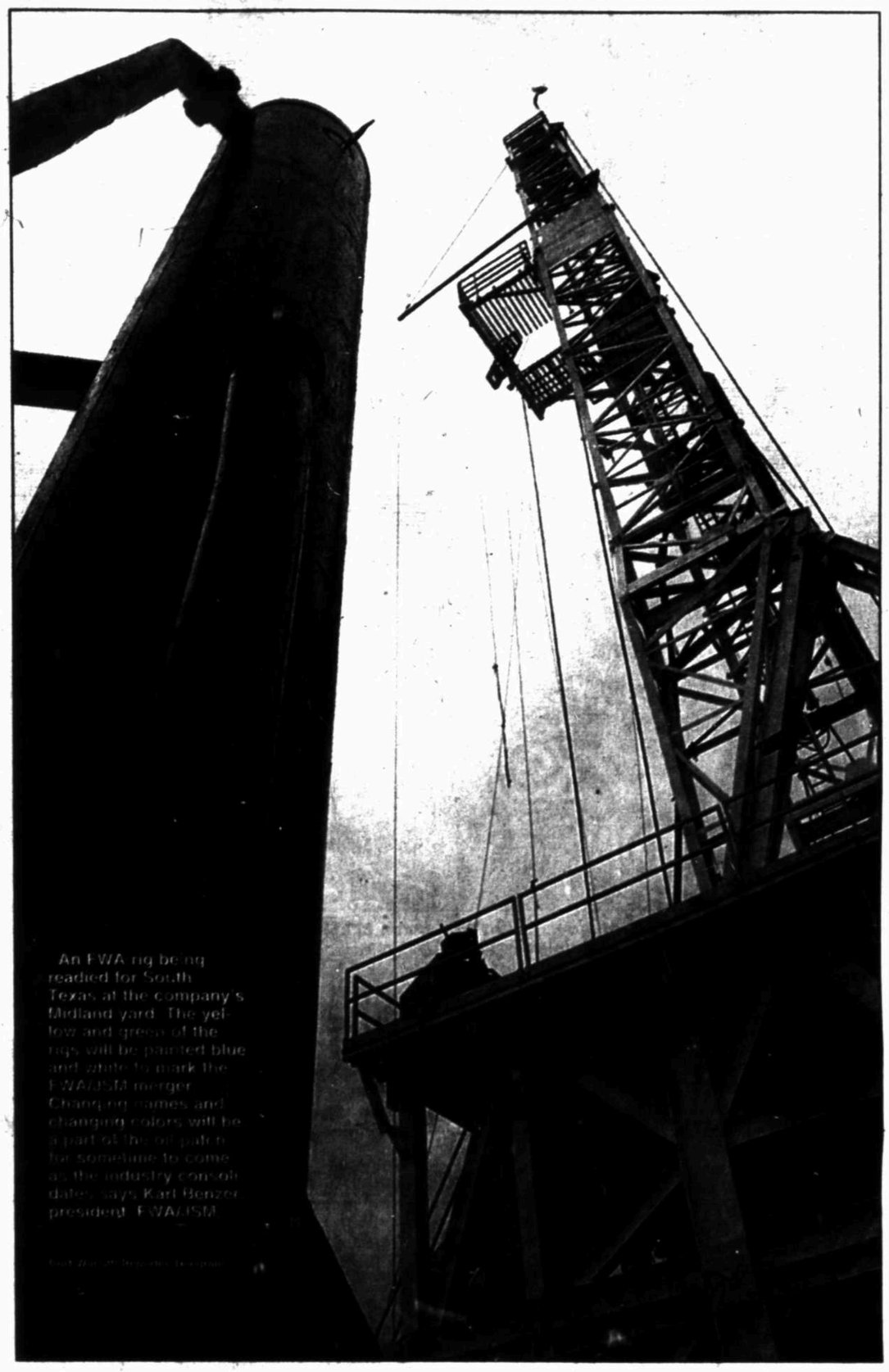

An FWA rig being readied for South Texas at the company's Midland yard. The yellow and green of the rigs will be painted blue and white to mark the FWA/JSM merger. Changing names and changing colors will be a part of the oil patch for sometime to come as the industry consolidates, says Karl Benzer president FWA/JSM.

Key Energy Services plans to restructure

By John Paul Pitts
Oil Editor

Key Energy Services announced this week that it had executed a series of financial and restructuring strategies that would see the company through at least two more years of low oil prices.

"There had been rumors that Key Energy Services were facing bankruptcy," said Ken Huseman, Key Executive Vice President and COO, "but that is far from true."

Huseman said new survival strategies would allow the company to maintain cash flow for operations and service debt with "a little room left over."

"When we organized Key Energy Services, we designed an organization that world work during good times and bad times. Now it is being tested by the worse times in the history of the industry and it is working."

With divisions in Midland, Bakersfield, Farmington, Oklahoma City, Mt. Pleasant Michigan and College Station, Key operates 1,400 well service units, 74 drilling rigs and associated service equipment such as transports and dirt moving equipment.

"Unlike Halliburton and others with high tech, Key is a nationwide, diversified, labor-intensive sector of the industry," said Huseman. "And that gives us plenty of room to consolidate and restructure our operations." With only 12 corporate personnel in Midland and 8 in New Jersey the company has low corporate overhead.

Key will look to diverse services, geographic diversity, a strong customer base, decentralized management, economies of scale and a commitment to safety to achieve its strategies.

The company is also counting on a strong customer base. The service company, which is a full provider of services including drilling, completion, lease construction, workover, well maintenance, trucking, rentals and construction, has alliances with most majors and large independents. And, because of its geographical diversity, no single Key customer accounts for more than 5 percent of consolidated revenues.

Plans in the area of consolidation and restructuring include: extensive management and staff reductions, the closing of redundant facilities, high grading of equipment and reduction of operating costs.

To high grade equipment, Huseman says the company will stack lower quality, high maintenance units. In reducing redundant facilities, locally Key has reduced five yards at Andrews to two; four yards at Lamesa to one and three Midland yards to one. "We have done it by combining trucking and rig facilities," Huseman said.

With geographic diversity, Key is maximizing equipment use by taking equipment from slower areas into more active areas, such as the Four Corners area and Appalachia. "The shallow coal seam play at Farmington and the shallow gas play of Appalachia are fairly active," he said. The company is also active in gas areas that have not been hit as hard.

On the financial front, Key says it has modified its senior credit facility and created a strong liquidity position. Lenders have relaxed financial covenants and allowed minimal principal payments for 1999, 2000 and 2001. The total annual cash interest expense is about $70 million with an annual cash interest rate slightly over 8 percent.

Liquidity is improved by $40 million in cash and credit balances, $10-12 million per month in cash flow and $6 million per month in cash interest expense. The company will also have little to no income tax liability during the downturn.

Said Huseman: "Our cash flow should cover all operating costs and interest expense."

JOHN PAUL PITTS

Iraq's cheap oil destroying domestic oil industry?

Is Iraq a major factor behind low oil prices? That is a topic IPAA Chairman George Yates and I debated over coffee at the Hilton Hotel several months ago. We agreed and disagreed. I conceded it was a possibility.

Now that discussion has emerged as an op-ed piece for the New York Times this week, the Roswell oilman, points out for the world that even with so-called oil sanctions Iraq is still calling the shots.

In his New York Times editorial, Yates offers the view that the "Oil for Food" program, which permitted Iraq to sell oil for food and medicine is fatally flawed. Humanitarian aid never reached the Iraqi people, but the program did hand Saddam Hussein effective control of world oil prices, and he is using low oil prices to "punish his enemies."

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He says the program has impacted international oil prices, now at historic lows, by allowing Iraq to export oil without constraint while giving it incentive to sell at the lowest possible price.

Yates, a University of Texas graduate, and a student of energy policy, calls the UN program a "torpedo" in the hull of a foundering international petroleum market. Iraq is permitted to sell, not a specific number of barrels, but a number of dollars up to a cap of $10.4 billion annually."

Having permitted Iraq's production infrastructure to deteriorate - a sacrifice to Saddam's overweening military objectives, Yates said Saddam is now unable to muster oil worth more than $3.5 billion every six months. As a result, he extracts $600 million annually under the UN program to improve his production capability — money he has used to more than double production over the past year and dump still more low-price oil onto the market. That formula gives Iraq no incentive to produce in a sensible, resource-conserving manner or to maximize value for its product.

Quoting the economic truism that the last barrel onto a market sets the market price for all barrels produced, Yates notes: Iraq skims the "cream" of its production off the top of its fields and get it onto the market at whatever price is offered. That's how a small amount of excess supply is able to create fire-sale prices in the world market."

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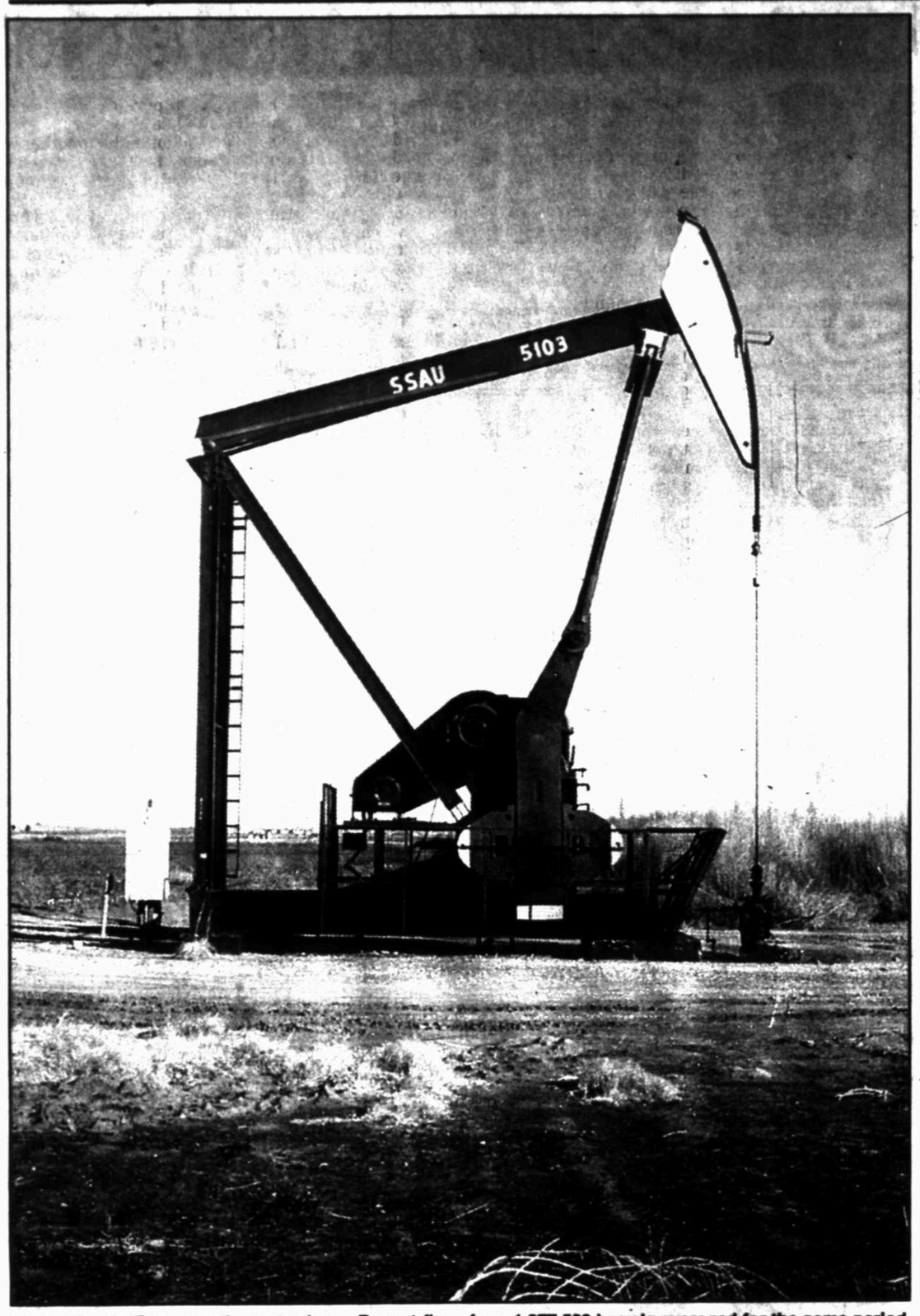

Production in Texas continues to drop. Recent figures show an average of 1.174.587 barrel daily, down from 1,277,589 barrels averaged for the same period last year.

Power Exploration commences drilling phase 2 in its Corsicana Field

FORT WORTH, Texas (PRNewswire)—Power Exploration, Inc. announces the conclusion of phase-1 and the commencement of phase-2 with regards to the drilling of the "Barry 1-H" well located on its leasehold in Corsicana, Texas.

The Barry 1-H represents the Company's first effort to horizontally drill this unconsolidated sand reservoir. Due to the characteristics of the field, engineers with the Company believe the field has the ability to produce 25% to 45% of the in-place reserves by applying horizontal drilling technology.

The vertical portion of the well has been drilled and cased. From there, Power plans to horizontally drill four separate laterals from the vertical portion of the well. Anticipated flows into each of the lateral well bores are expected to be from 75 to 150 barrels of oil per day according to engineers.

Several independent engineering reports state that the remaining gross reserves total approximately 84 million barrels of oil.

Phase-2 utilizes horizontal drilling methods supplemented with the use of an alkaline-surfactant aided polymer flood -- which have been a predominate method of retrieving oil from previously "thought to be" depleted fields. A polymer flood builds a wall, which coupled with the alkaline-surfactant, moves oil from the reservoir into the well bore. The presence of the horizontal well creates a larger well bore in which fluid (oil) can enter and can increase production ten-fold to that of a vertical well. Power Exploration, Inc., along with independent engineering reports, believes that the spacing and permeability characteristics of the Corsicana field are prime candidates for this process.

If the initial test proves successful, Power has forecasted that it will be able to produce between 22 to 32 million barrels of oil (per the Ultra Engineering and Consulting report, dated January 1, 1998.) At current commodity prices, net cash flows could reach $175 million over the next seven years utilizing an oil price of $9.60 per barrel, net of royalties and transportation costs.

Power Exploration, Inc. is a developmental stage global resource company with holdings in Texas and Australia.

Smith, Schlumberger announce joint venture

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Smith International, Inc. announced the signing of a definitive agreement with Schlumberger Limited for the creation of the drilling fluids joint venture that was announced in October 1998. The transaction is expected to close in March 1999, subject to regulatory approvals.

Under the terms of the definitive agreement and as previously announced, Smith will contribute its M-I L.L.C. fluids businesses, including M-I Swaco, and Schlumberger will contribute its drilling fluids business. In addition, Schlumberger will pay Smith $280 million in cash. As a result Smith and Schlumberger will respectively own 60% and 40% of the venture, which will continue to operate as M-I.

Schlumberger is a worldwide leader in technical services with operations in over 100 countries. In 1998, revenue was $11.82 billion.

Smith International, Inc. is a leading worldwide supplier of premium products and services to the oil and gas exploration, production and petrochemical industries through its five principal business units -- M-I Fluids, M-I SWACO, Smith Bits, Smith Drilling & Completions.

MEETINGS

The SOCIETY OF INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL EARTH SCIENTISTS will hold their annual Ladies (or Guest) Night, featuring Rose-mary Rumbley, historian, at Midland Country Club.

Ladies Night will be held Thursday, February 18, 1999 at 6:00 p.m. beginning with a cash bar and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Rumbley is an experienced stage and screen actress, appearing in the classic film, Paper Moon, with Tatum O'Neal.

Cost is $20 for spouses and non-members. Call Tom Williams at 684-7318 or fax your reservations to 682-1084 before Friday, Feb. 12, 1999. No walk-ins or late reservations can be accepted.

The **SOCIETY FOR SEDIMENTARY GEOLOGY (PBS-SEPM)** will hold its monthly luncheon meeting February 16, 1999 at 11:30 a.m. at the Midland Center.

Dr. Bruce Hart, petroleum geologist with the New Mexico Bureau of Mines and Minerals and professor at New Mexico Tech, will speak on "3-D Seismic Attribute Studies -- The Geologists Role."

Admission, including lunch, is $8.00. Call the PBS-SEPM office at 683-1573 for reservations.

The **WEST CENTRAL TEXAS OIL & GAS ASSOCIATION** will hold its 66th Annual Meeting Sunday, Feb. 21, and Monday, Feb. 22, at the Abilene Civic Center. Clayton W. Williams will deliver the keynote address and the Annual Meeting luncheon. Topic is "Entrepreneur 101 in a Crisis"

For further information, call the WeCTOGA office in Abilene at 915/677-2469.

The SPE ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY GROUP February meeting will be Thursday, February 25 at 11:20 p.m. at Midland College.

Guest speaker is Navin Tandon. Tandon is a senior consultant for Trinity Consultants in Dallas. He has extensive experience in the air permitting compliance arena. Cost is $10.00. Call 686-7329 by February 23 for reservations.

The **SPE** section meeting will be Wednesday, February 17 at 11:.0 a.m. at the Petroleum Club.

Guest speaker R.A. Skopec will speak on "Reservoir Evaluation and Data Integration in Horizontal Wellbores." Cost is $15.00. Call 686-7329 by Tuesday, February 16 for reservations.

THE PRODUCTION OPERATIONS STUDY GROUP will hold a meeting on Thursday, February 18 at 11:30 a.m. at the Midland Center.

Guest speaker will be Trevor West. Topic is "Water Jet Technology for Slimhole Horizontal Completions."

Drilling: Safety counts when cutting costs

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U.S. rig fleet was sold for pennies on the dollar, scrapped, shipped overseas or cannibalized for parts.

Benzer said companies need a wide range of options to survive. "That means rigs in different locations and different depth ratings." He said UTI companies will be better prepared to survive because of previous purchases of FWA, JSM, Cougar and Peterson. He said the fact that five deep rigs (18,000 - 25,000 ft.) that came with the Cougar purchase were rated for deep gas, and any deep gas revival could help with cash flow.

He said drilling companies must maintain safety while cutting costs. FWA/JSM is making more in-house repairs to rigs, because it not only saves money but provides work for company employees.

Benzer also believes in top-to-bottom, and creative marketing. To make sure more dollars come in the door, Benzer said UTI has developed a top-to-bottom marketing strategy that makes virtually everyone a salesman. "Everyone in the company has become involved in marketing from toolpushers to executives."

One creative marketing strategy worked out with Pioneer Natural Resources involved keeping three rigs running at a greatly reduced cost. The plan was so attractive to Pioneer that they are drilling the wells, even though they are not completing them.

He said the drilling company is becoming more competitive by stacking rigs in the field. "By stacking them at various locations around the Permian Basin, we can cut down transportation costs significantly." He said it cost about $500 a month to maintain a stacked rig whether it was in the field or the yard.

He said the drilling industry was pursing plans to have ad valorem taxes removed from rigs that are stacked in the field. "A stacked rig has no value." He noted that the company had just finished its ad valorem on 20 stacked rigs and it totaled $600,000 — enough to make a few paychecks.

"Despite the gloom and doom, I am upbeat about the prospects of the drilling industry to live through low prices. We have done it before and we will do it again."

Pitts: Yates believes Saddam will rock market

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He noted that Saddam's objectives differ from other oil producers. "Saddam wanted higher oil prices when he invaded Kuwait — money he needed to build his military forces. Now, he can't spend money to buy arms. But, he can - by keeping oil prices low — punish his enemies, first by reducing the income to Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iran, and others; second, by driving critical U.S. production to be shutdown and plugged forever."

Yates said Saddam will soon be able to rock the oil markets in either direction — destabilizing exporting countries as is happening today or punishing his enemies in consuming counties such as the U.S. by withholding oil from the market that we depend on. "Saddam could, in fact whipsaw consumers today if he chose to," Yates said.

The Roswell independent says worldwide inventory reports indicate an excess of only 700,000 barrels a day though 1998. This is exactly the same number of barrels increased Iraqi exports 14 months ago, to bring total Iraq production to 2:3 million barrels of export daily.

"This increase of oil exports over this period of time represents twice our estimate of actual surplus production. If 700,000 barrels of daily overproduction causes depression era prices, what would happen to prices if Saddam chose to withhold one or two million barrels a day?" Yates asks. "And, what if he chooses to do that in a few years when the world has almost no excess capacity available to fill the gap?"

He says current proposals by the Clinton Administration to lift the cap on Iraqi oil sales and by the French to throw sanctions entirely to the wind can only make a bad situation intolerably worse. "Neither proposal will help the Iraqi people. Both will escalate dramatically the power of Saddam to undermine his Arab neighbors and to further undermine U.S. domestic petroleum production."

Yates, the president of Harvey E. Yates Co. of Roswell, said economic weapons in Saddam's hands today make SCUDs look like paper airplanes. "Let us halt this insanity and step back to consider ways we can help the Iraqi people, stabilize the economies of the Middle East, protect the future of U.S. oil resources and, indeed, the entire domestic economy, while putting in place international structures that bring true peace and prosperity to the world."

There is no question that Iraqi oil imports, along with Saudi overproduction, Nymex intricacies, U.S. energy policy and other factors are playing a role in world oil prices, and world oil prices are playing a role in the destiny of America's domestic oil industry. The question is: How big a role compared to the Saudis.

Yates case makes sense. The problem is everything makes sense, and nothing makes sense as we sit confused and frightened in our bunker and try to calculate where the sniper fire is coming from.

John Paul Pitts is oil editor of the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

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U.S. Rig Count

	This Wk.	Last Wk.	Last Year
USA Land	439	445	818
USA Offshore	103	101	134
Canada	345	353	504
U.S. Directional	146	155	244
U.S. Horizontal	36	32	68
U.S. Gas	433	443	584
U.S. Oil	125	119	385

Permian Basin Rig Count One Year Ago

147

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Permian Basin

TEXAS	
DIST. #7C	
Coke	00
Concho	00
Crockett	01
Irion	00
Kimble	00
McCullough	00
Menard	00
Reagan	01
Runnels	00
Schleicher	01
Sutton	02
Terrell	00
Tom Green	00
Upton	01
DIST. #8	
Andrews	00
Brewster	00
Crane	01
Culberson	00
Ector	01
Glasscock	01
Howard	00
Hudspeth	00
Jeff Davis	00
Loving	00
Martin	03
Midland	07
Mitchell	00
Pecos	04
Presidio	00
Reeves	00
Sterling	00
Ward	01
Winkler	01
DIST. #8A	
Bailey	00
Borden	00
Cochran	00
Cottle	00
Crosby	02
Dawson	00
Dickens	00
Floyd	00
Gaines	02
Garza	00
Hale	00
Hockley	00
Kent	00
King	00
Lamb	00
Lubbock	00
Lynn	00
Motley	00
Scurry	00
Terry	00
Yoakum	00
TEXAS TOTAL	*30*
NEW MEXICO	
Chaves	02
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Lea	11
Roosevelt	00
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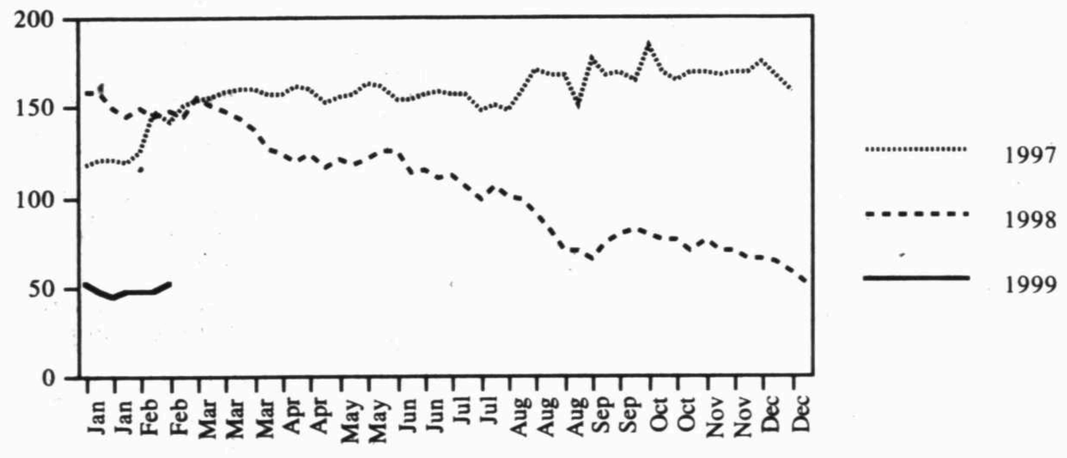

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SPR: U.S. will add to reserve of oil

WASHINGTON — To shore up the nation's shrinking protection against oil emergencies, the Clinton administration will announce on Thursday that it plans to add oil to the Strategic Petroleum Reserve for the first time since 1994.

To add to the reserve, the government will take royalty payments for wells on federal land in oil rather than money. The decision represents the first time since 1990 that the government has dedicated new resources to buying oil; then, Congress voted money for purchases .

The move is a sharp turnaround in policy and a hedge against a threat that looms ever smaller in the popular imagination. The strategic reserve was conceived as a billion-barrel shield against gasoline lines like the ones that formed during the Arab oil embargo of 1973-74 and again during the Iranian revolution of 1979.

But the reserve reached only a little more than half its expected level, and it has shrunk precipitously in the last few years as millions of barrels have been sold — at a loss of $10 a barrel or so — to help balance the federal budget.

Imports have grown by 60 percent since the Arab oil embargo as the country has switched to sport utility vehicles and domestic wells have run dry.

The oil remaining in the reserve, 561 million barrels, represents about 60 days of imports. When Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990 and import levels were lower, the reserve had nearly 90 days' supply.

Many oil experts, though doubtful that another war in the Mideast would produce shortages, given the free-flowing world oil market, say that crude oil would soar in price.

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson plans on Thursday to announce that the government will replace the 28 million barrels sold over the last few years at a rate of about 150,000 barrels a day, drawing on the government's 200,000-barrel-a-day royalties from offshore wells in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Energy Department and the Interior Department, which collects the royalties, already have authority to transfer the oil and no Congressional action is needed, officials said.

"The time to take this step is now, when prices are low and when we can save for a rainy day," Richardson said in a telephone interview.

Oil for March delivery Wednesday was $11.75 a barrel in New York. By contrast, the average purchase price of oil in the reserve is around $27 a barrel.

At the Petroleum Industry Research Foundation in New York, John H. Lichtblau said that adding to the reserve was sensible. "With the uncertainty in the Middle East, it's a lot cheaper than having military operations," he said. More of the world's oil will come from the Mideast as the years go by, he said.

ARCO Chairman says last days of oil age have begun

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — The 21st Century will bring a dramatic "new look" to the U.S. energy industry, with cleaner-burning natural gas and renewable motor fuels playing decisive roles in the energy mix of the future, ARCO Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Mike R. Bowlin told a meeting of industry leaders here today.

Speaking at the Cambridge Energy Research Associates' 18th annual executive conference, Bowlin said the world is entering "the last days of the Age of Oil," and the energy industry must respond wisely or face the consequences.

"Global demand for clean energy -- natural gas, renewables, electricity and new energy technologies -- will grow faster than overall demand for energy, including oil and coal," said Bowlin, who heads the nation's fifth largest oil and gas company.

"Ten or fifteen years from now there still will be a large and healthy market for oil -- of course. We hope that it would be a healthier market than today. But it is also true that the market share for oil will diminish, as the demand for other forms of energy grows."

The energy equations of the 21st Century, focusing on alternative fuels, will leave oil and gas companies with a critical choice, said Bowlin: "Embrace the future and recognize the growing demand for a wide array of fuels; or ignore reality and slowly -- but surely -- be left behind."

Bowlin predicted that natural gas, which he described as "a still under- appreciated energy source," will be vital for economic growth in the developing world. He described ARCO as "a believer in an expanding role for gas in Asia" where liquefied natural gas (LNG) may account for up to a tenth of total energy demand by 2010.

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"We all have a stake in a prosperous society and a clean environment," said Bowlin. "To ensure both, our industry must be able to deliver a competitively priced product that meets the demands of our customers and government."

Bowlin called on the energy industry to join automakers in a major new effort to develop clean fuels. "Working cooperatively with the autos to determine the most cost-effective combination of vehicle and fuel technologies is the key to achieving our mutual goals," Bowlin said. As an example of industry initiative, he cited ARCO's role in developing reformulated gasoline in California, where ARCO is headquartered. In 1989, ARCO introduced the world's first cleaner-burning gasoline, EC-1, at its Los Angeles-area stations. Ultimately, reformulated gasoline was mandated for all of the state.

"The issues of the day -- while demanding our attention -- should never prevent us from planning for tomorrow," Bowlin said. "I believe that the energy industry of the 21st Century will be more competitive, more diverse and more dynamic than today. The challenge is not merely to survive today's low prices, but to plan for a future in which hydrocarbons are just one of a wide variety of fuels that will build the global economy of the 21st Century."

Conoco strengthens its Gulf of Mexico deepwater portfolio

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Conoco announced an agreement with Exxon Corporation to exchange interest in 59 deepwater blocks in the Gulf of Mexico.

Conoco acquired a 50-percent interest in 29 of Exxon's blocks, while Exxon acquired a 50-percent interest in 30 of Conoco's blocks. Conoco was the sole lessee of its 30 blocks and will retain a 50-percent interest in each. The acreage is in Green Canyon, Garden Banks, Walker Ridge and Keathley Canyon areas in the Gulf of Mexico.

"The Gulf of Mexico continues to be one of the great growth opportunities for oil and gas in the U.S., and these newly acquired interests are perfectly aligned with our exploration strategy to focus on deepwater," said Rob McKee, Conoco executive vice president, exploration production. "This exchange increases our access to acreage and at the same time spreads economic and geological risks."

Conoco is a leading deepwater leaseholder in the Gulf of Mexico, with interests in 295 blocks -- amounting to 1.2 million net acres (or 1.7 million gross acres) -- in water depths up to 10,500 feet.

Later this month, Conoco and R & B Falcon will debut their ultra-deepwater drillship, the Deepwater Pathfinder. It is the world's first new-build drillship capable of drilling in depths as great as 10,000 feet. The Deepwater Pathfinder will spend its first five years drilling in the Gulf of Mexico for Conoco.

"To improve drilling efficiency and achieve cost reductions, we've introduced a very focused set of team building sessions with the crew of the Deepwater Pathfinder and the Lafayette operations staff. The team's goal is to improve drilling performance daily and achieve optimal performance early in the drilling program," McKee said. "I believe this unique approach, which has been successfully used by a limited number of other companies, will have very tangible results."

Swift Energy completes major exploratory well with Chevron

HOUSTON (PRNewswire) — Swift Energy Company announced today that it has completed the drilling of a significant new field discovery on the 70,000 acres in central Texas that it is jointly developing with Chevron USA Production Company. The Swift-operated Rancho Cullen No. 1-H exploratory well, on a five-hour test, produced at rates in excess of 17.5 million cubic feet of natural gas per day on a 20/64" choke, at a tubing pressure of 8,175 psig. The test pressure drawdown during the testing was only 9.2 percent of the shut-in tubing pressure, which is an indication that the well may be capable of producing at rates analogous to other wells drilled in the prolific Brenham Dome area to the northeast. The better Brenham Dome wells have experienced initial producing rates from 40 to 100 million cubic feet of gas per day and have estimated reserves of approximately 25 billion cubic feet of natural gas equivalent per well. Production facilities and a connecting pipeline are being constructed capable of handling up to 80 million cubic feet of gas per day. This construction should be completed by mid-February.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 14,450 feet with a single horizontal lateral measuring 4,086 feet. Swift Energy, the operator, has a 45.8 percent working interest and Chevron USA Production Company, a subsidiary of Chevron Corporation (NYSE: CHV) owns 50 percent. Swift and Chevron each maintain a 50 percent interest in the joint production area, where further drilling will take place in 1999.

Terry E. Swift, President and Chief Operating Officer, remarked, "The collaborative effort of personnel from Chevron and Swift has been remarkable. Development drilling operations for the Rancho Cullen prospect, which consists of approximately 25,000 acres of the joint development area, will commence during the second quarter in the immediate area surrounding the Rancho Cullen No. 1-H well. We are extremely pleased with the exploratory test results and expect further success as we develop this large joint venture area with Chevron."

Swift Energy Company is an independent oil and gas company engaged in the exploration, development, acquisition and operation of oil and gas properties, with a focus on U.S. onshore natural gas reserves. Founded in 1979 with headquarters in Houston, Texas, the Company has achieved outstanding growth rates in proved oil and gas reserves, production, and cash flow over the last five years through a disciplined program of low to medium risk acquisition and drilling, while maintaining a strong financial position.

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Survey finds oil glut, stagnant demand send oil industry into depression again

HOUSTON (AP) — A glut of oil and almost stagnant demand are contributing to yet another downward spiral that has not yet reached bottom for the oil industry, according to an annual industry report released Monday.

"We've kind of been here before," Joseph Stanislaw, president of Cambridge Energy Research Associates, said Monday, announcing with partner Arthur Andersen the firms' 13th annual World Oil Trends report. "It seems relentless. It goes up and it goes down. Unfortunately, it's going up and down at a lower level."

It's the fourth time in the last 15 years for the energy industry to slip into a depression.

"There may be turmoil but there are different degrees of turmoil," said Victor Burk, managing director of Arthur Andersen's worldwide energy industry services group. "What we are seeing is a fundamental change in the industry itself. And two years from now, the industry that will exist in the U.S., the oil and gas industry, will be quite different from what we saw in 1997-1998."

The study shows world oil demand, while growing for the 15th consecutive year, was up only 0.3 percent in 1998 from the previous year, the smallest increase since 1985.

At the same time, world crude oil and natural gas liquids production reached 72.75 million barrels per day, an all-time high. OPEC production grew to 27.84 million barrels per day, the highest level since 1979, although the study found the bulk of the growth was due to full production by Iraq while output for most other OPEC member countries declined.

"We're in a period where supply and demand is out of balance," Burk said.

The result in the United States has been reduced investment in the industry, loss of 41,000 jobs and shutting of 136,000 oil wells and 57,000 gas wells in the past 15 months, unprecedented mergers and acquisitions, and a struggle for survival among smaller oil independents and oil services companies.

"One looks around and one sees certainly a lot of fear," Stanislaw said. "If I'm in the oil industry, I have to ask myself: 'Is there really a home for oil?'"

The researchers said one key to recovery was improvement in the Asian and Russian economies, although they were not optimistic that would happen any time soon because of political crises there.

> **"Is there really a home for oil?**
>
> Joseph Stanislaw, President of Cambridge Energy Research Associates

"Low oil prices will not stimulate demand in Asia and Russia right now," Stanislaw said. "It has nothing do with price. Lack of economy is the problem."

He termed the resulting overall glut an "oil bubble."

"We've been here before with low prices," he said. "One thing different about it now is the driving force of demand. In fact, there is no demand. It's not that there is too much supply. It's that all that demand that we thought was going to be there is not there.

"There's a big bubble of oil out there."

The analysts said the picture was further muddied because economic problems in Brazil and Mexico ran counter to the Far East situation. Oil demand in those countries has continued to grow, they noted.

"If you're a producer, if you're a private company in Texas, in London or Scotland or Malaysia ... or in Venezuela or Mexico, you have a tough slog ahead," Stanislaw said.

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Chevron to relocate unit to improve efficiency

SAN FRANCISCO (PRNewswire) — Chevron announced a relocation of employees in its petroleum technology unit in La Habra, Calif., primarily to the San Francisco Bay Area in order to achieve more efficient coordination with internal customers, reduce costs and position for the future.

The move will affect about 330 scientists, engineers and technical support people. The primary relocations will be to Chevron's professional offices in San Ramon, Calif., and technology center in Richmond, Calif. Some job reductions will occur, with the number to be determined over the next several weeks.

> 'This will place some of our most powerful technical groups at the San Ramon headquarters.'
>
> Don Paul, Vice President

"This will place some of our most powerful technical groups at the San Ramon headquarters of our major internal customer and our growth company, Chevron Overseas Petroleum Inc. (COPI)," said Don Paul, Chevron's corporate vice president of technology. "With COPI's expanding oil and gas businesses around the world, this consolidation will better integrate our support of their work and new technology initiatives."

The long-term savings are yet to be finalized, but are integral to the corporation's announced goal of achieving sustained reductions in costs throughout the company.

"We realize this action will cause considerable personal difficulty for our employees and their families," said Paul. "This also hits home personally because I started with Chevron at La Habra and worked there in a number of assignments."

Paul added, "We're saddened about the impact of this departure on Chevron's relationship with the city of La Habra, which basically grew up around this facility, built more than 50 years ago as part of a major Chevron oil field. We'll do our best to minimize the effects of this transition."

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Oxy USA Inc
Oxy Braveheart Federal #1
Logan Draw Morrow; T17S, R27E, Sec 21; 1650 FNL 1650 FWL; D&A; EL 3462 GL; TD 9318; API #30-025-39848
SDX Resources
Marathon 25 State #8
Red Lake; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 990 FNL 1650 FWL; EL 3681 GL; TD 3505, PBTD 3454; productio nis through treated perfs 2689-3166; IPP 20 BOPD, 15 MCFD; API #30-015-29967
ARCO Permian
Washington "33" State #2
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 33; 990 FNL 930 FEL; EL 3677 GL; TD 4150, PBTD 4109; production is through treated perfs 2506-2848; IPP 1 BOPD, 60 MCFD; API #30-015-30187
Marbob Energy Corp
Burch Keely Unit #290
Gb-Jackson; T17S, R29E, Sec 26; 1295 FNL 1980 fEL; EL 3580 GL; TD 4723, PBTD 4700; production is through treated perfs 4228-4566; IPP 63 BOPD, 74 MCFD: API #30-015-30453
Marbob Energy Corp
Barnsdall Federal #9
East Empire; T17S, R29E, Sec 27; 990 FNL 990 FEL; EL 3579 GL; TD 4694, PBTD 4661; production is through treated perfs 4050-4455; IPP 33 BOPD, 71 MCFD: API #30-015-30391
Marbob Energy
Barnsdall Federal #11
East Empire; T17S, R29E, Sec 27; 1650 FNl 330 FEL; EL 3576 GL; TD 4705, PBTD 4650; production is through treated perfs 4170-4503; IPP 58 BOPD, 83 MCFD; API #30-015-30392
Yates Petroleum Corp
AOJ Fed Com #3
Shugart; T19S, R31E, SEc 9; 1650 FSL 660 FWL; EL 3496 GL; TD 12340, PBTD 12291; production is through treated perfs 12086-12131; IPF 4124 MCFD; API #30-105-30121
Yates Petroleum Corp
Big Freddy Unit #3
Sittin gbulls Falls; T23S, R22E, sec 36; 2310 FNL 2410 FEL; re-entry of Americna Quasar Petroleum Co. Huber St. #1; EL 4410 GL; TD 10210, PBTD 10150; production through perfs 10052-10137; IPF 1208 MCFD; API #30-015-21444

Lea County

Falcon Creek Resources
FCR 20 St #1
Eumong; t20S, R36E, Sec 20; 660 FNL 1750 FWL; EL 3629 GL; TD 4150, PBTD 4083; production is through fractured, treated perfs 3937-3985; IPP 18 BOPD, 209 MCFD; API #30-025-34474
Falcon Creek Resources
FCR 20 St #3
Eumong; T20S, R36E, Sec 20; 1930 FNL 1980 FEL; EL 3617 GL; TD 4200, PBTD 4158; production is through treated perfs 3937-3985; IPP 2 BOPD, 385 MCFD; API #30-025-34511
Yates Petroleum Corp
Alphabet Unit #1
North Grama Ridge Bone Spring; T21S, R34E, Sec 8; 330 FNL 1650 FWL; D&A; EL 3718 GL; TD 10042; API #30-025-33209
KD Boyd Oil & Gas
Littman 8 Federal #2
Littman; T21S, R38E, Sec 8; 1980 FSL 1980 FWL; EL 3572 GL; TD 4500, PBTD 4230; production is through perfs 3122-3152; IPF 3 BOPD, 222 MCFD; API #30-025-33699
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Johnson Ranch; T24S, $33E, Sec 26; 1980 FSL 1650 FWL; EL 3527 GL; TD 13868, PBTD 13748; production is through treated perfs 13246-13264, 13321-24, 13487-13498; IPF 15 BOPD, 1576 MCFD; API #30-025-33512

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#5132
Ft. Chadbourne; Pedro Martinez #299 Sur; 5187 FSE 794 FSWL of sur; EL 2048 GL; Contr: bandera Drilling; TD 5690, PBTD 5645; production is through treated perfs 5520-5580; IPP 189 BOPD, 80 mcfd

Runnels County

Delray Oil
#11 Raymond Rush
Talpa, SW (Dog Bend oil); ETRR Co. Sur 110, A-828; 467 FNL 467 FEL of sur; EL 1906; contr: Safari Drilling; TD 3790, PBTD 3210; production is through treated perfs 3078-3084; IPP 2.9 BOPD, 5 mcfd

Terrell County

Chevron USA
#1 Mitchell
South Branch (Wolfcamp gas); CCSD&RGNG RR Co Sur, Blk 1, Sec 9; 2100 FSL 1650 FEL; EL 2666 GL; Contr: Nabors Drilling; TD 10700, PBTD 10540; production is through treated perfs 10455-10475; IPCAOF 2,475 mcfd

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Andrews County

Steller Energy & Investment
FX #3
Clabberhill; UL Sur, Blk 9, Sec 32; 660 FEL 676.83 FNL of lse; 14 miles SW of Andrews; EL 3166 KB; contr: CapStar; TD 5600, PBTD 5545; production is through treated perfs 5400-5437; IPP 2 BOPD; permit #480669; API #42-003-01627

Martin County

Nimrod Petroleum
Reed 39 #1
Perriwinkle (Canyon); T&P RR Sur, Blk 34, Sec 39; 515 FNL 609 FWL of lse; 4.25 miles S'ly of Ackerly; El 2680 GL; Contr: J.S.M. Drilling; TD 10079, PBTD 9817; production is through treated perfs 9500-9530, 9665-9700; IPF 259 BOPD; 50 MCFD; permit #479447; API #42-317-34200

Pecos County

Younger Energy Company
Mary Jo Delker #1
Ft Stockton; GC&SF RR Co/A Riggs Sur, Blk 114, Sec 4; 330 FSL 330 FWL of lse; 5 miles NW of Ft. Stockton; EL 3858 DF; Contr: Sol Well Service; TD 3285, PBTD 2855; production is through perfs 2810-2830, 2802-2807, 2792-2797; IPP 2 BOPD, trace gas; permit #450347; API #42-371-05371
Riata Energy
Longfellow #301
Pinon (Overthurst); Mrs. J.P. Mullins/J.S. Talley Sur, Blk 168, Sec 2; 1013 FEL 7100 FSL of lse; 26 miles SE of Ft. Stockton; EL 4227 GL; Contr: Lariat Services; TD 7600; produciton is through treated perfs 5790-6504; CAOF 340 MCFD; permit #476305; API #42-371-36837

Winkler County

Ocean Energy
G.P. Mitchell "A"
Wink (Bone Springs); PSL/J.D. Hudson Sur, Blk 28; Sec 37; 1980 FNL 1980 FWL of lse; 14 miles SW of Kermit; EL 2881 KB; TD 18960, PBTD 11969; production is through fractured , treated perfs 11696-11923; IPP 29 BOPD; permit #477942; API #42-495-30150

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Gaines County

Altura Energy Ltd
Denver Unit #7562
Wasson; PSI/M.L. Cunningham Sur, Blk Ax, Sec 49; 9351 FSl 10971 FWL of unit; 2.4 miles S of Denver City; EL 3554 KB; Contr: Key Energy Drilling; TD 5379, PBTD 5376; production is through treated perfs 4881-5067; IPP 72 BOPD, 354 MCFD; permit #475290; API #42-165-35347

Hockley County

Wheeler Operating
A.A. Slaughter Estate #153
Leeper (Glorieta); Lge 36, Lbr 62, Zavalla CSL; 2990 FNE corner line 3990 FSL of lse; 2 miles S of Clauene; EL 3482 GL; Contr: Key Energy Drilling; TD 6596; production is through treated perfs 6400-6596; IPP 10 BOPD, 3 MCFD; permit #480245; API #42-219-36453

Enron plans to sign $8 billion in gas, power supply

HOUSTON (Bloomberg) — Enron Corp. said it plans to sign contracts valued at about $8 billion in 1999 to supply natural gas and electricity to commercial customers, more than double what it signed in 1998.

The Houston-based company also said it expects to sign an energy contract with an unidentified "large U.S. customer" in the first half of this year.

Enron is one of the largest of a small, but growing number of U.S. companies offering to sell natural gas and electricity to large consumers as markets worldwide open to competition. Enron and its rivals offer contracts at prices lower than those of regulated utilities, and helps clients find ways to reduce their energy consumption.

"Enron has set a very aggressive goal for 1999 in its energy services business, one they could reach because of all the companies that want to outsource their energy management," said Raymond Niles, an analyst at Schroder & Co., who has an "outperform significantly" rating on Enron's stock.

Enron gave its contract estimates and disclosed the talks with the potential customer last week at an analysts conference in Houston. Enron spokesman Mark Palmer confirmed the estimates and that Enron is in talks today, but would elaborate.

If Enron reaches its goal, it won't actually record $8 billion in revenue on its books. The figure represents the amount its clients estimate they will spend on energy and related services over the life of their contracts. Enron plans to sell power and gas to those clients for less than those estimates while still making a profit on the sales.

The company is able to buy gas and electricity at low prices through its nationwide network of suppliers. The savings Enron offers and revenue and profit it makes will vary with each contract.

Enron's energy services unit has lost money every quarter since it began operating as a separate business in the first quarter of 1997. The company attributes the losses to the high cost of starting a new business, including hiring staff, opening new offices and finding customers.

Last week, Enron President Jeffrey Skilling said he expected the unit to record its first profit in the fourth quarter of this year. Big Clients

In 1998, Enron signed contracts with clients who expected to spend $3.8 billion on energy during the life of the agreements. Those transactions included a $500 million, four-year agreement with the California State University and the University of California systems and a $280 million, four-year agreement with Pacific Telesis Group, a unit of SBC Communications Inc.

Japan Energy widens parent loss outlook

TOKYO (Bloomberg) — Japan Energy Corp., Japan's second-largest listed oil distributor, said it widened its forecast for a parent net loss because of declining oil prices, stock evaluation losses and early retirement costs.

The company said it expects to post a parent net loss of 19 billion yen ($166.6 million) in the year to March, instead of a 5 billion yen loss. Sales will be 1.2 trillion yen, instead of 1.36 trillion yen.

The company said in a statement it will sell real estate and shares in an affiliate in a bid to reduce long- and short-term debt by 200 billion yen by March 2002 and to return to profit. It will slash its workforce to 2,400 by April 2000 from 3,200 as of April 1998, and to fewer than 1,500 by 2003.

It forecasts a parent net profit of 6 billion yen in the year to March 2000, on sales of 1.26 trillion yen. That would be three times the estimate by Toyo Keizei Inc., a financial information company.

Margins at Japanese oil companies fell last year as retailers competing for market share cut gasoline prices and as demand for other oil products fell, analysts said.

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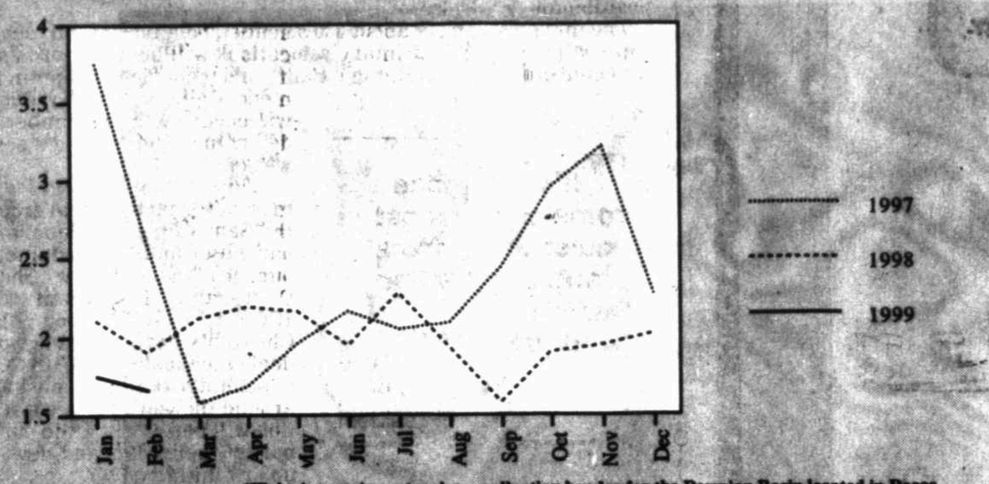

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Waha Averages

This month	Last Month
$1.66	$1.75

Current Spot Prices

- **Mid Continent** (Arkoma) **$1.74**
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- **Rocky Mountain** (Wyoming) **$1.61**

Crude Oil Prices

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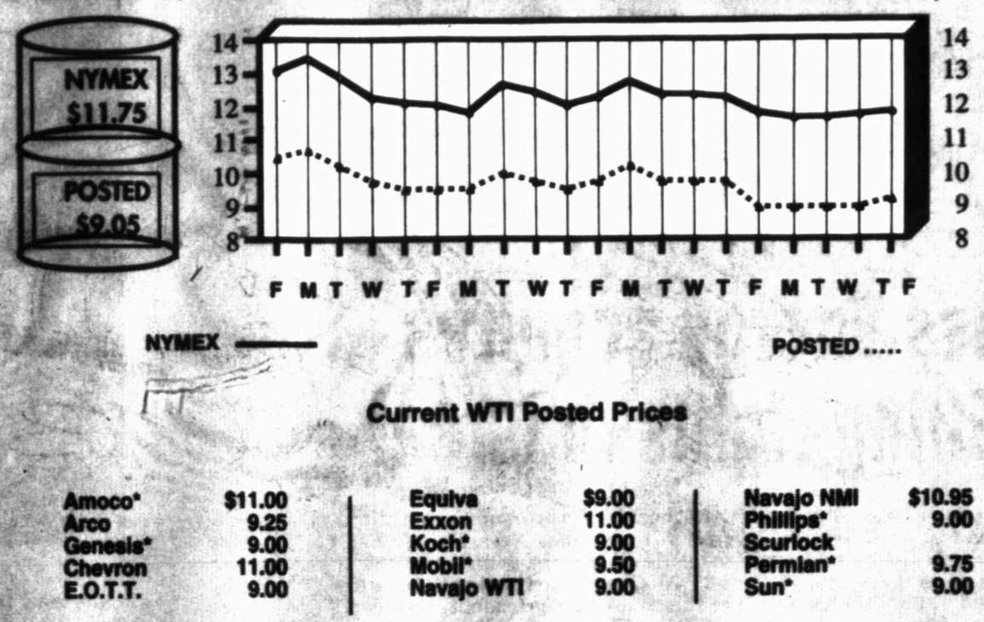

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Yates Drilling Co.
Spurck 15 St Com #1
Red Lake; T17S, R28E, Sec 15; 1980 FSL 660 fWL; 11 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 10,300 Morrow; API #30-015-30560
Yates Drilling Co.
Spurck 16 St Com #1
Red Lake; T17S, R28E, Sec 16; 1980 FSL 2180 FEL; 12 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 10,300 Morrow; API #30-015-30561
Yates Drilling Co.
Spurck 16 St Com #2
Red Lake; T17S, R28E, Sec 16; 660 FNL 1980 FWL; 12 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 10,200 Morrow; API #30-015-30561
Stevens & Tull Inc
Crooked Canyon Fed #1
Little Box Canyon; T20s, R21E, Sec 35; 1650 FSL 660 FEL; 23 miles SW of Lakewood; Rot 8400 Morrow; API #30-015-30559
Marathon Oil Co.
Indian Hills Unit #18
Indian Basin; T21S, R24E, Sec 20; 409 FSL 2324 FEL; 14.5 miles NW of Carlsbad; Rot 7800 Upper Penn/ API #30-015-30564
Santa Fe Energy Res
Nagooltee Peak 5 Fed Com #5
Indian Basin; T22S, R24E, Sec 5; 2045 FSL 2200 FWL; 14.5 miles W of Carlsbad; Rot 8500 Upper Penn; API #30-015-30558
Penwell Energy Inc.
Hackberry 29 Fed #5
Happy Valley; T22S, R26E, Sec 29; 1880 FNL 1650 FWL; ROT 5000 Delaware; API #30-015-30557

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Reagan County

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Spraberry Driver Unit #1678A
Spraberry (Trend Area)-d; T&P RR Co. Sur, A-657, Blk 36, T5S, Sec 33; 9941 FSL 29806 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEl of survey; 9 miles SW of St Lawrence; obj: 8600; permit #482395; API #42-383-34984

Tom Green County

Bob Hughes Oil Co
Turner Estate A #1
Hall (San Andres)-re-enter; H&TC RR Co/W. Turner Sur, A-8104, Blk 5, Sec 60; 2017 FWL 1800 FNL of lse; 2017 FWL 1800 FNL of survey; 10 miles S of Carlsbad; obj: 2000; permit #482390; API #42-451-31897

Upton County

Arco Permian
D.L. Alford #1A
Benedum (Ellenburger)-D; P.B. Scott #50-1/2, A-357; 1977 FNL 4643 FWL of lse; 1977 FNL 4643 FWL of survey; 12 miles NE of Rankin; obj: 12500; permit #842406; Api #42-461-33969
Burlington Res Oil & Gas
McCamey Unit #S251
McCamey-D; J Nidever #2/R. Harris Sur, A-749; 3.5 miles NE of McCamey; 2975 FSL 4547 FWL of lse; 2310 Fn'LYN line 2310 FN'LYE line of survey; 3.5 miles NE of McCamey; obj: 2950; permit #472477; API #42-461-33901

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Andrews County

John R. Parish
Mobil University "4" #3
Fullerton (San Andres)-D; Ul Sur, Blk 13, Sec 4; 500 FWL 500 FSL of lse; 2140 FNL 2140 FEL of survey; 18 miles NW of Andrews; obj: 4700; permit #482390; API #42-003-38466
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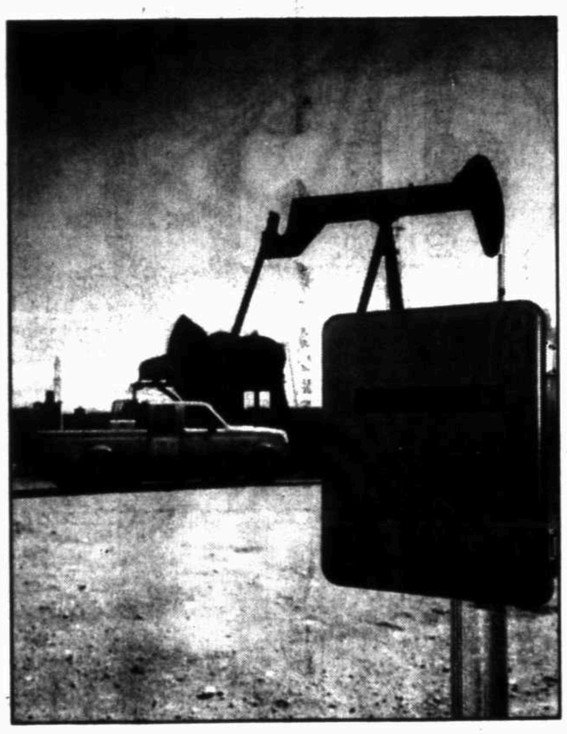

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Yates Petroleum Corp
Riverside ASS St Com #1
Wildcat; T17S, R27E, Sec 8; 1650 FSL 660 FEL; 5 miles E of Artesia; Rot 9100 Morrow; API #30-015-30563
Nearburg Prod. Co.
Cone Butte 19 Fed #1
Wildcat; T22S, R24E, Sec 19; 622 FNL 1987 FEL; 16 miles SW of Carlsbad; Rot 11,000 Morrow; API #30-015-30553

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Concho County

Pickens Company
Fritz #5125
Wildcat-D; T&NO RR Co. Sur, A-890, Blk 72, Sec 125; 1700 FSL 8889 FEL of ls;e; 1675 FWL 1700 FSL of survey; 4 miles w of Millersview; obj: 3500; permit #482383; API #42-095-31849

Menard County

Morrow Resources
Swaim "39": #1
wildcat-D; A.B. & M. sur, A-40, Blk 2, Sec 39; 1770 FSL 2100 fWL of lse; 2250 FSL 2100 FWL of survey; obj: 3500; permit #482365; API #42-327-30872

Runnels County

Enrich Oil
Lynda Gottschalk #1
Wildcat-recompletion; Lawrence Martin #411 sur, A-381; 467 FNL 467 FEL of ls;e 2720 FWL 467 FWL of survey; 7 miles W of Winters; obj: 4800; permit #482387; API #42-399-34268

Ness Energy acquires drilling rights in Israel

WILLOW PARK, Texas (PRNewswire)— Kit Karson Corporation of Willow Park, Texas, is excited to report that Ness Energy has acquired 100% working interest in the Hesed License, which covers 55.3 square miles in the State of Israel. This concession covers the southwest end of the Dead Sea, where the company's president, Hayseed Stephens, believes major oil reserves are located beneath the tremendous salt dome, Har Sedom. The well, Elohim Perazim, has been staked and is located in the middle of the world's oldest oil seeps. Oil seeps were the first indicators for the presence of oil that have led to many major discoveries throughout the world, especially in the Middle East. The depth of the well is to be in excess of 20,000 feet deep. Updated geology, geophysical work, and seismic work indicates the main reservoir could have oil reserves of much more than 1 Billion barrels, making it a super-giant oil field. The main resource rocks are known to produce great reservoirs and have produced 20 giant, or super-giant, oil fields in similar geological regions nearby in this rift zone.

Kit Karson Corporation and Ness Energy International, Inc. have entered into an agreement where they will work in concert to raise the necessary funds to acquire the proper drilling equipment (30,000 ft deep Emsco drilling rig) and fund the drilling of this deep well at the lowest spot on earth, the Dead Sea. Ness Energy received the license on October 13, 1998 and, provided that the funding is in place, expects to begin drilling in the last quarter of 1999. Management is very excited about this acquisition, the financial potential for Israel and the Companies.

The president of KTKC is extremely thrilled about the potential of this Israel project, and is dedicating his time and energy to funding and drilling this historical undertaking. "After 41 years in the oil business, this is by far the most exciting venture that I have ever had the privilege of being a part of. This potential discovery could change history."

Kit Karson Corporation has been notified through the serving of a lawsuit that a demand is being made on the company for certain common shares. The demand group were not stockholders of record at the time Hayseed Stephens took control on December 22, 1997, and had not been of record since November 1985. Management has been advised there may be additional parties with similar demands.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

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Superior University -26- #1
Embar (5600)-recompletion; UL Sur, Blk 11, Sec 26; 600 FNL 990 FWL of lse; 1980 FNL 990 FWL of survey; 180 miles SW o f Andrews; obj: 5900; permit #482403; API #42-003-33518

Pecos County

Xeric Oil & Gas
Lindsey State #4001
Chancellor (Delaware Sand)-Field transfer; T&P RR Co.E.C. Williams Sur, A-8916, Blk 51, T10S, Sec 40; 500 FSL 500 FWL of lse; 500 FWSL 500 FWL of survey; 29 miles W of Ft Stockton; obj: 5980; permit #428393; API #42-371-36521

Winkler County

Apache Corp
Sealy-Smith Foundation "A" #35
Monahans, North (Clearfork)-recompletion; G&MMB&A Sur, A-43, Blk A, Sec. 52; 5737 FNL 4060 FWL of lse; 440 FNL 1250 FEL of survey; 17 miles SE of Kermit; obj: 9654; permit #482402; API #42-495-03387

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Yoakum County

Atasca Resources
Cleveland 665
Platang (San Andres)-recompletion; John H. Gibson/G. Cleveland Sur, A-513, Blk D, Sec 665; 990 FNL 2173 FEL of lse; 990 FNL 2173 FEL of survey; 11 miles SW of Plains; obj: 11401; permit #482366; API #42-501-33309

Petroleum Geo-Services updates project status

HOUSTON and OSLO, Norway (BUSINESS WIRE) — Petroleum Geo-Services ASA clarifies today's article published in a European oil and gas journal, "Upstream News." PGS wishes to express that the Company is quite satisfied with the performance of the "Ramform Banff" FPSO. With respect to delay penalties, PGS is fully aware of such penalties associated with the "Ramform Banff" project, which were taken into consideration in conjunction with the decision to upgrade the "Ramform Banff" to accommodate the production of the Kyle field. This added production should result in additional revenues exceeding $120 million.

In early 1998, PGS made the conscious decision to upgrade the production capacity of the "Ramform Banff" from 60,000 barrel per day ("bopd") to 95,000 bopd. This decision was then anticipated to delay the first oil date, and therefore invoke penalties built into the Conoco contract. The expected penalties were factored into the economic analysis supporting the upgrade decision. Estimated penalties have been built into the cost of the project and were accrued in the Company's balance sheet at Dec. 31, 1998. The final amount of the penalties is subject to ongoing discussions with Conoco, but is not expected to be materially different from the amount accrued by PGS. The eventual penalty will be paid over a period of time which is also subject to discussion. PGS' 1999 revenues or operating results will not be directly impacted by the anticipated penalties.

In addition, with respect to the news article's reference to the daily costs incurred from the time the vessel left the yard until the first oil date, these costs were related to installation of the subsea system, the connection of the riser system and ongoing vessel commissioning procedures. These anticipated costs are also a component of the FPSO's construction cost. In accordance with the contract, PGS will be reimbursed for approximately $35 million of such costs, 30 days after the first oil date, which occurred on Feb. 1, 1999.

Bjarte Bruheim, PGS' President and Chief Operating Officer stated, "We continue to be proud of this project which has grown tremendously in scope due to the Kyle field tie in and recent upgrades in the recoverable reserves from the Banff field. We were very willing to deal with some late penalties on this project in order to make room for production from an additional field estimated to contain between 33 and 43 million barrels of oil. The upgrade adds significant additional revenues and was, in my view, a solid and well thought out business decision."

Petroleum Geo-Services is a technologically focused oilfield service company involved in the business of acquiring, processing, managing and marketing 3D and 4D marine seismic data. Such data is used by oil and gas companies in the exploration for new reserves, the development of existing reservoirs, and the management of producing oil and gas fields. The Company also provides floating production systems, offshore management services, data management solutions, 4D and 4C reservoir monitoring and characterization studies and other specialized geophysical services. PGS operates on a worldwide basis with headquarters in Houston, Texas and Oslo, Norway.

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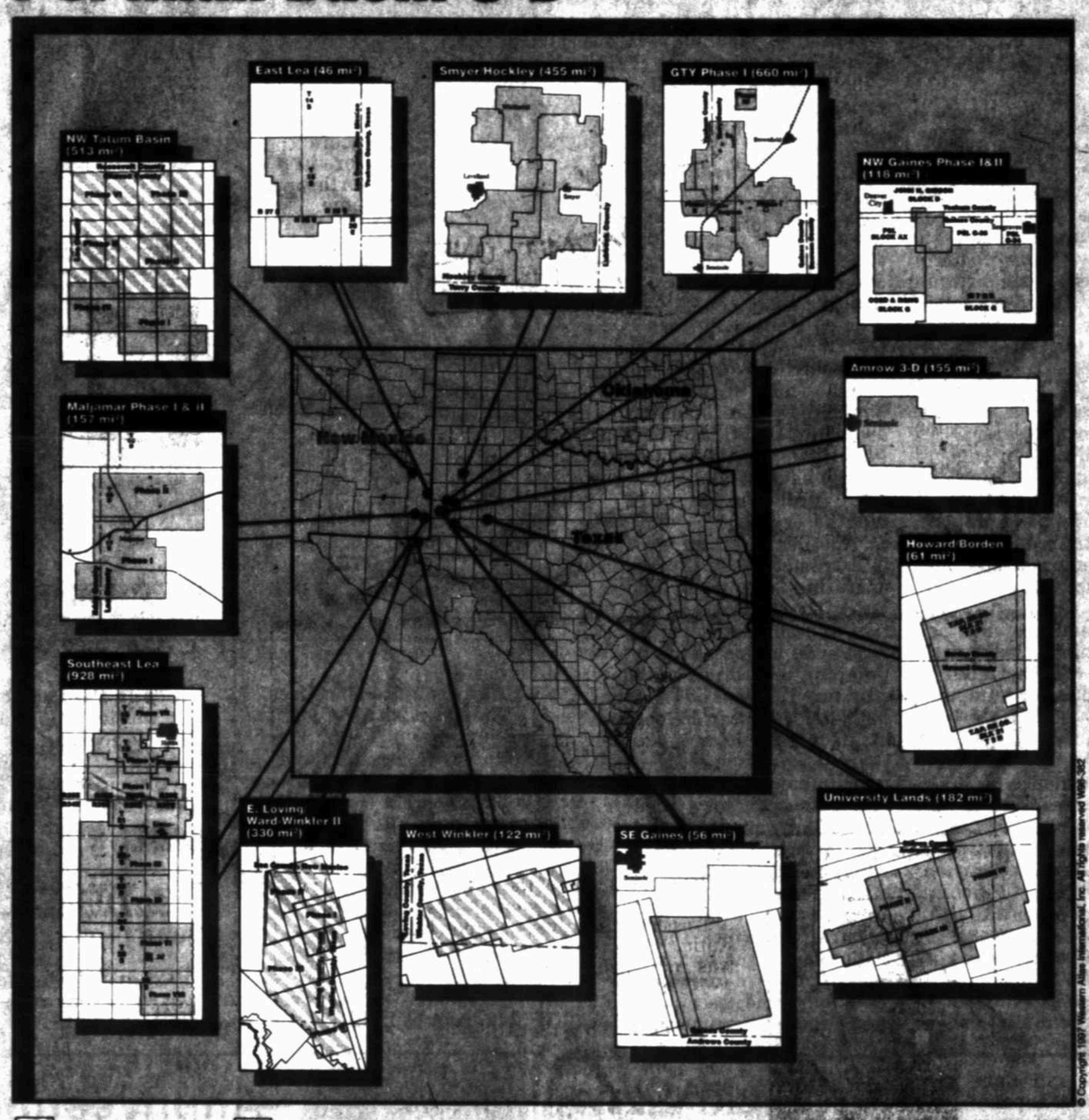

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